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According to the census returns, the increase of the black population of the fifteen southern states during the decade preceding 1870 was only 5 1/2 per cent., but during the last ten years was more than 33 per cent. In Nevada it has increased since 1870 from 3,152 to 5,420; in Colorado from 7 to 610, of whom one-third are in Denver; in Washington territory from 234 to 8,182; in Wyoming from 143 to 914, and in Dakota from none to 238.

A prospectus has been issued in Paris by the Submarine telegraph company, the object of which is to connect all Central America with the United States and Europe by cable with tributary land lines, to be laid down from Balise to Cuba, Spain having granted a concession therefore. England will guarantee for twenty years the payment of £1,000 annually as proceeds of government telegrams to and from British Honduras. The capital of the company is £120,000.

There is a prospect of an extension of the cotton-belt into Arizona; some experienced planters from the cotton states experimented last year in Salt river valley in the northeastern part of the territory, and obtained a crop that amazed them, both by its quality and per acre yield. The valley is thirty miles long and several miles broad, and there are many other valleys equally good in the region. The Southern Pacific railway will supply an outlet for the product.

Capt. Eads' ship-railway scheme has failed in the house, but he still has hope, and is trying to get a bill through the senate, and addressing the senate committee on foreign relations to that end, but without brilliant prospect of success. The committee reported on the 16th a resolution strongly asserting the intention of the United States government to control any trans-Isthmian routes; this resolution would release the committee from any farther consideration of the subject.

There are thirty of them at the present time scattered over Europe. Rome has eleven, four of which are higher than the New York obelisk. The highest of the Roman obelisks, which is also the highest in Europe, stands before the church of St. John Lateran. The obelisk in the piazza of St. Peter's is 82 feet 9 inches high. Both of these were mounted on high pedestals. The pedestal of the St. John Lateran obelisk is 44 feet high, making the entire height of obelisk and pedestal 150 feet. The pedestal of the St. Peter's obelisk is a trifle less than 50 feet high, making the whole height of the monument 132 feet 2 inches.

In Idaho and Montana there has been a marked falling away of Chinese, the decrease being from 4,274 to 3,378 in the former territory and 1,949 to 1,737 in the latter. New York city, which had just a round dozen in 1870, now musters 747, while Philadelphia, which started ten years ago with precisely the same number as New York, can only show 89. Kings county enumerates 118, which may be taken as the approximate number of Chinese laundries in Brooklyn. Even New Jersey has 176 Mongolians within its borders, while Massachusetts has 237, and Connecticut 124. It is probable that New Orleans has attracted 473 to Louisiana, but St. Louis has drawn less than one hundred to Missouri.

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Our Silk Manufacturers.

It is shown by the preliminary report of the department of manufactures connected with the census bureau, that the total value of silk manufactures in the United States for the year 1879 was \$34,410,630. This includes all sorts of goods, but details are not given, which is a pity, as they would enable us to explain, by comparison with the returns for the six preceding years from the state reports, what advances have been made in the finer works in this line of manufactures. Ribbons, tram and twist have commonly covered about forty to forty-eight per cent. of all American silken manufactures, and ladies' dressing goods, foulards, dress trimmings and millinery silks, with handkerchiefs, about the same; leaving from eight to twelve per cent. for all other articles, such as braids, upholsters, laces, veils, hose, fringe, floss and sewing silk. The following totals of the value of silken manufactures in the United States for the respective years will enable the reader to judge of the recent increase in this industry:

For 1873.....	\$19,804,874
1874.....	20,082,482
1875.....	25,128,071
1876.....	26,768,103
1877.....	21,411,436
1879.....	34,410,630
Total for six years.....	\$149,595,396

