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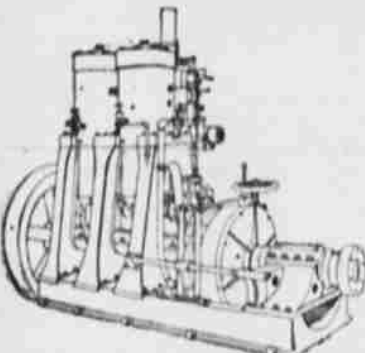
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EXPERIMENTS IN FLAX GROWING

Interest Worked Up Throughout the State and Companies Formed.

MOVE STARTED IN ASTORIA

Has Borne Good Fruit--Seed On the Way Will Be Distributed Here--Clatsop to the Forefront.

At last Oregon has awakened to the fact that she can grow and spin flax which will compare favorably with that grown and manufactured in Ireland.

It cannot fail to be a source of satisfaction to every resident of Astoria and Clatsop county that the work of its prominent business men, Messrs. Foard & Stokes and M. J. Kinney, so faithfully conducted during the past months, to interest citizens of Oregon in the raising of flax for fiber is certainly bearing fruit.

At last Oregon has awakened to the fact that she can grow and spin flax which will compare favorably with that grown and manufactured in Ireland.

Already a company has been started in Portland, managed and influenced by some of the most prominent ladies in the Northwest, to encourage the raising of flax for the fiber.

When the seed arrives from Rotterdam Messrs. Foard & Stokes will distribute it gladly and willingly to all those who desire to make an honest and careful test of flax culture.

THE FIRST GUN.

New Enterprise Incorporated Looking to the Greater Astoria.

In the county clerk's office yesterday, articles of incorporation were filed which may mean very much to the future of Astoria.

The articles recite that the company can receive and hold, purchase, acquire and lease, and grant, bargain, sell and convey, lease and mortgage real estate, together with all rights, privileges and easements, and any and all manner of franchises thereunto belonging; that it can purchase, build and construct or lease buildings for docks and warehouses, and that it can grant, bargain, sell, mortgage, lease and dispose of the same; that it can purchase, receive, own, acquire, bargain, sell and hypothecate personal property, warehouse receipts, notes, bills, and evidences of indebtedness; that it can engage in a general wharf, age, warehouse and storage business, and operate a bonded warehouse under United States laws for gain, profit or hire.

The principal office is to be located in Astoria, and the capital stock is placed at \$50,000, or three hundred shares of \$100 each.

THE NEW SHIPYARD.

This morning Contractor Normile will put twelve teams at work at

Smith's Point to grade for the ways of the new shipyards of the Astoria Iron Works. The Manganitz will be docked there as soon as possible, in order to have her rebuilt within the contract time.

JIM AND BOB.

Make It Up Over Several Rounds of Drinks.

San Francisco, March 23--Corbett and Fitzsimmons had an amicable meeting this afternoon and partook of refreshments together.

Let's have a quiet little smile," said Corbett. Fitz was acquiescent, and arm in arm the pugilists, to the surprise of the loungers, paraded through the long billiard room and soon each was standing with his elbows on the bar.

SOLDIERS' HOME.

Roseburg, March 23--The Soldiers' Home Board is in session here. E. B. Ormsby was re-elected president; John P. Roberts vice president; George Carby, secretary; executive committee, the president, T. R. Sheridan and Sol Abraham.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following deeds were filed for record yesterday: United States patent to Daniel May, southwest quarter of section 23, township 5 north of range 6 west, 160 acres, \$200.00.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Occident--S. Schmidt, P. Casters, Geo. Myers, O. S. Potter, Frank Thiebault and wife, Jno. McGowan, Chas. Thompson, Thos. Hodge, Thos. Haines, A. N. Smith, David Dunne, H. Spaulding, M. P. Callender, C. Pearson, Mrs. Kaderly, W. Wheeler, E. A. Seelye, J. A. Morohad, Geo. Easterbrook.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following unclaimed letters were advertised at the Astoria postoffice on March 22, 1897: Conley, Mrs. Mary Jackson, Wm. J. S. Globe Trow Works Murphy, Mrs. K. Heil, Waastad, Slim, E. B. McParren, Ame-Webber, E. Ha (5) Wolf, Harry, Foreign. Halten, J. Y. Olund, L. P. Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say "advertised." Additional postage of one cent for each letter advertised is charged. HERMAN WISE, P. M.

