

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

The A. Danziger Co

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TODAY'S WEATHER.

PORTLAND, Dec. 25.—Oregon, Washington and Idaho, generally fair.

AROUND TOWN.

Roy West, of Westport, spent Sunday in Astoria.

Geo. H. Stillwell, of Tillamook rock, is in the city.

Joe Dodge, of Warrenton, was in the city yesterday.

A nice line of Christmas turkeys at A. V. Allen's.

Mrs. C. C. Dalton, of Ilwaco, spent Sunday in the city.

H. M. Drayne, of Youngs river, was in the city yesterday.

General Charles F. Beebe was down from Portland Sunday.

O. E. Elliott, of Marshland, is registered at the Occident.

Fred Thier, of Deep River, Wash., was in the city Sunday.

George Bartley was up from New Astoria yesterday morning.

Mrs. J. B. Nye, of Portland, was visiting in Astoria Sunday.

Mrs. Grace Larsen, of Deep River, was in the city yesterday.

W. B. Edwards, of Portland, was in the city yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. L. Buchanan, of Forest Grove, is in the city visiting friends.

L. A. Cobb, the Vancouver contractor, was in the city yesterday.

Thad Trullinger is over from the quarantine station for the holidays.

Mrs. C. E. Bayles is reported to be quite ill from a stroke of paralysis.

The steamer George W. Elder left out yesterday morning for San Francisco.

BEST 15-CENT MEAL; RISING RUN RESTAURANT.

Girl Wanted—For general housework; small family. Apply this office.

Best 15-cent meal, Rising Sun Restaurant, 612 Commercial street.

Jeff's restaurant—the largest and best. A trial will convince you.

Mrs. Anna E. Hawes, of this city, was recently granted a pension of \$8 per month.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Fraei, of Fairhaven, Wash., are in the city for the holidays.

C. F. Overbaugh, traveling freight agent of the O. R. & N., was in the city yesterday.

The Occident barber shop has three first-class barbers under its new management.

Harry Graham, of Aberdeen, late of this city, is spending a few days with friends here.

The steamer Mayflower was at the Astoria Iron Works yesterday for an overhauling.

Don't forget to order ice cream at Hoeller's for your Christmas dinner. Phone, 1321.

J. W. Belcher, of Portland, came down last evening to spend Christmas with friends.

Captain Jordan, accompanied by his wife and family, is spending Christmas in Portland.

Miss Adele McMurren, of Baker City, is visiting with Miss Letta Lewis during the holidays.

The British ship Astracans, with a cargo of grain for Europe, arrived down the river Sunday.

Three men were put aboard the Astracans yesterday by the local boarding house people.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Grant, of Portland, are in the city to spend Christmas with friends.

In observance of the Christmas holidays today the Astorian will not issue tomorrow morning.

The German ship Lika, which arrived in port on Saturday, was towed up the river Sunday afternoon.

The Astoria Box Company's mill and box factory closed down Saturday night until Wednesday morning to give the employees an opportunity to observe Christmas.

Chinook will petition the county court for a plank road of 400 feet through the business center of the town.

For Rent.—Suits of furnished rooms suitable for light house keeping; inquire at room 17, Flavel brick.

Walter Riddell returned from Tillamook on Sunday and will spend the balance of the winter at home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Glenn became the happy parents of an eight pound daughter yesterday morning.

The Bazaar! Holiday goods, ham-bro furniture, ladies underwear and notions; 601 Commercial street.

Miss Jessie Sands, who has been attending the State Normal school at Monmouth, is home for the holidays.

The steam schooner Signal arrived in port yesterday morning and will load lumber at Knappa for San Francisco.

The party to make the resurvey of the road from Sand Point to Walluski bridge will start out tomorrow morning.

There are grave doubts entertained as to whether the Alaskan liner Topeka will ever be pulled off the rocks in Lynn canal.

Miss Maude Stone, who has been in Portland several months, is spending the holidays with her father in this city.

The Christmas tree exercises in the Swedish Lutheran church will be held this evening, beginning at 7 o'clock. All welcome.

S. A. Koger, private secretary of Secretary of State Dunbar, arrived in town last night to spend Christmas with friends.

Miss Pohl, the daughter of Wm. C. Pohl, who is attending Mount Angel College, is spending the holidays with her parents.

