

Tobacco.

That tobacco will grow luxuriantly in most parts of the southern portion of the East Cascade region appears now to be beyond a doubt, and from all I can learn from American growers, there are quite as few drawbacks to its successful cultivation there, as in any part of America. In recommending this crop, however, to immigrants as a source of profit, I should certainly mislead them much if I represented it as one which could be brought into the market in a saleable state, without the greatest care and attention in every stage, from the seed-bed until it is packed for manufacture. The rules for its preservation are perfectly simple, but a want of attention to them must inevitably end in failure,—in this respect differing altogether from crops which require little attention. As, however, the climate and soil appear, judging from results, to be so well suited to this plant, and its consumption, moreover, being now so general, I cannot but think that many may be induced to try their luck with it, if only for their own consumption. If undertaken by skilled tobacco planters, there would be a ready and profitable sale for almost any quantity.

Tobacco, according to the latest returns, is grown to the extent of about 7,000,000 lbs. in Holland, 5,000,000 lbs. in Belgium, 55,600,000 lbs. in France, 4,700,000 lbs. in Austria, 3,000,000 lbs. in Greece, and 274,000,000 lbs. in the United States.