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Our Transportation Problem.

The question of transportation for our Tillamook trade is daily assuming greater importance. The population of the county is growing larger all the time and with the increase of population comes corresponding increase of exports and imports.

The grain of the valley can lie in warehouses for months and not suffer material injury; lumber can lie in the yards without deteriorating in price or value, but butter and cheese, especially the former, must have quick transportation and be placed on the market in prime condition.

That the present steamer service to this point is unsatisfactory it is not necessary for us to say. There is not a merchant nor a business man in this city that has not complained of it loud and long, and there is not a dairyman that has not cursed it deep down in his heart.

One new industry, an industry that promised much for this city, that of the manufacture of galvanized wire bound stave pipe was throttled in its infancy on account of enormous freight charges, \$300. per cargo of 800 pieces of pipe was the charge, the freight to be paid before the pipe was unloaded.

The regular freight rate charged here of \$4.00 per ton is outrageous when the distance is considered. Freights are carried clean across the ocean for less money. From San Francisco to this point the steamers are carrying freight for only \$3.50 per ton.

It is needless to say that this state of things can not and will not be allowed to continue.

If Tillamook county is to make any progress whatever—if men who are doing business here already are to have any chance of success, this state of things must be remedied.

What the remedy shall be is of course the main question, and it resolves itself down to this: Either the present steamer service must be rendered more efficient and rates made more reasonable, or another boat must be secured from Portland or else we must look to San Francisco for our market and source of supplies.

The HEADLIGHT has remained silent thus far because we thought the first movement should come from those most largely interested but matters have come to such a pass that no self-respecting newspaper can any longer remain silent, and whether thanks or curses be our reward we propose to agitate until a better condition of things is brought about.

As long as the dog-in-the-manger principle, as shown by a correspondent Saturday, dominates our coast trade, Tillamook and other points dependent upon steamer service for their growth will be without adequate transportation facilities. Such service, to be worth anything as an element of growth, must be regular, competent, obliging service on that line would in a short time be profitable to those furnishing it.

Those dreary and depressing statements showing the enormous number of business failures all over the country during the four years of the Cleveland administration are rapidly disappearing. The business failures during the second week of the last September were only 169, while those of the corresponding week of 1893 were 346, and they range in that vicinity during the corresponding week in each year of the Cleveland term.

The contrast between the gold surplus since the new administration came in and that during the Cleveland administration is very remarkable. Mr. Cleveland was compelled to sell hundreds of millions of dollars' worth of bonds to keep up the "reserve," while the Treasury Department has just notified the Subtreasurer of New York that it has all the gold it needs and that he need not make any effort whatever to add to the accumulation.

People who have any doubt about the return of business prosperity will probably be interested in the figures on bank clearances, which are of course the most accurate business barometer that can possibly be produced. The reports from the great financial centers show that the clearances for the week ending September 18 are larger than at any time since the closing months of the Harrison administration, fifty per cent, greater than those of one year ago, and seventy-five per cent greater than those of two years ago.

"While newspaper stories have been exaggerated, it is an absolute fact that the Western farmer's financial condition is wonderfully improved. During the past three years he practiced such economy that with a slight improvement of wheat prices last fall and fair values of cattle, sheep, and hogs, the thrifty farmer gradually reduced his debts. With good prices this fall, he is indeed paying off the mortgage. The fall in the interest rate is as remarkable as the other features of the rising tide."—From American Agriculturist.

SHERIFF'S SALE In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Tillamook. Richard Nixon as Receiver of the Portland Savings Bank, Plaintiff vs. W. S. Runyon, James Steel, S. W. Her, S. V. Anderson, Edward Evans and Eliza P. Evans his wife, M. M. W. P. Church, Mary Hughes and Lewis Frager, Hyman M. Prager, and William Frager, partners, defendants.

By virtue of an execution, judgment and decree duly issued out of and under the seal of the above entitled court in the above entitled cause, to me duly directed and dated the 7th day of Sept., 1897, upon a decree rendered and entered in said court on the 27th day of August, 1897, in favor of Richard Nixon as receiver of the Portland Savings Bank, plaintiff, and against W. S. Runyon, James Steel, S. W. Her, S. V. Anderson, Edward Evans and Eliza P. Evans his wife, M. M. W. P. Church, Mary Hughes and Lewis Frager, Hyman M. Prager and William Frager, partners, defendants, for the sum of fifty-six thousand seven hundred and sixty nine dollars and thirty-six cents, in U. S. Gold coin, and the further sum of three thousand dollars, attorney's fees and the further sum of eighty dollars costs and disbursements, with interest on all of said sums from the 15th day of August, 1897, at the rate of eight per cent per annum, and the costs of and upon this writ commanding me to make sale of the following described real property, to wit:

Situated in the County of Tillamook and State of Oregon, to wit: The southeast quarter of section nineteen (19) and the southwest quarter of section twenty (20) all in Township one (1) north of range six west of the Willamette Meridian.

J. H. Jackson, Sheriff of Tillamook County, Oregon. Dated Tillamook, Oregon, September 17th 1897.

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