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## TILLAMOOK COUNTY.

### An Isolated but Attractive Region.

A visit to the country immediately south of Clatsop county shows a great stretch of coast line, equal to any of the coast counties, and a country whose natural attractiveness is a source of surprise to all new comers. Leaving Astoria at 6 A. M., on Leinenweber & Co.'s new steamer, *A. B. Field*, Capt. Steve Babbidge commander, a run of six hours down the Columbia, across the bar and out to sea along the coast the summit of which is still encircled by the melting mists of morning, and we come to Tillamook Bay, the natural entrance to a region rich in resources, and which is destined to play an important part in the future history of our great state. The bay which is easy of access opens to the southeast; at its entrance is a bar which has fifteen feet of water on it. To the right as we enter is a sand spit, a long narrow peninsula, widening to the south, and extending down the ocean coast for several miles. This is a resort for tourists and pleasure seekers, who contemplate abiding for a season by the seashore. The east or bay shore affords admirable shelter in which to pitch one's tent, while the west shore has a broad and firm beach on which a wheel would scarcely make a dent forming a natural roadway for miles to the south where a great cape puts out its spruce-crowned summit. Crossing the bar, and rounding in a cove to the east we come to Garibaldi, where at the houses of Mrs. Gallion, or P. Byram, visitors can procure accommodations. At this place the Miami river finds an outlet. About two miles up this river, is a large tract of fine land, now known as Foley valley, so called from the Foley river which heads above. Cedar, spruce and fir are to be found of a size and quantity one would scarcely expect to see so close to the coast, and so situated on benches as to be easily got out. On the point at the south side of the Miami Jos. Smith has a force engaged in leveling off a mill site, on which he will build a saw mill which he expects to have in running order by the 1st of August. A short distance below is the new town of Hobsonville. Here all is bustle and activity. Leinenweber & Brown have built a cannery and extensive buildings, including a well stocked store, boarding house and outbuildings, and are making preparations for the beginning of the season's salmon pack. They expect to start up about August 1st. J. E. Sibley, the postmaster is the general superintendent and is the right man in the right place. Chas. Brown is his general assistant, the fact that he has gained nine pounds in weight since he came here three weeks ago, speaks well for Tillamook air; he is a favorite with everyone about the place. Dan Pike keeps the boarding house, and anticipates a busy time from now on. Last year this cannery began operations, and the experiment has proved a success. The enterprise has infused new life into this part of the country, and will form a nucleus for permanent growth. Heading to the south we strike the channel en route for Hoquarton. On the left we pass Fuller Bros. saw mill, and farther south Idaville comes in view; below, the Kilehis empties, and still farther south Wilson's river comes from its far-off mountain sources. This is a splendidly watered region, as well as a splendidly timbered one, and a country that has such great areas of timber, through which flow logging streams need wait but very little longer for the echo of the settler's ax. On each side of the winding channel stretch great areas of rich bottom lands, covered with a luxuriant growth of grass on which feed herds of fat cattle. These tide lands are only covered two or three times in the year, and at a comparatively small

outlay, could be dyked so as to insure permanent immunity from overflow. The channel grows narrower, and it is only by the utmost skill of our captain that he can keep the *A. B. Field* from running into the projecting banks. At a distance of sixteen miles from the entrance we reach Hoquarton, Lincoln, or Tillamook as it is generally styled, the county seat of Tillamook county, and the Portland of this section of country. This is the largest settlement in the county, is the county seat and is a thriving and prosperous little town. It is situated at the northern extremity of the Hoquarton prairie, at the head of navigation, and has all the natural elements of successful growth. The country immediately surrounding Lincoln is fertile and yields good grain and root crops; the town is headquarters for a large settlement. Until recently a saloon in the place had things pretty much its own way but now the proprietor feels like one who treads alone some banquet hall deserted, whose lights are fled, whose garlands dead, and all but he departed, as the good temples have displayed renewed interest in the formation of Tillamook Lodge No. 415, which at present boasts of 55 members. At Kilehis is Kilehis Lodge No. 416, with 36 members, and they are both of considerable influence. Miss Edith Warren, a clever young lady, successfully conducts the Lincoln public school. The principal business houses are owned by J. L. Story, THE ASTORIAN agent for Lincoln, Wm. Olsen, Ed. Starr, Mrs. Nellie Hutchins and G. W. Ferside. The county offices are in the second story of Capt. Ed. Starr's building. The salaries are such as to discourage the art of office seeking, and probably it is as well it is so. The county seems to be as well governed as if it spent thousands where it does not spend hundreds. The climate of this valley, and indeed the whole county is similar to our own country; cool foggy mornings, bracing breezes from the ocean throughout the day, bright sunshine and a never failing rain supply. Tillamook is emphatically a dairy country; in that industry lies its greatest present source of wealth though the natural resources of the county appear almost inexhaustible. To the sportsman and hunter it offers unrivaled attractions. Its waters teem with fish; its woods are full of game from quail to grizzly bears, and whether it be fur, fish or feather that the tourist seeks he can be amply accommodated. There are few sections of Oregon which contain more vacant land than Tillamook county. It was more to look into this matter of land than for any other purpose that we visited Tillamook, as there is constant inquiry from intending settlers. The best land in Tillamook county is of course, taken up, and some of it has been in pasture for a generation; there is very little cultivated land; the chief reason seems to be that a good living and an easy one can be made from dairying and stock raising, by those who were fortunate enough to get in to Tillamook at an early day. Anyone coming in now, if he has some money can buy excellent land at what we consider very low figures. He should have enough left after buying his land to stock it and by a fair industry he can make money and grow rich. The settler with limited means can find plenty of opportunity to make a home. He can homestead or pre-empt 160 acres of land and from the start can make a living for himself and family. The waters will supply him with trout that a king would relish, the shores and inlets abound in clams, his rifle should furnish him plenty fresh meat, and a small garden patch can supply vegetables which need only planting to grow. But unless he has lots of grit, energy and go-ahead-iveness he cannot expect to amount to anything. It is hard work; there is brush to

