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TODAY'S WEATHER.

PORTLAND, Dec. 17.—Western, Oregon and Western Washington, occasional rain today.

AROUND TOWN.

D. W. Watson of Tacoma is at the Parker.

Capt. John Brown of Goble is at the Parker.

Fred Gilbert of Ilwaco was over yesterday.

Crawfish, cooked in wine, at the National Cafe.

Captain Bert Hatch of Cape Nome is in this city.

A. S. Toe has been duly installed as city surveyor.

H. Hirst and wife of Portland are at the Occident.

W. A. Bohue of Fort Stevens was in town yesterday.

H. E. Calk of Fort Stevens was in the city yesterday.

Two more yachts were sighted in the offing yesterday.

William Miller will make the new rudder for the lightship.

W. S. Kyser, of the St. Helen Mist, was in Astoria yesterday.

Joe B. Thompson of Fort Columbia was in Astoria yesterday.

Strictly pure home-made nut candy of all kinds at the Bonbonniers.

C. C. Hollingshead of New York was at the Occident yesterday.

D. C. Herrin, the well-known A. O. U. W. official, is at the Occident.

The British bark Port Logan, loaded with grain, crossed out yesterday.

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

Misses McGuire and Carlyle of Seaside returned home from Portland yesterday.

Herman Wise offers all Overcoats and mackintoshes at a reduction of 20 per cent.

The British bark Inverurie went to sea yesterday morning. She has grain for Europe.

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The schooner Honolulu, with a cargo of lumber for the Orient, crossed out yesterday.

Twenty per cent reduction on all mackintoshes and overcoats at Herman Wise's store.

The St. Enoch, Edenballymore and Alsterkamp are lying at anchor in the lower harbor.

Portland A. O. U. W. members will pay Seaside lodge No. 12, a fraternal visit December 20.

Twenty per cent reduction on all mackintoshes and overcoats at Herman Wise's store.

Beaver lodge, I. O. O. F. will visit Samaritan lodge No. 2, Portland, next Wednesday night.

Mr. Hoffer directs attention to the large, choice line of Lewy's chocolates just received at the Bonbonniers.

F. A. Fisher, wife and son, left on this morning's train for San Jose, California, to spend the holidays with friends.

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.

There will be the usual services at the Congregational church today, to which the people as a whole are most cordially invited.

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

Our prize \$175 organ will be drawn New Year's eve. Chances given on every \$150 purchase of holiday goods. B. F. ALLEN & SON.

The British steamship Arab, which is to take a cargo of general freight waiting at Portland for the Orient, left Kobe on the 15th.

Olof Nilson, a native of Sweden, declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States yesterday in the county clerk's office.

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

This is a free country of course, but the man who lost his job on account of exercising his own judgment in the recent city election doubts it.

Today the Astoria foot ball team goes over on the Mayflower to play a return game with the Ilwaco. The local team is full of enthusiasm. In fact the players are boiling over.

With the view of closing out my entire stock of latest improved all-right heaters, I am now offering them for sale at a reduction of 15 per cent. W. J. SCHULLEY, 431 Bond street.

C. M. Huxford, of the Boston firm of Lorman, Huxford & Co., brokers in canned goods, will visit Astoria during the early part of the week. The firm makes a specialty of salmon.

Another barge containing 200 cords fine slabwood received yesterday from

Knappton Mills by the Astoria Wood Yard Company, which they offer for sale at \$2.00 and \$2.25 per cord, delivered.

The drawing for Herman Wise's Christmas presents will take place a week from Tuesday (Dec. 26), at 2:30 o'clock p. m., at Fisher's hall. All of his customers are invited to be present on that occasion.

The Oregon Historical Society was in session at Portland yesterday. Silas H. Smith of Warrenton was one of the speakers. Among the members of the society are J. Q. A. Bowley and C. W. Fulton of Astoria.

The steamer State of California arrived in from San Francisco yesterday morning and, after unloading about 40 tons of seal freight, went up to Portland. She had a rough passage during the early part of her trip.

Harry Anderson, ex-sergeant of company E, Second Oregon, died at his home in Portland last Friday, after a lingering illness. His sickness originated at Manila a month before the regiment started homeward.

