BEGINNING WEDNESDAY

January 2, 1901, our Second Annual Clearance Sale will commence and continue for Thirty Business Days.

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All contracts for advertising in the Astorian are made on a guarantee of circulation four times larger than that of any paper published or circulated in Clatsop county.

TODAY'S WEATHER.

PORTLAND, Dec. 26.—Oregon, Idaho and Washington, fair, variable winds.

AROUND TOWN.

M. J. Turney, of Flavel, was in the city yesterday.

James McGowan, of Chinook, was in the city yesterday.

H. A. Peeples, of South Bend, is registered at the Occident.

G. A. Clark, of Oysterville, is registered at the Astor House.

Wanted.—Girl for general housework; 420 Exchange Street.

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

S. B. Crow, of Portland, was registered at the Occident yesterday.

Roscoe Cassell has accepted a position with the First National Bank.

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

O. B. Prael, of Portland, spent Christmas with friends in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Cox, of Sisson, Cal., are visiting friends in the city.

John Turpin and wife, of Westport, spent Christmas with friends in this city.

James Wallace, of the A. & C. R. R., spent Christmas at his home in Portland.

Bar report: Wind, west; light; cloudy, hazy; bar, rough; nothing in sight.

H. A. Snyder, postmaster of Aurora, spent Christmas with friends in Astoria.

Mr. and Mrs. B. V. Huntington, of The Dalles, spent Christmas in Astoria.

The British ship County of Roxburgh in ballast from Shanghai arrived in on Tuesday. She is under charter to the Portland Flouring Mills to load grain for Europe.

BEST 15-CENT MEAL; RISING SUN RESTAURANT.

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

Miss Clara Simpson, of Portland, spent Christmas at home with her parents.

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

Mrs. O. B. Estes and daughters, Frankie and Hazel, are visiting in Portland.

Robert Gibson, of the News, has returned from a trip of several weeks in the East.

Mrs. Jessie Fish had the misfortune to sprain her ankle quite severely on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Streumeyer are now occupying the residence at 376 Fifteenth street.

Frank Shields, of the Standard Oil Co., is spending the week of the holidays in Astoria.

The meetings of the W. C. T. U. are adjourned for two weeks, subject to the call of the president.

Mrs. R. E. Smith, who has been in Seattle for the past three months on a visit, has returned home.

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

The Bazaar! Holiday goods, bamboo furniture, ladies' underwear and notions; 581 Commercial street.

Ed Norton and S. C. Norton were over from the Sound to spend Christmas with their mother and sisters.

Frank Fabre, formerly of this city, is visiting here. Anybody wishing to invest in real estate will do well to see him.

The British ship Scottish Isles was started up the river yesterday morning to receive a cargo of grain for Europe.

Some of the Astoria boys when went up the river to a dance Christmas night are wondering what time that boat left down.

The steamer Columbia arrived in from San Francisco yesterday morning. She had a quantity of freight for the local merchants.

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

It was intended yesterday to place the Italian ship Dora on the sands to have her bottom scraped but for some reason this was not done.

The steamer Monmouthshire was delayed yesterday in getting to sea and will probably leave out today.

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

The wrecked schooner Pioneer from Knappton has been driven further inshore where she lies near Haystack Rock and is rapidly going to pieces.

D. J. Ingalls, of Melville, was in the city yesterday. He goes on Sunday or Monday to take charge of his ranch at Skamokawa, which he recently purchased.

From now until the end of January, 1901, I will make all kinds of suits at a reduction of 10 per cent from the usual price. A. LANE, Merchant Tailor.

Wanted.—A woman, 37 years old, wants a place to care for children, help with housework or sew. Address, Mrs. Craig, 268 Montgomery St., Portland, Ore.

Frank McFarland, of Portland, special agent of the New York Life Insurance Company, was in the city yesterday looking after the interests of his company.

E. Sneider has the prize hen. Yesterday it laid an egg weighing 3¾ ounces and measuring 6½x7⅞ inches in circumference. Sneider is certainly long on hens eggs.

