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Who is to invite Mr. Astor to be present in Astoria at the driving of the golden spike, which is likely to occur by the middle of April?

The first steps toward enrolling a naval reserve in Astoria have not been taken as yet, but no more progressive movement could be started. Probably the efforts towards securing the Young's Bay bridge and a city park have overshadowed this other important public matter.

It has been suggested that the Tongue Point syndicate might donate Tongue Point for a city park if the city would make some effort to improve it, even if only "little by little." It is worth trying at least, and the Point while being a natural park site, is good for little else, and its improvement would enhance all surrounding property to a degree that would put it on the market.

The temporary range light question seems to have dropped. It has been stated on semi-official authority that permanent lights cannot yet be established at the mouth of the Columbia, for reasons good to the department, but there is nothing to prevent our having temporary lights, or experiments with the new gas buoys which are being made in other harbors. We need lights at the mouth of the river to indicate the channel and our commercial bodies should see that we get them.

Prosperity in Oregon is coming—it is right here. People from the east are arriving in Portland at the rate of 25 to 50 every day and not all are Klondikers by any means. New industries are being established, and farmers are being located. Only the other day, through the efforts of the O. R. & N. Company, a large fruit and vegetable canning establishment in eastern Oregon was started, and Industrial Agent Johnson is reported to have said that the outlook for other industries is most promising. Clatsop county must get into the swim. We have many latent resources that only need developing. With help of this kind a good start can be made. Mr. Johnson will be at liberty about April 1, and it is understood that he will be glad to meet Astorians at the Chamber of Commerce, or Progressive Association and discuss means and methods of aiding our culture, lumber manufacture, or other industrial commercial enterprises that will increase population, disburse money and raise values on the basis of enlarged commerce. He is one of the men Astoria is looking for.

The time has arrived when there should be established by the Chamber of Commerce, or other commercial body, a bureau of statistics which will keep a careful record of the tonnage and kind of freight shipped to and from this port, by rail and sea. Its reports to be published periodically in order that the public may be kept informed of the business done here and be in a position to make important comparisons of the advance or retrogression of affairs. By such reports trade balances can be regulated and faults adjusted in any particular line; defects remedied, an impetus given here, or too rank or wrongly directed growth there trimmed into proper channels. Every merchant in the city should be able to correctly state each year and each month the value of the salmon of the Columbia river and tributary to Astoria, the value of the salmon shipped away fresh, the value of the lumber sent abroad, the value of butter and cheese exported, the value of leather and hides shipped, paper pulp, boys, disbursements of custom house, disbursements of the lighthouse tenders and life saving crews, disbursements of the lighthouse department for buoys, buoy depot keeper, repairs on tenders, stake light keepers, military

disbursements at the forts, jetty and engineer disbursements, receipts of bar pilots, receipts of river pilots, disbursements of bar tugs, etc. All these sources of revenue are from the outside and represent receipts in trade like so much gold dug out of the ground—money added to Clatsop's circulating medium. How much of it is retained? It is one of the functions of a body like the Chamber of Commerce to show all these figures in intelligent form, and to prepare permanent records of them from year to year. Portland, Seattle, Spokane, Chicago, New York, San Francisco and every other live and progressive city keep these records through some commercial organization. Why should not Astoria?

A SCHEME AGAINST ANNEXATION.

It would be interesting to know just what influence is behind the opposition to Hawaiian annexation. Some days ago an eastern dispatch announced that the most powerful and determined lobby seen in Washington for years was engaged in the fight against the pending treaty. But it seems that the anti-annexationists are not confining their fight to the halls of congress. Trouble has broken out between the sugar beet growers of the country and the best sugar manufacturers, due, as there is every reason to believe, to the campaign now going on against the admission of Hawaii. It seems that the sugar manufacturers want to insert a clause in contracts made with farmers for next season's supply of beets providing that if Hawaiian annexation goes into effect, producers of beets shall be paid only \$2.50 per ton; otherwise, the price paid last year, \$4 per ton, shall be paid. Farmers generally have refused to sign these contracts, and the Beet Raisers' Association of Nebraska has declared officially that no sugar beets will be raised in that state this year, while the manufacturers have announced that if these contracts are not accepted, no factories will be operated in the state.

This is a scheme worthy of the style of fighting adopted by the Bryan fake bureau during the last campaign. There is no reason to reduce the price of beets to anything contained in the Hawaiian treaty, but the supposition is that farmers are not well enough informed to know this. The annexation of Hawaii cannot affect the price of sugar beets in the least, as compared with last year's conditions. The sugar from Hawaii comes in free now, under the reciprocity treaty, and no more of it will come in after annexation than at present. If sugar makers could afford to pay \$4 per ton for beets last year, or under existing conditions, they can afford to pay the same price after the ratification of the treaty.

