

# IMPORTING JAPANESE LABOR.

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## Hoquiam Box Company Says White Labor Cannot Be Secured.

HOQUIAM, Wash., March 4.—(Special.) —The Panel & Folding Box Company, of this city, has announced its intention of bringing in a carload of Japanese to use in its berry-box plant as a night crew. The company claims it has tried hard to secure white labor to do this work, but has not been successful, and so is going to bring in a car of Japanese. A bunk-house and boarding-house on the other side of the river are being built for their accommodation.

This announcement is causing a great deal of feeling among the laboring and business men of this city, and it is the topic on the street corners. The sentiment is strongly against bringing Japanese labor into the city, and it would not be surprising if they were not allowed to leave the car, but sent back again.

The city has given this Panel & Folding Box Company a great deal of money, besides land and vacated streets for their plant, which would amount to over \$50,000, and indignation is felt that the company wishes to bring cheap labor into the city. The Trades Council will no doubt outline a plan to prevent their landing.