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AN EASTERN MAN'S OPINION

As to The Future of This Section.

A Comprehensive View of The Situation.

ASTORIA, Oct. 18, 1888.
EDITOR ASTORIAN: Having spent some time on the Columbia river, and in your city and adjacent country, it has occurred to me that your people might not be uninterested in the opinion of an eastern man concerning your future.

Gentlemen of Astoria, your fortune and destiny are in your own hands, to be marred or made by your own acts.

Your present situation, in a country with so many great and varied natural resources, is an anomalous one; hitherto your great, and almost only industry, has been the salmon packing business. This industry has culminated, and can add but little more to your growth as a city.

What are you to do? I answer, you must open up new industries. To do this you must open your back country for settlement.

How? By building railroads. Some of your citizens have formed a company and started to build a road to Tillamook. This is the best possible move for you to make; it should have been inaugurated years ago, and in successful operation at this time. Had this been done, the assessed value of property in your county and city would have been three times greater than it is to-day.

What is particularly noticeable and anomalous in your financial status, is, there is no fixed and determinate value to real estate. Build this projected railroad and this situation will give place to progress and stability.

When this road has crossed the divide between your country and Tillamook you will see a stream of settlers pouring over this road, and beyond it, that will astonish you.

From the commencement of the building of this road you can date an era in the growth and prosperity of your city.

You should push it to completion as soon as possible. Every man who has any interest in the city or the county should do something toward the work. You should get at this work with an energy and determination that knows no failure; throw all petty wrangling differences aside; work unitedly, and tell the man who is unwilling to help to get to the rear of the procession.

In all of my travels, and they have been somewhat extended, I have not seen another 40 miles of unappropriated route for railroad that offers so great inducements for construction of a road and promises so speedy and profitable returns as this route which you have now secured by your incorporation and commencement of construction.

One consideration of great value: the road when finished can be very cheaply operated. Fuel is abundant and cheap, you have no snows to contend with in winter, no rivers, creeks or canyons to cross, the sudden rising of whose waters will endanger your bridges.

Let me outline to you what is within reasonable probability.

We will put the entire cost of the road at \$500,000, including equipment; you should raise one-fourth of this amount, viz: \$125,000. You can bond the road for the balance, \$375,000. When your road has crossed Young's bay it will commence earning money, and will continue to earn money during the entire period of construction. This money earned during construction will be paid to you in stock dividends.

And I hazard the opinion that if the road, after completion, be properly handled, and all complications are avoided, will have, within five years after completion, earned sufficient money to pay running expenses and pay off all its indebtedness, and the man who has put \$1,000 into the road will be the owner of an interest that will be worth from \$3,000 to \$5,000.

Now, gentlemen, I will tell you something, and I did not get my information from Charles Francis Adams, but it is ex cathedra, all the same, within five years the Union Pacific will have a line of

Asian steamers sailing from the mouth of the Columbia and these steamers will not go above Tongue point.

What does this signify? It means that there will be a trans-continental railroad down to Astoria.

But the transfer of freight from the great steamers to the trans-continental will not make you a great city. You must be ready with your feeder; with cars loaded with lumber, salmon, and other products arising from the development of the country at Tillamook, Nehalem, Astoria and other points, to be run on the great trans-continental, and not to be unloaded until they have reached the great markets of the east; in the meantime capital will be attracted to you. You will have flouring mills, foundries, machine shops, ship yards, and all kinds of manufacturing adapted to your climate, situation and enterprise.

Of all the great railroad magnets who have been on this coast Charles Francis Adams alone has paid you a friendly visit. And here let me remark, Charles Francis Adams is a worthy descendant of his great grandfather, John Adams, who was the sturdiest figure, among that band of colossi who declared and achieved American independence.

Charles Francis Adams, three years ago, in company with Senator John Sherman, paid you a visit. In a short address to the citizens of Astoria he told you, very significantly, that he hoped to see the time when there would be a trans-continental roundhouse in Astoria.

Circumstances at that time rendered the realization of that hope a distant and uncertain probability. The situation is changed. Unforeseen contingencies, the rush of crowding events, all conspire to bring the materialization of that present hope to a rapid completion.