Their purpose apparently is to reduce the price of beets to the farmers, under threat of the evils to arise from Hawaiian annexation, and thus arouse a feeling among the agricultural classes unfavorable to annexation on the entire false ground that annexation will tend to discourage the newly established industry of sugar beet growing. It is gratifying to know that the farmers, as represented by the Beet Raisers' Association, decline to be fooled by this way.

A woman never really knows the meaning of happiness and content until she is the mother of a healthy, happy child. The health of the child depends on the health of the mother, both before and after birth. Most all of woman's weakness and particularly the weakness that most strongly influences the health of children, comes from some derangement or disease of the distinctly feminine organs. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription will cure troubles of this nature. It should be taken regularly by every woman during the entire period of gestation. It gives strength to all the organs involved, lessens the pains of childbirth and insures the health of both mother and child.

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Thin Blood

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Scott's Emulsion

of Cod-liver Oil with Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda is peculiarly adapted to correct this condition. The cod-liver oil, emulsified in an exquisite fineness, enters the blood direct and feeds its every corpuscle, restoring the natural color and giving vitality to the whole system. The hypophosphites reach the brain and nerve centres and add their strengthening and beneficial effect. If the roses have left your cheeks, if you are growing thin and exhausted from overwork, or if age is beginning to tell, use SCOTT'S Emulsion. Be sure you get SCOTT'S Emulsion. All druggists sell it for \$1.00. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.



Fifty Years Ago. This is the stamp that the letter bore which carried the story far and wide. Of certain cure for the loathsome sore throat bubbled up from the tainted life of the blood below. And 'twas Ayer's name and his Sarsaparilla, that all now know, that was just beginning its fight of fame with its scores of 20 years ago.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

It is the original sarsaparilla. It has behind it a record for cures unequalled by any blood purifying compound. It is the only sarsaparilla honored by a medal at the World's Fair of 1883. Others imitate the remedy; they can't imitate the record.

50 Years of Cures.

Tide table for February, 1898.

Table with columns for DATE, HIGH WATER, and LOW WATER, listing tide times for various days in February 1898.

SHIPPING AND MARINE

ASTORIA'S GRAIN FLEET 1897.

Table listing shipping companies, vessel names, and grain values for Astoria's fleet in 1897.

MARINE NOTES.

The Jupiter is on the way down from Portland. The steamers Elmore and Harrison are moored inside the O. R. & N. dock. The British ship Senator is on her way down the river in tow of the Oklaheima. The steamship Oregon, for Alaska ports, crossed out at 3 o'clock yesterday morning. The British ship Lord Staflerby will proceed to Portland on arrival of the lowboat Oklaheima. The British bark Windrush, Captain Walker, 63 days from Adelaide in ballast, arrived in yesterday evening. The schooner Sacramento, lumber laden for San Francisco, which arrived from Portland Sunday, is lying in the harbor weather bound.

VESSELS BOUND TO ASTORIA.