slash down, land to clear, the sunlight must be let in, roads must be built, and while such a life has attractions for the men who go to make up a country, it would scare a lazy man or a slouch who likes to stand with his hands in his pockets, should he start on such a job. The reward is certain. A willing man whose wants are few can in a few years have a fine place that will be a home for him and his children as long as they want to keep it. But anyone who is looking for "a soft job," has no use in going to such a country as we traveled through the first three days of this week. Nature has done a good deal for Tillamook county; she has been lavish in her gifts; she furnishes soil, climate and resources of incomparable value; he who possesses must earn the right of enjoyment. The country needs a good many things; the greatest need is immigration; it needs sturdy men who will make homes, they are of even more value to the county than moneyed men would be, it needs settlements of sober, industrious citizens who want to raise families and enjoy peace and plenty. This is what will add most to Tillamook's wealth. There are in Tillamook county men who discourage immigration, men who think new people and the bustle of industry may interfere with their present pastoral style of life; men who want unlimited cattle range, and grudge a "stranger" a quarter section, even though he add to the value of the whole county by improving it and causing a greater demand for the article they have to sell. These men act as though their names were forever stricken from the muster roll of duty, and they were content to slip down Time's back stairs to the must and dust of oblivion. They are "well-to-do" because they couldn't very well help themselves, and are unable to see that nothing will so add to their own ultimate prosperity as the coming of industrious men who will create demands and call for markets hitherto unknown, and thus cause money to flow into their pockets. Another of Tillamook's needs is prompt and rapid communication with the outside world. Small craft have heretofore put in semi-occasionally, but their irregularity and the high price of freight have tended to keep the country in a state of isolation. A small government appropriation would improve the channel to Lincoln so that vessels of large carrying capacity could come to that port. At present it is about all the *Alpha* or *One* or *A. B. Field* can do to get there; the last named vessel is the only one that runs with any degree of regularity. Another need is increased mail facilities. The Tillamook mail leaves Astoria Saturday and gets to Hobsonville Monday. There should be at least two mails a week: the question of land or water carriage of mail is a secondary consideration; probably a steamer making regular trips could be better depended on for doing this work. Any movement on the part of Tillamook residents in relation to this will find an able second in THE ASTORIAN. These suggestions are only hints to our friends to the south. It is for them to act in the matter. It is not the province of this article to attempt any description of the county. From where the Nehalem flows into the ocean to that wide tract of country towards the Nestucca which was burned over many years ago and is now practically a prairie, there is, throughout, a diversified area of land that will justify any intending settler on any part to take up an unoccupied tract and improve it. Along Trask river, and farther south on the Tillamook is a stretch of country that should be made produce a large amount of dairy exports and all that is needed is men to open up the country. As we said before a man that goes to Tillamook must be a man that is willing to

take hold, and not be in too great a hurry to get rich. Riches will come to him who will labor and wait. The present condition of Tillamook county is best illustrated by the remark that was made to us twenty times during our brief journey among its hospitable people: "If I only could get lumber I would build." This, in a country where a man looking for a spar or mast could take almost the first stick to hand with surety that it would answer his purpose. At present though the great forests grow in dense luxuriance down to the ocean line, yet lumber is an article of import. It is bought in Portland and Astoria, and high freight is paid to bring the manufactured article to a country where the raw material is in the most boundless quantities. This state of affairs will pass away. Tillamook will awake to a new life, and in the development of her great resources and the filling up of her fertile valleys and hillsides will take the place in the rank of her sister counties which Nature manifestly designed for her. Reports from the grain producing sections of Eastern Oregon, Washington and Idaho, are to the effect that grain never looked better than at this time. At no point is there indication of a bad yield, or even a light crop. If the weather continues favorable until harvest, the yield will be at least 30 per cent. greater than the largest previous year, 1881. A low estimate on this year's surplus for export is 300,000 tons. One fair shower between this and the 20th and ripening weather thereafter, will secure a heavy crop beyond all peradventure. About 25,000 tons will be raised in the neighborhood of Moscow, and of Poleman, a new town, south and a little west of Colfax. The settlers expect the Palouse branch of the O. R. & N. line to be finished in time to move this year's crop, but it is almost certain the company will not be able to finish the line before January 1st. Something must be done or serious loss will result.

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