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A Good Suggestion.

—A correspondent of the *Statesman* proposes a remedy for illegal voting; a remedy equally fair to both Republicans and Democrats; one which will work no inconvenience to honest men. The remedy is this:

Let the Legislature pass a law requiring every man who desires to vote to register his name in the precinct in which he expects to vote at the time he casts his vote; let him prove to the judges of election that he has paid his poll and road tax of previous assessment, by exhibiting a receipt for the same, unless he is exempt under statute, and in such case, let him prove the same by a certificate from the county court of the county in which he resides. This will, in a manner, compel men to comply with the law and prevent fraud and rascality. I heard a man say he had lived in Oregon over twenty years and yet he had never worked the roads on his own account. This man was able-bodied and was always on hand at elections to cast his vote.

All There is of it.

—The impeachment trial of Belknap was begun in the Senate on the 17th. When the minutes of the court of impeachment had been read by Gorman, Secretary of the Senate, and the return of the writ served upon the ex-secretary having been read, and the sergent-at-arms having called upon him to answer, Carpenter, of counsel for the ex-secretary, read and filed a plea denying the jurisdiction of the Senate to try Belknap on the articles of impeachment as he was not an officer of the United States at the time such articles were found and presented to the Senate; that he has not since been, nor is now an officer of the United States; but was and is a private citizen of the United States and of the State of Iowa. Lord on the part of the managers asked that time be allowed them, until Wednesday, the 19th, to consider what replication shall be made to the plea of Belknap and it was so ordered by the Senate, and the Senate as a Court of impeachment adjourned. And that is all there is of it, at this time.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

The green fruit dealers of New York have just balanced their accounts for 1875, and find that they are "out" about \$700,000 on the Mediterranean business alone. This loss was not due to the general depression, or a light demand, as the imports last year exceeded those for 1874. But the percentage of loss in transit was unusually great; and then the people of Europe were willing to pay more than Americans for their oranges and lemons. The value of the green fruit imported at New York alone last year reached \$3,455,000, upon which \$620,072 in duty was paid to the government.

This business has attained such a magnitude, and is of so peculiar a character, that a few facts in regard to it will be of interest. A large part of the choice fruit consumed in this country is imported from the Mediterranean countries in fast sailing vessels constructed on purpose for this trade. In 1875 a total of 366,815,660 oranges and lemons were received at New York from that region. Notwithstanding the great precautions always taken to preserve the fruit in condition, the proportion which perishes at sea is very serious. Of the entire season's receipts of lemons, twelve per cent. spoiled on the way, while thirty-two per cent. of the oranges were condemned on arrival. Very large quantities of choice grapes are also brought from the Mediterranean region. The imports in 1875 reached 32,252 packages. These found a ready market in all parts of the United States. The West India fruit trade is also

assuming large proportions; but for some reason it is even more risky than the Mediterranean business. The imports of oranges at New York last year from the southern islands aggregated 22,550,375, of which 40 per cent. were ruined on the passage. Some times whole cargoes are found to be entirely worthless. One steamer load of 72,000 oranges from San Ann's Bay was a total loss last season. The quantity of bananas disposed of annually in the United States may be judged from the fact that 123 cargoes, valued at \$315,267, were imported at New York in 1875. Pine-apples are also brought from the West Indies by the ship load, 97 cargoes have been sold at New York during the past season. The fruit business with several of the West India Islands is increasing rapidly, giving employment to quite a fleet of steamers.

Fruit grown for the American markets in either the West India Islands or the Mediterranean country must be picked while green and hurried forward as rapidly as possible. If it is allowed to hang on the trees too long, or is plucked too soon, the chances of its spoiling before arrival are very great. Should the vessel be unexpectedly delayed by accident or boisterous weather, the risk of damage to cargo is largely enhanced. To have the fruit arrive in good condition every step must be taken at just the right time and in the proper way. Otherwise heavy loss is the result. But the fruit-dealers usually charge enough on the good fruit to make up for shrinkage and other loss.

Drifts and Tow Heads 1876.

Upper Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon.)
 April 23, 1876.
 At a Special meeting of the Columbia River Fishermen's Beneficial Aid Society, the following regulations for the government of all concerned were adopted. That the following drifts and tow heads be established for the fishing season of 1876.
 First Drift. From Woody Island to Brown's point.
 Second Drift. From Brown's Point inside of Snag Island to the 12th red buoy.
 Third Drift. From the 15th buoy to Tongue Point.
 Fourth Drift. From Tongue Point to a point a little west of Booth's Cannery, at a place to be designated by a spile or some permanent mark.
 Fifth Drift. From the termination of the 4th drift to Smith's Point.
 Sixth Drift. From Smith's Point to the Pacific Ocean.
 Seventh Drift. From the red buoy in the Prairie channel to Tongue Point up or down.
 Eighth Drift. The big snag in Chinook shoot will be considered a tow head.
 The fishermen in Astoria, in council have mutually agreed to bind themselves to be governed by the foregoing drifts, and it is expected from boats outside of the Society that they will also conform to the same. Any fisherman who is not fortunate enough to be a member of this Society has still another opportunity to join this Society, by applying before the 10th day of May, 1876, in accordance with the notice published elsewhere in the *ASTORIAN*. After which time the initiation fees will be raised to twenty-five dollars.
 By order of the Society,
 THOMAS DEALEY, Sec.

Births, marriages and deaths will be inserted free of charge to subscribers to either the *DAILY* or the *WEEKLY ASTORIAN*. Births of marriages, when sent in by persons who are not subscribers to the paper, should be accompanied with one dollar, which will be placed to the credit of the party and the paper will be sent to the address for the full amount so paid to us.

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