

PALATINA THE PIONEER

FIRST STEAMSHIP OF THE 1902 GRAIN FLEET FROM JAPAN.

Will Load for St. Vincent's for Orders—French Bark Asie Great Attraction to New Year Strollers.

The British steamship Palatina, which will pioneer the 1902 grain fleet from Portland, arrived in this city yesterday morning, and left up in the afternoon...

The Strathgyle is about the only craft working the water front that is working overboard, taking the lion's share and overdoing the advantage of the holiday...

NOT WITHOUT PRECEDENT. Four Marine Disasters Similar to That of the Asie.

The disaster to the French bark Asie is the fifth of a similar nature to happen in a Pacific Coast port within the past 15 years...

In June, 1888, the steamer Oklahama, in command of Captain Harry Enken, went alongside the British bark Alliance, lying at Montgomery dock...

All Vessels in Storm Are Safe. SEATTLE, Jan. 1.—All the vessels known to have been out in the great storm of Christmas day, along the North Pacific coast, are reported here as safe...

SANTA CLARA STILL FAST. Latest Victim of Northern Waters May Become a Total Wreck.

The Victoria Colonist has the following regarding the latest victim of the insecure harbors to the north of us: "The ship Santa Clara, still fast on Trial Island, is daily attracting crowds of spectators and...

1902 FLEET COMING. Three Ships and a Steamer Will Reach Portland This Morning.

There was quite a procession of grain-carriers on the way up the river yesterday, and their arrival today, together with the large number of ships now in port, will give the city a busy appearance...

German Bark Selene Arrives From San Blas 24 Hours Late.

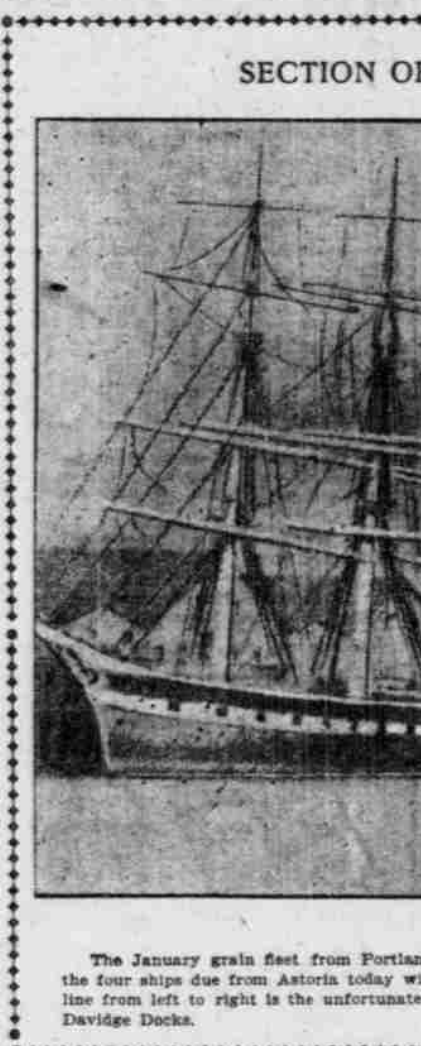
The German bark Selene arrived in at Astoria last evening, 24 hours late to save a good charter. She was engaged several months ago at 39 shillings for December loading...

WHY DID SHE CAPSIZE?

GREAT MYSTERY ABOUT DISASTER TO THE BARK ASIE.

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Madame Leotta to Appear. With Miss Bagley, She Will Give Entertainment Friday Night. Under the auspices of the Third Presbyterian Church, Madame Leotta, the noted dramatic impersonator and elocutionist...

THE UNFORTUNATE ASIE.

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WHERE OUR APPLES GO

WILLAMETTE VALLEY PRODUCES FEW FOR EXPORT.

Medford and Hood River Districts Have Made Fame of Oregon—Little Demand for Good Fruit Here.

People of Portland see little of the fine apples produced in Oregon. The best fruit has small sale in this city, owing to the demand for it abroad, the consequently high price, and the local abundance of second-grade apples...

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Why is it that Valley apples are not sold in the East? The reporter asked. "The reason is never reasons," was the response. "Each one as important as the other and to recount them all would take a long time. Chief of them is that farmers do not grow given

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