Beginnings of Oregon:

Exploration and Early Settlement at the mouth of the Columbia River

ASTORIA AS IT WAS IN 1813.

ASTORIA, April 10.-The Columbia for Astoria has arrived to-day, having been delayed by contrary winds and a fog on the 26th of May. He is expected in Astoria on the 30th of the month. The expedition consisted of about 200 men, including crew, passengers, and Indian guides. The Columbia was built at the shipyard of J. E. Todd, of Philadelphia, and is said to be one of the finest vessels ever built for the Pacific coast. She is armed with 16 guns, and is expected to be a valuable asset to the fur trade. The expedition is under the command of Capt. John Jacob Astor, who is accompanied by his brother, Capt. Charles Willard Astor. They are accompanied by a large number of Indians, who are expected to be of great assistance in the fur trade. The expedition is expected to stay in Astoria for about three months, during which time they will explore the Columbia River and its tributaries, and make a survey of the country, with a view to establishing a settlement.

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