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CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Mr. James Welch, an old-time citizen of Astoria, who has been quite ill of late, is again able to be about town.

The Grifflame came in on time from San Francisco, Tuesday, and the irregularities occasioned by the late blockade, may now be considered among the things of the past, in case the Ajax comes to time on her next round.

The machinery at the new Brookfield Cannery of Megler & Jewett is now all in working order, and the tanners are employed in making cans for the approaching Salmon, which are coming here for transportation to European markets, for those tasty epicureans who have nothing of the sort at home.

Programmes are out for an entertainment to be given at Spiritual Hall, in this city, on the evening of the 28th, (next Wednesday), by the Minstrels from Fort Cape Disappointment—Uncle Sam's boys. All whom we have heard speak concerning the Company, give them hearty endorsement, and recommend them to the fun loving portion of community.

Astoria was treated to a first-class New England Snow-storm on Tuesday, with this exception: that it did not require the costume of an Arctic Explorer to breast it and enjoy it—no fur caps, mufflers, overfurs, mittens of seal-skin, and the other thousand and one articles necessary to the comfort of a resident on the eastern side of the continent, in such snows as this one, were even wished for, and the large, white, beautiful flakes, were welcomed with plain open hands, because the temperature was mild, and the storm a guest for all. Merely did Astoria enjoy it, too; as evidenced by the fact that numerous ones here have not yet recovered from the exhilarating effects of it. The depth of snow was, in all, say three inches, but the weather was only ordinary. If we had been possessed of a few paved streets or macadamized roads—and the horses, sleighs, and bells,—to relieve the sport of snow-balling and sliding down hill, what gay scenes might have been witnessed.

A real, clean, easy place, for gentlemen and ladies to enjoy a dish of fresh Oysters is at the PARKER HOUSE RESTAURANT.

We see by the Albany and Corvallis papers that another excursion is on the tapis for Astoria, on completion of the new steamer Wallamet Chief. From present appearances this will be a grand excursion and no mistake. Fare for the round trip, from Harrisburg to Astoria and back, has been placed at \$10, (including meals), and will consume four or five days. It is about the same as complimentary, on the part of the Company, to all who choose to come. The Wallamet Chief was rightly christened, having capacity for carrying 200 passengers, and about 300 tons freight, she is most decidedly calculated for a chief on that line. Speaking of the excursion, the Granger says: "Those persons from points above Albany, on the river, as far up as Harrisburg, will be brought down to Albany the day before, in one of the company's boats, free of charge. The trip will give producers an opportunity to judge as to the feasibility of our upper river boats carrying wheat direct from our warehouses to the lower Columbia, and this delegation should represent every part of the valley, and thus give character to the excursion."

John Fry, son of Mr. Wm. Fry of this city, returned from England with Mrs. John Fry, reaching Astoria by the steamship Oriflamme last Tuesday. The example of this young man is worthy of imitation. A few years ago he came to this lovely country alone, in ordinary circumstances in life, leaving all his friends behind him. He soon realized what Oregon was, however, and determined to remain. Presently (through his advice), the father came out, then the son returned, and now we observe him here again, with brighter hopes for the future. We hope they may witness a re-union of all their family, and many of their friends and kindred, now in distant Europe, here in their new home—before many months more shall pass.

Marriage in Grace Church.

The event of the week in this community has been the marriage of Mr. W. I. Wadleigh, of Washington Territory, and Miss Florence L. Van Dusen, daughter of A. Van Dusen, esq., of this city. It had been known amongst the most intimate friends of the couple for some time, that this union was contemplated, hence many willing hands and loving hearts have been busily engaged in preparing new and costly apparel, and in arranging other details, in order that the event should pass off as pleasantly as possible, and that they did their parts well, is the universal testimony of all. What gave particular interest to the occasion was the fact that the bride has been known from her infancy to many of our citizens, having been born in this place twenty-two years ago; and the further fact that she had endeared herself to all our people, by her many amiable and loving qualities.

At half past seven o'clock on the evening of Wednesday, January 21st, Grace Church bell announced that the time had arrived when the ceremony was to be performed, and immediately thereafter the bridal party made their appearance at the Church, entering the sacred edifice in the following order: 1, Mrs. Van Dusen and Mr. Wadleigh; 2, Mr. Van Dusen and Miss Florence Van Dusen; 3, Mr. Brenham Van Dusen and Miss Maggie Trenchard; 4, Mr. S. D. Adair and Miss Taylor; 5, Mr. Frank J. Taylor and Miss Laura Van Dusen. Miss Annie Brown presided at the Organ, and while the "Wedding March" was being executed the party proceeded to the Altar, arm in arm. The beautiful and impressive service of the Episcopal Church was then performed by the Rector, Rev. T. A. Hyland. Mr. Van Dusen gave the bride away.

