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The American Nation.

In little more than two weeks the forty-seventh congress will end by dissolution. The river and harbor bill it passed during the first session raised a howl that is yet reverberating. The echoes of that screech deter our national legislators during the present session from appropriating national money for national needs. A fear of failure in retaining a seat influenced some, a dread of being hounded by such papers as the New York York Sun held back others, while an undefined lack of understanding regarding the rights of individual communities composing the American nation caused inaction on the part of many.

The question of the right of congress to appropriate money for the improvement of the Columbia river, or the Mississippi, or other national necessity involves the whole question of American Nationality; or rather it suggests an attempt to collect the scattered ashes of desiccated doctrine and rekindle them. The old argument of state rights politicians was that the federal government had no power that is not explicitly granted by the constitution. Four years of intercommunal conflict exploded that dogma; the tread of a million soldiers who wore the blue, ground the fragments into dust. If ever there was a settled fact it was that the Nation (with a big N) is sovereign. It has the attributes of sovereignty. To argue otherwise is to assert that there should be no such thing as a national capital, and that we should have thirty-eight republics instead of one. But the theory is advanced that the Columbia river or the Mississippi river, or the life saving service should have no adequate appropriation, because somewhere, sometime, somehow, some one wasted some money that was appropriated for some purpose. Granted that nations like individuals do sometimes waste money; that is no reason why handcuffs should be produced. In the case of our own river the question is not a constitutional one, but one of expediency. The Northwest is not at present able to have the great waterway planned in requisite condition for commerce. It is for the Nation through whose domain it flows, and of which it forms an important artery to do this for its citizens. The Nation has more money, more skill, more resources than any state or set of states. The Columbia river belongs to the American Nation; proper attention to its needs will inure to the benefit of the Nation. The Nation needs free communication from the mountains to the sea, and it is a disgrace to the Nation that the greatest river on its western coast should be so neglected. The bill now before congress for the improvement of rivers and harbors gives the Columbia \$750,000. Though this is more than one-tenth the amount named in the bill for the whole country, yet it is inadequate. The congressmen that represent this part of the nation deserve credit, however, for their effort.

On a railway from Paris to Greiz the cars of the train are connected by electric communication, the brake acted by electricity, the compartments are lit by the electric light, and an electric engine supplies the motive power.

VIENNA newsboys dislike shouting the names of the papers. One of the favorite publications is the Internationale Kosmopolitische Polyglotte Central Zeitung von Wien.

The annual announcement of the marriage of S. J. Tilden "to a beautiful and accomplished widow," is about due, and should appear this week.

At last Wednesday's session of the California railroad commission, a statement was filed by Commissioner Foote relative to immigration to that state. It is a comparison of some special rates of railroad fare, as follows: First-class fare from New York to Portland, Oregon, via Union and Central Pacific railroad and steamer route of 661 miles, is \$158.50; emigrant fare, \$75. Fare from New York to San Francisco via Pacific roads, first-class, is only \$138.55; emigrant \$70. In these instances discrimination is claimed in favor of Oregon, as an immigrant passenger will be taken there for only \$5 more than to San Francisco. Steamer rates to Portland for immigrants are \$10 per head. Consequently the railroads get \$65 out of the \$75, while the San Francisco passenger is charged \$70, a discrimination of \$5 against California. It was stated 15,000 immigrants, representing a capital of \$12,000,000 that "ought to have been retained in California, went to Oregon in the past year." This loss, it was claimed, was wholly the result of this discrimination. The statement was taken under consideration by the commissioners.

JAS. ABBOTT'S planing mill is for sale. It is situated in Evansville, Ind. He bought it Jan. 1st. During that month he lost one finger of his right hand and two of the left. During the current month he lost three more fingers from his right hand. Hence the sale.

It pearls are the oyster's tears the Long Island bivalve in which a fisherman found sixty-three, must have been grievously afflicted during its life.

THE truth had to be created, but lies are self-made. Hence the scarcity of the one and the quantity of the other.

Drugs and Chemicals. J. E. THOMAS, DRUGGIST AND PHARMACIST, ASTORIA, OREGON. HOMOEPATHIC REMEDIES. Prescriptions carefully compounded Day or Night.

GRAND CLEARANCE SALE! to make room for more Hardware and Ship Chandlery. A. VAN DUSEN & CO. Will sell at cost their entire stock of HATS AND CAPS AND BOOTS AND SHOES. These goods must be disposed of as we are soon to receive another large lot of Hardware and Ship Chandlery and must have room to store it.

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IT IS A FACT - THAT - Jeff's VARIETY CHOP HOUSE, on Concomly Street is the Best in Town. - THAT - He has Always on Hand FRESH Shoal Water Bay and Eastern Oysters. - THAT - "JEFF" IS THE BOSS CATERER. - THAT - He has been Proprietor of the "Aurora Hotel" in Knappa for seven years.

FOARD & STOKES, Attention Longshoremen. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT the regular meetings shall be held on the first Monday of each month, at 7 P. M. You will govern yourselves accordingly. By order of the President. A. MALTMAN, Sec. 1007.

A DRAMATIC EVENT! THE MADISON SQUARE THEATRE CO.

Will present on FRIDAY EVENG, FEB'Y 10th, the Beautiful Play of



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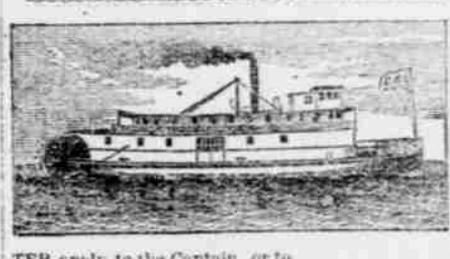
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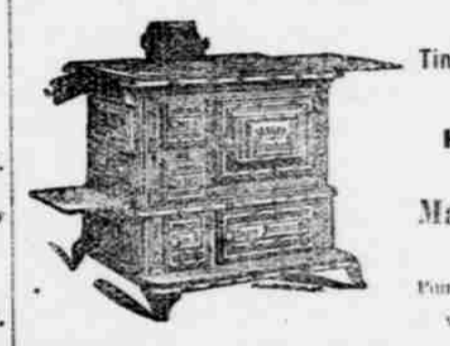
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