Quality shakes hands with low-price at our place. It is not often these two meet but just now they're "handing out" regularly at Jones' Cash Store. You know him—Jones? He's the man that pays the freight. Located at Portland, 109 and 119 Front.

Omni Paul is always ready to go the British one better. In reply to a boast that the Duke of Abercorn has no nephews at the front or on their way there attention is called to the statement that President Kruger has fifty grandsons in the field.

The barge Washington, which was sunk at Goble last spring, has been purchased by the Hale & Kern Contract Co. Three proposals were presented and theirs of \$1,600 was the highest. She will be repaired and used again in carrying rock for the Grays Harbor jetty.

The British ship William Law, which sailed from Manila for Portland about a month ago, is reported in distress at Singapore, India. She is under charter to load wheat at Portland, and will probably be along some time next spring.

The Portland High school junior football team went up last night, victors, having defeated the A. F. C. Juniors by the close score of 7 to 0. It was a clean, clever game throughout, and the local boys, under Captain Tom Trullinger, made the visitors work hard for their points.

Assistant Superintendent McKisick of the Western Union is here from San Francisco and went over to Port Canby yesterday to take formal possession of the line that his company recently purchased from the government. He will at the same time try to make some arrangements to have the shipping report sent from the Cape to Ilwaco and then transferred from there to Astoria by tele-

phone. The Western Union will only maintain a telegraph service over the line during the summer months.

The ladies of the Congregational church held their fair yesterday evening and the results, financially and otherwise, are a compliment to the ladies' skill and industry. Nearly everything was sold and the refreshment tables were liberally patronized. The receipts were gratifying and the occasion a pleasing one.

The water supply at Fort Stevens has been cut off most of the time for several days, it being found that four feet of water leaked out of the reservoir each night when the water system is in least used. Quarter-master Sergeant McDermod is busy with a force of men taking up the pipe and trying to locate the leak.

Having a large invoice of shoes arriving January 1, and in order to make room for same, we will commence Monday, December 11, to close out our entire stock of fine men's boys' and children's shoes at and below factory costs. We have a splendid line of children's shoes. Men's shoes almost given away. Fred Walters, corner 13th and Bond streets.

Notice is given that on December 14, 1899, the Umattila Reef lightship No. 67 was replaced in her station about 2 1/2 miles S. W. 3/4 W. from Umattila Reef, Flattery rocks, making off from Cape Alava, Washington, and about 4 1/2 miles west-southwest from the cape. No change has been made in the light vessels as to characteristics of lights, fog signal or general appearance.

A specially interesting meeting of the Push Club will be held Monday evening, and a full attendance is desired. A. H. Leekobly, United States special agent, department of agriculture, in charge of the grass and forage plant investigation on the Pacific coast, will be present to discuss the subject, as relates to Clatsop county, with the members of the club. He should be met by a representative gathering.

The suit of William McLeod against the Northern Pacific Railway Company to recover damages on account of alleged injuries sustained in a collision between a Northern Pacific train and an excursion train of the Astoria & Columbia River railroad, was dismissed in Judge Sears' court in Portland, Friday. The matter appears to have been settled. A similar suit, filed by Iva N. Griffin in Judge Frazer's department, was also dismissed.

Messrs. Arthur Sowl & Co. lunched from their yard, Bath, Me., on December 2nd the steel bark Kaulani, built especially for the trade between the Hawaiian Islands and San Francisco. She will be fitted with all the latest improvements for freight and passengers. Her dimensions are: 48 ft. length, over all, 250 feet; length, between perpendiculars, 225 feet 6 inches; beam (moulded) 42 feet; depth (moulded) 21 feet 6 inches. She will register about 1,500 tons net, and will carry about 2,500 tons.

Watson Bros., of Portland, who have the contract for sinking the artesian well at the new post, says the Warrenon Tribune, have reached 21 feet and still have not struck bed-rock. At the 125-foot level the drill passed through the trunk of a tree, giving some idea of the height of the Columbia river in carrying down the mountains to the ocean. It is expected that there will be 75 feet more sand to pass through before the bed-rock is reached, and unless a perpetual water supply is reached sooner about 400 feet rock drilling will be done, making the total depth about 700 feet.

