

THE ARCHITECT A TOTAL LOSS.

The Crew Saved by the Tug Astoria.

The bark Architect, which went ashore on Clatsop Spit on Monday last while attempting to follow another vessel into harbor, has become a total wreck. On Monday night the sea broke over her with fearful violence, and crew, together with the captain and his delicate wife, were compelled to take to the rigging for safety. After a night of terrible suspense and much suffering, each minute of which threatened their instant destruction, the famished people beheld the tug Astoria approaching them in the gray of the morning as near as was compatible with safety, her crew manned the life boat, previously obtained from Fort Stevens, and at the imminent risk of their lives they pulled manfully forward through the breakers, and at last, after many hairbreadth escapes, reached the vessel. Maintaining a respectful distance from the doomed vessel, which was fairly enveloped in the fury of the waves, a line was thrown on board and the wife of the captain, being the only lady on board, was the first to make the trip through the seething and hissing waters; but at last she reached the boat, into which she was lifted by the gallant rescuers. Each member of the crew followed, the captain being the last to leave the vessel, and after a dangerous passage through the breakers they were placed on board the tug, where everything was done to make them comfortable and alleviate their every suffering, and at last they were landed safely upon the wharf at Astoria, snatched, as it were, from the jaws of death. The good people of the place, who were deeply interested in their welfare, received them in a hospitable manner, and they were soon all comfortably quartered with friends, who spared no effort to make them feel that they were indeed welcome.

The vessel went to pieces about an hour after the crew were rescued and nothing of her now remains to mark the spot where she was wrecked. The Architect was built in Rockland, Maine, in the year 1855, and was owned by S. B. Sherwood, of San Francisco. She was en route from San Francisco for Knappa, in ballast, to load lumber for the lower market, and it is scarcely probable that there was any great amount of insurance upon her.

Saniam Mines.

Mr. Alex. Campbell, who lives near Salem, has just returned from a prospecting tour on the north fork of the Santiam, in company with three other gentlemen. Of their trip the Record says:

They went up about the 4th of March; took a week's provision, hunted some, and prospected, with success, a bench on the mountain side, about 15 miles above Smith's ferry. This bench contains about 10 acres, through which a stream cuts. Washing dirt on the creeks, they generally found gold in small quantity, but here they found the best prospect of all. The dirt and gravel appear to be about 30 feet deep. The gold found is flour and scale gold, all very fine and difficult to save without careful operations. After this discovery they returned home, disgusted with the rain and storm, for the snow fell and melted every day, and they left 18 inches of snow on the ground when they came away. They only washed a few pans of dirt the first time.

Last week Tuesday Mr. Campbell, in company with Mr. Wilburn King, of Silverton, returned to the spot and made further prospect. Mr. King is an experienced miner, and after exploring he concluded that the diggings will pay well. They took up a number of claims and returned home, having had a very rough time in the mountains. Water can be brought from the river by a two-mile ditch so as to be hydraulic, and they say there is considerable ground yet unclaimed, and more spots like it that looks as if they would pay as well.

The Salt Lake Tribune says: The Mormons who were not satisfied with Judge McKean, have jumped out of the frying pan into the fire. Judge Lowe comes from a country where people have it impressed upon them that revolutions never go backward. Kansas were the first to throttle slavery, and have the nerve to grapple with the twin relic.

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