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### CLOSE OF THE VOLUME.

With this issue we finish our second successful year of publication, and we feel proud of what we have accomplished. Never in the history of Oregon journalism, has a paper reached the circulation that THE WEST SHORE has. Even our warmest friends hardly expected that in two years from the time the first number was issued our success would be as it now is. Our first volume consisted of 124 pages; for the second volume we promised 108 pages, instead, however, we furnished 228. Our readers will, therefore, pardon our publishing but an 8-page edition this issue, as our preparations for the commencement of the third volume, and our summer vacation, have about taken up all our time this month. With the next number, THE WEST SHORE will appear very much improved, adorned with a new heading which has been designed and engraved at a very large expense, and is pronounced by all who have examined the sketch, the handsomest heading in the United States. Our sincere thanks are hereby returned to our patrons for the liberal subscription list, and to the press, in general, for the many kind notices and words of encouragement. We shall ever in future, as we have in the past, strive to please and deserve praise. Any one, whose subscription expires this month, is respectfully invited to renew promptly, and we promise that the third volume shall be one of rare interest. We can now see the time, in the near future, when we shall publish THE WEST SHORE once a week. Speed the good work by inducing your friends and neighbors to try our paper for one year.

### FORT CANBY AND LIGHT-HOUSE AT CAPE DISAPPOINTMENT, W. T.

The engraving we give in this issue is a faithful representation of the Light-house located at Cape Disappointment, on the right bank of the Columbia river, and at its mouth. Its light can be seen for a distance of 28 miles at sea.—The view from here both seaward and inland on a clear day is one of magnificent grandeur, beyond description. The distance from Astoria is but 14 miles, and the elegant steam-tug Gen. Canby makes the round trip in five hours every Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday, giving ample time to inspect the light and fortifications. Within two miles by water, or three by an easy trail from this point, is located Ilwaco, formerly known as Unity, a summer resort, and which may, in time, owing to its splendid harbor, (Baker's Bay,) and proximity to the sea, become a city of considerable importance. From Ilwaco a very rough road leads over to the sea beach, two miles distance; and from here at low tide a magnificent drive along the beach leads to Oyster-ville, Shoalwater Bay. Two lines of stages make connections with the Astoria boat, and the through fare from Astoria is but \$2.00. Of Shoalwater Bay and its oyster beds we shall speak in a future number.

From Baker's Bay to Shoalwater Bay, and on the north side of the Columbia river the country is mountainous and broken, densely wooded, containing, however, some small valleys supporting a sparse population. The southern extremity of Cape Disappointment and the eastern side of the cape along Baker's Bay, and up as far as Ilwaco, are of the same nature, mountainous and hilly; but along the south-western side of the cape lie a series of sandy beaches broken by bold headlands, rising some two or three hundred feet above the water. Back of these headlands and beaches is a strip of low sandy land interspersed with marshes, and separated from the hilly region on the north-east by a lake.

The heavy timber of the region consists of spruce, fir, pine, hemlock, beech and vine maple. Alder, willow and crab-apple grow in considerable quantities; clearings of heavy timber seem to be succeeded by alder unless kept down. Clearings kept free from the growth of trees produce white clover spontaneously. The soil is very rich. Deer, elk and black bear are abundant, and in the cold season panthers are driven from the more mountainous region at the north and east towards the cape. Ducks and geese are plenty during the periods of migration.

The prevailing winds during the summer are from the north-west; during

### OREGON MINES.

Our State is certainly beginning to loom up as rich in mineral as she is in agriculture and other resources. Two years ago we published a lengthy article giving the history of a very rich cinnabar mine, supposed to be in existence somewhere in Southern Oregon. This article led several parties on prospecting expeditions; and a few days ago we received a specimen of cinnabar from Jacksonville, which leads us to hope that "the unfound rich ledge" has been struck at last. It assays 70 per cent. of quicksilver, which is richer than any cinnabar mine now in existence, not even excepting the famous New Almaden. We were a few days ago shown a specimen of copper ore from Douglas county, which is nearly pure copper. It assays 90 per cent. In a First street show window may also be seen six pounds of amalgam, taken from the eastern Oregon mud springs. It looks as if these much abused mud-holes may yet prove a source of wealth to the sanguine prospectors. We hope such may be the case.

WHICH STATE CAN BEAT IT?—Over \$1,000,000 in gold coin will be realized this season in Oregon from the surplus of wheat, wool, salmon and hops.—Besides the above principal staples, many millions will be brought into this State for the surplus of less important



LIGHTHOUSE AT CAPE DISAPPOINTMENT, W. T.—Photo by Buchtel & Stolle.

the winter from the south-east, south and south-west, with occasional heavy gales from the north-west and from the north-east. The fishing at Baker's Bay can not, perhaps, be surpassed anywhere on the coast. We know of one man who caught thirteen dozen tom-cods in six hours, with hook and line. To such of our readers as desire pleasure and recreation we should advise a trip to Astoria, Cape Disappointment, Ilwaco and Shoalwater Bay. The few days time taken up, and the expense incurred in making the trip, will be amply returned by the amount of vigor gained by inhaling the health-giving breezes all along the trip.

