

## TO ASTORIANS.

The DAILY ASTORIAN will be found on sale in Portland at the well-known stationery house of J. F. Handley & Co., 391 Washington Street. Orders for advertising left with this firm will receive prompt attention.

## TODAY'S WEATHER.

PORTLAND, Dec. 6.—Western Oregon and Washington: occasional light rain over the northern portion, fair over the southern portion today.

## AROUND TOWN.

H. Wiener of Melville is in town.  
H. J. Morrison of Clatsop is in the city.  
D. McKee of Portland is in the city.  
T. D. Newell of Nehalem is in Astoria.  
L. I. Boynton of Portland is at the Parker.  
H. R. Conn of Chicago is at the Parker.  
J. J. Brumbach of Ilwaco was over yesterday.  
None of the inside float crossed out yesterday.  
Fresh chocolate 30 cents a pound at the Parker.  
Crawfish, cooked in wine, at the National Cafe.  
The British ship Scottish Isles sailed yesterday.  
George A. Heavis of San Francisco is in the city.  
A. Stone and wife of Cathlamet are at the Parker.  
L. D. Pike of Pt. Roberts was in the city yesterday.  
N. C. Kofford of Ilwaco was in the city yesterday.  
Jos. T. McCabe of Clifton was in the city yesterday.  
J. M. Craig of Portland is a guest at the Occident.  
J. W. Chambers of San Francisco is at the Occident.  
L. A. Clark and son of Portland are at the Occident.  
R. Graham of Eugene is visiting with friends in Astoria.  
H. M. Ogden of Portland is registered at the Occident.  
The four masted barkentine Gleason is reported outside.  
L. O. Lakin of Portland was at the Occident yesterday.  
F. R. Beahan of Port Canby was in the city yesterday.  
A. J. Richards of Portland is registered at the Parker.

H. Sanborn of Wisconsin is registered at the Parker.

L. Samuels, the Portland life insurance man, is in the city.

C. W. Boynton, the Portland saw merchant, is at the Parker.

The water commission held its regular monthly meeting last night.

Drink K. B. Cereal; Eat Nut butter and Health Foods and be happy.

The police court has been unusually quiet during the past few days.

Buy your Xmas tree ornaments at the Parker. Cheaper than in Portland.

Maurice Winter of Portland was in town yesterday on business for his firm.

The British ship Sierra Miranda, with wheat, is on her way down the river.

FOR RENT—Single rooms or a desirable suite, in the Flavel brick. Apply room 17.

FOUND—A sum of money—Owner can have same by calling at Grace church rectory.

LOST—A purse containing a sum of money. The finder will be rewarded if returned to Astorian office.

The German ship Wandsworth, from Nagasaki, sailed yesterday. James Laidlaw & Co. own the charter.

The British ship Principality sailed yesterday. She is in ballast and is chartered to the Portland Flouring mills.

Madison street bridge, Portland, is closed to traffic on account of an immense jam of drift piled against the bridge.

The push club has not grown tired of the dry dock proposition, and still is working to make the desired project a reality.

The Leunox made the run to Honolulu in 13 days, and despite the heavy weather encountered, only four animals died.

The owners of the steamer Tartarus which had been secured for the Portland-Manila route, have withdrawn her charter.

The British ship Hulton Hall arrived yesterday. She is from Hong Kong, and under charter to Meyer, Wilson & Co., Portland.

The Portland public school attendance at the beginning of the month was 16,996, the highest in the history of that city.

Pure whisky Harper Perfect whisky Harper every bottle guaranteed Harper. Sold by Ford & Stokes Company, Astoria, Oregon.

Our line of holiday goods is now in. Remember we have the only line of its kind in the city. Portland prices. B. F. Allen & Son.

A patent spring umbrella has been seen. A Taggart's candy store next to John Hanna, which will be given away with a 5 cent package of gum.

Reslyn coal lasts longer, is cleaner and makes less trouble with stoves and chimneys than any other. George W. Sanborn, Agent. Telephone 1311.

The Portland chamber of commerce has wired to Speaker Henderson its recommendation of Thomas H. Tongue as a member of the river and harbor committee.

Reslyn coal is the best and most economical coal for household use in Astoria. Try it once and you will have no other. George W. Sanborn, Agent. Telephone 1311.

Miss Gillespie of Corvallis, who has been visiting Rev. I. Pearl and wife for several days, started for the East yesterday. Dr. and Mrs. Pearl accompanied her as far as Portland.

The state barbers' commission Monday tried Barber Jack Anna who was charged by the union with being a habitual drunkard and addicted to the excessive use of morphine. Anna was acquitted.

Dancers will remember the ball tomorrow night given by the Kalevala band at Sammi hall. Admission 50 cents, ladies free. Grand march at 8 o'clock. Everybody come and have a good time.

