

MIGRATING MONGOLS.

A Large Number of Chinese Preparing to Go East.

The passenger agents and interpreters employed by the competing overland lines of railway to secure Chinese custom say that arrangements are being made on an extensive scale for a series of Mongolian "excursions" to the East. The Chinese passengers who have come in on recently arrived steamers are finding difficulty in getting work on this coast, owing to the feeling now existing among employers in the country against them, and the strong encouragement given by the railroad company toward the employment of white youth on the vineyards and ranches by carrying them from this city at a low rate of fare. Then, too, there is a lively demand for Chinese laborers on the railroads in Wyoming and other parts of the country beyond the Sierras.

An agent said yesterday that he had of late been ticketing Chinese to many small towns in the East, for which ticket inquiries had never before been made by this class of passengers. This shows, he thinks, that the Chinese agents are making requisitions for newcomers to go direct to the places at which they are to get employment, instead of all going to some central point from which they may be distributed.

Consul Bee says that he has received many letters from the East, addressed to the "Chinese Emigration Association," which are turned over to him, because there is no such organization here. An extract from a sample letter, coming from Sullivan, Ind., is appended. It bears the letter heading of the First National Bank of that town, but Consul Bee does not wish to have the signature made public:

This town is in need of a Chinese handyman, and I write you this letter to see if you or your agency could send us one. We have no regular laundry in the town and the town has 3500 population. Rent and living are cheap here and two men could get all they can do.