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What about Common Point Rates?

In commenting upon the coal prospect in the Nehalem country, the Oregonian has this to say: "The Oregonian is going to investigate this coal problem, and hopes to collect data on the subject which will be of concern and value to our citizens. Then it will expect co-operation from the business interests. . . . If this Lower Nehalem coal is the kind we need, a railroad should by all means be built to it from Portland; and if no railroad company now in existence will undertake it, then Portland must form a company for that specific purpose and build the road itself." This is good advice apart from the coal problem, for the timber resources of the Nehalem warrant a railroad. But this brings up another problem, and we feel like asking the Oregonian this question: Supposing that the capitalists of Portland decided to build a railroad from that city to Tillamook, is there any assurance that they could obtain common point rates for lumber and coal from this county? If not, then it brings us back to the argument we have repeatedly used, that the improvement of Tillamook bar is more important and desirable than a railroad, for it would immediately remove the obstacles which have hoodooed the commerce of Tillamook bay. With that improvement made the lumbermen would be in a position to charter vessels and ship to a wide field of markets, while if common point rates could not be obtained on a railroad from here the lumbermen would not be in a position to ship lumber to Eastern markets as cheap as those who manufacture lumber in Portland, for they would have to pay for the additional haul between here and that city. However, as to the coal problem, if the coal in the Nehalem country is in quality and quantity as represented, then Portland should make an effort to develop it, for it will be the means of turning that city into a manufacturing center. But let the quantity and quality of the coal be first ascertained—two important matters which have not been fully investigated to satisfy all, although on the other hand others have no fears on this point. If Portland is wanting another valuable feeder, then Tillamook is still within its reach.

Every argument made in favor of the ship subsidy bill shows it to be a "graft" measure worked up by the big transportation companies for the purpose of getting their fingers into the taxpayer's pockets, and the senators who argue for the bill are only carrying out the predictions of the democratic party at the recent election. Of course, Mark Hanna is working like grim death to have the bill pass. The bill is iniquitous, and to pass it would be robbery, as much so as the bandits who hold up rob banks and trains. This is how it is to be done. A vessel like the St. Louis would receive \$281,488, and according to Senator Fry a vessel like that could be built for two and a half million dollars. It would therefore be paid considerably over 10 per cent of its gross value every year. People could borrow the money to build an ocean greyhound at 5 per cent, which the subsidy would pay for them and have 5 per cent more toward deterioration and toward general expenses, which the subsidy would also pay, and then could take their chances for profits out of the ordinary business. The transportation companies are no more entitled to be subsidized than the dairymen of Tillamook county. There is this much difference. The dairymen are content to pull cow's teats while the ship owners want to pull the taxpayer's teat if they can railroad this bill through congress. Measures like this only prove that "protection" of this character is nothing but a fraud.

By the number of hold ups in Portland it must be getting near the time for the state legislature to convene, thus attracting a lot of footpads to Oregon to learn a trick of the trade from the smart political wire-pullers who held up the state

legislature. But the footpads we are inclined to believe will be disappointed in coming to Oregon, for most of the legislators who were the tools in the hands of political bosses have been consigned to their political coffins, there waiting for Old Nick to hold them up for their sins of commission and political knavery. And "brimstone and fire" is none too good for them.

Bryan must have suddenly come to the conclusion that the pen is mightier than jawbone oratory, for he contemplates starting a weekly newspaper at Lincoln. We should have thought that Bryan had gone through enough worry in his presidential defeats to let the newspaper business alone, but it may be that Bryan is desirous of getting even with his political enemies in Nebraska, and as newspaper criticism is more effective than jawbone criticism, he intends applying the lash in this way.

Captain J. J. Dawson may have been monkeying with the weather last week in Tillamook, manipulating and shooting off his electric firecrackers in the dead hours of the night to scare the ladies, but the "grand old weather prophet" is not in it with the United States senators who have been monkeying with the Hay-Pauncefote treaty for the purpose of defeating the construction of the Nicaragua canal.

The sultan's little scheme to settle that indemnity by covering the amounts in an appropriation for a new cruiser raises the suspicion that the Hon. Ab Hamid began life as a commercial drummer with an expense account.

An Indiana man has demonstrated the problem of living on 5 cents a day, but the practical value of it has been destroyed by the re-election of McKinley.

To evade the game laws, venison is shipped out of Wisconsin packed in cof-fins. A good many amateur deer hunters come out the same way.

The attempt of the English tax gatherers to assess Mr. Croker on \$100,000 personal property is in the nature of an indirect levy on vice.

It's all Wrong.

