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RESTRICTED IMMIGRATION.

The adoption by two great political country of a plank demanding a more restrictive law in regard to immigracussion of that question now in progress. While the plank of the Pennsylvania Republicans is aimed at a cerfornia declaration is so sweeping as to insist upon a total prohibition of all immigration. It was only a few months ago, when the serious consideration of the question first comme ; ced, that many of the independent papers twitted the leading political parties with a lack of the courage to take a stand on the issue, and now the Republicans of two great states, true to the traditions and past history of their party, do not hesitate at the first opportunity to come out boldly and lead the fight for this very important reform; and their example will doubtless be followed in turn by out the country, as rapidly and as regularly as they occur. The Republican party has never dodged any issue yet, and it never will. The next national pended upon to take decided and advanced ground upon this coming quesas to what attitude they shall take in for some time to come. the matter. One of the proudest distinctions of the Republican party, aside from its glorious and remarkable achievements, is the fact that the world and its enemies have never been in stood on any public question.

In Dr. Kinney's article on the protection of the salmon fisheries, published at the present time. In another column, he instnuates some doubt as to the jurisdiction of the general government in the premises. The The tidewater of that stream runs exclusively between the states of Maryland and Virginia, and the habits of the shad and herring are exactly the same as those of the salmon; both being deep-sea fish, and entering the Po- manager of the Can factory, and a numpurpose of propogation. No question was raised as to the jurisdiction of congress to protect these fish, and the congress to protect these fish, and the effect of government supervision has at t passes through them, impurities for which the final medium of liberation been most salutary and successful. It is from the system is the bladder. When also well understood that the ground their function is suspended direful reupon which this government claimed the right to prevent the taking of fur seals in Behring Sea was that the habitat of these animals was within the three-mile zone of our marine jurisdiction, and that they only went to the open sea in order to reach their breeding grounds on the islands of our Alaskan possesorder to reach their breeding grounds on the islands of our Alaskan possessions. There can be no doubt of the government's jurisdiction over the salmon fisheries, and both Washington and mon fisheries, and both Washington and semi-occasionally. Oregon should favor its exercise at the earliest possible moment.

The present session of congress has been used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, already been protracted beyond its usual time of adjournment, and with the last schedules of the tariff bill now under consideration and liable to pass the sunate at any time. It is important that some action should be taken to bring up the salmon protection question without ence committees are almost certain to agree on some form of tariff compromise, and, with the present warm weather lise, and, with the present warm weather compromise, and, with the present warm weather compromise, and with the present warm weather compromise. The compromise of the

in Washington, congress will adjourn early in July. There is emple this, if the mon most interested will only take the matter up, to have a committee appointed before adjournment, that will Secred by carrier, pepr week.. 15 cts
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Mayor Kinney could secure such a petition with very little trouble, and it would be acted on at one in the matter. representatives to move in the matter.

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The Weekly Astorian, the third oldest weekly in the state of Oregon, has, acxt to the Portland Oregonian, the largest weekly circulation in the state.

George A. Hull, president of a mineral stock and share company at Altoona, Pa., told me yesterday that the argument which made it appear that the big Subscribers to the Astorian are requested to notify this office, without less of time, immediately they full to receive their daily paper, or when they do not get it at the usual hour. By doing this they will enable the management to place the blame on the proper parties and to insure a speedy remedy. Handley & Haas are our Portland agents and copies of the Astorian can be had every morning at their stand on First street.

ment which made it appear that the big Portland mercantile houses would be content to stand a flood every ten years or so and put it down to profit and loss at stated intervals, rather than pay the increas d cost of haulage every day for the ten years, necessary n removing back several blocks from the water from, was to a business man an assumption almost too insane to reply to. To haul a truckful of merchandise ten blocks instead of six (which would be the real result of such a policy) is a very different thing from the notion in a Stew given by Mv. Holman-namely, that conventions at opposite sides of the none of the big houses at present had send home a piece of meat that is to do any hauling to speak of.

The car service is improving daily, though, owing to the wretched condition, is significant of the sentiment of the rails in many portions of the the country, and the extent of the discitly, a ride is attended by several inconveniences, in some ways resembling a trip in a handcar over the Young's

Bay motor line. There is a very prevalent rumor, tain class of immigrants only, the Call- which I will endeavor to substantiate at headquarters tomorrow, to the effect that the United States hydrographic department has decided to start a branch

in Astoria. Prominent business men were assembled in knots between the puddles on First street this morning actually engaged in threshing out the question of street raising in that part of the city. The locality has already been raised two feet since it was originally graded, and these men are talking of a second SEASIDE and very much greater uplifting of the and very much greater uplifting of the whole river front district as the only means of combating threatened commercial evils. A work of this magnitude would of course cost several millions of dollars, but the general impression seems to be that without it the annual falling off in trade will amount to much

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There has been a very slight fall in the river during the last 12 hours, but H. the water is all gradually disar pearing from the city, and in all probability by convention of that party may be de- Sunday morning will have left the surface of the streets. The cellars for many blocks up will, of course, remain full for several weeks, and there will be huntion, and the Democrats may be just dreds of small lakes and puddles, both as certainly relied on to halt and hesitats in the open roads and under sidewalks,

Portland, I think, has more old, dilapidated, crazy wharves to the mile than any city I ever knew of, and these ornaments to the river front, that remind one of nothing so much as a series of Asteria net rack stands, have afforded fine sport for the playful ravages of the flood. It has literally torn many of them to splinters, and I will have to wait until my next letter to give you some more detailed description of their condition

Messrs. Fisher and Cook, of Astoria who have had several opportunities late ly to judge of the wreck and havor that have been caused in the warehouses and hundreds of stores and dwellings here. have had all they want of scenes of destruction. Both state that they never could have believed it possible that so much desolation could be seen on the principal streets of a large city.

Several Astoria people are in town. Among them are Hon, C. W. Fulton, James Young and Prof. Hawes.

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