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The Harbor of Refuge.

Certain California journals are busy already with misrepresentations concerning the selection of a site for a harbor of refuge. The Alta criticises the report of Col. Wilson, and to sustain its censure misquotes his report. He examined several points and made estimates thereon. The Alta applies what is said in regard to a break-water on the north side of Cape Foulweather, where the estimate is for a work costing \$656,000, to the report and estimate for a break-water in another place which would cost ten millions. Again, it asserts that Col. Wilson, instead of going in person to make the examination and estimates, sent an assistant, and the value of the report is attacked on this ground. This is most unjust towards Col. Wilson, for the fact is that he personally examined the locality referred to, and on this knowledge approved the work and statements of the assistant engineer. The fact is, says the Oregonian, California wants the harbor constructed on her own coast, where it would really be no harbor of refuge, since the gales from the south west mainly prevail north of the line of that state. Every exertion should be made by our representatives at Washington to secure the selection of a site where a harbor may be constructed that will be a benefit to the commerce of the northwest. On no account should it be south of Port Orford.

Bayard Taylor on the Chinese.

The late Bayard Taylor, in his works on "India, China and Japan," gives the impressions of the Chinese from his own personal observations and information while in China, says:

It is my deliberate opinion that the Chinese are, morally, the most debased people on the face of the earth. Fornication, vice, which in other countries are barely named, are in China so common as to excite no comment among the natives. They constitute the surface level, and below them are depths and depths of depravity so shocking and horrible that their character cannot even be hinted. There are some dark shadows in human nature which we naturally shrink from penetrating, and I made no attempt to collect information of this kind, but there was enough in the things which I could not avoid seeing and hearing, which are brought almost daily to the notice of every foreign resident, to inspire me with a powerful aversion to the Chinese race. Their touch is pollution, and, harsh as the opinion may seem, to the uninformed, justice to our own race demands that they should not be allowed to settle on our soil. Science may have lost something, but mankind has gained by the exclusive policy which has governed China for the past century.

Mr. Taylor's opinion, it will be seen, was that justice to our own race demands that the Chinese should not be allowed to settle on our soil. That opinion, formed by an intelligent observer of the habits and practices of the Chinese in their own country, outweighs all the sentimental gush of those who, most of them, never saw Chinamen, and know nothing about them.

It is proposed in Texas to sell enough wild lands to build a new state house.

A bill to allow persons charged with crime to testify in their own behalf has been defeated in the Texas legislature.

Tacks placed points upward on the floor are said to interfere with the movements of materialized spirits in Boston seances.

Fog Signal Compass.

Captain William Hughes, of San Francisco, has invented a fog signal compass, which appears to be excellently adapted for the purpose desired. The rules governing its use are so simple that anyone can understand them, the system being to a certain extent, a modification to that used in sounding fire alarms. Some system by which vessels in foggy weather could indicate their course, and thus avoid collisions, has long been wanted. The invention of Captain Hughes seems to provide exactly what is required. In brief it is as follows:

On the outer circle of the compass card are the usual marks and letters indicating the points of compass. Just inside of this outer circle is another circle, in which is printed a series of arbitrary numbers, which correspond to definite points of the compass, said figures being printed on the same plan on all cards alike with relation to the same points. Then, on a separate card, which may be placed on the inside of the corner of the compass box or any convenient place where it and the compass may be seen at the same time, is printed the key to the figures on the compass card, which indicate what sounds to make with whistle or fog horn to correspond with the figures and points of compass on the card. We append a fac-simile of the key, from which even those not familiar with nautical matters may understand how the system works.

Table with 3 columns: Sounds, No., Course. Lists various sound patterns and their corresponding compass directions like N, NE, E, etc.

KEY TO CAPTAIN HUGHES FOG SIGNAL COMPASS.

Northern Pacific Railroad.

Capt. J. C. Ainsworth is in receipt of the following very important dispatches:
New York, March 19.—The board of directors of the Northern Pacific Railroad company have ordered today twenty-five hundred tons of rails, to be purchased at once and shipped to eastern Washington territory.
C. B. WRIGHT, President.

New York, March 20.—The board has ordered immediate purchase of twenty-five hundred tons of iron or steel rails, to commence building eastward from the head of navigation on the Columbia river. I expect the work begun on the Pacific as well as on this not to stop until the entire road is completed. FRED'K BILLINGS.

Kerosene Oil and Diphtheria.

A correspondent of the Pittsburg (Pa.) Republican writes from West Chazy: "Allow me to say a few words of the greatest importance to the public, through your journal, in regard to the terrible disease diphtheria, which is raging with great destruction of lives throughout the county. It has raged here to a fearful extent, quite a large number of cases proving fatal. There is a family living here by the name of Light, a miller who moved here from Rochester this season. Mrs. Light said to some of the neighbors that previous to her moving here she had an attack of diphtheria, and cured it by the use of kerosene oil as a gargle, also swallowed some; but the remedy was so simple that our citizens didn't think anything of it until five of Joseph Jelley's were taken down with the diphtheria. Their throats became swollen and cankered terribly. Mrs. Jelley sent after her neighbor, Mrs. Millette, who had lately lost a son by the disease, to ascertain whether it was really diphtheria or not. Mrs. Millette pronounced it diphtheria in a very dangerous form. Mrs. Jelley said she would use Mrs. Light's remedy—kerosene oil—which she gave her children as a gargle, also had them swallow some. The children recovered rapidly, and in a few days were out on the streets. Several other cures are mentioned.

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MINSTRELS!

Universally acknowledged to be the most Brilliant and Artistic Combination now before the public.

Under the Management of Mr. John Maguire, Manager of New Market Theatre, Portland.

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It is a Chaste, Elegant and Refined Performance.

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Covered with Hemlock timber, suitable for lumber purposes. Leases will be made for a term of years as may be arranged. Apply to J. H. B. GRAY, Astoria, Oregon.

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Turpentine and Varnish,
Sail Cloth,

Made expressly for light sail boats. For sale at G. W. HUME'S, ASTORIA, OREGON.

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Hardware, Brass Goods, Lead and Iron Pipe, Pipe Fittings, Engineers Supplies, Sheet Lead, Iron, Copper, Brass, and Zinc.

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D. E. DENNISON, F. J. TAYLOR, DENNISON & TAYLOR, ATTORNEYS AT LAW. ASTORIA, OREGON. OFFICE—Up stairs in Parker's building, corner Chennamus and Benton streets.

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MISS L. L. ALLEN, (Late of California). Offers her services to the people of Astoria and vicinity as a teacher of Instrumental and Vocal Music.

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DR. J. O'BRIEN. CURES BILIOUS AND INTERMITTENT FEVERS. With from one to three doses of his harmless medicine. Also, Private diseases successfully treated. OFFICE—O'Brien's hotel, Astoria, Oregon.

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