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ASTORIA, OREGON:

.....AUGUST 31, 1887 WEDNESDAY

THE SOUTHERN "BOOM."

EVERY arrival from California con firms the statements of the California press regarding the magnitude of the California "boom." Two representatives of the New York Sun, in the office yesterday, just off the State on their homeward way via St. Paul, say that the activity and appreciation in prices exceed anything they have seen elsewhere. It is the general statement. All agree in the declaration that it is something phenomenal.

It would be interesting to inquire into the causes which have occasioned it. San Diego had as glorious a climate, Los Angeles had as pleasant a location, the Santa Clara valley was lieve me, yours sincerely, just as attractive twenty years ago. It would appear that the chief

cause, aside from railroad construction, is eastern money. People who have made their money and lost their health, came drifting out this way about fifteen years ago. Every September 5th will be placed in the one who came was a self-constituted hands of our attorney. Please call committee of one on immigration Men who came "just to see the country" remained, invested some of their thousands, bought the climate with a little land thrown in, and year by year the human tide has increased, until now men in New York and Ohio and Illinois who have large wealth, men in Michigan and Wisconsin aud Iowa who are looking for investments, men from Massachusetts and Pennsylvania and Indiana who have tired of wind and snow, have come in large numbers to this coast on the most convenient lines of travel and bought homes

To them the expenditure of a thousand dollars more or less is of little consequence. They buy a tract or a lot and proceed to beautify and adorn it. If the house they are building costs \$25,000 instead of \$20,000; if the ornamentation of the grounds or the subjection of the tract to cultivation cost \$2,000 or \$3,000 more than the Everything sold at greatly reduced original estimate, the money is at prices at the Crystal Palace. once forthcoming. It is a golden eastern stream. This would appear to be the cause of the starting of the southern California "boom." Once started, the law of demand increased the original dimensions of an ordinary advance in real estate. Where two wealthy eastern men wanted the same piece of land, the highest bidder naturally got it, and low figures. naturaly enhanced the value of the surrounding real estate, and thus it went. The intrinsic value of the went. The intrinsic value of ten acres in Los Angeles or San Diego counties to-day is no more than it was at Central Restaurant, next to Foard & ten years ago. But its relative value Stokes'. has increased in some cases fifty times

From prices it would appear that ace. the matter has got out of the hands of the investors into those of the speculators. It is no longer a legitimate, bona fide expenditure of money with a view to actual residence. It seems to be actuated more by a de sire to "get in," and work points so as to unload at the proper time or a little before, and not "get left."

The "boom" is apparently developing into a craze, such as was indulged in during the flush times of '71-'76. when a lucky hit in stocks, or straight tip from the inside, would make the \$75 clerk of to-day able to draw a draft for \$20,000 the following day, and have it duly honored.

We are told that lots 40x140 feet two miles beyond the extreme limits of the pleasant city of San Jose were sold last week for \$4,000 apiece Now, it is evident that actual value or prospective growth have nothing to do with such crazy figures. Such prices are evidently fictitious, and it is a gamble pure and simple that the purchasers of such property are engaged in. As for the men who get such prices one can but commend their shrewdness while withholding admiration for the modus operandi of the game.

The general and ultimate effect will be good. It will widely advertise the coast. The enduring and abiding advantages of the Pacific coast will be made so manifest to hundreds of thousands of visitors that they will remain or return and by making this their home will aid in its permanent development. The millions that are now being brought to California and left there will find outlet in enterprises and industries. The high prices at which lands and locations are held will cause inquiry if green valleys and pleasant waters and immunity from summer's sum and winter's storm cannot be found elsewhere. Oregon will reap material advantages from this golden harvest. There will be an awakening throughout our own great state; it will receive welcome addition to population and wealth, and can exhibit attractions to investors and residents that will compare favorably with her sister southern commonwealth.

Our of 133 counties which have reported in Texas, the prohibitionists arried only twenty-four by 4,675 majority, while the "anti's" carried 109 counties by 81,593 majority, leaving 76,918 majority against prohibition.

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Teachers' Examination. TICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT for the purpose of making an examina of all persons who may offer themselver andidates for teachers of the schools of is county, the county school superintenint thereof will hold a public examination
the principal's room in the school house
district No. One, beginning at twelve,
son, on Wednesday, August 21st, 1887.
Superintender Clusters

County School Superintendent, County, Oregon.

Dated this 20th day of August, 1887.

PORTAGE RAILROADS.

On the 14th of last January Capt. Chas. F. Powell, of the engineers, in a letter to the legislative committee of the Oregon senate, suggested the building of portage railroads at The Dalles and the Cascades and the use of ferry boats to carry trains between the two points over what is known as the middle Columbia. On the 15th of July the Union, which had never seen or heard of the letter of Capt. Powell, made a similar suggestion. At the waterway convention Capt. Gray submitted the proposal. On the 26th of August the Journal announced the proposal as something fresh, and advocated it. We welcome that paper among the advocates of the scheme.

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In his letter, a copy of which we awaiting found on our return home awaiting us with a very kind note from Capt. Powell, that accomplished officer said:
"A portage railroad officer a solution because it can be built in six months and at a comparatively small cost. It can commence near the Big Eddy and go to good water above the falls. This distance is about 10 miles. The cost of a double narrow gauge track, with rolling stock and terminal facilities, would not exceed \$250,000. Regulations for operation of this found on our return home awaiting facilities, would not exceed \$250,000. Regulations for operation of this portage and rates, say 10 cents per ton and per passenger, should be made, and the operation of the road let to the highest bidder on bonds for faithful service. With such a portage I think the United States would build one at the Cascades, but a free one, and furnish a tow boat to help vessels to its lower end: the length vessels to its lower end; the length there would be about 3,000 feet. With two such portages transportation peo-ple would provide ferry boats on the 50 miles between the portages to trans-fer cars from one to the other."

While away from home we met several steamboat captains who are fa-miliar with the middle river, and talked with them about the big ferry boat scheme, and were pleased to hear them declare that there is water enough and room enough there to operate the biggest ships built. An engineer who has made surveys at both portages told us that standard gauge roads can be built over them for \$10,000 a mile. The estimate of Capt. Powell for a double track nar-Capt. Powell for a double track narrow gauge road confirms that statement. As it would be difficult to obtain the consent of the government to the use of its grounds at the Cascades for a private enterprise, a road about five miles long would have to be built there. The two roads would aggregate fifteen miles in length, and would cost, if of the standard gauge, \$150,000, much less if of the gauge, \$150,000, much less if of the narrow gauge patterns. The farmers of Walla Walla alone pay enough extra freight this year to build the portage railroads.—Walla Walla Union, 27.

Brace Up.

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You are feeling depressed, your appetite is poor you are bothered with Heakache, you are fidgetty, nervous, and generally out of sorts, and want to brace up. Brace up, but not with stimulants, spring medicines, or bitters, which have for their basis very cheap, bad whiskey, and which stimulate you for an hour, and then leave you in worse condition than before. What you want is an alterative that will purify your blood, start healthy action of Liver and Kidneys, restore your vitality, and give renewed health and strength. Such a medicine you will find in Electric Bitters, and only 50 cents a bottle at W. E. Dement & Co.'s Drug Store.

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IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANnual meeting of the stockholders of the I, X, I., Packing Co. will be held at their office at Upper Astoria, on Wednesday, the sist day of August, 1887, at one o'clock P, M., for the purpose of electing a board of directors and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting.

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CHARLES SUNDSTROM.

Nasel, w. T., August 30, 1887.

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