

The Daily Astorian. ASTORIA, OREGON: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1890. City and County Official Paper. INJUSTICE TO ASTORIA.

USUALLY it is in just such a season as that which we have been passing through in 1890 that Astoria's prominence of position is most distinctly prominent; other places less favorably situated, frozen up, snowed in, blockaded, washed out, in general tribulation, while Astoria has the ocean and lower river, unimpeded by obstruction and open to all commercial requirements. But this time the parsimony, stupidity and gigantic meanness of the postoffice department has nullified our situation and put us on a level, so far as mail facilities are concerned, with communities isolated from traffic by reason of the weather. Steamers of all sizes promptly arrive and depart, while thousands of dollars are daily lost to our citizens by the niggardly nature of the government.

The idea seems to be that the postoffice department of this government is not even temporarily to be run at a loss; that the balance on the department books must always show a surplus, a profit. This is a mistake. The postoffice is not to be run as a money-making institution; in this Wamamaker or Money-maker makes a mistake. The postoffice comes nearest the people of all the departments of our federal government. It is a public convenience, or should be. What if it does occasionally cost \$150 or \$200 more than its receipts? That is what it is for, and when it fails in its mission through mistaken ideas of economy, it stultifies the purpose for which it was created.

This northwest has its rights and its requirements; as well try to make the garments of an infant fit the frame of a growing boy as to try to make a few fossilized rules and traditions meet the demands of this growing section. We want better mail facilities, and in occasions like the past four weeks we want men at the head of administrative affairs with brains enough to see what is needed and sense enough to furnish the means necessary to have business go unimpededly.

There was, in our case, no excuse; no blockade, no elemental disturbance, no hindrance; it was and is a case of gigantic silliness, such as seldom occurs outside a government department office. The census is near at hand. Every state and town will be interested in the result. Washington will show as great an advance as any other state in the Union. Oregon will be in the van, as will all the far west. Next will appear the rapid growth of such states of the south as Alabama and Tennessee. The older east will hold its own with a good showing in Massachusetts and New York. The central west will not have the increase that it did in the previous decade, but most of her cities will exhibit great populations. The farming communities have not advanced in the same rate as the cities. As the census is to be more complete than ever before it will contain a vast amount of information.

The Spokane Review is determined to see a clean city government in that growing metropolis. It is waging a hot warfare and the "powers that be" are trembling. There is nothing in this world so influential for reforms, political, social or religious as a well managed newspaper. It was the press that swept New York, Boston and Chicago. It is the same influence that in time will work a revolution in San Francisco, Tacoma, and Spokane. The croakers can argue against the press as having bad effects, but without it the world would be like bread without leaven.

In 1790, when our first census was taken, only one-third of the population of the United States lived in cities of 8,000 or over; in 1800, one-twenty-fifth; in 1820, one-twentieth; in 1830, one-sixteenth; in 1840, one-twelfth; in 1850, one-eighth; in 1860, one-sixth; in 1870, one-fifth; in 1880, 22 1/2 per cent, or nearly one-fourth. From 1790 to 1880 the whole population increased twelvefold, and the city population eighty-six fold. The population of our country is now estimated at 60,000,000, of whom about 14,000,000, or nearly one-fourth, reside in cities, and of this number about one-fifth, or 2,800,000 are young men.

The city of St. Paul is growing rapidly. During the past year \$10,000,000 was expended in new buildings. The wholesale trade footed up \$107,137,648, and a manufacturing output of more than \$52,000,000 was reported. A local paper adds: With real estate transfers of more than \$22,000,000 St. Paul dirt can be said to be gilt-edged.

The Sound papers are making themselves ridiculous over the arrival of the *Rush*. The Seattle Times asserts that the *Rush* was "aground off the Columbia." This is a sample, and indicates the mendacity of some of the newspaper utterances on that terrible north coast, that marine graveyard.

WHAT is regarded as next to a decisive reason why there must be European peace is the calculation that the mobilization of the French, German and Russian armies would cost \$100,000,000, and their maintenance in the field would cost \$200,000,000 a month.