It has come to light says the St. Helen Mist, that between the southern boundary of Columbia county and the northern boundary of Multnomah county there is a strip of land which is in neither one of those counties. The discovery was made by Professor White, who was searching for the location of the lands upon the request of a firm of Portland lawyers. The land is on Sauvie's island, and comprises that portion of the south one-half of section 19, lying east of the Williamette slough, the south one-half of sections 20, 21 and 22, township 3 north, range 1 west. Several years ago, it is said, a bill was passed by the legislature removing the line of Columbia county one-half mile north, and no provision was made for extending the Multnomah county line up to it.

Cargo ships on the en route list have not been very plentiful recently, but from now on they will cut more of a figure, says the Oregonian. Balfour, Guthrie & Co. have laid on the British ship Dithickia, at London, for Portland, via Port Los Angeles, and at Antwerp they will load the British ship Lullithgowshire for Portland. Both vessels are well known in this port, and are fast sailers, so that with quick dispatch they will get around to Portland in May or June. There is a very small list of tonnage on route at the present time. The only additions that have been made to the list for nearly three weeks, with the exception of the above-mentioned ones, are the Clemons, Moolan and Najade, all of which are well known here. There are still 14 ships in the river to finish loading, and about 10 others that are fully due, or at least, very nearly due. Two of them are known to be off the river, and the others are undoubtedly close at hand.

BUILT FOR SPEED.

In somewhat boisterous weather, with a heavy sea running, the new turbine destroyer Viper, recently completed by the Parsons' Steam Turbine Company, of Waltham, took a second trial trip over the measured mile near the Tyne. The trial was to all appearances a complete success, though of course no official statement has been made as to the actual results obtained.

"Nevertheless," writes the Newcastle correspondent of the London Shipping Gazette, "I am in a position to say from information I have been able to glean, that the Viper did at least 27 knots when opened out at full speed, and that in two knots more than the speed contracted for. It is possible she will yet do better. She certainly surprised those on board, and they are not likely to forget their outing, for the deck over and over again was buried in the sea, and they returned home thoroughly soaked."

COLLISION AT KALAMA.

A little after 6 o'clock Thursday morning a collision occurred in the Kalama yards which, while serious enough as far as it went, is remarkable in its narrow escape from being a catastrophe, says the Star. A coal train from the north had stopped at the station, while the engine pulled forward to coal up. Soon afterward freight train No. 53, from the same direction, dashed into the rear end of the standing coal train, striking the caboose with such force as to throw it clear from its tracks, drive it over the first coal car and land it squarely on top of the second. The first coal car was completely overturned, and the forward part of the engine mounted the abandoned trucks of the caboose and mixed with the wreckage of the first coal car. The damage to the front of the engine was considerable, while from the overturning of the stove, the caboose caught fire and was destroyed, together with the framework of the two coal cars and the greater part of their loads. A train hand, asleep at the time in the caboose, was somewhat rudely awakened by the shock, but he was able to make his way out of the car unhurt, with his blankets.

Occurring at so early an hour in the morning, when few if any citizens were out of doors, there was delay in turning in an alarm; but the fire department turned out and, attaching the hose to the nearest hydrant, succeeded in putting out the fire and preventing its spread.

Responsibility for the accident is not yet clear, but it is claimed that no lantern was displayed from the rear of the coal train, and consequently no indication of its presence on the track to the engineer of No. 53.

WILL TAKE NEXT BEST.

New York Now Working for the Democratic Convention.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Defeat in the campaign to bring the republican national convention to New York City has inspired the leaders of the convention movement with the determination to work all the harder for the democratic convention.

The feeling among them last night was general that the chance of victory in getting the better gathering for this city was much greater than it had been for the republican convention, because there will be more time for preparation and because the results which were used against New York with the republican national committee do not apply to the democratic situation.

Louis Nixon voiced the general state of mind when he said last night that he felt very sure of victory.

"Nearly all the money subscribed to the convention funds," said Mr. Nixon, "was given with the understanding that it should be applied to defraying the expenses of either convention. At least two-thirds of it is available for the democratic gathering and we shall go to work at once to increase it."

STANFORD VS. MULTNOMAH.

STANFORD, Cal., Dec. 18.—The Stanford varsity football team will go north at the end of the present semester for the last game of the season. The boys will line up against the Multnomah Athletic Club's eleven on New Year's day.

It is likely the Stanfords may also play the University of Oregon team and the Athletic Club of Seattle.

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