

OUR PRODUCTS ABROAD.

It is very gratifying to be able to state that one of British Columbia's products, placed on exhibition and for test at the Portland, Oregon, Mechanic's Fair, met with the greatest possible appreciation and success. We cheerfully reproduce some of the notices given in the Portland papers.

Under the head of "Exhibits Worthy of Special Mention," the *North Pacific Rural Spirit* has the following: "The exhibit of Skidegate Oil from British Columbia was much admired for its purity, and inasmuch as about all of the machines while on exhibition used it as a lubricator, we have elected to give it the first mention. This oil is manufactured from a species of black shark. The Company's works are at Queen Charlotte Islands, where they annually manufacture large quantities. During the present season (1883) over four hundred thousand sharks were captured by this Company. The oil as a lubricant is very highly spoken of, and at the present Mechanics' Fair was well tested on the different classes of machinery, and in every instance gave perfect satisfaction; in fact, the commendations were universal as to its purity, lasting properties, and entire freedom from gum. Having such reliable evidence, we can safely recommend it as a No. 1 article. It is neatly put up in cases of ten gallons."

The *Oregonian* of Oct. 16th, has the following: "The Skidegate Oil Company's exhibit of lubricating and illuminating oils occupies a prominent stand at the Third street entrance. This was the only product on exhibition from British Columbia. The sample case is neat in design, and the display of oils was universally pronounced of the finest quality. The company's extensive works are located at Queen Charlotte Island. The oil is extracted from a species of black shark, and by the steam process of refining is brought to a purity of astonishing perfection. For lubricating it is highly indorsed by testimonials of unquestionable authority. It is comparatively a new product, and from the indefatigable energy of the company is bound to take a leading place amongst valuable mercantile commodities, and rank as one of the leading industries of the Pacific Northwest.

The *Northwest News*, of Oct. 16th, says: "To engineers, machinists and others using agricultural implements, it is a matter of importance to obtain the best lubricant. The perfection attained by the Skidegate Oil Company in refining oil extracted from the black shark, cannot be excelled; it is perfectly transparent, of a beautiful pale amber color, and is pronounced by parties who have used it to be of a very superior quality for any class of machinery. This company have extensive works at Queen Charlotte Island, British Columbia, where this season (1883) they captured over 400,000 sharks, and by the secret of refining the oil by steam, and evaporating every particle of moisture by dry heat, produces another valuable product from the Northern Pacific waters. The numerous acknowledgments posted on the different engines and agricultural machinery stating that 'This machinery is lubricated with Skidegate oil' are proofs of its merit, and shows that the company does not fear competition in any respect, but are ready to test it against any lubricating oil in the market.

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