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GOVERNMENT LANDS IN OREGON.

Government land open to homestead and pre-emption settlement is in detached and widely scattered bodies. Every county in the state would be represented in a list of such lands. But between the selections made by those already here, the lands reserved for the Indians and the various road and railroad grants, land still left to the newcomer though of vast area is separated and scattered. The largest bodies and best lands are some distance from established lines of transportation, yet are reasonably easy to reach. Scattered sections may be found in all directions from Portland, varying in kind and quality, from open prairie of the best kind to wild timbered lands of comparatively little present value.

On entering the Columbia river from the ocean the seeker after land is inclined to be discouraged by the forests which come down to the water. It must be remembered at the outset that Oregon is a large country. Its area is nearly 100,000 square miles. The distance from Astoria to Portland is barely a beginning in crossing the country embraced in Oregon and Washington territory, of which it is the boundary line.

Nearly all the country within 50 miles of the sea coast is covered with timber on the dry land, and scrub brush and bushes in marshy and moist places, with very little meadow or prairie. There are numerous valleys along the coast which have more or less government land. They are all so nearly alike in general character that the land may be grouped and described together. The soil is everywhere a rich, dark and deep vegetable mold, accumulated from the fallen leaves of a most luxuriant growth of bush, which is in places too dense and tangled to be penetrated without a hatchet or a strong knife. This is true of upland and bottom, except on the higher ridges where the timber is too tall and thick to admit of light enough for undergrowth, and patches of from a few acres to a few hundred in a place of meadow near the larger streams and the bays. Of this last there is little to be had. There are large tracts of timbered land near all the bays and inlets between the southern line of the state and the Columbia river which are well worth the attention of men who are accustomed to a life in the woods and know how to work in timber. Logs afloat in any of the waters of Oregon are worth from four to eight dollars per thousand feet. The timber in all this coast region grows tall and straight, so that the stumpage runs high to the acre. Some of the land owners near the Columbia river now receive from seventy-five cents to one dollar and a half per M stumpage from loggers, and with the growing demand from the growing population of the interior, prices must approximate this through all the coast region. Selections can be made in the Nehalem, Tillamook, Alsea, Siuslaw and many smaller valleys and around Yaquina bay, which are reasonably near to water for float-logs to mill. Selections can also be made with the additional advantage of from ten to fifty acres in a hundred and sixty, of brush land, which can be cleared and put in cultivation at an expense in labor of from five to twenty dollars per acre. All the crops usual to a moderate climate mature well on these lands. Game and fish are so abundant that the settler fairly expert in the use of the gun and rod need make no other provisions for meat for several years to come. The wood land of the whole region produces an abundant feed for stock. The winters are mild and but little feed need be prepared. The wild plants growing in the forests throughout the whole timbered region of Oregon and Washington, when eaten by cows, give an abundance of milk, from which

butter can be made of the richest flavor. When cleanly and well made it has a peculiarly delicate wild aroma unequalled by butter from the best of cultivated feed. No family with means necessary to buy a dozen cows need hesitate to seek a quarter section of government land in either of these coast valleys, where homes can be built in the midst of nature's most charming scenes.—Oregonian Correspondence.

ADDITIONAL PROPHECY.