At the conclusion of the service the newly married couple, with the bridesmaids and groomsmen, retired from the Church to the house of the bride's parents, where, in a short space of time, a vast concourse of people assembled, to tender congratulations, and to partake of the many excellent things that had been so amply provided. All seemed to enjoy themselves, and the universal sentiment was that it was the happiest occurrence that had transpired in Astoria for many a day, if not the happiest one of all.

The bride received many valuable presents in silver and gold ware, and other valuable articles.

We heartily wish this newly wedded couple every sort of happiness and prosperity, and hope that their future joys may be as pure as the snows of Heaven, which so abundantly covered the earth on this long to be remembered time.

Mr. and Mrs. Wadleigh will leave here for their new home in Seattle, on Tuesday morning next.

Mr. J. F. Saunders, Suttler at Fort Stevens, who has been confined to his bed for the most part of two months past from a paralytic stroke, is again able to be out, and was up to the city on Thursday.

W. D. Pittenger, an influential citizen of Hillsboro, is a guest of Capt. Merryman in this city.

Snow, sleet, rain, and wind in quantities to suit, are reported from British Columbia all the way to Arizona.

We noticed hanging in the Washington Market, one day last week, four quarters of an ox that weighed eleven hundred pounds.

The Forest Grove Independent, says, "A gentleman from New York, visited our town last week for the purpose of seeing what advantages Forest Grove presented for a site for a flouring mill." A mill is wanted at Astoria badly.

During the past year there has been sold to foreign purchasers, principally English and German, a larger amount of American tonnage than ever before known in a single year, thus evidencing the fact that our timber ships are recovering favor, and are likely again to become supreme over the world.

As soon as the Columbia river is rendered open to free navigation, a large proportion of the grain grown in Eastern Oregon and Washington Territory, will go direct to Astoria, says the Mountaineer, where it will find ocean going vessels ready to carry it, without further handling, direct to Europe.

Circuit Court—Jury List.

The Circuit Court for the County of Clatsop, Hon. W. W. Upton Judge, will convene at the Court House in this city on Tuesday next. Following is a list of jurors for the term:

- 1. John McMullen, Farmer, Astoria.
2. S. W. Tallman, " Westport.
3. J. W. Minnaker, " Knappa.
4. Samuel Russell, " Clatsop.
5. Jno. Hobson, Marketman, Astoria.
6. F. Terman, Teamster, "
7. William Lovett, Farmer, "
8. J. A. Packard, " Clatsop.
9. W. H. Smith, " Astoria.
10. Henry Fisher, " Knappa.
11. Peter Svenson, "
12. J. P. Bannan, Fisherman, Westport.
13. S. H. Smith, Farmer, Clatsop.
14. J. F. Nowlin, Blacksmith, Astoria.
15. S. G. Spear, Farmer, Knappa.
16. D. J. Ingalls, " Astoria.
17. T. P. Powers, "
18. A. K. Barrow, " Knappa.
19. James Brown, "
20. J. D. Higgins, " Astoria.
21. T. B. Morrison, " Clatsop.
22. C. H. Page, Clerk, Astoria.
23. B. C. Kindred, Farmer, Clatsop.
24. Albert Aymore, " Astoria.
25. E. C. Jeffers, "
26. W. W. Raymond, " Clatsop.
27. James M. Mason, " Astoria.
28. B. S. Kimball, " Astoria.
29. M. P. Callender, " Clatsop.
30. R. P. Knapp, " Knappa.
31. Charles Starr, " Astoria.

There are but 13 causes entered on the docket, most of which were continued from the last term. There are three or four cases demanding the attention of the Grand Jury. The session will probably be a short one.

Senator Mitchell introduced a bill on Monday, for the construction of the Portland, Dalles and Salt Lake Railroad and telegraph. He said the measure was in the true interest of commerce, and was approved by the people of the whole Pacific coast without distinction of party; that the people of that section are suffering for cheap transportation, and the construction of this road would result in great saving to the Government in transportation of troops, mail, etc. The bill was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The dispatches announce an accident to the ship Confidence, off the east coast of South America. The Confidence left here last July with 12,200 cents of wheat valued at \$24,450. We incline to the opinion that the telegraph is a mistake, and that it should read from "Portland for Liverpool," as the Confidence would hardly have time to reach Europe, discharge her cargo and return to Montevideo, and the news to have come from that point here.—Oregonian.