The corner stores from which our business has grown are quality, style, low cost. You know Jones? His place is on Front street, Portland, 108 & 110, near the river. When you are up there drop in.

The advertisements in the Astorian are thoroughly reliable. Buyers always profit by reading the advertisements of responsible houses. The man who advertises is not ashamed of his stock or his prices.

The postoffice receipts of Portland and the Washington cities show the Oregon metropolis to be far in the lead. Portland's receipts during the year were \$194,512; Seattle, \$133,056; Tacoma, \$60,382; Spokane, \$57,432.

Fir cordwood at \$3.25 per cord long and \$3.50 per cord sawed and delivered will be the price at the Astoria Wood Yard after Monday, November 13. Oak, Ash, Spruce, Fir, Maple, Hemlock, Slabwood and Slab bark also, at reasonable rates.

I will pay the highest price for everything—especially hides and old rubbers. Will pay one cent more per pound than anyone else offers in this state for copper, brass and zinc. Consign all goods to M. Susman, Astoria, Ore. Money will be paid immediately.

Those who use city water in sprinkling their lawns will observe that the water commission has made the tariff payable yearly in advance. Heretofore consumers have been allowed to take the water for the season or for a month but this plan did not prove satisfactory and customers must pay a year's rate now in advance.

A team belonging to W. B. Edwards was hauling a load of wood to a house at the foot of Tenth street last evening when one of the horses went through the roadway just off of Bond street. The animal was quickly rescued and apart from a few bruises, was uninjured.

Astorian will be interested in the committee appointments of the present congress. The make-up of the river and harbor committee of the house is of especial importance to the people of this city in view of the improvement plans that will come up before that committee.

Mr. A. J. Taylor will place on exhibition and sale today at the public library some of her finest specimens of the famous burnt leather work just now attracting so much attention in the East. The ladies of Astoria are invited to call and examine these unique and artistic productions.

All Astorians who visit Portland and desire spending a pleasant evening in company with polite people and in the enjoyment of an unexcelled musical program, should go to the Fredericksburg. Besides vocal and instrumental selections there are many other attractions to delight the visitors. The new management is making the Fredericksburg a well-merited success. BROWN & GRANT, Props.

A well-known Astoria restaurant man and a prominent cigar dealer had a misunderstanding last night in the restaurant that resulted in a scolding. Chairs and tables were overturned and considerable excitement created in that locality, but no personal damage was done except blackened eyes and scratched faces.

Thomas E. P. Keegan, secretary of the Oregon-Alaska Mercantile company, left last night for Chehalis, where he will remain until Sunday in the interest of his company. Then he will go to Chicago and other cities of the East on business relating to the new enterprises. Such movements deserve the success that is assured for the Oregon-Alaska Mercantile company.

R. H. Kaitz and Philip Slack, the well-known blind piano tuners of Portland, are tuning for the best musicians in the state from whom they have the best of references. They will be in Astoria today, Wednesday, Dec. 6, which will be the last opportunity to engage their services on their regular quarterly trip. Work strictly first class. Leave orders at Rogers' drug store.

The Ladies' Guild of Grace church will hold their annual sale and supper in the Radcliff building, the place formerly occupied by A. Dunbar, corner of Ninth and Commercial streets, on Thursday, December 7. Supper begins at 5 o'clock and the sale at 7. A most cordial invitation is extended to all to come and satisfy the inner man with all the good things which will be provided. Price of supper, 25c.

Astorian generally are well pleased with the assurance that the new currency bill will pass and thus definitely settle the money question. There are very few radical silver men left. Most of the former advocates of free silver realize that their cause has been hopelessly beaten, and even if not wholly convinced that they were in error, they will be glad to have the issue shelved by a definite gold standard law.

## FOUR SHIPS SAILED IN.

Put They Are Yet One Hundred Miles From Their Cargo.

Four ships sailed into this port yesterday. Sunday two sailed out to sea. This would be deemed a remarkable performance at any other harbor of the world but this one at the mouth of the Columbia river. These incidents are not exploited by Astorians. The people of this city expect ships to sail in and out, unaided, as a matter of course. To them it is not an item worthy of special mention. They are familiar with the harbor's capabilities, and know its possibilities. It is realized, also, that under the existing circumstances the ability of these vessels to cross in without a tow doesn't mean so much to them since this is not their loading port. The ships have two rivers to mount yet before they find their cargo.

It might occur to a disinterested spectator that since the wheat with which these vessels are to load is hauled to Portland on the railroad, it would be much cheaper to run the cars on through to the mouth of the Columbia than to stop the trains at Portland and haul the ships up to Portland and then drag them down again over the sand bars of the Willamette and Columbia rivers.

