

Plevna.

This place is about, as the crow flies, twenty-seven miles SSW of Nikopol, on the Danube, and five miles east of the Vid, one of the largest of the tributaries that descend from the northern slopes of the Balkans to the Danube. According to Kanitz, a recent Austrian traveller, the town has a population of 1,627 Mohammedan and 1,474 Christian families, comprising 17,000 souls. There are eighteen mosques, nine minarets, and two churches—one named after Saints Cyril and Methodius, the apostles of Bulgaria, the other after Saint Peter. Yet the French consul, who dismisses it with the brief remark, "Ville agreable; au bout de quelques heures j'en ai assez." Indeed, almost the only object of interest in it is the hospital, like most other works of public usefulness or benevolence in these regions—roads, schools, orphanages, savings banks, etc.—is a creation of Midhat Pasha while he was governor of the Vilayet of the Danube some years ago. The physician or surgeon was a German. Bulgarians, Circassians, Tartars, Gipsies used the hospital; the Turks seldom and with the greatest unwillingness. At the time of Kanitz visit there were a normal school and eight Turkish elementary schools, which were attended by 1,654 boys and 110 girls, while five Bulgarian schools had 921 boys and 50 girls. The river on which Plevna stands is the Tusewica, which just below the town is joined by the stream from Griwica, and the united waters fall into Vid about seven miles lower down. The valley is cut through limestone formation; steep, rough cliffs rise precipitously on the northern side, but the banks on the southern side are less difficult. All of the heights are covered with fruit trees and shrubs which make Plevna a very pretty object when seen from a distance. It is worth noting that most of the land all around is the property of Mussulman Bulgarians, descendants of renegade ancestors. Here, as elsewhere, this arrangement does not tend to promote harmony even among men of the same race.

Oregon and its Resources.

The following we clip from the San Francisco Journal of Commerce as a part of Oregon's products as displayed at the Mechanics' Fair:

One of the grandest sights at the pavilion is that afforded by the Oregon display which is immediately to the right of the main entrance. What it has shown has surprised many of our people, who did not expect to see the Webfoot show up so well. They are, however, wide awake, progressive and vigorous, and have in them all the elements of healthy progress. The articles exhibited are as follows:

OREGON GRAIN.

Wheat, oats, barley and rye are shown in great variety in berry and in straw; sheaves of wheat, oats and rye, from seven to nine feet high, attract much attention. The grain crop of Oregon this year will exceed seven million bushels, valued a seven million dollars, gold. At the Centennial last year, Oregon wheat was in competition with wheat from this and other countries, and found to weigh three pounds more per bushel than all others, a commercial advantage of considerable importance.

OREGON SALMON.

Salmon in cans, from the canning establishments on the Columbia river are all taken from stock, mostly in one pound cans. This product finds a ready market all over the world, especially in Europe.

Salmon oil and fish guano, prepared by the Astoria Oil company, from the refuse of the canneries, as lard is made from the odds and ends of pork packing establishments. The oil is an excellent lubricator and illuminator of good body and is said to equal sperm. The guano is an excellent fertilizer.

OREGON WOODS:

Maple, ash, myrtle and cedar, highly polished, beautiful colors and figures, also of a very fine grain, specially adapted to ornamental and cabinet work.

Also ship knees of Oregon pine, of immense size, showing an extreme fineness of grain and toughness of fibre even better for ship building on account of its greater durability and lightness than the far-famed oak of the Atlantic sea board. They resemble huge boots, standing eight feet high; and when an airy fellow with a pompous tone asked what they were, he was told that they were "lasts upon which boots were made for the Webfoot of a state up the coast."