Even Christmas has its drawbacks, and a writer goes on to explain why in this way.

We have reached a point in the course of human events when it is more blessed to receive than give; but if you don't give you're just about as mean an old thing as ever squeezed the silver out of a dime. We have distinct recollection of the time when Santa Claus did all the gift-distributing, but nowadays Christmas is an occasion for the exchange of values among all people, and every fellow who gives more than he receives kicks himself for a clump, while perhaps the other chap is down in the mouth with mortification and hot with envy. It's all wrong, and somebody ought to put a stop to it. This is not a joke; it's serious. We have a very poor opinion of the father who will let his children cry for good things which other children have, and we confess a strong leaning toward the Santa Claus idea, even if future revelations does destroy the child's faith and confidence in mankind. But this indiscriminate giving between people who may be mere acquaintances brings a heartache to every recipient of a gift who is not able to reciprocate in kind, and anything which produces heartache is wrong as a primal proposition.

We knew of a convict once—a rattling good fellow who got into trouble through indorsing a forged note for a false friend and who tried to cover it up by stealing from his employer—and this convict received all kinds of presents one Christmas from his fashionable acquaintances. Oh, yes, he appreciated them, but he ate the cake and distributed the other things among his fellow convicts. Then a belated mail—the day after the 25th—brought him a small envelope, and in that envelope was a little embossed card—the kind you buy for 10 cents a dozen at any store—and on the back of it was written: "My darling boy, your mother prays for you."

Say, that poor fellow put his head down on his hands and wept with all the bitterness of a repentant soul. The great big tears ran down his cheeks and trickled through his fingers to the floor, and with an honest heart lifted up to the Almighty he cried: "God bless the mother who remembered me at Christmas."

Now, we contend that there was a Christmas gift such as the Father of Christmas looked down upon with approval. Outside in the free and light world, men and women were quibbling and fussing over the value of their presents, and they were miserable under the burden of a false Christmas festival. Inside those dark and gloomy walls there was one man happier than all the world together, and when that convict was pardoned—a year later—he went home and threw his arms about his mother's neck and said: "Mother, there's just one woman like you on earth."

Professor Jordan and the Press.

President David Starr Jordan of Leland Stanford Jr. University spoke before the California Press Association on "The Newspaper as an Educator." He said: "An educator is one who trains men to see clearly in order that they may act intelligently. A newspaper is a joint discussion of the affairs of society as they go from day to day. It often is impersonal, a number of men working together in its preparation. Then again the newspaper is the most potent force in changing the surface currents of opinion. A person is not particular in his choice of paper where the questions do not conflict with his own views. But on local permanent questions he will subscribe for that paper whose opinions agree with his own. Often thousands of people have been persuaded by the personality of one man who has thrust himself into a position of influence. Take, for instance, Horace Greeley and the power he swayed just before the civil war. The University in a sense works hand in hand with the newspaper. It is a part of the University's duty to train men to understand the newspaper and to appreciate it. That can only be done by developing the truth—the truth as it is. The University is false to its trust if it lets brilliancy, versatility, sentiment, culture take the place of coming up against the real thing of learning to find the truth. We must strive to teach men to beware of these newspaper vices—emotionalism, sensationalism, dramatic, partisanship, vulgarity and faking. We of the University would like to be unhampered by subscriptions and by the policy of the owners just the same as you editors would like to be in your newspaper work. Outside influence should not be in evidence, but the leaders permitted to go on unencumbered with their work."

New Invasion of India.

The idea that the native Indian eschews all but his native tobacco, which he takes mostly in the form of cheroots, receives a hard shock from the newly issued official Review of the Trade of India. It appears that in 1896-99 the imports of manufactured tobacco, especially in the shape of cigarettes, underwent much expansion. It is no longer true that the consumption of imported tobacco is practically confined to the Anglo-Indian population. Cigarettes made in America are being extensively imported now with special reference to the requirements of the native smoker. They are greatly in evidence in and about Calcutta and other large cities, where they are beginning to supersede the unclean and unsavory compounds smoked in native apparatus. Imported cottons have largely superseded the production of the native handloom; imported mineral oil and dyes have superseded the inferior articles produced in the country, to the great advantage of the consumer; imported sugar is also gradually beginning to thrust back the inferior and dirty sugar hitherto offered to the Indian consumer; and now it seems that Indian tobacco is to recoil before the invasion of foreign tobacco made up in neatly packed cigarettes. Another turn of the wheel, and when people have become accustomed to the better article the capitalist will arise and make it on the spot of Indian tobacco, to the advantage of both producer and consumer, as been done with cotton goods and will be done with sugar.

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