John Sherman also addressed you. His words were pregnant with prophetic meaning; with the military sense common to his family, he recognized the national importance of the mouth of the Columbia.

In private conversation he expressed the opinion that this was the point of danger, and the vulnerable point on the Pacific seaboard.

With what indignation and shame must John Sherman have learned that the secretary of war, on the recommendation of a Miss Nancy, who should have been dressed in petticoats instead of a military frock, had withdrawn the small garrison from the mouth of the Columbia.

It is true that this small garrison, as a defensive body, didn't amount to much, yet as the title of the United States to this territory is little more than that of occupation, it served as notice to the enterprising foreigner, who some frosty morning might say, "I think I will drop in there, supplant and settle," that the United States at some time when she had leisure, and had nothing else to do, intended to erect such fortresses, forts, batteries, ship yards, docks, magazines, and stations for supplies, as would be sufficient notice to all the world that she intended a permanent occupation of the country.

Some of your people have an idea that the Northern Pacific or Southern Pacific may probably lead to your city. There is nothing in it. Neither of these roads will build to your city. The Southern Pacific will build to the Sound, crossing the Columbia at some point between Hunter's and Rainier where, uniting with the Northern Pacific a union bridge will be built. The expense of the ferry at Kalama is very great. A bridge avoids delay in ferriage and is an ever constant danger of interruption of traffic from accidents to the ferry.

The policy of the Southern Pacific does not favor the building of a great seaport north of San Francisco.

I have already drawn this letter out to a greater length than I intended, and yet have said but little of what I intended to say.

Before I return to my home on the Atlantic seaboard, I shall write you another letter, in which I shall give reasons, showing the necessity for immediate fortification of

the mouth of the Columbia. Also the opinions in well informed circles touching the impending Asian revolution, and its effect upon the Pacific coast trade, and shall also give you an outline of the probable route of the great Russian and Pacific railroad. When it is asserted that that road will reach the Pacific littoral at some point south of Cores, it certainly foretells a conflict.

Without being particularly rash, I will predict that before the close of the nineteenth century, there will not be a port in Asia that will not be as free to the commerce of the world as the port of New York.

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30 reams letter paper, 12 D. No. 8 ruling, white laid, Carew, Charter Oak or Scotch Linen.
30 reams first class Congress note, 7 D. packages, No. 8 ruling white laid, 1888, to furnish the following articles for the State of Oregon:
15 M No. 9 white envelopes, 60 D., No. 1 tag XXX.
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12 gross railroad steel pens, No. 149.
15 gross Gillott's steel pens, No. 491.
3 gross Eastbrook "D" pens.
5 gross Faber's pen holders, No. 1875.
4 dozen Tower Manufacturing Co's barometer and brass backed inkstands.
12 dozen ivory folders, 9 inch, Standard.
3 dozen ivory folders, 10 inch, Congress.
10 dozen mullage cups, No. 8, Morgan's patent.
1 dozen mullage stands, reservoir, No. 6, Morgan's patent.
3 reams Parker's treasury blotting paper, 140 D., assorted colors.
2 gross No. 2 Eagle Recorder lead pencils, style 028.
4 dozen Arnold writing fluid, quarts.
2 dozen David & Sons writing fluid, quarts, black.
2 dozen Sanford's premium fluid, quarts.
15 dozen "Duplex" cap board letter clips.
12 dozen Faber's rubber rulers, 14 inch, flexible.
12 dozen steel erasers, Rogers', No. 18149, B.
3 dozen steel erasers, Rogers', No. 18149, E.
20 boxes Faber's No. 300 rubber bands, assorted sizes.
4 gross Faber's lead pencils, No. 2 and 3, hexagon, gilt.
10 gross Faber's lead pencils, round, gilt, No. 2.
6 dozen Faber's patent ink and pencil rubber erasers, small.
1000 McGill's patent paper fasteners, No. 2.
1000 McGill's patent paper fasteners, No. 4.
18 dozen gummed stub files, No. 21, 11x15 in., 250 pages.
12 dozen table pads for paper, 19x24.
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20 lbs. hemp twine, No. 12.
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