TARIFF DEBATE IN THE HOUSE

Dolliver Illuminates the Dreary Day With Coruscations of Light and Wit.

THE DEMOCRATIC SENSATION

McLaurin Declares For a Duty On Cotton--McKinley's Reception to Correspondents--Chinese Delegates.

Washington, March 23--Although several passages at arms enlivened the tariff debate in the house today, a brilliant speech of Dolliver's was the distinctly overshadowing event of the day. It shone out through the weary, monotonous gloom which has so far prevailed like a locomotive headlight in a fog.

THE CORRESPONDENTS.

Washington, March 23--President McKinley today gave a reception to the newspaper correspondents stationed in Washington, and the representatives of the local press.

CHINESE DELEGATES.

Washington, March 23--The Chinese empire has sent a note to this government stating that it will be represented at the universal postal congress to be held here in May.

INDIANS IN TROUBLE.

Tekoa, Wash., March 23--Four drunken Indians from the Coeur d'Alene reservation went into Whitmore and McLean's grocery store last night. After using noisy and abusive language they began to throw crockery and merchandise around the room.

PASSED THE ASSEMBLY.

Albany, N. Y., March 23--The Greater New York charter bill passed the assembly by a vote of 118 to 28. It comes up in the senate tomorrow.

PAWNBROKER ARRESTED.

Yesterday a Chinaman stole from the rooms of a white woman a lot of silk garments and other articles. The woman was formerly married to a Chinaman, and had a number of the Chinese suits. Officer Oberg was notified, and at once started on the track of the thief. Happening into the pawnshop of Ark Wo on Bond street,

the officer discovered the missing goods on the counter, which had just been left by the thief, and were being put on the shelves. When questioned Ark Wo said he did not know who brought them in, though he paid \$1.85 for the articles. Mr. Wo was then arrested for receiving stolen goods and placed in the station house under \$500 bonds, and today may tell who the thief was.

THE WOOL GROWERS' QUESTION.

What Oregon Growers Think of the Dingley Tariff Bill.

Portland, March 23--The Oregonian has interviews with several heavy wool growers and dealers of Oregon on the wool schedule of the Dingley tariff bill. Several gentlemen expressed themselves as being doctored of seeing an eight cent tariff duty placed on wool rather than the higher duty contemplated by the Dingley bill.

Hugh Fields, president of the Brownsville Woolen Mills, and owner of large numbers of sheep and a pioneer in the wool business of Oregon, said: "Reasonable protection is enough and I would place that at eight cents on wool in the grease. I believe that there should be a tariff on all wool. I would not let any of it come in free. I think a universal tariff is essential and eight cents a pound is sufficient."

"If the tariff on wool should be raised immediately to the high figure mentioned in the Dingley bill, our mills would have to shut down for the time being. If this raise was made the price of wool would immediately go to about 20 cents per pound and the mills would stop until the stock of clothing manufactured under the conditions when wool was bought for 7 to 10 cents had been worked off."

Thomas Kay, proprietor of the woolen mills in Salem, also acquiesced in the belief that an eight cent duty was much more desirable for the Western producer than a rate of 11 or 12 cents.

SENATORIAL FIGHT.

Kentuckians Now Laboring With the Great Problem.

Special to the Astorian.

Frankfort, Ky., March 23--Today separate ballots were taken for the States senator with the following result:

Senate--Blackburn, free silver democrat, 14; Hunter, republican, 13; Boyle, republican, 3; Davis, sound money democrat, 6; total, 36.

House--Blackburn, 34; Hunter, 33; Boyle, 3; Davis, 5; McCleary, 1; Sloane, 1; necessary to a choice, 70.

The silver democrats held a caucus tonight, but did nothing to indicate what course they would pursue in tomorrow's ballot for senator. Dr. Hunter's friends have been bringing every possible pressure to bear upon the republicans who voted for Boyle today, and claim that two of them will vote for Hunter. The friends of Governor Badley claim that three more republicans will desert Hunter. Neither side give names. The Hunter people will try to force a continuous session tomorrow and keep on balloting until an election is had. The opposition will attempt to defeat this by adjourning. If it is found no man can be united on to defeat Hunter on the first ballot.

