

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON: SATURDAY AUGUST 31, 1889. AN IMPORTANT MATTER.

The report of Major W. A. Jones of the U. S. corps of engineers, on fish traps in the stream adjacent to Astoria, published in this morning's ASTORIAN, calls for comment.

Major Jones is a man of mature experience and wide observation; not given to lightly expressing hasty opinion, but inclined to weigh his words.

In an official report to the secretary of war, he explicitly expresses his opinion that our harbor is in danger of shoaling; points out the cause, and indicates the remedy.

It is for Astorians to take heed. It has long been said that a double row of piles driven some way out from shore a short distance this side of Tongue Point would deflect the current into the middle channel, with what result can readily be imagined.

Regarding these traps in the stream driven during the past season, it need not be said in the terse language of Major Jones, "that all such be declared obstructions to navigation, and that the proper legal steps be taken to protect the navigation interests of the United States in the matter."

In doing this Astoria but protects her own interests.

The ASTORIAN makes further suggestion.

Sometimes, whether in this century or the next one, a sea wall must be built.

The exact line of "the ship channel," must be defined, the precise purchase, holdings and rights of private property must be prescribed, and in the interests of the whole the state must take the necessary steps to do the work requisite to save the common holdings from common loss.

The city can't do it; the federal government won't; it comes within the province and jurisdiction of the state (in our opinion) and it is for the state to do it.

We have a precedent in San Francisco. At a cost of millions, the state of California is building a massive sea wall along San Francisco's city front to preserve the harbor and define its limits; building it in front of private property and water frontage, which is not confiscated but protected, not injured, but enhanced in value.

From this sea wall, when completed, will be derived a handsome revenue from mariners tolls, more than sufficient to keep it in repair.

This is to Astoria a serious question. It may be next week or next year, but sooner or later a start must be made. Whether by a washline—a line of closely driven piles along the current edge of the channel—or by some other device, the line of channel scouring must be defined and continued, and then the question of what to do and how to do it comes up for permanent solution.

San Francisco, the state of California, has solved the question in that harbor by the construction of a sea wall. How to best preserve the harbor of the seaport of Oregon, is an analogous case. Can it not be solved in an analogous manner?

CLAUS SPRECKELS has another scheme. His nothing less than to build an addition to the White House out of blocks of hardened sugar. In shipping cargoes of his immense product to Mexico, Spreckels has found it necessary to solidify them in some way into large blocks in order to preserve them against attacks of different and varying climate conditions.

Spreckels maintains he is now able to produce blocks of sugar whiter than marble and harder. The material he asserts, will be less than one-half as expensive as marble, is guaranteed whiter and to hold its color perfectly no matter what kind of weather, and is warranted to stand the wear of time. To build an addition to the White House of this hardened sugar would draw the attention of people and only a comparatively small appropriation from congress would be required to pay for the work.

The plan includes the manufacture of blocks partly out of cane sugar from Louisiana, partly of beet sugar from Kansas, but wholly of American sugar, and the employment of none but American tools and American workmen.

In the last twenty years Canada's public debt has increased three times the amount of what it was in 1869. To-day it is \$284,518,842. Of course much of this is due to the construction of public works, notably the great transcontinental railway. But such a burden for a population of only 4,972,101—less than the number of people in New York state to-day—is oppressive to the thought. That it is a most serious matter to the dominion is apparent through the revelation of the party press of Canada, not to mention the unmistakable signs of distress which attend trade and business generally. The large number of people who annually leave the dominion to settle in the United States tells the story of superior advantages, and prosperity here. Emigration from the United States to Canada is an almost unheard of movement on the part of anybody in order to improve his circumstances. The El Dorado of this continent is precisely the region now owned by this Republic.

The Wisconsin Central and Northern Pacific traffic agreement takes form in the shape of a through-car service from Chicago to Tacoma and Portland, opening the first unbroken communication from Lake Michigan, across the continent to the Pacific northwest.

ENGLAND has accepted the invitation to send delegates to the maritime conference to be held in Washington, but the British delegates will not be empowered to make any engagements binding upon England.

Since 1800 the population of Europe has just doubled itself. Then the population was 175,000,000; in 1820, 215,000,000; in 1860, 289,000,000; in 1880, 331,000,000; in 1888, 359,000,000.

The people of the United States use annually about seven postal cards for every man, woman and child; that is to say, their total consumption for a year reaches 400,000,000.

TELEGRAPHIC.

Specials to The Astorian.

PORTLAND, Aug. 30.—Monday next the grand jury for the September term of the circuit court will be selected. Improvements and renovations at the county court house that have been under way for the past six weeks are about completed. There has been a general repainting, repaving and recarpeting of the entire building and the interior now presents a very neat appearance.

Work on the south wing is progressing favorably. The brick work is about completed.

Counsel for James Steel administrator of the estate of the late Ben Holladay have filed another petition for a hearing in the circuit court which sets forth that the receiver of the estate refuse to cooperate with the administrator to perfect the sale of the entire property.

Mrs. Jack Dempsey is at Wilhoit Springs. She is opposed to all prize-fighting and refuses to talk of her husband's recent defeat.

This morning the corpse of a German supposed to be August Fischer was found floating in the river under the wharf at the foot of Yamhill street. The body was badly decomposed and had probably been in the water two weeks.

Articles incorporating the Carbon, Centre, Lead and Silver Mining company were filed in the county clerk's office this morning. The capital stock of the corporation is \$1,000,000.

W. S. Miller, general manager and Mr. J. M. Hansford, traffic manager of the Northern Pacific railroad will arrive in this city to-day from the east.

The frame for the new Mountain Queen below Weider's mill is now beginning to assume shape and dimensions.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL MILLER'S POSITION.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—On the Chinese question attorney general Miller says: "I notice by the papers that the Pacific coast people do not like my recent opinion respecting the Chinese. They seem to think or judge that the Scott law should cut some figure in the premises, but it could not, for the Scott law relates mainly to Chinamen who have gone out of the country and wish to return to stay. Some people seem to think that I am in favor of the Chinese, whereas, the fact is that I have always been opposed to their immigration and believe that they should be shut out effectively; but I could not in rendering an opinion when called upon, utterly ignore the law, for the law itself, as it enters into the question presented to me, has not been changed since 1882, and my decision was simply in accordance with the decisions rendered by my predecessors, Garland and Brewster. I could do nothing else. I sympathize with any people in their efforts to escape being overrun by a foreign civilization, but I could not completely ignore the law, which must govern my action."

THE SEAL FISHERIES.

MONTREAL, Aug. 30.—The Herald, owned by the Hon. Peter Mitchell, late Minister of Marine, and Fisheries, and organ of the advanced Liberals, publishes a strong leader advocating the independence of Canada rather than have her made the cat's-paw of imperial politicians. The points of the Herald's article are: If the statements made in the Washington dispatch convey a correct representation of the views held by Harrison's administration respecting the Behring sea difficulty; if it is in complete accord with an understanding between the British and American governments on the matter, the situation must be regarded as invested with new and startling interest for Canada.

MANY MEN MADE IDLE.

SPRING VALLEY, Ill., Aug. 30.—W. L. Seast of Pennsylvania, it is stated, has telegraphed to his superintendent to discharge all the employees of the Spring Valley mine not absolutely needed and prepare for a shut-down of six months or a year. The mines, he said, will not be opened again if they cannot be operated on a paying basis. The Chicago and Northwestern has closed down its Spring Valley branch and discharged all the men at this end of the line.

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