

The Daily Astorian. ASTORIA, OREGON. FRIDAY, MAY 19, 1882. J. F. HALLORAN, Editor.

The Astoria Land Grant. SINCE the meeting of the two political state conventions, we have noticed nothing in the state press that would indicate that a grievous wrong was still being perpetrated upon this community, and, with the exception of some straightforward resolutions adopted by the Democratic county convention, which met here on the 26th ult., have seen no authoritative denunciation of this fraud by any public body. With the claims of the Northern Pacific we have nothing to do. If the county in general can stand it, all right; but there is a forfeited land grant in this county that is a direct bar, a standing hindrance to the prosperity of Astoria, that should be removed. It is a living, breathing curse; it says to the man that comes here to settle, "Stand back! We have no title, 'tis true, but we've got it so fixed that you can't get any either." No man wants to take too many chances, and, though soil, climate, location are all in his favor, he very naturally says: "I can't afford to lose good years in cultivating and improving land that I can get no clear title to," and he goes elsewhere. This is happening right here in Astoria every day. Men come into our office that have been on this land for years, and though they hate to go, yet the dog-in-the-manger policy is so successful that they are virtually forced. The beautiful argument has been used with us: "Well, if they don't like it, why do they come here?" Shame on a corrupt system of legislation that invites men to come, and promises them government land, and then, by some hocus-pocus of legislation, permits a monopoly to hold it by a shadowy title that is only powerful by reason of its vagueness! The present state of affairs is either right or wrong. If it be right to hold a great tract of country by virtue of a grant that was long since forfeited; if it be right to discourage immigration and keep would-be settlers off such a fair portion of our national domain; if it be right to subvert all the principles of a republic and rear a plutocracy in this country, then it is right to steal by retail as well as by wholesale, to cut the throat of the midnight victim and fling his body to the outgoing tide, rob him of his property and take his life.

We hear nothing about this from any quarter. With the one exception we have noted, both parties seem willing that the dead steered by the dumb shall go upward with the flood. The momentous question of who shall be able to dole out the political pap for the next four years is of overshadowing importance. It makes all the difference in the world who is to govern; at the magnificent annual salary of \$1,500, but it is not of the slightest consequence whether the plighted faith of the national government itself shall be broken at the bidding of a set of speculators whose desire to grab is only limited by their ability to retain.

Should not be Allowed. CONGRESSMAN Page, of California, is now before the House with a bill for the removal of the tariff from bibles printed in foreign countries. If we of this coast are to meet all the Chinese that come, with bibles and spelling books, as some of the sentimentalists say we should, the tariff on these articles should most certainly be removed. We should not be compelled to buy those necessities of a New England bookseller who can charge two prices on account of the tariff for the protection of Eastern capitalists and traders. There can be no valid objection to the receipt of free bibles as long as the pious Massachusetts politicians insist upon the free and unlimited receipt of all

China, by "we uns," over here on the Pacific side. It is not consistent on the part of those philanthropists to insist that a tax must be maintained to keep out cheap bibles, and yet the heathen who need them the most be encouraged to come over here. But on the other hand, the enterprising bible manufacturers of this free and glorious country should not be forced to compete with the poorly clad, half-starved bible makers of the effete and crumbling monarchies of the old world. Mr. Page's action could not have been inspired by patriotism, nor have for its motive any religious zeal. Pacific coast politicians are not a godly crew; they have never been noted for their christian activity in spreading the truth by means of bibles of home manufacture among benighted heathens, and it ill becomes them to favor any such horrible enterprise that must result disastrously to our monopolizing brethren of the East.

Another appalling consideration is "Where will this thing end?" The proposition to allow foreign bibles to be brought into this country without payment of duties is probably an entering wedge designed to split asunder our entire protective system. Once open the doors of our custom-house to British bibles, and we open the gates to all sorts of reprehensible pranks. Some other pious congressman will want to put Banyan's "Pilgrim's Progress," or Baxter's "Saint's Rest," or Jonathan Edwards' sulphurous diction on the free list. Then a demand will be made to let in a whole catalogue of moral and religious publications to the infinite detriment and temporal ruin of our American manufacturers. It is Jesuitical; it is sinister; it is conspiracy. Our manufacturing interests are in danger. The statement that bibles should be cheap in order that more people can own and read them is just like the arguments that those ridiculous fellows that advocate free trade would advance. It is more in sorrow than in anger we say that Mr. Page who so admirably engineered the anti-chinese bill in the House, is now deserving of serious reproof. It is most monstrous. Some rascally free trade man has evidently poisoned the mind of our neighboring congressman. Let us hope that Mr. George shall not be similarly tainted. Fancy the fix we would be in were the telegraph to announce that the congressman from Oregon was in favor of allowing free bibles brought over from England!

MISCELLANEOUS. Announcement. TO THE CITIZENS OF CLATSOP COUNTY: I hereby announce myself "Independent" candidate for the office of County Judge of Clatsop county. F. D. WINTON. ASTORIA, May 19, 1882. Net Found. ON MORNING OF MAY 12TH, FOUND on Fort Stevens about 40 fathoms new net; no marks on corals or leads. Owner can have it by calling at CUTTING'S CAMP, Skippauon, May 16, 1882. City Auditor's Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE City Assessment, both of the City of Astoria, Oregon, as returned by the City Assessor for the year 1882, is now on file in the office of the Auditor and Clerk of said city, where it will remain open for inspection until the 31st day of May, 1882. All applications for corrections or revisions of the same must be filed with said Auditor and Clerk prior to said 31st day of May, 1882. F. C. MORRIS, Auditor and Clerk. Astoria, May 16, 1882. Notice. THE DELINQUENT TAX ROLL FOR the year 1881, together with a warrant from the County Court for the collection of the same, is in my hands. Delinquent taxpayers will please settle at once and save costs. A. M. TWOMBLY, Sheriff.

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