The S. F. Examiner is in receipt of a communication from L. J. Gates, of Eureka, Humboldt bay, in regard to the salmon interest. He seems to have investigated the subject carefully. He says that complaints are coming from along the coast that the growing scarcity of salmon is making the fishing interest less remunerative every year, and is offering poor encouragement for the future; that the time is not far off when this valuable fish will virtually have become extinct, if the causes of the diminution are not remedied. The supply this year is far short of the expectation. The causes of the great falling off in the stock of salmon in the California rivers, Mr. Gates states as follows: "By a resort to relays of help the seines are kept running night and day, and the streams are swept from bank to bank as rapidly as possible when the fish are sufficiently plentiful to make it pay even the expense of running. This is continued without rest except for a limited period on Sunday. Such fish as escape the first seines are apt to get picked up at fishing grounds above, or are followed up the stream to their spawning grounds and captured there. The fishermen generally provide themselves with a fine meshed net for the young salmon, and a large meshed one for the grown fish. The average catch of young salmon on Eel river, at the best period of the running season, has been known to reach the enormous number of 20,000 a day. Sturgeon are fed to hogs, given away and even thrown away. The fishermen do not want them in the river to bother the seining, and are clearing the river of them as fast as possible. Besides this, it is known that a large number of Chinamen are engaged along the coast south of the Columbia river, in netting the small fishes, upon which the salmon are dependent for their subsistence. These young and small fish, including young salmon, move along the shores in schools, and by means of fine meshed seines and nets, are caught by the millions and marketed. This system of robbing the salmon of its food threatens to deprive our people of a most valuable and favorite fish. Mr. Gates, after elaborating these facts, argues that it is urgent that the legislature should not adjourn without enacting stringent laws for the protection of salmon, to be made effective by severe penalties and fines, giving an inviting share of the fines to the exposer of violations of the law. The salmon were so abundant in the streams of New Brunswick and Maine at one time that the fish did not bring a dime apiece. The reckless practices now complained of here, were permitted to go on there, till the fish became so scarce as to bring the enormous price of a dollar a pound. Finally a law was put in force in New Brunswick which prohibited the seining of salmon, with severe penalties, and the result is that the supply of salmon in the rivers is again large."

An Old Man's Belief
Have used Parker's Ginger Tonic for my bad cough and hemorrhage I had twenty-five years. I feel like another man since I used it. I am 65 years past. Believe it sure to cure younger persons. A. Orner, High-spire, Pa.

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BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

Rough on the Stowaways.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 23.—War will be declared to-morrow by captains of the Portland steamers against stowaways, who have been quite numerous of late. The searching party will be reinforced, and every portion of the vessel will be thoroughly overhauled previous to sailing. The Columbia on a recent trip carried 11 "deadheads," who were put to work passing coal. The steamer Oregon had not yet reached the heads on the way up when the heat from the boilers drove eight stowaways from concealment, and the Queen of the Pacific carried three on her last trip. One of the latter pleaded for mercy, and was ordered to do duty in the engineers' department by Captain Alexander. While there he managed to do away with his full beard and mustache, and succeeded in disguising his identity.

A Calamitous Cyclone.

WESSON, Miss., April 23.—A frightful cyclone passed over Wesson and the town of Beauregard, a mile above, about four o'clock yesterday afternoon. The thunder and lightning was terrific, fences were torn down, and trees uprooted and cast hundreds of yards away. East of the railroad the damage was light, but in the west portion of town the destruction was awful in its character. One peach orchard was struck, which was lined with large numbers of houses in which operatives of the Mississippi mills are domiciled, and the greatest destruction occurred. The groans of the wounded beneath the ruins were appalling. The dwellings are in tatters. A pine forest just beyond was blown out of existence. The work of removing the dead and extricating the wounded from the ruins then began. It is estimated that the number of killed is 12. Two or three children are missing; 18 or 20 dwellings were blown down. The number of people with broken limbs is estimated at 75. The wounded were removed as fast as possible to houses which escaped injury. Several of the dead lay out in the rain for more than an hour after the storm. The dead are now all laid out in coffins. Citizens are doing all in their power for the wounded. Many, it is feared, will die. A special train, with physicians from McComb City and Brookhaven has arrived and another special will be here with additional help from Magnolia and Summit. Some of these physicians go to Beauregard, where the destruction of life and property is said to be simply indescribable. The scene is appalling. The town is literally a mass of ruins. It is with difficulty that one can ride through, so thickly are the trees strewn across the road. Timbers are scattered for miles around. Even out in the country three miles of dwellings were swept away.



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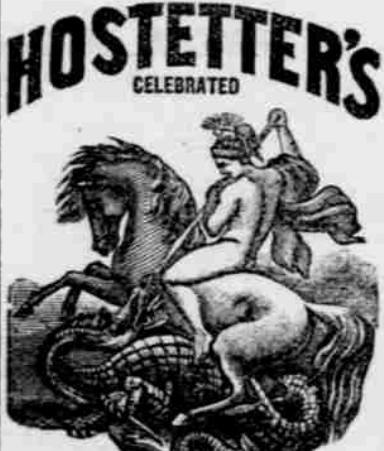
The train which took Mr. Villard and party from Kalama to Tacoma made the run in a little less than two and half hours—an average of 43 miles an hour. This is a little the fastest time ever made on the Pacific division.—Oregonian.

