

LONG-RANGE CHARTERING

STANDARD OIL COMPANY A BELIEVER IN HIGH FREIGHTS.

Astracana Arrives With Cargo From Hamburg—Halewood Clears With Wheat—Marine Notes.

The owners of the British ship Howard D. Troop believe in taking no chances on securing profitable business for their ships, even though they are obliged to charter several months ahead.

CARGO FROM HAMBURG.

An Old-Time Trader Arrives in From Europe by Way of San Diego.

Collided With a Schooner.

PORTLAND, Me., Nov. 23.—Passengers here today, report that she was in collision with the schooner Alma, of Lockport, N. B., last night.

HALIFAX, N. S., Nov. 23.—The British schooner Alma, reported to be in collision with the schooner Numidian, which was in collision with the schooner Alma, of Lockport, N. B., last night.

The Halewood Clears.

The British ship Halewood cleared yesterday for Queenstown or Plymouth for orders with 124,000 bushels of wheat, valued at \$60,000.

The Marine Gold Defense.

SEATTLE, Nov. 23.—The defense in the case of Dr. E. F. Adams, who is accused of poisoning Dr. J. Eugene Jordan out of \$10,000 in connection with the gold mine, Professor Morse, now in the San Francisco home, sprung a sensation today.

ASTORIA, Nov. 23.—The gaolette schooner Anita arrived in this afternoon from Nestsucca with a cargo of 120 cases of salmon from Kierman's cannery there.

Marine Notes.

The Norwegian steamship Universe finished loading four yesterday and shifted over to the west side of the river to load coal.

Domestic and Foreign Ports.

ASTORIA, Nov. 23.—Arrived at 1:30 P. M.—British ship Astracana, from Hamburg, by way of San Diego; at 5 P. M., schooner Anita, from Tillamook. Arrived down at 1 P. M.—German ship Gertrud; arrived down at 4:30 P. M.—U. S. steamer Perry. Left up at 4 P. M.—Dutch bark Pax. Condition of the bar at 5 P. M. rough; wind southeast; weather cloudy.

NORTHWEST HARBORWORK

CAPTAIN HART'S REPORTS PROGRESS DURING OCTOBER.

Operations at Oregon and Washington Points Where Government Improvements Are Under Way.

COMMERCE AND RIVERS.

What Conditions Go to Build a Great City.

PORTLAND, Nov. 23.—(To the Editor.)—When, by an article in The Oregonian, I ventured to what seemed a useful and instructive lesson from the showing of the 12th census on the experience of Puget Sound cities and Galveston, it did not occur to me that I should thereby reopen the discussion concerning commercial centers.

I shall now limit myself to facts, which, I repeat, are the foundations of all science and without which there can be no correct hypothesis in all the universe.

My young colleagues of the Am. Soc. C. E. H. Schenck and one who has been made by any of these critics to deal with facts. The man of Butte, Mont., has boldly plunged into statements, declaring that the Hudson River, and the deepest, he should have confined his statement to a Montana paper. At that distance from this coast it might possibly be current, she also ventures another interesting fact, that the great port of New York is on the coast at the mouth of the Hudson River.

Mr. George Morrison made the same point over and over again, and his original paper was under discussion by the members of the Am. Soc. C. E. He named in the same category the cities of Galveston and New York, and the great port of New York is on the coast at the mouth of the Hudson River.

Washington Notes.

Everett has purchased the City dock for \$175,000.

The State Spiritualists' Association opened a convention at Tacoma Thursday for a session of two days.

The County Commissioners of Whitman County have received 30 applications for the position of Courtship janitor.

It is thought that by the end of next financial year the old warrant indebtedness of Aberdeen will have been wiped out.

Walla Walla has granted an electric lighting franchise. The company must begin work within six months on construction.

At the regular meeting Saturday of the Aberdeen Council salaries of the attorney and clerk were raised from \$25 to \$40 per month.

George W. Gray, who lives some 10 miles up the river from Entiat, says a cougar came within 100 yards of his house and carried off a dead sheep lately, says the Wenatchee Republican.

The North Yakima Daily News is an enterprise recently started by W. A. Maxwell. The paper shows well, and covers the entire country from the Pacific to its limits. It is receiving liberal support.

H. Peton, an old man who lives in the southern suburbs of Tacoma, stole two grips filled with old clothing and shoes, and a trunk containing a large amount of money, from the Hotel, and was fined \$100. He could not pay the fine and was taken to jail.

The citizens of Bremerton held an important meeting Saturday evening and decided to incorporate the town. According to statements made by prominent citizens, the city will carry for incorporation. The election will be held December 2.

C. H. Haines has struck the first flow in a well he is sinking on the Moxee for E. G. Penn. The well is now 400 feet, and the prospectors expect to strike the third and last flow within the 700-foot mark. It is located in the regular artesian belt, where about 20 similar wells are flowing.

The Wallace-Coburn Company, of North Yakima, has completed a contract for building new dormitories and putting in new water and sewer lines at the Yakima Indian reservation headquarters near Fort Simcoe. The expense was about \$14,000, which was authorized by the Indian Department last June.

James, the 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. T. O'Brien, of Mount Vernon, died yesterday while coasting on the sidewalk down the steep hill leading from the County Jail to the railroad tracks. When he was about 10 years old, he was thrown from a horse and killed.

The Precrator Was Glad She Swores.

The daughter of the well-known clergyman in Washington had a severe attack of scarlet fever when she was three years old, which resulted in deafness. Up to that time she had been a normal child, but her infirmity best to carry out the proverbial saying: "Being a woman she'll talk forever."

Upon her recovery her parents were not only lost her hearing, but the power of speech as well. Whether it was obstinacy or lack of confidence they could not determine, but despite all efforts of the best tutors the child remained a mute.

One day when she was nearly 10 years of age she was playing with a cat, and with much curiosity as though she were of the sterner sex, she used its tail as a handle with which to pick it up. The poor animal not appreciating the economic use of its tail, resented the indignity of a deep scratch across the chubby little hand.

"Damn that cat!" she said, flinging it to the ground. Her father, devout clergyman as he was, clasped his hands and raising his eyes to heaven, exclaimed: "That God, that child has spoken at last!"

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