THE DURRANT CASE.

San Francisco, March 23--The attorneys for Theodore Durrant today filed their petition in the supreme court for the rehearing of the application, previously denied, for a new trial. No new points are cited in the petition, which will be decided without argument. The prosecution believes the petition will be denied.

TO MAKE WHISKY CHEAPER.

New York, March 23--A plan to consolidate all the principal Kentucky distilleries, of which there are 116, will probably be completed in a few days in this city and a new whisky trust formed.

Levy Mayer of Chicago, attorney for the American Distilling Co., the old whisky trust, is in town and is engaged in drawing up papers for the proposed consolidation.

The correspondent saw him at the Waldorf last night, but he refused to discuss the details of the scheme, saying that their publication at this time would be premature.

"All that I can tell you," he said, "is that 116 distilleries in Kentucky propose to consolidate and that whisky will be cheaper."

THE MARKETS.

Liverpool, March 23--Hops--Pacific coast, 12 1/2.

San Francisco, March 23--Hops--3 and 1 1/2 for fair to choice, and 12 and 12 1/2 for fancy.

Liverpool, March 23--Wheat--Spot, quiet; demand, poor; No. 2 red spring, 6s 2d; No. 1 California, 6s 3/4d.

There is a struggle going on now for supremacy between the cup of hot chocolate and the glass of ice cream soda.

WAR NOW SEEMS TO BE IMMINENT

The Powers Will Land Troops on the Island of Crete to Relieve Marines.

GREECE STILL REMAINS FIRM

Money Not Lacking For the Equipment of Greek Troops While the Turks are Suffering Great Privations.

Constantinople, March 23--The ambassadors have formally notified the Greek government of the intention of the powers to land troops on the island of Crete to relieve the detachments of foreign marines now on duty ashore. The port has raised no objection up to the present time, believing that the next move of the foreign fleet will be to carry out the threat of the powers to blockade the principal ports and coasts of Greece.

On this question, however, there is no unanimity of opinion. In the meanwhile the war preparations of Greece are continuing night and day and there are no indications of a back-down in that quarter.

Money does not appear to be lacking for the equipment of the Greeks, and large supplies of arms and ammunition have been forthcoming--from what sources is not so clear. The Greeks are animated by the strongest feeling of warlike enthusiasm, while the Turks are said to be suffering the greatest privations without pay or proper equipment, which has made them sullen and resentful, but far from desirous of entering upon an aggressive campaign.

FRENCH MARINES.

Canea, March 23--The French marines, March 23--The French marines transport Auvergne has arrived at Suda Bay with 450 marines on board.

THE GREAT FLOOD.

Rivers Still Rising and the Distress Increasing at Memphis.

Memphis, March 23--A fall of one-tenth of a foot in the river here is announced tonight. This slight drop in the high water here is not considered by the weather bureau officials as being indicative of a permanent or material change, but is caused, it is thought, by the giving way of the levees above Memphis. The effect of the flood is not discernible. The gauge this morning registered 35.9 feet, or one-fifth of a foot below the highest point reached. This drop has not made any change for the better in the situation. Indeed, it is caused by a decided change for the worse in the Arkansas districts, which have been inundated by water rushing through the broken levees above Memphis.

At Cairo the river is still rising, the gauge indicating 51.3 feet, a rise of three-tenths of a foot in the 24 hours ending this morning. At Marked Tree, on the St. Francis river, the rise is greater, the gauge registering 49 feet, a rise of eight-tenths of a foot in 24 hours. With the rise continuing at Marked Tree and Cairo there is no hope of immediate relief at Memphis. The rise continues at all points below Memphis, except at Arkansas City.

The work of the relief committee has assumed enormous proportions, and there is not a moment when the headquarters are not besieged by a mob of negro applicants for every kind of assistance. It is almost impossible for the committee to attend to the needs of all who apply, but specially difficult to distinguish between imposters and the really needy, as the former are known to be much in evidence in the crowds which daily seek supplies from the committee.

Ribbon fully seven and eight inches in width is often used to tie the fashionable bridal bouquet.

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