Christmas tree exercises were held by the M. E. Sunday school at the church last evening and a delightful program was rendered.

The British ship Scottish Isles arrived in port yesterday from Rio Janeiro, in ballast. She is under charter to load grain for Europe.

Miss Alice Gray who is attending school at Monmouth is spending the holidays with her parents, Judge and Mrs. J. H. D. Gray.

The Astor Club will give one of their delightful dances either Thursday or Friday evening; the date has not yet been definitely fixed.

Cream Pure Rye, America's finest whiskey. The only pure goods; guaranteed rich and mellow. JOHN L. CARLSON, Sole Agent.

The steamer Sue H. Elmore, after being delayed in port by the severe storms of the past week or so, crossed out Sunday for Tillamook.

Don't fail to see Harry Corson Clarke at Fisher's opera house tomorrow night. Reserved seat sale opens this morning at 9 o'clock at Griffin & Reed's.

Rooslyn coal lasts longer, is cleaner and makes less trouble with stoves and chimney flues than any other. George W. Sanborn, agent. Telephone 1311.

If you have not already bought your Christmas turkey the best on the market can be had at Frank Woodfield's; Oregon or Eastern corn-fed, 15c to 17c.

Captain George Pope, Lloyd's surveyor, made a survey of the two vessels that touched on the middle sands during the recent gale but found that they were not injured in any way.

As P. J. Goodman and Co., are going out of business, their entire stock of boots and shoes are for sale at prices it will pay the public to come and see; at No. 154 Commercial street.

The British ship Lucpara, from Antwerp, via Port Los Angeles, with a partial cargo of cement and iron, arrived in port Sunday. She is under charter to load grain at Portland.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sombel, of Uniontown, died yesterday morning. The funeral will be held from the family residence at 1 o'clock on Thursday with interment at Greenwood.

The steamer State of California, formerly on the Astoria and San Francisco route, is in the drydock and in the near future will go on the run between San Francisco and Puget sound.

Salemen wanted to sell our goods by sample to wholesale and retail trade. We are the largest and only manufacturers in our line in the world. Liberal salary paid. Address CAN-DEX Mfg. Co., Savannah, Ga.

It's a gentleman's whiskey, a pure delicious beverage and a grand appetizer. Don't forget the name, "I. W. Harper" whiskey. The kind your grandfather used." Sold by Ford and Stokes Co., Astoria, Ore.

See the great comedy "What Did Tompkins Do?" at Fisher's opera house tomorrow night. Don't miss it or you will be sorry. Mr. Clark will keep you laughing for over two hours. Seats on sale this morning at Griffin & Reed's.

Harry E. Harvick, the three-year-old son of P. H. Harvick, died Sunday night of pneumonia. His funeral will be held on Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the family residence in Uppertown. The interment will be in Greenwood cemetery.

A marriage license was issued from the county clerk's office yesterday to John Constantine and Elizabeth Adamson, both of Clifton, and they were married in the county court room. Judge Gray officiating. They returned last evening to their home at Clifton.

In his biennial report to the Oregon legislature, Prof. J. H. Ackerman, Superintendent of public instruction, lays great stress on the need of public libraries, especially in the rural schools, and he urges the legislature to take some steps at the session next month toward bringing about this much desired object.

Associate Editor Payne, of the Chinook Observer, received an interesting present last week in the shape of an historical desk. It is a useful and picturesque piece of office furniture made out of woods taken from the wrecks of the Harvest Home, Great Republic, Stranahan, Glenora, Point Loma and Potomac. These wrecks all went on the north shore between Ocean Park and the mouth of the Columbia. Some of them are still visible, others have entirely disappeared. Mr. Payne himself is a survivor of the Stranahan.

A delightful program was rendered at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening. Instead of the regular evening sermon a song service of praise was given. The choir, under the efficient leadership of Mrs. J. T. Ross, gave a number of excellently rendered selections. The solo work was exceptionally fine.

The Portland and Astoria Shipping and Supply Company filed articles of incorporation at the clerk's office yesterday. The capital stock is \$5000 and the incorporators are F. H. Stokes, J. T. Ross and Martin Ford. The principal office of the company is to be in Astoria, but its object is to engage in a general merchandise business in Portland.