### SOMETHING FOR OUR SCHOOL TEACHERS.

We think it would be an excellent idea to have half hour drills daily in all the schools, for the purpose of teaching pupils to vacate school-rooms in quick time without confusion. This, in case of fire, would save many a little one's limb and, perhaps, life. Our school houses are very large frame buildings, once on fire they would burn rapidly; if, however, the children are drilled to muster in rank at the stroke of a bell, and at a second tap to march double-quick into the street, no harm could possibly happen to them in case of any room getting on fire. We hope to see this drill introduced in every school in the State.

articles. This, with a population of only 100,000, and thousands of acres of unoccupied land, but point to what greatness this country is destined, at no very distant day, when our population increases and our unoccupied acres are placed under the plow.

THE Singer, which has for a number of years held the rank as one of the very best Sewing Machines in the market, has been reduced in price, although the former high standard of quality is maintained. The reasonable terms they are now being sold at preclude any further excuse for doing without one of these very necessary articles of household furniture. The company's office in this city is at the corner of First and Yamhill streets, where circulars and terms can be obtained personally or by mail.

A FINE ORGAN.—The Geo. A. Prince organ just purchased by Miss Sarah Price, is one of the best instruments in the organ line ever brought into the city or even in the State. It is said by several of our best performers who have tested it, to be a really superior instrument. Its tone and finish is perfect.—Salem Record.

EACH man has an aptitude born with him to do easily some feat impossible to any other.

FROGS blight young children as frosty nights blight young plants.

A CHEERFUL face is nearly as good for an invalid as healthy weather.

### AN ELEGANT ESTABLISHMENT.

Portland is daily growing to greater proportions as a commercial city, and, naturally, each succeeding establishment is fitted up with greater taste and elegance than any of its predecessors. The latest addition is the drug store of Blumauer & Heubner, located at No. 123 First street. Being in a central location, it will supply a demand long felt for an establishment of that kind in that part of the city. The counters and shelvings are, without a doubt, the best finished of any in the State, and are constructed of Oregon ash and black walnut. The jars and bottles are all cut glass, and especially made to order for this house. The cases and stands, containing perfumery and toilet articles, are of large, French plate glass, with silver plated trimmings, and the show cases are of the latest and most convenient patterns. We notice on the shelves, a complete assortment of everything usually kept in a first class drug store, and, especially, one separate department, where all of Dr. Squibb's celebrated preparations may be found. Occupying a prominent position, is the department for dental goods, of which this house carry a large stock. The floor is adorned with a neat oilcloth, whilst a large screen of black walnut, in the rear, divides the prescription department from the store proper. As this firm will make a specialty of compounding prescriptions, they have, also, added a large night bell, and one of the firm will always personally attend to night calls. Connected with the store, by a folding door, is the laboratory, wherein they manufacture their own chemicals, both Mr. Blumauer and Mr. Heubner, being practical pharmacutists.

I. Caro, Esq., formerly with Marks & Co. at Roseburg, lately visited this city and purchased a large stock of general merchandise, &c., with which he opens the establishment formerly occupied by Flint & Son at Roseburg. Mr. Caro is a thorough business man, and is sure to succeed.

Gray's Music Store, in this city, is one of the most complete establishments of the kind on the coast, and under the able management of Mr. Carr is gaining greater popularity daily. We can cheerfully recommend this house to any of our readers desiring any kind of musical instruments or sheet music.

CARSON'S SASH FACTORY.—We recently paid a visit to this establishment, located in the northern part of the city, and were somewhat surprised at the magnitude of the work carried on there in so young a State as Oregon. Mr. Carson employs twenty men all the year round, which, with the numerous labor-saving machines, turn out a very large amount of work. To the credit of Mr. C., be it said, that he has not found it necessary to employ Chinese labor, although coming in direct competition with California sash and doors, made by Chinese, which, however, on examination, will be found to have an inferior finish. We feel proud of having such an establishment in this city and hope it may continue to prosper for years to come.

The Parker House, at Astoria, is a splendid, roomy three-story building, located in the healthiest part of the city, near the different steamship landings and within a short distance of the Postoffice, Court and Custom houses. The proprietors, Messrs. Cardwell & Perkins, have a most enviable reputation as hotel men, and any one visiting Astoria for pleasure or recreation will do well to stop at the Parker House.

A MAN whistles for three reasons—to keep his courage up, to annoy some one else, or for want of thought.