HOME NEWS.

TEAMING TO ORDER.—The undersigned wishes to inform the Public of Astoria, and surrounding country that he is now prepared with a good team, to attend to all kinds of hauling in Astoria. Orders left at H. B. Parker's Store, or at the Stables on Chemoque Street, promptly attended to. F. TERMAN.

EXCELLENT—Those Sugar Cured Hams, and that Fresh Roll Butter, Fresh Buckwheat, (this year's crop), Corn Meal, Cracked Wheat, Hominy, etc., at CASE'S.

Ox for Sale.—One stout, heavy built work Ox, eight years of age, gentle and well broken, weighing between 800 and 900 pounds, is offered for sale on application at John Douglass' ranch, Lewis and Clarke river. d27*t

School Books.—I have lately received all the different kinds of New School Books required to be used in this State, that can now be found in San Francisco. Also, Slate pencils, Blotting pads, a good assortment of Stationery, Drawing paper, CARD BOARD, Perforated board, Ink, (Carmine, Purple and Black). Likewise a new stock of Crockery, Clocks and a large assortment of Lamp Chimneys, all of which will be sold cheap for cash. L. W. CASE, Chemist st., Astoria.

Oysters in every style, at all hours of day or night, at the PARKER HOUSE RESTAURANT, Main street, Astoria.

Notice.—The cheapest and just as good. Nicholas Koefoed informs the public that he has moved from the old Astoria House to the corner of Main and Concomly streets, where he has fitted up a very comfortable dining and sitting room for guests, and the house will be kept to suit the times and custom. Rooms with good Spring and Feather beds can be had—terms reasonable. See advertisement. He has also good accommodation and is ready to serve his friends with his tasty fancy Roast and fries, and he defies any one to get up a tastier stew than ever went to a pair of lips. If you don't believe ask Judge Elliott.

For fresh Oysters, in every style, call at the PARKER HOUSE RESTAURANT.

Miscellaneous News Items.

The old State officers in Texas have surrendered to the new ones.

The Western Union Telegraph Co. has purchased the lines of the Atlantic and Pacific Company.

The sale of the Vermont and Canada road to the Central Vermont for \$3,000,000, payable in twenty years is announced.

Robert Turner, of Potosi, Grant county, Wis., arrested for the murder of his brother, has confessed to the murder of about forty persons.

Nesmith's bill to transfer Indians Affairs to the War Department, it is claimed, will reduce the expenses of that service to an annual saving of \$5,900,000.

The Virginus Naval Court has adjourned, and judging from the testimony elicited, the findings are that the sinking of the Virginus was unavoidable under the circumstances.

The Cheap Transportation Convention recommend legislation by which our system of railroads can be regulated and improved by competition, which will carry out the reform which legislation must inaugurate.

Capt. Wychoff writes from Concho, Texas, and reports that on Monday last, while at Fort Griffin, he learned that Comanche Indians had raided on a settlement in that vicinity and driven off over 400 horses.

A special from Duluth, says the Indians of Vermillion Lake are dying of starvation. They have eaten two children and a man. There is a scarcity of game and failure of crops, and the Government has failed to send the usual supplies of provisions.

The American bark Mary M. Bird, at New York on Tuesday, reports a collision with an unknown ship, which occurred on a late voyage from Marseilles to New York, Nov. 3d, in lat. 30° 24' north, long. 31° 8' at 5 A. M. He holed to and remained in vicinity of the collision until day-break, but saw nothing of the ship. It is supposed she went down with all on board.

A letter is made public from the Rector of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church of Wheeling, W. V., dissolving his connection with the Ministry of said Church, on account of the growing tendency to ritualistic practices. For the present he does not join in Bishop Commin's movement, although he endorses it. There is some excitement among the members in regard to the movement.

A Washington special says that a bill, providing for holding one session of the Supreme Court in St. Louis, annually, is receiving the support of strong men in Congress. Another change in regard to the Court of Claims will soon be proposed, and that is, to give District Courts of the United States jurisdiction in a large class of cases which now come here, and involve for parties, at a distance, a long journey and the employment of lawyers.

