

The Daily Astorian. ASTORIA, OREGON: THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 1885. WHEAT.

SEVERAL of the smaller European countries raise but little wheat. The crop returns for 1880 show that Ireland, Switzerland, Sweden and Norway raised less than a bushel to each inhabitant, whereas the minimum consumption averages 5 bushels. Austria, Portugal, Denmark and the Netherlands raised less than 2 bushels per capita. Great Britain, Greece, Russia and Germany raised less than 3 bushels per capita, Serbia's yield fell under 4 bushels, while Turkey, Belgium and Roumania had less than 5 bushels. Italy raised nearly 6 bushels, Spain and France less than 8 and Hungary over 9 bushels. The average for Europe as a whole was not quite 3 bushels per capita, while in the United States the yield was over 6 bushels per capita. Russia is America's greatest competitor in the English wheat trade, and yet in 1880 Russia produced only 21 bushels per capita, while the United States produced 9.2 bushels per capita. The acreage in wheat in this country has nearly doubled in the past ten years. It is estimated that there was 38,500,000 acres under wheat cultivation in the United States in 1884, and that the crop was about 513,000,000 bushels of 57 to 60 lbs each. Calling the population of the country 55,000,000, this is equal to 9 1/2 bushels for each man, woman and child, or at least four bushels per capita above the home consumption. The figures show that America leads all other countries in the volume of the wheat trade, and it is doubtful if the maximum yield has yet been reached. The low prices of last year will probably show a lessened crop this year.

HOW GRANT SAVED LEE FROM ARREST.

As interesting story of Gen. Grant's magnanimity at the close of the war, and his keen sense of honor, comes to the Philadelphia Times from its New York correspondent. The war was over, Gen. Lee and his half-starved confederates had returned to their desolated homes on their parole of honor. The victorious armies, under Grant and Sherman, were encamped in and around Washington, and Jeff Davis was in Fortress Monroe. Gen. Grant and Rawlins were playing a game of billiards in the national hotel, and two civilians were indulging in that pastime on an opposite table. A major entered the room in a hurry, and whispered to Grant. The latter laid his cue on the table, saying, "Rawlins, don't disturb the balls until I return," and hurried out. One of the civilians said to the other: "Pay for the game and hurry out. There is something up."

In front of the hotel stood a mounted sentinel. Grant ordered the soldier to dismount, and springing into the saddle, rode up the avenue so fast as to attract attention. The first civilian questioned the soldier as to the cause, but was answered with the surprise of one who knew nothing. On being told of the general's break-neck ride, it was decided to go to the war department and learn the cause, if possible. Col. Barroll of the second regular infantry, was disbursing officer in the quartermaster's department, and to the colonel one of the civilians went for information. Asking him if he knew the reason of Gen. Grant's hasty action, and if he had seen the hero of the hour around the department, Col. Barroll answered, "Yes," but was surprised at anybody's knowledge of the event. When told of what transpired the colonel said: "Well, as you are aware of the coming of Gen. Grant I will tell you all about it, provided you promise not to repeat it."

"Secretary Stanton sent for me in reference to the execution of certain orders, and while listening to his instructions Gen. Grant came in. The secretary greeted the general with a pleasant 'good morning,' which the latter returned, and said, 'Mr. secretary, I understand that you have issued orders for the arrest of Gen. Lee and others, and I desire to know if such orders have been placed in the hands of any officer for execution.' "I have issued writs for the arrest of all the prominent rebels, and officers will be dispatched on the mission soon," replied the secretary. "Gen. Grant appeared cool though laboring under mental excitement, and quickly said: "Mr. secretary, when Gen. Lee surrendered to me at Appomattox I gave him my word of honor that neither he nor any of his followers would be disturbed so long as they obeyed their parole of honor. I have learned nothing to cause me to be-

lieve that any of my late adversaries have broken their promises and have come here to make you aware of that fact, and would also suggest that those orders be cancelled.' "Secretary Stanton became terribly angry, and said: "Gen. Grant, are you aware whom you're talking to? I am the secretary of war." Quick as a flash Grant answered back: 'And I am Gen. Grant. Issue those orders at your peril.' Then turning on his heel, Grant walked out as unconcerned as if nothing had happened. "It is needless to say," continued Col. Barroll, "that neither Lee nor any of his soldiers were arrested. I was dismissed from the presence of the secretary with the remark that my services in connection with the arrest of the leading rebels would be dispensed with until he took time to consider, and I now await the result of his decision." Like some cases in law, that decision of the great war secretary was reserved for all time, but whether the game of billiards was ever played to an end has never been definitely known.

It will probably be necessary for the president to make good his official word that "all the power of the government will be used to carry into execution" the order withdrawing the Winnebago reservation from settlement. Among the 3,000 or more honest, law-abiding people who have settled upon the reserved portions of the reservation are a good many union soldiers. They will not fire upon the flag they fought for, but they will only leave the reservation and abandon their vested rights at the point of the bayonet directed to be used against them by a Democratic president. The people of Dakota see in this question a principle that is broader than the Winnebago reservation. They believe they know the settlers to be right, and will give them their moral support in resisting the order of President Cleveland up to the point of actual conflict of arms. It will be a strange spectacle, the employment of United States troops to drive off ex-union soldiers and others from the lands given to them by act of the last Republican administration.

In pursuance of a plan adopted by the veterans of the late war to visit each spring some celebrated battlefield of the union, the pilgrimage this season will be made to Gettysburg, May 4th and 5th. The Gettysburg meeting will not only be largely attended, but highly valuable from a historical point of view. It will bring together numbers of the most distinguished men of the land. The president, with the cabinet, war governors and present governors of the states, and distinguished officers and soldiers of both armies, and prominent in civil life, will be there.

Gov. Moody has a good record and for this reason, if for no other, should do nothing to mar its efficiency. If he call a special session of the legislature he will make a mistake, a mistake that will be extravagant to the state, hurtful to his party and productive of nothing but ill will. Better appoint, and trust to the future to correct the follies of the past. A DETROIT officer, who was a prominent Fenian raider in 1868, says that 12,000 Fenians have already enlisted secretly for a raid into Canada, 3,000 of whom are in Detroit. It is going to cost Canada \$1,000,000 to suppress Riel's revolt, which might have been prevented by the expenditure of \$100,000 in satisfying the just claims of the settlers.

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