Models of the famous clipper Western Shore, and the tugboat Columbia, built by Messrs. Simpson, of Oregon material. The former is famous for making the quickest trip under sail on record from Astoria to Cork, going over in 101 days and returning in 104 days. She is of 1220 tons measurement, yet carries 2200 tons of coal, which seems to indicate that Oregon built vessels are somewhat elastic and expansive. The is doubtless the finest model of a sailor, with great carrying capacity afloat. The Columbia is now on the river of that name, plying between Astoria and Portland, Oregon. The lumber interests of Oregon amount to nearly \$2,000,000 annually, supplying the markets of California, South America, Australia, etc., and is rapidly increasing in importance.

OREGON MINERALS.

Pigs, dressed iron and casting, from stock from Prosser mine, Oswego, Clackamas county, Oregon, (Oswego Iron Co.), contributed by General Allen and Mr. Bluxome. Ore from vein two feet thick, all pronounced by iron experts of excellent quality.

Coal from Coos bay and some of the interior counties of Oregon, also considered A No. 1. The iron and coal mines, and the manufacture of iron, is an industry yet in its infancy in Oregon, where the crude material abounds in apparent unlimited quantities and superior merit. A sample of mica shale with garnets is also shown upon the Oregon tables. The more valuable metals which Oregon is known to produce are not on exhibition. The annual yield of gold and silver is nearly \$2,000,000, mostly from eastern and southern Oregon.

OREGON FRUITS.

Oregon makes a fine display of fresh fruits. First came a box of blackberries, from near Astoria, of large size and fine flavor; then two boxes of the red Astrahan apples and Italian prunes from the Railroad nursery at East Portland, Oregon, owned by Mr. Pretzman; then Messrs. Snelling & Son, of Milwaukee, Oregon, sent a large invoice of prunes, four varieties; Clapp's "Favorite" pears and yellow egg plums; Mr. Lambert, of same place, Italian plums and Bartlett pears; Mr. C. A. Burkhart, Portland Oregon, plums; Messrs. Wilson & Steek, Portland, Oregon, peaches and prunes. Fruits in cans from the Clackamas Packing Co., Oregon city, Oregon; also from the same, green peas, canned. Fruits as dried and sent to market from the Alden Packing Co., Oregon City, and Messrs. Haas Bros.; also by the Plummer Dryer. Dried fruits as prepared in Oregon for the market were exhibited at the Centennial of 1876, and received medals and diplomas, "for," in the words of the judges, approved by the commissioners "fine flavor, color, and condition."

OREGON FLAX AND TWINE.

An important and growing industry of Oregon is represented by flax in straw as pulled. Flax, lint, twine and thread made therefrom at Albany by a factory just established, one of the beneficial results of Oregon's display of flax at the Centennial. Upon this subject we quote from report of Centennial commissioners and judges, showing the quality of this material, and the oil made from its seed, upon which medals and diplomas were issued: "Very fine quality, extraordinary length, good in strength, good color, superior gloss, and silky softness;" and for the oil manufactured at Salem, Oregon, from flax seed, pronounced "of superior quality, fine color, being clear, fine, and free from sediment, of excellent body, and high merit."

OREGON GRASSES.

The natural and cultivated grasses of Oregon, collected in the valleys of the Wallamet and Umpqua, from Portland to Roseburg, also from the vicinity of Astoria, and arranged upon the east wall of Mechanics' Institute hall, attract much attention, principally in consequence of their great length. Timothy grass, from five to nine feet, the tallest from near Asto-

ria. Length of head, eleven inches. Orchard, red top, Hoffman, red clover, Mesquite, bunch, wild oats, native red top, bunch and other native grasses from two to nine feet high.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR SALE. The sloop Annie Devlin of Portland, cheap. Address, J. R. WILEY, 95-1m* Portland, Oregon.

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THOMAS McFARLAND, Prop.

DISSOLUTION. The co-partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of Classen & Daviscourt, Astoria, Oregon, is by mutual consent dissolved. The undersigned will continue the business as heretofore, at the Astoria Beer Hall, and settle all bills. P. DAVISCOURT. Astoria, Oregon, Sept. 17, 1877 89-3W

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