Dispatches from Fort Yuma, Arizona, January 20th, give details of a fearful storm. The people are greatly excited, fearing a freshet, which will sweep away all of the central portion of the town. Winter has thus far been the most remarkable for rain and snow fall, ever experienced since the settlement of the Territory. It is feared that the freshet has destroyed all grain in Salt and Gila valleys. A heavy sand storm commenced this afternoon, and is still increasing in violence.

The sudden death of the Siamese twins last Saturday morning, at their residence at Mount Airey, Surrey county, Va., is announced. Chang has been quite feeble for several days, so much so as to confine the brothers to bed. Friday night he became worse, and expired suddenly about 4 o'clock on Saturday morning. Eng became so terribly shocked that he roared wildly for awhile. This was followed by what seemed a deadly stupor, and in two hours from the death of Chang, Eng breath his last. The wives and families of the twins are in deepest grief, the children, many of whom are deaf mutes, expressing their sorrow in the most pitiful manner.

Diplomatic differences between the Government of Japan and certain foreign representatives remain unsettled. It is still urged that the whole country ought to be thrown open to foreigners at an early period. Mr. Bingham holds aloof from all the conferences. The Japanese have

issued a very forcible circular against the proposition, which is taken as the ultimatum of the Government on the subject. The Mikado and Empress continue their visits to the public schools, and other institutions. On the night of December 8th a very destructive fire occurred at Jeddo. Loss, about \$2,000,000. Mori, formerly Minister to Washington, is Under Secretary of Foreign Affairs at Jeddo.

The northern counties of Idaho are anxious to be annexed to Washington Territory.

Work has been resumed on the Walla Walla and Columbia River Railroad.

There is not freight enough passing over the line at present to make it necessary to run daily trains on the Oregon Railroads.

About one-half of the voters in Montana are said to be applicants for some of the offices to be given out by the Legislature now in session.

A deformed, idiotic Digger Indian, with hair ingeniously glued to his person to represent an animal's hide, has been on exhibition in San Francisco as the "Bear Boy."

A Baker City paper says: "Last Friday we were shown a lump of bullion at the Virtue Bank, amounting to something over \$5,000. It was taken from the Virtue Ledge as a part of last month's clean up."

A project is on foot to commence working the bars of the Columbia river for gold. It is generally believed that most of the bars are rich with gold. It is proposed to build a steamboat especially for that business and by use of pumps, worked by steam, hydraulic ground-slutting will be carried on. A company has been organized for this purpose.

R. R. Thomson, Peter Taylor and W. J. Buccanan have been chosen directors of the Wallamet Iron Works for the year to come.

Nearly \$27,000 worth of choice live stock was disposed of at a sale in Oak Ridge, Missouri, recently, cows going as high as \$500, one trotting horse for \$750, and one jack for \$1,000.

Some Chinese agriculturalists have been successfully cultivating rice near New Orleans, flooding their fields from the Mississippi by means of siphons.

An Indiana Court decides that the clause of the State Temperance Law under which a person may be fined for intoxication, and also be compelled to testify where he obtained his liquor, is unconstitutional.

The blood makes the entire circuit of the body every seven minutes, and whenever any of its channels are clogged by impurities, disease follows—fever, or a disorder of liver or kidneys, or scrofula, or dyspepsia.

"You want nothing but a dish-kettle," said an old house-wife in the backwoods to her daughter, who had just got married. "Why, when your father and I commenced, I had nothing but a dish-kettle. I used to boil my coffee in it, and pour it into a pitcher; then I boiled my potatoes in it, and set them on a warm plate, while I stewed my meat in it; used to milk in it—and always after meals I fed the pigs out of the dish-kettle. Sal, if you are only amind to, you can use it for anything."

Twenty clerks in a store, twenty hands in a printing office, twenty apprentices in a ship yard, twenty young men in a village—all want to get on in the world, and expect to do so. One of the clerks will become a partner, and make a fortune; one of the compositors will own a newspaper, and become an influential citizen; one of the apprentices will become a master builder; one of the young villagers will get a handsome farm, and live like a patriarch—but which one is the lucky individual? Lucky! There is no luck about it. The young fellow who will distance his competitors is he who masters his business, who preserves his integrity, who lives cleanly and purely, who devotes his leisure to the acquisition of knowledge, who gains friends by deserving them, and who saves his spare money. There are some ways to fortune shorter than this old dusty highway; but the staunch men of the community, the men who achieve something really worth having, good fortune, good name, and serene old age, all go in this road.