

The Daily Astorian

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Making a Virtue of Necessity.

Mr. Villard stated in his speech at The Dalles that the railroad company will soon make a definite decision regarding the construction of the road down the Columbia river, and the line across the Cascade range; that if the construction of these lines is not decided upon within a reasonable time, it will be to the interest of the company to put an end, at the earliest possible moment, of the holding under lock and key, so to speak, which has now been continued for twelve years, to the title to vast acres of land in Washington Territory and Oregon. The railroad company recognizes that its prosperity will depend more upon the development of traffic by the settlement of these lands than upon their contingent ownership. Whatever can be done by the company consistently with its trust obligations to the holders of its first mortgage bonds and with a fair treatment of bona fide settlers, to open these lands to general settlement, will be done without unreasonable delay.—Oregonian.

This, in general, is good. In special connection with the matter of the Astoria land grant it is at present unnecessary to say more than has been conveyed to Mr. Villard officially and unofficially. That gentleman is probably cognizant of one fact, viz: that unless his company build the road from Forest Grove to Astoria this season he will not be longer troubled by those persistent Astorians who don't know any better than to keep agitating what they ought to let alone. The next congress of the United States will see that justice is done in the matter.

As Far as Heard From.

"The Sacramento of the Willamette."—Ledger. "They don't like the projected road to Astoria."—Post-Intelligencer. * * * the putting of two bridge obstructions between them and the ocean, and the possible building of a city at Astoria are looked upon in the Webfoot metropolis as veritable calamities, as actually threatening the life of the city, and as being a little the worst thing that could happen."—Post-Intelligencer. "How does it seem to be anxious about a railroad from Portland to Astoria via Forest Grove which, with a bridge across the Willamette, will allow wheat in the region east of the Columbia in Oregon to go to deep water without risk of sand bars?"—Wasco Sun. "The natural bent of a business mind would be to begin at the bar, and permanently improve that and then proceed to improve the channels above it."—Chelalis Vi-dette.

The great artist, Modjeska, feels dissatisfied with the monotonous life of an actress. She has "no time for society, for picture-galleries, for the various graceful ways that women of education and refinement delight in passing away their time. She must save all her strength for the evening, and for the dreary but necessary rehearsal." This may seem a strange view to take of the life of an actress. It seems to an outsider anything but monotonous. The truth of the old saying, "one-half the world knows not how the other half live," is certainly here tested. The actress thinks her life monotonous, and pines for the existence of the woman of fashion and leisure, and the woman of society thinks her life stupid and tame, and wishes she lived the exciting life of the actress.

YESTERDAY'S Oregonian shows an entire change of front, and in an article on the river bars shows a desire to come down out of the clouds and talk sense. Now if that paper will take the true view of the case, side with THE ASTORIAN, work for the interests of the whole state and declare for the improvement of the bar at the mouth of the river we will give it credit for good intent. The beautiful parable of the vineyard shows that those who came in at the eleventh hour received as much as those who toiled during the dust and heat of the day. Astoria is not a bit mean, and will be pleased to see Portland justify herself, even now.

Mrs. DUNIWAY, in her paper, argues that in speaking of woman, the word "female" is improper, and she is right. The two words have a distinctive meaning, and the use of the word "female" where woman is meant, is simply an evidence of ignorance on the part of the writer or speaker.

Pointers.

The talk about nominating Senator Sherman for governor of Ohio by the Republicans is still going on though it exhibits little animation.

If Davis had any chance for the presidency it is knocked in the head completely by the endorsement of Old-man-who-wants-wa-ter-to-run-up-hill Blair of New Hampshire.

Mr. George William Curtis, in a private letter received in San Francisco, says: "All who are interested in great public policies will naturally attach themselves to parties, but he is a very foolish fellow who makes a party a master, instead of an agent."

Senator Sherman is a long-headed man. He and General Long have, perhaps, lost fewer points in the changes of Republicanism than most of their party leaders. In his efforts toward the governorship of Ohio he does not surrender his chances for the senatorship.

The Dayton Journal says it "knows that ex-president Hayes would not accept a nomination for governor under any circumstances." "Now does the Journal know of any one under heaven who wants Mr. Hayes to be nominated?" demands the Indianapolis Journal.

The movement in favor of biennial sessions of legislatures appears to be spreading in New England. Massachusetts has taken the first step in favor of such an amendment to its constitution and a committee in the Connecticut legislature has reported in favor of a similar proposition.

In Vermont the discussion of candidates has been on the Republican side, ex-Congressman Grout being among those mentioned. The political independence prevailing last year was not without some proofs in Vermont, the Republican candidate for congress in the 2d district barely escaping defeat. Whether this feeling will increase or subside cannot be perceived until another state campaign occurs. If the former happens, Vermont may yet become an interesting factor in the politics of the country.

A Virginia paper, The Staunton Vindicator, would like to see Mr. Randall made the presidential candidate of the Democracy, and points out how neatly he would straddle the whole tariff issue as follows: "Mr. Randall is the embodiment of the prevailing idea now on top in the American mind—that the time is not come for free trade, and that the time for a monopoly-creating high protective tariff has long ago passed. He is the sort of man that the practical mind of the country will gather around in 1884 while the theorists are hunting up doctrinaires as exponents of their ideal future."

The Tribune says: Democratic journals as they contemplate the hair-pulling going on in their own party look upon the prospect of the Republican party harmonizing. They can't possibly see how such a result can come about and try to extract comfort from petty differences that have occurred in time past. There is just cause for this worry on the part of the Democrats, for their only hope of success lies in Republican division. It is a significant fact that the year before the Presidential campaign begins sees the Democrats dividing and the Republicans uniting. There is in this fact just cause for Democratic grief.

The candidates for speaker of the Democratic House have already engaged tent room for the big circus that is to come off next fall in Washington. A dispatch from that city mentions where each man will "plant his standard," or, in other words, where he will mount a chair and beg for votes, offering for each a committee chairmanship. The number of brass bands on hand promises to exceed anything seen in Washington on a similar occasion in eight years. Active operations will probably begin as soon as the Ohio canvass is over. The country can calculate accordingly and get ready a strong tonic to carry it through the struggle.

THERE is pending before the Pennsylvania legislature a bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of infernal machines and other devices to destroy life and injure property. The act constitutes such manufacture and sale a misdemeanor, punishable, on conviction, with a fine of not less than \$500 nor more than \$5,000, with imprisonment of from one to five years. The question of intent in the person charged with the offense made punishable by this bill is left to a jury to determine, but the possession of any infernal machine is to be considered as prima facie evidence of a design to violate the act.

THE Oregon City Enterprise may be reckoned as among the "extreme" protectionists. In the course of an article which otherwise is excellent, on the necessity of manufactures in this state, it spoils it all by saying: "The best move that could be made to develop the resources of Oregon would be for Mr. Villard to impose a very high rate of freight on everything manufactured in the east so as to encourage its manufacture here. Let the freights be reasonable to the east and Oregon would soon become an exporter instead of an importer of manufactured goods."

THE News correctly says that too much fuss is being made over the visit of Charles A. Dana to this coast. He is nothing but a political sorehead and the proprietor of a snarling, cantankerous newspaper which is too billious to see good in anybody or anything.

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