The first five years above given are taken from state returns; the last (1879) from the United States census report. We have no reliable report for 1878. Assuming that the total values for that year were \$25,000,000, we have a grand total for the seven years ending with 1879 of \$174,550,596. This gives an average of \$24,935,792 per year. The figures for 1879 are about 27 1/2 per cent higher than those of the highest preceding year, and about 73 per cent above those of the lowest—1873. The increase from 1877 to 1880 has been nearly 65 per cent. The state of New Jersey takes the lead in this industry; which, though yet in its infancy in the United States, has an invested capital of nearly \$2,000,000, and gives employment to more than 30,000 persons, to whom are disbursed yearly wages aggregating in 1879 \$9,107,835. It is capable of unlimited expansion, and ought to receive every encouragement that the government can give to it. California claims to be equal in natural advantages to the best country in the world for the production of raw silk for the supply of eastern manufacturers; but hitherto local capital and local laws have afforded no encouragement to the breeding of the silk worm, save in a tentative way, and with a view to producing eggs for the European market, rather than for the production of raw silk.

The Wheat Market.

The following is not very cheerful reading to those who are holding wheat in this state for an advance, particularly when it is remembered that within sixty days the canals will be open, and the large accumulation of grain will be moving more freely toward the English market. The Chicago Tribune, in speaking of the elevators of that city, says several are already full, the amount in store being 15,160,000 bushels, as against 15,293,000 bushels at this time last year. The Rock Island is said to have been badly blocked up at one time, having a few weeks ago about 800 loaded cars on its track, but these have since been taken off and the road is now receiving grain, though chiefly from competing points, and encourages more than some other roads do the selling of stuff on track. The Milwaukee and St. Louis people, it is said, could fill their houses full with wheat in a very short time if they wanted to, there being several million bushels of this cereal in county store-houses along their line. The Wabash road has no elevators of its own in Chicago, but it has them in Toledo, and is now taking most of its grain there. A railroad official said he thought all the elevators in the city could

be filled up in ten days if the roads did not exert their influences to prevent grain from coming forward freely. It is understood that there is much grain in country elevators.

NEW TO-DAY.

To All Whom it May Concern.  
HEREAFTER IN ALL CASES IN THE Justice court, precinct of Astoria, Clatsop County, State of Oregon, in "Civil Actions," the Justices fees must be paid in advance, and from all who are indebted to said court, I request a prompt settlement to avoid all further costs.

Dated at Astoria, Oregon, this 1st day of March, 1881.  
P. H. FOX,  
Justice of the Peace.

Sealed Proposals.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at the shop of C. H. Bain & Co., until 12 o'clock, a. m., sharp, on Friday, March 4th, 1881, for the erection of a two-story building. Plans and specifications will be furnished by the undersigned.

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SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the undersigned at his bakery, corner Main and Squemoque streets, until Thursday, March 2d, 1881, at 2 o'clock, p. m., for the construction of a two-story frame building corner Olney and Court streets. Plans and specifications may be seen at my bakery. The right to reject any or all bids is hereby reserved.

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Last Call.

TO TAXPAYERS OF SCHOOL District No. 1: You are hereby notified that the Tax list will remain in my hands until the 7th of March. All unpaid taxes on that day will be returned to the County Clerk as delinquent, and costs will accrue.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
J. G. HUSTLER, Clerk.

Annual School Meeting Notice.

AN ANNUAL MEETING OF THE local voters of School District No. 1 will be held at the school house on Main street, in Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon, on Monday evening, March 7, 1881, at 7 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of electing one Director for three years and one Clerk for one year. Also to levy a tax to support a school for the ensuing year in said district, and also a tax to pay interest and incidental expenses of said school, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting. By order of the Board of Directors,  
J. G. HUSTLER, Clerk.

Notice.

ALL PARTIES ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that no credit any parties ordering in the name of the steamer Quicksip, unless accompanied by an order from the undersigned. All accounts due steamer Quicksip must be paid to Geo. W. Hume, or to me, as no other parties are authorized to collect said bills.

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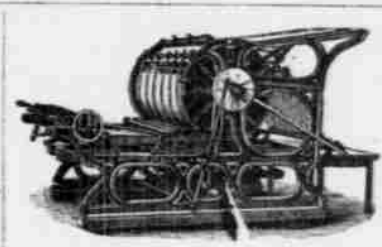
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