

A SEA PORT?

Could not Load in Portland.

The return of shipments made by the Mountain Laurel shows that even little barks cannot load at Portland this year. The Mountain Laurel carries away 23,652 bushels of wheat, valued at \$46,381 74, but of this amount she was compelled to receive fully one fourth at Astoria. What a pretty spectacle this presents for a seaport situated as Portland is situated. Here is a little British bark of 687 tons register compelled to come from the big city of Portland-on-Wallamet with only about three fourths of her cargo on board. Will Bro. Natrop explain if the \$1 25 bonus per ton in this case, netting \$1,125 00 was more profitable to the grain ring than it would have been to pay the same amount to a few American citizens for lighterage? Are not all such transactions directly in violation of the laws of Congress providing against foreign vessels being employed in the coasting, domestic, local trade of the country? Here is a fact established beyond dispute that even the medium and smaller class of deep water vessels cannot go to Portland and obtain a full cargo, yet, in order to bolster up the pretended claims of that city, foreigners pay foreigners a bonus amounting to about \$1.25 per ton to go up to the wharves of that big city, and take on as much as can be taken on, and then return to Astoria to load for sea. It is a coasting business in violation of law, and should be stopped, but instead of stopping it Congress assists the fraud by throwing away thousands of dollars every year in the pretense of deeping the channel, and here we see that the channel is no better now than it was ten years ago. Insurance is vitiated by vessels getting aground in the creek, the laws are set at defiance, our own farmers and citizens are robbed to build up a little English colony at a point where nature never intended a city should be built, and none will ever be built, to outlive the present generation.

Wheat Land Country.

Mr. Philip Ritz, an experienced farmer of Walla Walla, writes from Butte creek, Wasco county, to the Walla Walla Statesman as follows: "I left Walla Walla about a week ago on a little horse back ride through the bunch grass country southeast of our beautiful valley, via Pendleton, Heppner, Lone Rock, Antelope, John Day's valley, Canyon City, Baker City, Eagle Creek mountain, Grand Ronde valley and home—about 700 miles.

What an empire of bunch grass there is in southeastern Oregon. Wheat and wool will be the great staples of this interior country. After making this trip I will have looked this country over carefully from the southern line of Oregon to the British possessions on the north, 500 miles in length; and from the Cascade mountains on the west to the Bitter Root on the east, 250 miles wide, and am fully convinced that the capacity of this country for wheat is fully 100,000,000 bushels per annum. In this portion of eastern Oregon, just as in Walla Walla valley, land that was considered only fit for bunch grass a few years ago, is now growing from 25 to 40 bushels of wheat per acre. Several years ago the wool product of California reached 11,000,000 pounds. It was then thought that the state had reached its maximum for wool. Last year the product was 67,000,000 pounds, and now the board of trade and the best informed people of the state say that it has reached its limit, as much of the land is too valuable to graze sheep on, and as this 'bunch

grass' country is being known, many will drive their flocks up here where there is a cheap range. After looking California over carefully two winters in succession, and this country over from one end to the other, I am convinced that its capacity for wool is fully twice that of California, but say 100,000,000 pounds, \$25,000,000 per annum, with the wheat interest, and what a wealthy country we must become in a short time, and Walla Walla will remain as it is, the geographical and commercial, as the political and social centre of a great empire.

Some of the Irreconcilables.

Some have heard the report of disagreements in Hayes' cabinet, or more mildly speaking, perhaps, of differences of opinions upon his so-called southern policy. It is known that three of the cabinet, to-wit: McCrary, Thompson and Sherman, declined to make themselves part of the presidential party at Marietta. The reason assigned is that they oppose the president's ultra-southern policy; and the idea is held forth that his visit to Marietta and the performances there were a parade over confederate members. Postmaster General Key was the principal speaker; but he said nothing which should have offended any northern man, who favored the federal cause. If any one should take offense at what he said, it should be the confederates of the south, who have not yet become thoroughly reconstructed. His speech claimed nothing for the confederates which patriotic men should deny them. He simply said that they desire to retain slavery, and thought themselves justified at the time in doing so. If the three cabinet officers named as having in advance declined for the reasons given, they seem to have had no sufficient reason for their action.

A large portion of the people of this country have been of the impression that the rebellion and the war are over; that we are one people again, and that General Key only expressed the general idea, when he said as much, that we henceforth had but one country, one flag, one destiny; that we are to live together, prosper or suffer together, to build and defend one united country, and that in our feelings we are to know no north, east, west or south, as opposing sections, but only as portions of a united country. If Sherman, Thompson and McCrary think otherwise, if such sentiments from a southern man, who bore arms in the war on the southern side, are unsatisfactory to them, they must belong to the irreconcilables, and should tender their resignations, and leave an administration which has given them offense, because it holds that the war is over and the union restored. If the telegram means that they were dissatisfied in advance with the sentiments of the president and the speech of General Key, we agree with the Alta, they cannot get out of the cabinet a day too soon.

—It is seldom enough that anybody learns by the experience of somebody else. So that it is not surprising that a woman is found who has learned nothing from the weary, litigious life of Mrs. Gaines, but now lays claim, like her, to the ownership of a city, and a property of many millions. It is not likely that the city of Lexington will be more willing than the city of New Orleans was to become the property of any one person, and however good Mrs. Miller's title may be, she is likely to grow as old as Mrs. Gaines in the business of trying to establish it. But it is strange that the size of the job never seems to deter these people. It was well said once that the National debt would never be repudiated—it was too big to be repudiated. So Mrs. Miller might reflect about her claim for something like thirty millions. It is too big a sum to be recovered.

—Gov. Wade Hampton, Postmaster General Key, and secretary Schurz were all at Louisville, Ky., on Saturday.

MARRIED.

In Seattle, Sept. 5th, Bradley W. Fisk and Miss Clara I. Provost.
In Seattle, Sept. 5th, David Anderson and Mrs. Fanny Provost.
In Seattle, Sept. 5th, John Collins and Angela B. C. Jackling.
In Port Townsend, Sept. 3d, Henry T. Williams and Mrs. Caroline Howard.
In Walla Walla, Sept. 2d, M. C. Seeke and Mrs. R. A. Clough.
In Waukegan, Sept. 2d, M. J. Harkness and Miss Roxanna Blampied.
In Seattle, Sept. 8th, W. R. Smith and Miss Margaret R. Jenkins.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Advertising: The Astorian has a larger circulation on the Columbia river than all other state papers combined.

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