A number of complaints have been received by Judge Gray in regard to the gate put in by Fish Commissioner Reed, closing the mill sluice to the O'Hanna creek. The closing of the sluice overfloved considerable territory and the judge will request the Fish Commissioner to see if some other means can be devised so as not to obstruct the outlet of water.

The Italian ship Dora arrived in port Sunday evening from Kourataya. She is in ballast and is under charter to load wheat at Portland. She was short of provisions and her entire available stock of provisions consisted of about 100 pounds of ship's bread and a like amount of rice both in questionable condition. The Dora is the first vessel ever entered from Java.

The training ship Herzogin Sophie Charlotte arrived down from Portland yesterday afternoon and entered her manifest at the custom house. The manifest showed 119,618 bushels of wheat, valued at \$45,790, and 85 cases of coffee. The cargo has been secured a couple of Christmas trees and last night held an appropriate celebration of the time honored visits of Santa Claus.

Otto Rosendahl, the Chinook river logger, has closed down his camp for the season. This year he has put in about 2,500,000 feet of spruce logs. He has on hand now two rafts containing 450,000 feet, which will be taken to the mills as soon as the weather permits. Mr. Rosendahl goes to Sweden in a few days to meet his family and bring them over in the spring, when he intends to resume logging operations.

Pilot Cordner was put on board a four-masted bark nearly two weeks ago and has been outside ever since. The heavy gale that came on immediately after he was put aboard drove his vessel to the north and he has not since been located. There is a four-masted vessel lying off the mouth of the river at present which is probably the one he is on and he may get in to eat Christmas dinner.

The schooner barge Washougal over which so much anxiety was felt arrived in port at San Francisco Sunday night. She left Astoria in tow of the Samson ten days ago and on December 12 the tow boat's crankshaft broke and the barge had to be cut adrift. Later the Samson was towed into port by the Point Arena. Sunday afternoon the Washougal was picked up by the tug Monarch, which soon transferred her to the Samson, which is now in good condition.

The old bark Highland Light, which sailed from Seattle two weeks ago with a cargo of Black Diamond coal for Lahina, Hawaii, sprung a leak in the recent severe storm off Cape Flattery and had to put into Barclay sound, Vancouver, B. C. She is in a very disabled condition, so much so in fact that the tug Tatooch has been dispatched to her assistance. The Tatooch's instructions are to tow the disabled craft to Port Townsend.

A very pleasant time was had at the First Congregational church last evening. The church was beautifully decorated with evergreens, candles, etc. The coming of Santa Claus proved a great feature and the children. At the close of the exercises were presented to Rev. F. E. Dell the pastor of the church, a well filled purse and several other articles. The Sunday school entered upon the work of the new year with bright prospects.

The storm of last Thursday evidently stirred things up a bit across the river as it carried away fifty feet of the Tokeland wharf, turned over a car on the I. R. & N. wharf at Nahcotta, and lifted the Methodist church at Bay Center from its foundation. About a half mile of the N. P. track was washed out between Willapa and Giesse. The sum of the preceding Sunday had been destroyed about 80 feet of the Tokeland wharf. The smokestacks of the Siler mill at South Bend were also blown down.

The South Portland football eleven that was booked to play the home team here today, crashed at the last moment and although strenuous efforts were made to get a game with some team, for the day so far there will be no football game this afternoon. The local team with the limited amount of practice they have had, have made a very good showing for the season although they have been unfortunate in securing games.

The light-house tender Columbine made the trip to Tillamook rock on Sunday and landed a keeper and supplies for the lighthouse. Returning the vessel took off Keeper Riddell and two machinists who have been on the rock for several weeks making repairs to some of the machinery. Although the sea was a bit rough around the rock the men and supplies were landed with much dexterity. Captain Richardson was accompanied by several guests on the trip.

Scenic Souvenirs

Nothing like them anywhere.

Local scenes on beautiful

Crown China, Placques and

Plates.

Cliff House

Fort Point

Yosemite

Old Missions

Lick Observatory

Washington Capitol

Our Prices

Just Like Finding Money.

Great American Importing Tea Co.

