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and dryer in summer than Western Oregon. The annual rainfall in Eastern and Southern Oregon varies from 10 to 20 inches. The valleys and plains of both Western and Eastern Oregon are nearly all prairies, and the mountains are covered with a dense forest of the best timber in the world. One-fourth of the state is timber and three-fourths is open land, mostly suitable for farming or grazing, with some rocky or barren waste land. From the ocean level up to an altitude of 11,000 feet affords a great variety of climate and soil. All tastes may be gratified, and all occupations can find room to flourish in this diversified country. There is a vast field for agriculture, stock raising, horticulture, lumbering, mining, manufacturing and every variety of human industry and enterprise in this most favored land. Its splendid climate is suited to all ages and conditions, and is unrivaled in the world. The natural resources are as great if not greater than can be found in the same or in any other part of the world. No other country awaiting settlement can offer so many inducements, combining climate, natural resources and varied advantages, as Oregon now offers to immigrants.

OREGON HAS NO STATE DEBT.

Oregon has no real state debt. A few hundred dollars in bonds and warrants are outstanding, for the payment of which provision was made long since. There are also a few warrants outstanding which are only payable out of the swamp-land fund when money shall be realized from the sale of such lands. In consequence of the failure of the 19th biennial legislative assembly last winter to appropriate money to pay the current expenses of the years 1897 and 1898, vouchers or warrants have been issued by the secretary of state, in obedience to a decision of the state supreme court, for the expenses of the year 1897, and remain unpaid, but money is in the state treasury to pay every dollar of outstanding indebtedness. So Oregon has in fact no state debt, and is, therefore, in better condition financially than perhaps almost any other state in the Union. And, what is still better and perhaps more encouraging to intending immigrants, is the fact that the expense of the state government is much less than in most other states.

There are fewer state officers in Oregon than in most other states, and expenses are on a very economical scale. Most of the taxes collected are to carry on municipal and county governments. The rate of taxation for all purposes, municipal, county and state, is lower than the average in other states, and the assessed valuation of property is not more than one-third of its real value, while in nearly all other states property is assessed for taxation at about its full value. For this reason, a 3 percent tax in Oregon is only about one-third as costly to the owners of real and personal property, as a similar tax to owners of property in neighboring states. The assessed valuation of all property in Oregon for taxation is about \$150,000,000, or little if any more than one-third of its real value, so a 3 percent tax on that amount is, in fact, no more than about 1 percent on the actual value.

GREAT OPPORTUNITIES FOR NEW INDUSTRIAL ENERGY.

Cattle, sheep, horses and all kinds of animals, in the early settlement of this country, were not provided with food or shelter during winter or summer. They were able to live on the prairies and plains on the wild grasses which in colder countries would have been impossible during the winter season. This condition, made possible by the mildness of the climate caused farming and kindred industries to be carried on until recently

However, during the last few years farming is being carried on in a much more systematic and thrifty manner than ever before, and there are indications on every hand of greater and more rapid improvement in future. The attention that the Alaska gold discoveries are attracting to the Pacific coast will bring more people during the next year than have come perhaps in the last five or ten years. The overflow from the mining excitement will be great along the coast. Oregon will undoubtedly gain rapidly in population and develop new industrial energy. Greater opportunities are now open to immigrants than will ever be again, although the population will have to be doubled many times before the struggle for existence will become as great as it now is in most other countries.

AREA AND POPULATION OF OREGON AS COMPARED WITH OTHER COUNTRIES.

Diversified resources and salubrious climate will enable the state of Oregon to furnish the necessities and also the comforts and luxuries of life to a greater number of people to the square mile than almost any other country on the globe. The state contains an area of 95,000 square miles. Within its borders are valleys, plains, mountains, ocean harbors, navigable rivers, unsurpassed water power, great bodies of timber, vast quantities of minerals of nearly every kind, and in fact, every advantage possessed by the most favored lands and many not possessed by any other. If as thickly settled as other countries, as it will be when its many advantages become better known abroad, Oregon would contain about the following population: Compared with India, which does not equal Oregon in climate or natural resources, Oregon would contain a population of 15,000,000; Germany, 22,000,000; France, 18,000,000; Denmark, 12,000,000; Austria-Hungary, 15,000,000; Great Britain, including England, Scotland and Ireland, 25,000,000; Holland, 28,000,000; Italy, 23,000,000; Portugal, 12,000,000; Roumania, 12,000,000; Russia proper, including Finland, Poland, the Caucasus, Siberia and Central Asia, which is larger than the whole of the United States of America, and sparsely populated as compared with other countries, 3,000,000; Serbia, 7,000,000; Spain, 8,000,000; Switzerland, 17,000,000; Turkey, in Europe, 6,000,000; Japan, 20,000,000; Belgium, 40,000,000; the state of Illinois, 8,000,000; the state of Indiana, 6,000,000; the state of Ohio, 9,000,000; the state of Pennsylvania, 12,000,000; the state of Massachusetts, 25,000,000; the state of Rhode Island, 2,000,000. Oregon now contains about 400,000 people. If as thickly populated as Belgium, where the fate of Europe was decided at the battle of Waterloo, 82 years ago, Oregon would have about 100 times as many people as she now has, or 40,000,000. If as thickly populated as the middle kingdom of China, the most densely settled country in the world, Oregon would perhaps have 150 or 200 people to every one that now inhabits this vast region. I believe the country now included in the state of Oregon can support as many human beings to the square mile as any of the countries above named, and will before the close of another century be one of the most thickly populated countries in the world.

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FOREIGN NEWS NOTES.

The rumor that Prince Bismark was dead, has been officially denied. At Berlin the German foreign office formally denies that the reciprocity negotiations between the United States and Germany have failed. A Karo dispatch says: The War-wisshere and Lincolnshire regiments of the British army have been ordered to start from Wady Halfa for the frontier. The 60th anniversary of the pope's first celebration of mass was observed at the Vatican New Year's. The pope officiated at his own diamond mass, music being furnished by the choir of Sixtine chapel.

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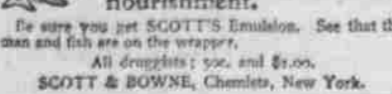
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have arrived at Chemnitz, and the Imperial and Imperial are at Port Arthur. According to a dispatch from Shanghai, a sudden sufficing has taken place in the attitude of the (non-)Liamen toward Germany, resulting in a demand for the evacuation of Kiau-Chow and leading to the belief that Great Britain is bringing pressure to bear on Peking.

In Berlin this week's number of a comic paper, the *Stimpflesimus*, has been confiscated everywhere, because of a cartoon which is regarded as lese-majeste. It shows the ministers consulting a crowned head on New Year's day. The latter is turning back the clock of time, and the cartoon is entitled, "Reaction."

News from Berlin gives the information that Dr. von Stein, the Catholic with decidedly liberal tendencies, has been appointed by the regent of Bavaria to be archbishop of Munich which has created a great sensation in ultramontane circles. The Vatican does not approve of the appointment, and the protests that have appeared in the whole ultramontane press are serious.

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