

The Daily Astorian.

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OUR NORTHWEST POSSESSIONS.

There is present inquiry in the Canadian parliament regarding the boundary line between British America and Alaska. It is thought in well informed quarters that there may be some unpleasant discussion between the United States and England regarding the definition of national boundaries.

This boundary seems to be vague and indefinite. The fact that Alaska has until quite recently been a sort of *ultima thule* has prevented any discussion, but now that our northwest possessions begin to assume some prominence, the question of limits promises to be an interesting one.

When Secretary Seward bought Alaska from the Russians in 1867, the document of sale contained the following regarding boundary lines:

The eastern limit is the line of demarcation between the Russian and British possessions in North America, as established by the convention between Russia and Great Britain of February 16-23, 1825, and described in articles III and IV of said convention in the following terms: Commencing from the southernmost point of the island called Prince of Wales island, which point lies in the parallel of 54 deg. 40 min. north latitude and between the one hundred and thirty-third degree of west longitude (meridian of Greenwich); the said line shall ascend to the north along the channel called Portland channel as far as the point of the continent where it strikes the fifty-sixth degree of north latitude; from this last mentioned point the line of demarcation shall follow the summit of the mountains situated parallel to the coast as far as the point of intersection of the one hundred and forty-first degree of west longitude (of the same meridian), the meridian line of the one hundred and forty-first degree, in its prolongation as far as the frozen ocean.

IV. With reference to the line of demarcation laid down in the preceding article it is understood:

First—That the island called Prince of Wales island shall belong wholly to Russia (now, by this concession to the United States).

Second—That whenever the summit of the mountains which extend in a direction parallel to the coast from the fifty-sixth degree of north latitude to the point of intersection of the one hundred and forty-first degree of west longitude shall prove to be at the distance of more than ten leagues from the ocean, the limit of the British possessions and the line of coast which is to belong to Russia, as above mentioned (that is to say the limit to the possessions ceded by this convention), shall be formed by a line parallel to the windings of the coast and which shall never exceed the distance of ten marine leagues therefrom.

The uncertainty that marks the above is its chief characteristic. Already disputes have arisen. The English claim that the "Portland channel" mentioned above does not mean the Portland channel of the old charts, but a smaller one further north. That interpretation would throw this country out of a large area of valuable fisheries and timber land. Again it is observable that the line is to follow the summit of the coast range, when such summit shall be at a greater distance than ten marine leagues. But the mountains are not uniform in their trend with the shore, so that when they stretch too far inland it is all right for England, but when they come within four or five miles of the sea it is all wrong for the United States.

The fact that the territory in question is the finest part of Alaska adds to the interest with which the matter is invested and the probability that there will be some more or less accurate definition of boundary lines in the near future.

The word "Folger" is likely to get a place in the dictionary of American politics similar to that given to the word "Boycott" in England and Ireland. The genesis of each word is nearly the same and the meaning is not widely different. The Blaine men, or half-breeds of New York, led by their organ, the *Tribune*, defeated Mr. Folger for governor in 1882 by withholding the votes of his own party from him. An Ohio man now says that one wing of the Democrats of that state will "Folger" the other wing next October—meaning that they will refuse to vote for their candidates. Hence Mr. Arthur's secretary of the treasury is likely to go into history in a way different from that which he expected. To "Folger" is in reality to "Boycott" at the polls.

The *Pacific Medical Journal* referring to a recent writer who asserts that lumbermen are free from dyspepsia because they are in the habit of chewing gum, says that "if he would add to his suggestion of chewing gum that of becoming a lumberman the remedy would be very effective."

OUR PUBLIC DEBT.

"We want a look at the books," was a familiar campaign cry last November. Well, our Democratic friends have had a look at the books, and Secretary Manning has made his first announcement regarding the public debt, the amount of money on hand, etc. His statement tallies exactly with that of his predecessor, and there does not seem to be any extraordinary discoveries so far. That awful "\$400,000,000 of the people's money" is still there to the same extent that it was before the election, but Mr. Manning's figures show what everybody with three grains of sense knew all the time, that it cannot be used, being held for a specific purpose. The Democratic secretary shows in his elaborate report that there is exactly \$22,259,025 cash on hand available to be used in paying the running expenses of the government. Republican newspapers last October figured that on the 4th of March there would be \$21,500,000; it seems there is a little over.

The figures Mr. Manning gives are interesting and instructive. The total net debt of the United States at this time is \$1,502,579,184. Twenty years ago, at the close of the little difficulty with Mr. Manning's friends, the debt was \$2,700,000,000. Then there were 35,000,000 people; the amount per capita was \$77; now we are 67,000,000; the amount per capita is \$27. During twenty years the country has paid \$1,200,000 of its obligations and could pay the rest before January 1st, 1888, if there was any necessity for it.

Gov. Squires, of Washington Territory, seems to be somewhat promiscuous in his introductions. The San Francisco papers give long accounts of two beasts, confidence men who got away with some hooch on the strength of letters of recommendation "from Gov. Squires, of Washington Territory." The name of one was Cecil Northbrooke, of the other Fred Van Norman. Clarence Fitz Percy will probably show up in time.

The population of Russia, according to the census of 1882, is given at 77,879,521 in European Russia, of whom 38,651,977 were males and 39,227,544 females. The total population of the entire empire, including Finland, was a little over 102,000,000, or about one twelfth of the population of the globe.

It was Talleyrand who said "Language is given us to conceal our thoughts." In his messages to England the Russian czar seems to be a disciple of Talleyrand's.

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PHILIPPINA BOELLING, Executrix.

Astoria, Clatsop County, Oregon, March 28, 1885.

Administrator's Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned was on the 28th day of January, 1885, duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Clatsop, administrator of the estate of Hans Plinning, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly verified to me at my office of the Clatsop county, in Astoria, Oregon, within six months from this date.

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