

The Coal Trade.

The purchase of the Seattle and Walla-walla railroad, the Newcastle coal mine, the four large sail vessels and one steamer, and the building of three other steamers, requiring in the aggregate the expenditure of nearly two million dollars, must mean, says the Seattle Intelligencer, the doing of an enormous coal trade at this point. The steamers can easily make a round trip every twenty days, and as they carry 3,000 tons each, will aggregate six trips and 18,000 tons per month. The four vessels can carry the monthly average up to 22,000 tons, and report further has it their number is to be increased by three or four more purchases. In 1880 more coal was shipped from Seattle than in any year previous, and yet the whole number of tons was but 138,497. The steamers that are hereafter to carry the bulk of our coal are not on the coast, but they will be before the end of the current year. The trade of 1881 will, therefore, be somewhat restricted, compared with the grand idea evidently in the minds of the new purchasers. The exports of the year will probably be under rather than over 200,000 tons, but even to put it at that figure, a gain of over 60,000 tons in a year is an event upon which our people are to be congratulated. Mr. Villard and his associates evidently mean to carry on the most extensive coal mining operations on the Pacific slope, and that they have the capital and the best field for doing this, there is no reasonable room for doubt. The Intelligencer says: The coal underlying King county cannot be estimated, but it is known that there is enough to spare a million or two tons a year for several centuries. From this on its mining will be on an ever-increasing scale.

In the reported Oregon wagon road fraud the papers have been transmitted to congress. In presenting the report Secretary Schurz says that in view of all the facts presented, and of the magnitude of the grant and the manifest want of most ordinary good faith on the part of the grantee in securing and presenting the evidence for its appropriation, both the agent and commissioner of the general land office recommend the resumption of lands, so far, at least, as have not been patented, or provisions for such other measures of compliance with the terms of the granting act as shall assure the good faith of the beneficiary before authorizing further patenting of the granted lands. Schurz, in conclusion, submits the matter for the action of congress, and says until that is determined upon he will suspend further proceedings.

A not uncommon failure in practical working of well-meant plans for the benefit of the poor has overtaken the artisans' dwelling act passed by the English parliament five years ago. The act authorized commissioners to pull down tenements positively unfit for inhabitants, paying the owners their value. The theory was that landlords would thus be summarily prevented from continuing to rent rotten houses. But the practical result has been that the certainty of finding sale has acted as an inducement to landlords to let their houses fall into decay, neglecting any repairs or care. Moreover, of the acres laid bare under this act, not nearly all has been built up, and thus the poor, deprived of their shelter by a well-meaning government, because it was so bad a shelter, were left with none at all.

Cannerymen would gain much by leaving us their orders for incidental printing now, to be done leisurely during the winter months—saving time and money, and avoiding the risks of a spring rush of work.

A new law in Massachusetts taxing all life insurance policies one-half of one per cent. per annum is said to be actually driving the life insurance business out of the state. Several companies are about to test the constitutionality of the law.

An incident of the recent tightness of the New York money market which gave rise to a good deal of comment was the appeal to the treasury. It is not certain that the story, as told, is true; but since it easily might be true its lesson is the same. The story is that certain parties having possession or control of most of the sixes of 1880, due on the 31st ultimo, were withholding them to produce artificial stringency, and refused to accept even par and accrued interest to that date. The price demanded was 103, and the treasury was asked to pay it, and relieve the market, responsible parties engaging to make up the 1/2 per cent. difference between this price and his offers. He refused, but finally took \$3,000,000 at 10 1/2. The significant point in the incident is the peculiarly close connection it shows between the treasury and Wall street. That Secretary Sherman should be guided in his purchase of bonds more or less by a desire to keep the money market in good condition is perfectly legitimate; that is, while the interests of the treasury must be his first consideration, he should choose between two courses equally beneficial to the treasury the one which is most beneficial to other interests, including Wall street. But the financial speculators urge that beyond this, the demand that the treasury should regulate the money market is highly dangerous; that it is but one step from this demand to the position taken by Secretary Boutwell, that the treasury should stand ready to inflate or contract currency, according to the stringency or easiness of the market. When the crops are moved, there is always a temporary stringency; therefore the volume of money should at such times be increased by putting out anew withdrawn greenbacks, he thought. The uses that could be made of any such regulative powers in the hands of an unscrupulous man are obvious. The treasury would become simply the most powerful of the Wall street speculators. The great danger that assail our finances are all in the line of making it speculative, and any tendency to use it in connection with speculation, even to enter it in the lists as a legitimate corrective to speculation, are to be looked on with suspicion.

**DIED.**  
In Portland, Jan. 12th, Emma, daughter of Jacob Niederman, of this city. The remains will be brought to Astoria for burial to-day, (Thursday) Jan. 13th, 1881.

**NEW TO-DAY.**  
**Co-partnership Dissolution.**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the co-partnership heretofore existing between Robt & Fulton in the practice of law is this day dissolved by mutual consent.  
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