A LETTER FROM GERMANY.

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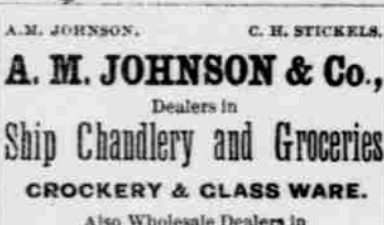
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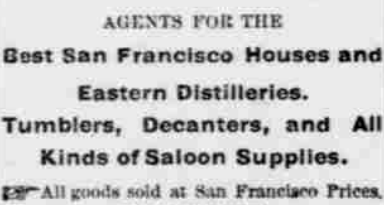


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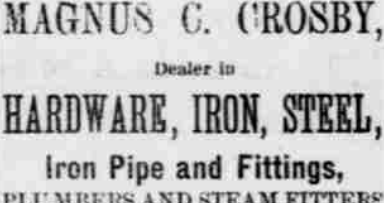
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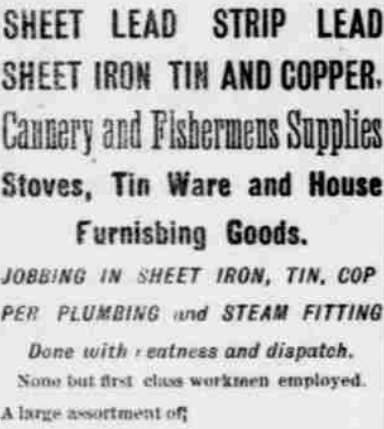
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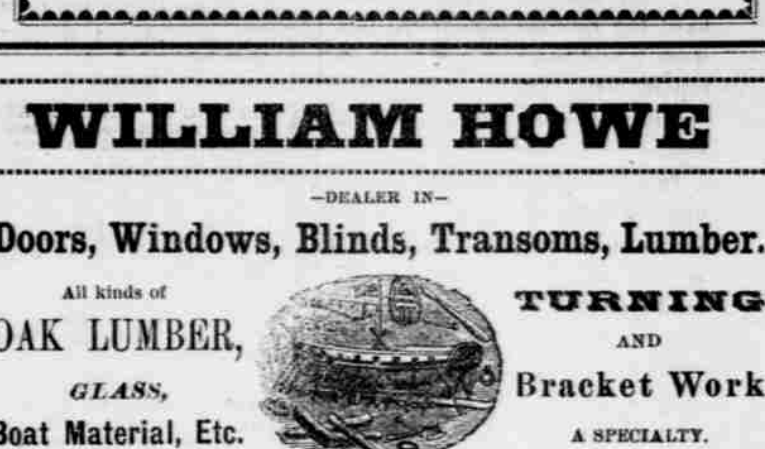
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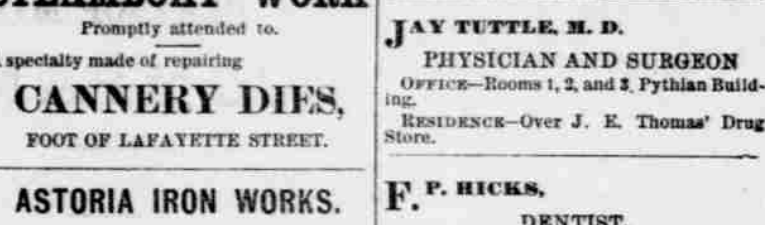
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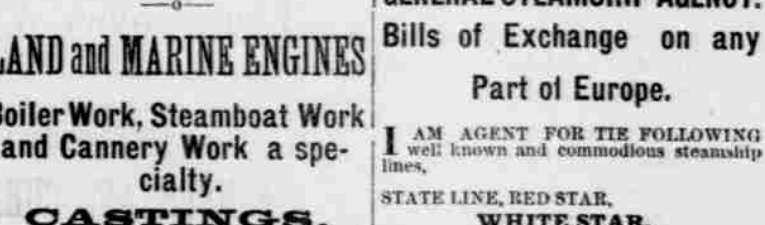
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