The French papers are filled with sensational telegrams concerning the war of races in the United States, represent-

representing the condition of affairs in the southern state; as most critical. Poor America! says one paper; fighting over that question of color for an hundred years—and not settled yet. THE annual statement of the Southern Pacific Railway company for the year 1889 shows a small increase in earnings, among other causes being the construction of new lines. A decrease of the surplus to \$1,344,000, against \$2,589,000, is also shown.

CHINA, with a population in the vicinity of 380,000,000, has only three newspapers at present. Considering that an editor's head is chopped off on the slightest provocation the wonder is that there are even three.

A GROCER in Elizabeth, N. J., adulterated coffee with small stones. He is evidently a novice at the business, else he would have known that as an adulterant of coffee brown sand is unsuited.

The treasury department has decided that Governor's Island, New York, will hereafter be used as a landing place for immigrants, and Castle Garden will be abandoned.

PRIVATE advices have been received at Victoria from an American quarter, warning sealers that systematic police supervision will be inaugurated for Behring sea this coming season.

MARINE NEWS AND NOTES.

The American ship *Challenger* cleared yesterday for Queenstown, carrying 74,032 bushels wheat, worth \$56,819.

The schooner *Norelly*, from San Francisco, arrived yesterday. She will load with lumber from the West Shore mills.

The *Columbia* is due from San Francisco this morning. She is crowded with passengers. The Emma Juch opera company is aboard, 117 in number.

A Port Townsend Captain Randall has taken command of the tug *Collis* vice Captain Brotherton, who goes on the tug *Mogul*, relieving J. D. Drisko, Captain Oliver, formerly of the *Queen City*, who takes charge of the *Sea Lion*, succeeding Captain Randall.

The brig *Tanner* sailed in last Wednesday afternoon, the second mate, Chas. Moore, an old bar fisherman, acting as pilot. Though wind and tide both served right, the current seemed to be so strong that it held the vessel with all sail set an hour at No. 2 buoy.

Saved by Seaweed.

The East India clipper ship *Andra* was saved from foundering on a recent voyage in a most curious manner. On the ship's second day out from Ceylon it was noticed that the vessel was leaking. The leak gradually increased off the Cape of Good Hope after a severe westerly gale with a mountainous sea. The water gained rapidly, and the course of the vessel was turned toward St. Helena. But still the leak increased to twenty inches per hour, and Captain Welden seriously contemplated abandoning the vessel, and he would probably have done so had not the vessel reached the gulf stream current, where the drift seaward worked itself into the crevices of the ship's bottom, stopping the leak and giving all hands an opportunity to rest. As long as possible the vessel was kept in this great current of water, and then her course was shaped toward the capes. On arriving off the coast the leak again increased, and when found by the tug *Heracles* off the capes of Delaware, the ship was leaking at the rate of twenty four inches per hour. To the drift seaward alone do the owners owe the salvation of one of the finest vessels in the world's merchant marine, and one of the most valuable cargoes of a sailing vessel ever brought to America. She had on board over 4,000 tons of Ceylon spices valued at \$1,000,000.

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"I will tell you how to get a Russian steam bath at home nearly as satisfactory as if you paid \$1 for it at an harem," said a physician. "Just have a big firebrick heated red hot in the kitchen range and place it upon an iron stand or some such thing, then stand a chair over the stool. Sit down on the chair and have a four-leaved screen put around you with a blanket thrown over the top. Thus you will find yourself in a sort of closet, and having been previously provided with a jug of hot water, you amuse yourself by pouring it very slowly over the hot brick. The water, transformed immediately into steam, fills the enclosed space and at once induces violent perspiration."

The Most Profitable Book.

The most profitable book ever printed, at least in this country, was Webster's spelling book. More than 50,000,000 copies of this production have been issued, and could Dr. Webster and his heirs have enjoyed the royalties from it they would have found it more valuable than the cave of Monte Cristo. Yet Dr. Webster wrote it that he might secure the means to support himself while engaged in other work, notably his dictionary, which was really an elaboration of the spelling book.

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