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Telegraphic News.

Dispatches Boiled Down for The Astorian.

MYSTERY OF THE SEAS--WAS IT PIRACY, OR WHAT.

DEAD AND ALIVE, AND DEAD IN EARNEST.

THE CHEYENNE CAMPAIGN CLOSED.

FRAUDS IN THE GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE.

THE ABOLISHMENT OF THE OFFICE ADVISED.

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STORM BREWING DOWN THE COAST.

THE BUCKET-SHOP MAN HELD TO ANSWER.

THE LAND HAUL IN WASHINGTON.

EDEN OFFERS A SUBSTITUTE FOR REGAN'S AMENDMENT.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—Capt. Adams at Cork reports sighting, about 50 miles west of Fastnett, a ship on fire and a steamer well manned in the neighborhood. On going to the assistance of the vessel, he was warned by the steamer to keep on his course, or he would burn too, and not to report what he had seen, else he had better look out for himself, on his next voyage.

FORT ROBINSON, Jan. 22.—The Cheyenne indian campaign has closed. On Monday Col. Evans found the renegades. Capt. Wessels started on their trail with four companies of cavalry. The work of capturing them either dead or alive began in dead earnest. Nine were captured, twenty-three killed, and seventeen unaccounted for. It is supposed that some died of their wounds, and others escaped.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Representative Finlay has submitted to the committee on public expenditures his report with reference to the investigation of the government printing office. After charging general extravagance, the report recommends the abolishment of the printing office, and that the printing be let out to the lowest bidder.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 23.—A steady rain has been falling since early last evening; wind fresh from the south, and every indication of a prolonged storm.

Steadman, of bucket-shop notoriety, was held to answer to day on charges of embezzlement. Bail $11,000.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The house went into committee of the whole on the bill to apply the proceeds of the sale of public lands to the education of the people. Townsend, New York, said that it passed all human patience to stand by and see a calm, adroit, an oily proposition to rob loyal states out of their interest in public lands. They were to be thimble-rigged out of their interest. He was not ready for that. The time fixed for general debate having expired, the house proceeded to consider the bill by sections of amendment." Reagan moved to amend the proviso in the first section, which provides that it shall not limit or abridge the power of congress over the public domain or interfere with granting lands, by adding the words "or grants in aid of public improvements." Eden offered as a substitute for Reagan's amendment, an amendment providing that all public lands which have been granted by congress to aid in the construction of railroad and telegraph lines which have not been earned, and which have lapsed by failure to complete such railroads and telegraph lines within the time limited, are hereby declared forfeited to the United States. The committee rose without acting on the amendment.

Will Have an Ice-house.

The local reporter on the Weston Leader "gushes" over the announcement that Weston is to have an ice-house. We quote:

Blow borean blasts! Hang icy stalactites, besport in your frigoritic splendor, irradiate fantastic gleams of light resplendent, and fling your fitful shadows to frozen stalagmites below. Curl, hoary frost, around the silent points of comfort, entwine your white arms in cold embrace around mankind. Fall, laughingly, gleefully, ye trembling snow-flakes, and cosily creep to the bosom of our primeval mother, while:

"That beauteous maiden
With white fire laden,
Whom mortals call the moon."

beams her soft light upon you, to illuminate your gleaming surface with a spangled zone of gems. Enjoy your brief season of chilling victory, and may your sullen joys freeze on the tablets of your memory, for boreas;

"Thine azure sister of the spring shall blow
Her clarion o'er the dreaming earth, and fill
With living hues and odors, plain and hill."

And then Old Sol, the sultry tyrant of the panting south will:

"With a glowing, flowry birth
Heat and refresh the turning earth."

and the heart of man be filled with rapturous love. Then shalt be heard the sharp twang of Cupid's bow, as his firy shafts are aimed at hearts in "maiden meditation, fancy free." But be it love, be it hard-fisted toil, anxious thought or but idle yielding to the relaxing heat of midsummer, in all will cooling relief be sought. "My kingdom for an ice-house!" Talismanic though,! And Weston's cup of joy fill therewith, for an ice-house is being erected.

