

TILLAMOOK COUNTY

A REGION OF WONDERFUL FERTILITY.

Brief Description of Its Climate Resources etc.

Tillamook County is at the same time one of the least known and one of the best of all the comparatively new counties of the great State of Oregon. Situated in the Northwestern part of the State and washed by the waters of the Pacific, tempered by the Japan current, its climate is exceptionally mild and pleasant. The heat of summer is tempered by the cool ocean breeze, and the rains of winter are so warm as to cause little discomfort; and, on the other hand, they promote the growth of grass and grains, and insure plenty of feed for stock the year round with but little need of any additional feed.

PRODUCTIVENESS

The soil of Tillamook is unequalled for richness and depth. The prairies are of comparatively small area, but are excellent for grass. The rich bottom lands are however far richer and will produce any kind of crop desired, but are especially adapted to root crops. Potatoes, beets, carrots, etc. yield enormous crops, while oats, clover, timothy and all kinds of grasses produce astonishing results. Wheat and corn can be grown profitably, but the land is far more valuable for other purposes. The whole country is abundantly watered by rains and clear, never falling mountain streams, and artificial irrigation is unnecessary and unknown.

HEALTHFULNESS

Owing to the above named conditions Tillamook County is one of the most healthful places on earth. Malaria is unknown and Diphtheria, Typhoid fever and kindred diseases never occur where even the most ordinary care is taken to establish good sewage. Pneumonia is exceedingly rare and consumption, except in some cases that are brought here, is almost unknown.

RESOURCES.

The resources of Tillamook county are numerous but consist mainly in dairying and fishing. Its magnificent forests of spruce, fir, larch, cedar and hemlock have been scarcely touched by the woodman's axe, and aside from the comparatively small amount of lumber shipped by the Nehalem mills and the Tweekes Lumber company at Hobsonville, only enough lumber has been saved for home consumption. Recently, additional mills have been established in the county, and now Nehalem, Hobsonville, Netarts and Tillamook all have mills that are engaged in shipping lumber to San Francisco. It is estimated that last years output was as much as 20,000,000 feet. The Nehalem River and Tillamook Bay are excellent harbors and there is a splendid opening for new mills at both points.

DAIRYING.

For this industry Tillamook County is doubtless the best section of country in the United States. Wherever the land is cleared it is at once covered with luxuriant natural grasses that are literally green and nutritious the year round, and cattle require comparatively but little feed in winter, there being no snow and the grass continuing its growth. Owing to the excellence of the feed and the skill employed by our dairymen, Tillamook butter has become famous all over the coast and demands the highest price in the markets. It is estimated that the dairy product of this county amounted last year to 1000 tons, valued at \$500,000. There are ten creameries in the county, and the dairyman can either sell his milk to the creameries or make it into butter and cheese. Tillamook cheese has a reputation equal to Tillamook butter, and the demand is always in excess of the supply. Good land suitable for dairying and with easy reach of creameries can be purchased at reasonable figures ranging at from \$10 to \$75 per acre.

FISHING.

Fishing is carried on extensively and there are large canneries located at different points in the county. Nehalem has two, Tillamook has one, Woods and the Siletz River have one each. Besides the product of the canneries large quantities of fish are shipped fresh and salted. The entire product for the last year is estimated as follows:

Canned Salmon	75,000 cases	value \$25,000
Fresh Salmon	100 tons	" \$6,000
Salt Salmon	100 tons	" \$8,000

The only variety of fish thus far shipped out of the county are salmon and steel head trout. The almost inexhaustible banks of halibut, rock cod and other deep sea fishes, known to exist, remain untouched.

OTHER INDUSTRIES.

Aside from these principal industries there are others that will in time develop into considerable importance. Fruits, especially apples, pears, plums, prunes and all the varieties of berries, especially the latter, grow in the greatest abundance and with proper cultivation bring a never failing crop. Cranberry culture in certain sections of the county has been commenced on a large scale and bids fair to yield handsome returns. The Tillamook cranberry is pronounced by connoisseurs the best berry grown on the coast. Native berries such as huckleberries, blackberries and sallowberries grow in great abundance.

One of the new industries of this county that promises to develop into large proportions is the keeping of bees. The hybridized wild flowers that grow here furnish rich foraging ground for bees and the honey is noted for being of unusually fine flavor and clearness. As a land literally flowing with milk and honey, Tillamook comes nearer filling the bill than any other we know of on earth.

On the Nehalem river large beds of coal are known to exist and the in near future coal mining will be added to the other profitable interests of the county.

POPULATION.

The population of Tillamook County is mostly a rural population. It is estimated that it amounts to about Five Thousand, of which about two thirds is in the rural district.

Towns.—Tillamook City, the county seat, a population of about 1000. It has all the business houses usual to a town of its size, most of which carry large stocks of goods. The usual shops, two good hotels and two newspapers. The town has a fine system of waterworks and an electric light plant. It has four churches, a fine graded school and an excellent Academy conducted by the Catholic Sisters of the order of St. Cecilia and capable of imparting a finished education. There is also a good private school. Nehalem, Bay City, Beaver and Woods are all flourishing villages.

TRANSPORTATION AND ROADS.

The public roads of Tillamook are said to be the best of any in the entire state. They were built at great expense and are being pushed forward as rapidly as needed.

Most of the shipping of agricultural and dairy products is done by boat via Astoria to Portland. Lumber is shipped mainly to San Francisco. Boats have not run very regularly in the past but arrangements will soon be made for a first class service equal to all demands. Two stage lines carry passengers, the Forest Grove and North Yamhill line.

Take it all in all there are few of the sections of our great country that offer the inducement

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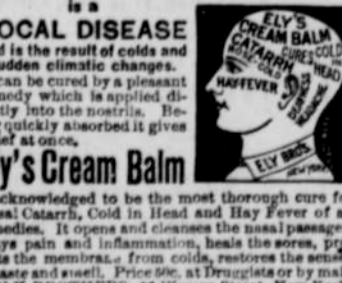
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