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VANCOUVER.

The Oldest Town in Washington Territory.

When in 1823 the Hudson's Bay Company then the proprietor of Astoria, determined to select a new and more favorable location for its general headquarters on this coast, the officers of that great corporation looked carefully about for a locality offering the three advantages essential to the permanent headquarters of so extensive a business. In the first place it must have sufficient agricultural country about it to raise the large crops of grain and vegetables required at all the company's forts and to furnish pasturage for the beef and dairy cattle; it must be easy of access to the bands of trappers coming in from the south, east and north; finally, it must possess a good harbor and be approachable by the large vessels of the company that came at stated periods to bring supplies and carry away the accumulated furs. The decision was not made hastily nor without thoughtful consideration, and after the whole ground had been carefully looked over Vancouver was selected as the most eligible location. It was near the mouth of the Willamette and therefore the center and natural converging point of trapping parties coming down the Columbia from the vast wilderness to the east or with the overland express from Montreal, from the rich trapping grounds of California via the Willamette valley, or from the upper coast and Puget Sound; agriculturally, the surroundings were all that could be desired; and, finally, in addition to the fact that it offered the finest natural town site along the Columbia river, it was easily approached by deep water vessels of large draft, and presented excellent natural facilities for loading and discharging cargo. In fact it possessed the finest site and the most natural advantages for a large inland commercial and distributing city to be found on the Columbia.

The question naturally arises, why, then, did it not become the metropolis instead of Portland? The answer is plain. The actual settlers of this region were chiefly American, antagonistic in interest and sentiment to the great English corporation and its representatives. They nearly all settled south of the Columbia and in the Willamette valley, and naturally sought to establish trade centers of their own, ignoring Vancouver as much as possible. Oregon City was founded, then Milwaukie, Portland and other towns on the Willamette, the desire being to find an eligible location as near as possible to the settlements and yet approachable by deep water vessels. The efforts finally crystallized in the city of Portland, and long before Vancouver was redeemed from the hands of the English company, Portland had become the accepted metropolis, and so remains to the present day, though situated on a branch of the Columbia several miles from the main stream. Large vessels went to Vancouver with full cargoes for the Hudson's Bay Co., and for the government after the military headquarters were established there in 1849. This continued until the withdrawal of the fur company in 1858, about which time, also, the government began shipping its supplies by the regular line of steamers plying between San Francisco and Portland. Since then it is but occasionally that seafaring vessels of heavy draft have visited Vancouver. In the twenty years of disuse the shifting currents have changed the channel of the river somewhat, and small bars have formed which would now impede the progress of heavier vessels; but with half the annual expense of keeping open the Willamette to Portland, a far better and deeper channel could be maintained to Vancouver, and there is no reason so far as channel and harbor are concerned, why Vancouver should not become

the great shipping and receiving point she was designed by nature to be.—*West Shore.*

Political.

Governor Foster of Ohio, says Foraker's majority will be about 15,000.

The Nashville *Banner* Dem., holds up both hands for Bayard for president in 1884.

The Georgia legislature is considering a bill creating the office of lieutenant governor.

Maryland will on the 6th of November next elect a full house of delegates and half her state senate.

Pennsylvanians are coming to the conclusion that cholera will be the only thing that can drive the legislature to adjourn.

The Cincinnati Saloon Keeper's Association has passed a resolution directing its members to vote the Democratic ticket.

The Philadelphia *Times* has ascertained that to pay Chandler's trip, Uncle Sam has to shell out \$100 a day.—*N. Y. Graphic.*

"No man," said Judge Black, "can be a good Democrat who believes in tariff for protection." Judge Black was a strict constructionist.

A state convention of the Workmen of New York will be held at Rochester on the 17th of September, to devise ways and means to abolish the convict labor system.

The opposition to the present ring in Baltimore is talking of nominating Christian A. for Mayor. The name is suggestive, to say the least, in connection with the breaking down of a political machine.

"The Michigan prohibitionists have resolved to raise a state campaign fund of \$100,000," says the *Norfolk Virginian*, "and use it in beating the Republican party. They have the money raised already—all but \$99,975."

The Kalamazoo, Mich., *Gazette* is out for Tilden and Hendricks for 1884, declaring that "justice demands that the crime of 1876 be wiped out." This is one of the earliest symptoms of a re-juvenation of the "literary bureau."

A Washington correspondent writes to the Philadelphia *Times*: "It is becoming more and more apparent that Mr. Blaine has not impressed his former supporters with the understanding that he does not intend to be in the next presidential race."

The Richmond *Dispatch* (Bourbon) says that there is an universal activity among the negro voters of Virginia, and expresses the opinion that 100,000 of the whole number of them in the state (which it places at 128,000) will vote the Mahone ticket this fall. It adds that "Democrats of Virginia may as well look this matter in the face."

The Republicans of Iowa that the Democrats of that state think they are going to catch and hold this year, and the style in which they are to be caught and held, reminds the Iowa *State Register* of the story of the small boy and his first fish: "Oh, father," he screamed, rushing in in ecstasy, "I caught the biggest fish ever was. He bit right on to my hook." "But where is the fish, my child?" "Oh, pa, he just unbit again and div!"

A gray-eyed Tennessee girl is said to have discovered that she can make her eyes look blue by wearing a dark blue velvet lining to her hat and eating loaf sugar slightly flavored with cologne water. Gray-eyed young men make their eyes look red by taking another kind of flavoring with or without sugar.

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SYMPTOMS OF A DISEASED LIVER.

Pain in the right side, under edge of ribs, increasing on pressure; sometimes the pain is on the left side; sometimes the pain is felt under the shoulder and is sometimes taken for Rheumatism in the arm. The stomach is affected with loss of appetite and sickness; the bowels in general are constive, sometimes alternating with laxity; the head is troubled with pain, accompanied with a dull, heavy sensation in the back part. There is generally a considerable loss of memory, accompanied with a painful sensation of having left undone something which ought to have been done. A slight, dry cough is sometimes attendant. The patient complains of weakness and debility; he is easily startled; his feet are cold or burning, and he complains of a prickly sensation of the skin; his spirits are low, although he is satisfied that exercise would be beneficial to him, yet he can scarcely summon up fortitude enough to try it.

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