OREGON EXPORTS.

REWIEW of SHIPMENTS FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC, for TEN YEARS.

The exports of Oregon, says the Centennial circular of 1876, average $378 00 to every man in the state. It is more than that now, annually. Oregon wheat, wool Flour, Salmon, Fruits, and vegetables, command from 5 to 10 per cent. higher price than those from any other country—with a population of 40,000 men her export equals one seventh of the total export of the United States. Truly, such a state is not a poor state to live in.

In the preparation of the following statistical tables we have spared neither pains nor labor. We have sought and procured information from every source, and have at last what we believe to be a reliable showing of all the Wheat and Flour exports of Oregon by annual seasons, since August 1868. Statistical information of this kind can only be obtained correctly at a point where all vessels going out of the Columbia river may be spoken, after they are fully loaded. Correct and reliable information of this sort we expect to give more fully if possible in future than in the past, thus making THE ASTORIAN the reliable paper of the Shipping Statistics of Oregon. These tables will be followed by others, detailing the general commercial features of each succeeding harvest year:

Tables showing the total Exports to all ports including San Francisco, of Wheat and Flour, from the Columbia river, Oregon, from August 1, 1868:

From August 1, 1868, to July 31, 1869.

To—	Centals Wheat.	Value.	Flour. bbls.	Value.
Br. Columbia	7,770	$11,385	22,172	$97,618
Great Britain	18,183	28,447	200	700
Australia	8,314	12,921	1,185	6,472
Sandwich Isl.	.....	.....	1,533	6,653
San Francisco	34,849	54,002	82,781	371,614
Total	69,116	103,755	107,671	483,057

From August 1, 1869, to July 31, 1870.

To—	Centals Wheat.	Value.	Flour. bbls.	Value.
Br. Columbia	3,614	5,304	14,253	76,108
Great Britain	11,986	17,829	.....	.....
China	244	267	3,424	14,597
Sandwich Isl.	103	130	757	3,510
San Francisco	51,842	77,763	164,574	864,013
Total	67,189	101,294	182,908	958,228

From August 1, 1870, to July 31, 1871

To—	Cent'ls Wheat	Value	Flour. bbls.	Value.
Br. Columbia	847	1,338	11,593	70,458
Great Britain	201,989	397,757	6,836	35,632
China	.....	.....	4,957	24,785
Sandwich Isl	.....	.....	2,124	11,410
Rio, Brazil	.....	.....	5,434	27,000
SanFrancisco	36,271	72,542	164,678	905,729
Total	238,198	471,933	195,624	1,075,014

From August 1, 1871, to July 31, 1872.

To—	Centls wheat	Value.	Flour. bbls.	Value.
Br. Columbia	602	1,377	18,030	109,700
Europe	243,108	524,521	.....	.....
China	.....	.....	10,978	85,839
Sandwich Isl	.....	.....	815	4,482
SanFrancisco	262,663	539,103	138,055	828,330
Total	506,373	1,067,001	167,908	1,028,351

From August 1, 1872, to July 31, 1873.

To—	Cent'ls Wheat	Value.	Flour. bbls.	Value.
Br. Columbia	1,353	2,227	20,982	96,613
Europe	609,855	960,851	.....	.....
China	.....	.....	25,691	100,278
Sandwich Isl	.....	.....	1,352	6,495
SanFrancisco	55,494	88,790	95,568	482,840
Total	664,359	1,050,878	145,293	686,246

From August 1, 1873, to July 31, 1874.