571 Commercial street, Astoria.

SUICIDED ON BOARD HIS SHIP Captain Porter of Inchcape Rock Missing.

A TRAGEDY AT SEA

Vessel Arrives in Port With Mate in Charge—Captain Disappeared on Morning of 20th.

The British ship Inchcape Rock arrived in port yesterday afternoon at 2:30, fifty-eight days out from Shanghai. The mate, E. R. Williams, who was in charge, reports that Captain Porter was discovered to be missing at 4 o'clock on the morning of the 20th while the ship was laboring with a heavy gale.

Captain Lou Staples, who brought the ship in, states that when put on board of her she was in a very fair way to bleach her bones with the collection of relics along the North shore, as the mate was not thoroughly familiar with the coast. The ship had but four days provisions on board and required prompt handling to get inside before suffering from lack of food began.

The mate's story of the sad and mysterious occurrence is in substance as follows:

Captain Porter was discovered to be missing from his cabin on the morning of the 20th of December. He was last seen at about 3 o'clock a. m., when he seemed to be about as usual, only he complained of feeling very ill. A few minutes before 4 o'clock, on going into the cabin to look at the barometer, the mate made the discovery that the captain was not in his bunk and thought that he must be in the inner cabin. Upon leaving the deck at a quarter past 4 the mate went again to consult the barometer and report upon the general state of the weather as lightning had been noticed in the northwest. He could not locate the captain anywhere and finally called in the second mate, and together they searched all the rooms in the cabin. They found the saloon door unlocked and knowing that it had been locked the night before decided that the captain had gone out on deck that way. Inquiry of the watch later developed the fact that the captain came out during the first watch and inquired of one of the watch as to the whereabouts of the second mate, and then returned to the cabin. The officers then became thoroughly alarmed and made a search of the whole ship, but no trace of the missing captain could be found. At the time of this occurrence the ship was in longitude 127-4 w., latitude 45-41 n., and was laboring in a heavy sea under main lower topsail and foremast stay sail. The captain had been unwell for about two weeks but nothing serious was expected from it.

The affair is a very mysterious one and the real solution of the disappearance will probably never be known. It is thought, however, that affected by his illness, he became despondent and donning his heavy sea boots and other heavy garments, slipped and fell to the side of the vessel and deliberately jumped overboard and in the roar of the storm his disappearance was not noticed.

Acting under a statute of the state of Washington forbidding the circulation and exposure for sale of obscene literature, Chief of Police Meredith, of Seattle, assisted by five other officers, Saturday morning raided a First avenue print shop, seized from the forms the type of a weekly street journal, as the Court News and arrested its proprietors, who are now in the city jail. The raid was made when the paper was on the press, and 350 copies which had already come from the press were seized and held as evidence.

The steamship Saint Bede arrived in yesterday morning from Mororan, Japan, via Port Townsend, in water ballast. She comes here from the coast to load lumber and is to be despatched by the Pacific Export Lumber Company. One of her crew, F. G. Reigals, a native of Canada, died Sunday while the steamship was off the Washington coast. He had been ill for a couple of weeks and it was the intention of the captain to have the man placed in the hospital here. The remains were taken in charge by Undertaker Wm. C. Pohl and will be interred here on Wednesday.

A cutting scrape occurred in the lower part of town last night, in which Joe Hoff received a Christmas present that he will keep by him for some time. It seems that a Chinaman and a Jap got into some difficulty in which the Jap alleged that the Chinik pinched a \$20 gold piece from him. Hoff, with several others, took the Jap's part and attempted to relieve the Chinik of the twenty. He took the Chinik down an alley to convince him of the proper ownership of the money and the almoned individual proceeded to do a little preliminary Chinese cursing and, as a result, slightly marred Hoff's personal beauty.

The steamer Charles D. Lane was towed back to Seattle late Saturday night, disabled after one of the most eventful short voyages she had ever experienced. She had on board a number of passengers who had shipped under different capacities from freight clerk to carpenter. The Lane took in considerable water Wednesday night though smashed ventilators, the pumps refused to work and the steering gear was carried away. The Lane put about and attempted to get back inside the strait, but the unable to do so. The water taken in put out all but two of her eight furnaces and but for the timely arrival of the tug Pioneer and Wanderer, the vessel would have been in a fair way to become a total wreck.