The following vessels are bound to the Columbia River, with name of master, nationality, rig, tonnage, where from and date of reported sailing: Doreen Hall, Whittaker, Br sh, 188 tons, Liverpool. Ben Volstead, Ahier, Ger sh, 167 tons, Santa Rosalia. Ottago, Esk, Swd bk, 270 tons, Hamburg. Conway, Chas, Jones, Br sh, 184 tons, Valparaiso. Vanhuysen, Boyan, Br bk, 183 tons, Algou Bay. Glenpark, Irish, Br sh, 179 tons, Rio Janeiro, August 3. Glenbank, Leonard, Br bk, 182 tons, Calcutta. Genevieve, Touge, Fr bk, 87 tons, Halifax, October 11. Henry Villard, Pattet, Am sh, 147 tons, New York, October 14. Oberon, Gully, Br bk, 184 tons, Newcastle, Australia, October 3. Chimsford, Thomson, Br bk, 237 tons, Cape Town, October 3. City of York, Jones, Br sh, 117 tons, Sydney. Lakemba, Braithering, Br bk, 186 tons, Fremantle. Cas Robertson, Phil, Br sh, 164 tons, Santa Rosalia. British General, Thomas, Br sh, 168 tons, Newcastle, Australia. Missa, Messenger, Br bk, 182 tons, Nagasaki. Yabari, Brown, Br sh, 148 tons, Newcastle, Australia. Jordan Hill, Walker, Br bk, 278 tons, Melbourne. Kincock, Perrella, Br sh, 281 tons, Yokohama. Amara, Kent, Br sh, 186 tons, Hongkong. Alexander Black, Dunn, Br bk, 181 tons, Antwerp. Watson, Fritz, Ger sh, 203 tons, Hlago. Lord Shaftsbury, Cunningham, Br sh, 273 tons, Sydney. Bristol, McIntyre, Br sh, 174 tons, San Francisco. Ance Thomas, Thomas, Br sh, 178 tons, Port Pirie. Almore, Thompson, Br bk, 178 tons, Newcastle, Australia. Pacific Rambler, Westerman, Ger sh, 285 tons, Hongkong. Auckland, James, Br sh, 126 tons, Adelaide. Glenelg, Taylor, Br sh, 184 tons, Royal Roads. Crescent, Bais, Br sh, 126 tons, Sydney. Windrush, Walker, Br bk, 142 tons, Adelaide. Otrud, Butz, Ger sh, 164 tons, Santa Rosalia. Alice, Kuhnmann, Ger sh, 262 tons, Santa Rosalia. Romasoff, Morgan, Br sh, 129 tons, Newcastle, Australia. Forthbank, Peterson, Br bk, 132 tons, Genhant. Gwynedd, Davies, Br bk, 163 tons, Honolulu. Puritan, Br sh, 268 tons, Kloba. Andaman, Winter, Br bark, 85 tons, Algou Bay. Lonsdale, Jones, Br bark, 168 tons, Brisbane. Cambrigan Prince, Br ship, 173 tons, Melbourne. City of Athens, Lumsden, Br ship, 119 tons, Antwerp. Marion Hughes, Hughes, Br sh, 183 tons, Sydney. Takahama, Cabellera, Chile sh, 124 tons, Talcahuano. Orilla, Stuart, Br sh, 178 tons, San Francisco. Barmbek, Tadsen, Ger bk, 233 tons, Hlago. Reliance, Robinson, Br bk, 264 tons, Port Pirie, November 27. Cyrenus, Bond, Br sh, 179 tons, San Francisco. Tweeddale, Jones, Br bk, 182 tons, Brisbane, December 13. Commonwealth, Anderson, Br sh, 230 tons, Esquimaux. Pass of Ledy, Vint, Br bk, 173 tons, Yokohama. Yankama, Blanchard, Br bk, 220 tons, Hlago. Silverhorn, Gibson, Br bk, 174 tons, Liverpool. Argo, Macken, Br sh, 180 tons, Antwerp. LUMBER FLEET. Vessels on the Way and in Columbia River to Load Lumber. Protection, stm, 214 tons, Moon Landing. Lobo, bgrn, 50 tons, Tientsin, Kappoon. Tensho Maru, Kaneko, Jap bk, 116 tons, Yokohama. Okhaki, bkn, 64 tons, Nagasaki. Louis, schr, 82 tons, Callao. Marion, schr, 98 tons, Sydney. Valeria, bk, 56 tons, San Pedro. W. F. Jewett, schr, 82 tons, San Francisco Bay. Omega, bkn, 52 tons, Mollendo. Cleary, bkn, 38 tons, Newport. Tam O' Shanter, Patterson, bkn, 52 tons, San Francisco. Prosper, schr, 52 tons, San Francisco Bay. Sacramento, schr, 124 tons, San Francisco. Willard Almsworth, schr, 40 tons, Seattle. The workman often eats his lunch on the same bench where he does his work. The office man turns his desk into a dining table. Neither gets the out of doors exercise he needs, neither takes the proper time for eating. It is small wonder that the digestion of both gets out of order. In such cases Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets come to their assistance by aiding nature in taking care of the food. The cause of nine-tenths of the sickness of the world is constipation. From this one cause come indigestion, disorders of the stomach, liver and kidneys; biliousness, headache, dizziness, nervous impurity of the blood and the serious complications that follow. To begin with, constipation is a little thing, and a little thing will cure it. The "Pleasant Pellets" are tiny, sugar-coated granules. They will perfectly cure the worst case of constipation and indigestion. If the druggist tries to sell you some other pill that pays him greater profit, just think of what will best pay you.

ROYAL CHECKS ARE THE FASHION.

TOOK A SEVERE COLD AFTER THE BIG FIRE.

THE WORKMAN OFTEN EATS HIS LUNCH ON THE SAME BENCH WHERE HE DOES HIS WORK.

THE OFFICE MAN TURNS HIS DESK INTO A DINING TABLE.

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