To—	Centals Wheat.	Value.	Flour. bbls.	Value.
Europe	1,028,444	2,054,888	84,600	507,600
San Fran	360,853	721,706	132,793	663,965
B.Columbia	4,908	9,817	10,705	64,230
Sandwich Is	105	210	2,113	12,678
Total	1,394,310	2,788,620	230,211	1,248,473

September 1st, 1876, the board of Pilot Commissioners, for the Columbia and the Wallamet rivers, submitted a biennial report to the legislative assembly, from which the following statistics are compiled for the period of two years to that date:

From August 1, 1874 to Sept. 1, 1875.

Exported by the	Tons	Value.
Fleet Aug. 31, '74	17,626	$ 490,618 61
" September 1874	18,094	610,667 66
" October 1874	11,873	288,710 47
" November 1874	21,870	626,430 70
Total First Quarter	69,763	$2,016,427 44
Fleet Dec. 1874	5,987	$161,860 36
" Jan. 1875	15,238	468,888 70
" Feb. 1875	3,163	84,948 95
Total 2d Quarter	24,388	$715,698 01
Fleet, March 1875	9,668	$272,261 22
" April 1875	7,696	142,251 60
" May 1875	8,804	256,239 43
Total 3d Quarter	26,168	$670,752 25
Fleet, June 1875	7,838	$224,506 00
" July 1875	4,330	220,560 73
" August 1875	15,644	544,217 83
Totals last Quarter	27,812	$989,284 56

From Sept. 1, 1875 to Sept. 1, 1876.

Exported by the	Tons	Value.
Fleet, Sept. 1875	17,773	$ 621,860 88
" Oct. 1875	17,505	665,518 75
" Nov. 1875	14,824	661,594 54
Totals First Quarter	50,102	$1,948,974 17
Fleet, Dec. 1875	14,702	$ 656,840 14
" Jan. 1876	21,570	966,493 32
" Feb. 1876	15,406	603,856 65
Totals 2d Quarter	51,678	$2,227,180 10
Fleet, March 1876	19,065	$ 729,295 06
" April 1876	13,610	622,774 40
" May 1876	7,316	266,482 27
Totals 3d Quarter	40,001	$1,618,551 73
Fleet, June 1876	8,259	$ 631,422 84
" July 1876	9,288	693,550 85
" Aug. 1876	3,552	333,638 32
Totals last Quarter	21,049	$1,658,612 01

RECAPITULATION OF EXPORTS—TWO YEARS.

When Exported.	Tons.	Value.
First Quarter 1874–75	69,763	$ 2,016,427 44
Second Quarter "	24,388	715,698 01
Third Quarter "	26,168	670,752 25
Last Quarter "	27,812	989,284 56
	Tons.	Value.
Total Exports for 1874–75	148,131	$ 4,392,272 26
First Quarter 1875–76	50,102	$ 1,948,974 17
Second Quarter "	51,678	2,227,180 10
Third Quarter "	40,001	1,618,551 73
Last Quarter "	21,049	1,658,612 01
Total Exports for 1875–76	162,830	$ 7,453,318 01
Total Exports for 1874–75	148,131	4,392,272 26
Total Exports two full years	310,961	$11,845,590 27

From the biennial report submitted by the board September 1st, 1878, the following compilation of figures is made for the past two years,

From Sept. 1, 1875 to Sept. 1, 1878.

MONTH.	1876.	1878.	TOTAL.
Sept	900,499 14		900,499 14
"	674,423 35	1,880,284 10	2,554,707 45
Oct	916,362 74	2,196,769 66	3,113,132 40
Nov	1,137,318 67	998,391 06	2,135,709 73
Dec	610,884 00	780,197 31	1,391,083 31
	1877.	1878.	
Jan	558,516 98	455,224 84	1,003,541 82
Feb	364,756 00	351,403 00	716,159 00
March	272,131 00	356,126 00	628,257 00
April	368,380 74	381,100 00	749,480 74
May	593,134 00	829,381 85	1,422,515 75
June	744,515 00	1,239,888	1,984,403 00
July	621,035 74	556,574	1,177,609 74
Aug	731,224 47	703,775	1,428,000 47
Total			$19,214,009 55

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