

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON:
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1887
SWAMP LANDS.

The four special swamp land agents are making up their report, in Portland. Two Messrs. Sweek and Richmond, are special agents of this state, the other two—Messrs. Elliott and Shackelford, are federal agents. They have been all over the state on a tour of examination, and have inspected a good many thousand acres of alleged swamp land, including about 47,000 acres in this county. A large part of that which has been claimed to be swamp land has been found to be of a different kind.

The agents expect to have their report ready by next Thursday, and will send it to the interior department. When that branch of the national government takes action, the state will be granted patents to that which is finally declared to be swamp land. That which is not so declared will revert to the government, and will be at the disposal of settlers for homestead or pre-emption.

This is tardy and though right in the abstract, may work individual loss. It had to be done sometime, however, and the longer it was let go, the worse mixed it became. It is reasonable to suppose that men who are actual settlers upon what has been called swamp land will have their rights protected by the state or the general government, as the case may be.

That the state will lose several thousand acres of land which will go back to the U. S. government, is a foregone conclusion, but there is this in compensation, that the difficulty will be definitely settled, and the settlers who will be sure to speedily occupy the land thrown open will amply make up to the state in taxation and increased wealth whatever loss would accrue from the transfer from the state to federal ownership.

COMPLETING THE CIRCUIT.

The recent heavy rains in northern California and Oregon have had a deterring effect on the proposed festivities attending the celebration of the completion of the California & Oregon railroad. The original proposition was to celebrate it to-day; then the affair was postponed to the 13th, and now it is again postponed, ranch to the disappointment of the various towns along the route from Sacramento to Portland, which had made preparations more or less elaborate in honor of the event. At Portland a banquet for 100 people, costing \$15 a plate, was on the programme, though some "who, though on pleasure bent, hath yet a frugal mind," thought that \$1,500 would be better spent in dredging than in dining.

However, the road is built, and that's the main point: the celebration is only the frills, the trimming, the graceful adjunct.

The completion of the road from the Columbia river to the valley of the Sacramento marks an era. It does two things. It sounds the death-knell of the old-time Pacific coast stage, and it completes the girder of steel that enterprise, and pluck have thrown around the coast line of the Union. It welds the last link, and now the traveler may ride from Maine southward along the Atlantic, westward along the southern frontier, northward along the at one time far-off Pacific coast frontier, and back, eastward, via the northern frontier line of Uncle Sam's possessions. In case of war, troops could be speedily transferred to the remotest corner of the Union: during years of peace no force more potent than rapid railroad communication can be devised to bind and tie the different sections of the country together, and make it a Union in fact as well as in name.

In the midst of the homage paid to Boston's first citizen, Englishmen are not losing sight of the fact that the champion, John L. Sullivan, is accompanied on his triumphal tour by a representative of American, not to say Boston, womanhood, whose charms have excited admiration as universal as that aroused by the big fellow's regal physical powers. In fact, the British crowds are marveling that such perfect types, physically, of the two sexes should happen to be united as man and wife. They are at a loss, too, how it is that the couple now live in such delightful conjugal harmony, when less than a year ago a suit for divorce was on. The explanation of the mystery is simple. Mrs. John L. Sullivan, of England, and Mrs. John L. Sullivan, of Boston, are not the same woman.

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That bright young smile it was that haunted one of the affable Swedes—Olaf. The Swedish gentleman in the meantime did not seem to care to engage in any regular business occupation. They gave it out that they had come to America to study the manners, customs, and language of the country. In the latter pursuit they were assisted greatly by the Hookers, and especially by that daughter of the household, Annette, who by her careful attention to Olaf, particularly, had him in a few months so that he could speak United States like a native.

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By order of the Committee.

K. N. CARNAHAN, Chairman.

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