It would, of course, be cheaper, but since that method would operate to the disadvantage of the Sound ports the transportation companies have arranged to withhold what are termed common point rates from the harbor at the mouth of the Columbia, make Portland the practical terminus of the railroads and thus force the ships to go up the river after their loads. The farmers, of course, pay the extra cost.

There seems to be a tendency on the part of the inland press to look into this question and ascertain the effect the present shipping arrangements have upon the industry of grain growing. It has been asserted broadly and by responsible men that the so-called Astoria proposition means a financial gain to the producers, and the papers whose support comes largely from the farming class cannot afford to dismiss the subject with a joke.

The Astoria proposition is not Astorian's proposition so much as it is the



## THE EXCELLENCE OF SYRUP OF FIGS

is due not only to the originality and simplicity of the combination, but also to the care and skill with which it is manufactured by scientific processes known to the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP Co. only, and we wish to impress upon all the importance of purchasing the true and original remedy. As the genuine Syrup of Figs is manufactured by the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP Co. only, a knowledge of that fact will assist one in avoiding the worthless imitations manufactured by other parties. The high standing of the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP Co. with the medical profession, and the satisfaction which the genuine Syrup of Figs has given to millions of families, makes the name of the Company a guaranty of the excellence of its remedy. It is far in advance of all other laxatives, as it acts on the kidneys, liver and bowels without irritating or weakening them, and it does not gripe nor nauseate. In order to get its beneficial effects, please remember the name of the Company—

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.  
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NEW YORK, N. Y.

farmers' proposition. If the producers will not be benefited by making Astoria the grain port of Oregon, Astoria harbor can not claim consideration from the public.  
The sailing in of four vessels yesterday from the sea to a safe deep harbor emphasizes one of the natural advantages possessed by the mouth of the Columbia port. The fact that unnatural conditions have practically annulled that advantage is worthy of consideration by the wheat growers of Oregon and Washington.

## THE WATER COMMISSION.

Net Earnings for the Year Over Interest and Operating Expenses Were More Than \$5,000.

The water commission met last night and was in session several hours. The bills for the month amounted to \$45.41 and the pay roll \$364.

The clerk's report showed the earnings for the month of November to be \$2,160. The summary of earnings for eleven months and for the month of December, estimated, showed the total earnings of 1899 to be \$28,644.30. For the same time, with December estimated, the expenditures are \$23,000.

The chairman was instructed to have the inventories prepared for the annual report to be filed with the city council as required by the charter.

Semi-annual interest, \$5,000, was ordered paid.

The hose rate for the lawn sprinkling was amended, so as to make the rate payable yearly and in advance. With this exception the rates of 1899 will be followed in 1900.

## NOTICE.

J. Anderson, the chiropractor, has returned to Astoria. Any person wishing corns removed can have it done by calling at or telephoning to Peterson & Brown's shoe store. Prices will be 25 cents per corn for three days only.

## Come, See.

Extra Premiums  
With Tea  
With Coffee  
With Spices  
With Baking Powder  
Come Just to See.

Great American Importing Tea Co.

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and get the freight paid back on your goods. While the present rates of fare remain in force we will pay your fare from Astoria and return, and also pay the freight to Astoria on your purchases, provided you buy \$20 or more. No freight paid on flour, feed or potatoes. If you send us your order by mail you will receive a credit of 50 cents allowance for fare both ways. We pay freight to all stations on A. & C. R. R. through to Seattle.

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For the young and old,  
Everything in the Japanese line,  
Toys to please the youngsters.

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Full Line of Newest Embroidery Materials.  
Initials a Specialty.  
Choice Selection of Sampling Designs.  
Stamping Neatly Done.

## Coming

Kaltz & Slack,

## The Blind Piano Tuners

OF PORTLAND, OREGON.

Are in Astoria today Wednesday, Dec. 6th on their regular quarterly trip. All kinds of Piano Tuning, Repairing and Organ Work. Orders left at Rogers' Drug Store will receive prompt attention. Best References. Reasonable Prices. All Work Guaranteed.

## DO YOU BATHE?

NO.

WHY?

Because at our house we have neither a bathtub, nor hot water handy.

Then go to the Russian Baths at 217 Astor St. 25 cents is the price. Private apartments for ladies. Only the better class of patronage is catered to. Try one and you will come regularly.

## New Fresh and Seasonable Goods

Plum Pudding, Raisins,  
Mince Meat, Currants,  
Pumpkin Cranberries  
Citron Squash Etc.

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Wheat Flakes, Grano,  
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## THE LOUVRE.

Strangers visiting in the city will find the Louvre an attractive resort wherein to spend the evening. The Amme Sisters Ladies' Orchestra is still on the bills and presents a nightly musical program of exceptional merit. Handsome pool and billiard rooms are a feature in connection with the house. Palatable lunches will be served at all hours.

## Northwest Optical Co.,

The Lebbe Bldg.,  
Second and Washington Sts.  
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