At St. Mary's church the feast of Christmas will be marked by the celebration of three masses, according to an ancient custom in the church. At 8 and 8:30 o'clock the masses of midnight and the aurora will be said and at 10:30 the high mass of the day will be sung, with sermon on "The Mystery of the Nativity." A special musical program has been prepared, the principal features of which will be "The Angels' Hymn," "The Gloria," and "The Adagio Fideles." In the afternoon at 2:30 the Sunday school classes will assemble in the concert hall for the festivities of a Christmas and the chanting of hymns around the Christmas tree. At the hospital chapel there will be early morning service and benediction in the afternoon.

BE - MERRY

FOR TODAY IS THE DAY



A MERRY CHRISTMAS

... TO ALL ...

Herman Wise
THE RELIABLE
CLOTHIER & HATTER

JUST RECEIVED

A Full Line of

... STOCKFISH ...

Heinze's Mince Meat, Queen Olives
and all kinds of Holiday Delicacies

FISHER BROTHERS, ASTORIA, ORE.

Fancy and Staple Groceries

FLOUR, FEED, PROVISIONS,
TOBACCO AND CIGARS.....

Supplies of all kinds at lowest rates, for fishermen,
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A. V. ALLEN, Tenth and Commercial Streets

HOTEL PORTLAND

PORTLAND, OR.

The Only First-Class Hotel in Portland

There are lively times nowadays upon the arrival of a ship in the river. There are now three launches to look after the trade from incoming vessels. The Elf, in charge of Jack Field, represents Ross, Higgins & Co., as heretofore; the Ethel, in charge of James Keating, looks after things for the Ford & Stokes Co., until their new launch, which is nearly completed by Boatbuilder Graham at Warrenton, can be put on, and last, the Triton, in charge of Mr. Stuart, rushes for Beebe & Co., of Portland, who have made arrangements with the local firm of Fisher Bros. to furnish supplies here. Some of the launches are offering to tow the boats to and from the ships, free in order to afford an inducement for trade. The little fleet were kept busy all day yesterday as there was considerable movement of shipping in the harbor. The last two mentioned, the Ethel and the Triton, were put into commission yesterday.

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS

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Danziger's Unloading Sale

Space will not permit us to enumerate each article. These are a few offerings taken at random.

Neckwear Assortment

Comprises all the latest styles, shapes and patterns the eastern market affords, ranging in price from 25c to \$1

Linen-Handkerchiefs-Silk

In this line we think we excel anything ever displayed in the city. We have the Linens with initials as well as the Silk. Plain Handkerchiefs and Fancy Borders in large variety; ranging in price from 25c to \$1

Smoking Jackets

Our line is complete and up-to-date; have to be seen to be appreciated, ranging in price from \$5 to \$10

Suspenders

For Men and Boys in plain and fancy webs, ranging in price from 25c to \$2.50

WHAT IS MORE acceptable as a Christmas Gift than a handsome umbrella; we have them from the finest to the cheapest for Men, Boys, Women and Children.

Our stock of Clothing, Underwear, Hats, Caps and Shoes is still complete in all lines. Bear in mind we are giving

25 PER CENT DISCOUNT

On Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing and Mackintoshes.

20 PER CENT DISCOUNT ON ALL OTHER LINES

Except E. & W. Collars and Cuffs, Rubber and Oil Clothing and Denim Goods.

This Sale Will Only Continue for Eight Days More

... S. DANZIGER ...

ANNUAL MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Alaska Fishermen's Packing Company will be held at the office of the company, Astoria, Oregon, on Wednesday the 8th day of January, 1901, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing a board of directors to serve for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

JOHN NORDSTROM, Secretary.

CALL FOR WARRANTS.

Notice is hereby given to all parties holding Clatsop county warrants endorsed prior to July 13, 1898, to present the same to the county treasurer at his office, 164 Tenth street, for payment. Interest ceases after this date. Dated Astoria, Oregon, this 18th day of December, 1900.

H. C. THOMPSON, County Treasurer.

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If you want your best fellow to quit chewing tobacco, why don't you buy him one of those nice Christmas boxes of cigars. All kinds, sizes and prices, at WILL MADRON'S.