Mrs. Robert Carruthers and son, Tod, have returned from a trip to Florida. Mr. Carruthers, who accompanied them, is spending a few days on business in Idaho before returning.

Rev. Henry Marcotte, of the Presbyterian church, was presented with an envelope containing a certificate of deposit for $50 on Christmas morning. A gift from the church.

The will be an installation of officers in Temple Lodge, A. F. & A. M., this evening, followed by a banquet to which all members of the fraternity in the city are cordially invited.

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. 584 Commercial street.

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 Fard and Stokes Co., Astoria, Ore.

The funeral of F. G. Reignals, the fireman of the steamship Saint Bede who died during the passage to this port, was held yesterday morning from Pohl's undertaking parlors. The interment was in the old Clatsop cemetery.

The local merchants all report an excellent trade for the past week. In some instances much larger than last year. Now that business has quieted down a little many of them are taking advantage of it to inventory their stock.

The Dutch bark Pax arrived down the river yesterday afternoon and anchored in the stream where the Langdale formerly lay. The Langdale was transferred to the lower harbor. The Pax is dispatched by the Portland Flouring Mills.

Christmas was observed with appropriate ceremonies at St. Mary's hospital, and the patients made to feel the general spirit of good cheer. An excellent dinner was served. An interesting musical and literary program was presented by the sisters and pupils from the convent.

Hugh Bentley, night operator of the Western Union office, spent several days the first of the week, including Christmas, with his parents in Walla Walla. While there he was interviewed by the Walla Walla Union, which published an extended article on the city of Astoria and its prospects.

Miss Annie Stennett, of Philadelphia, who found a diamond ring in a can of salmon a couple of weeks ago, sold it at an auction at her own home recently to a well-known iron merchant for $250, and devoted the money to the purchase of Christmas presents for poor but worthy people in her own neighborhood.

Chas. W. Fulton, of Clatsop, and W. A. Howe, of Yamhill, are mentioned as the two prominent candidates for president of the Oregon senate. L. B. Reeder of Umatilla; George L. Story, of Multnomah, and J. N. Smith, of Marion, are the prominent candidates spoken of for speaker of the house of representatives.

The Reporter, a three-masted schooner, which sailed from Grays Harbor for Honolulu December 5, was brought into Port Townsend Tuesday evening with her deck load lost and the craft waterlogged. She reported having sprung a leak the first day from port, and was unable to return owing to a heavy fog which settled down.

The steamer Sarah Dixon has been successfully floated from her position on the dike at Mount Coffin and reached Portland yesterday afternoon. She went aground several days ago, but was pulled off with little trouble. It is not known to what extent she is damaged, though a good-sized hole was stove in her bow. She will be repaired and return to her run.

The American barkentine Tam O'Shanter, 29 days from San Francisco, for this port, was spoken outside on Christmas morning by Captain Matthews, the bar pilot who was then on board the British ship County of Roxburgh. She reported all well and safe but was anxious to get inside. She is under charter to load lumber at Knappton for San Francisco.

The Uniontown Methodist Sunday school had a Christmas tree and entertainment Christmas night. There was an address by the pastor, Rev. B. F. Rowland, and an interesting program by the children, after which Santa Claus dispensed sweets and nuts from the tree to the children who were present to the number of one hundred and sixty.

A hasty survey of the steamer Chas. D. Lane, which arrived at Tacoma Saturday in a disabled condition, has revealed the fact that she had seven feet of water in her forward compartment, and it is thought remarkable that she did not founder and go to the bottom. When drawn alongside the dock by the tugs Pioneer and Wanderer, which had brought her in from her position off the cape, it was ascertained she drew twenty-one feet forward. She was yet in a leaking condition, but her charterer, S. G. Simpson, is of the opinion that she can be pumped out and again started on her way to South Africa without the necessity of unloading her cargo.

Pears'

No other soap in the world is used so much; or so little of it goes so far.

All sorts of people use Pears' soap, all sorts of stores sell it, especially druggists.

The Red Men held a Christmas tree celebration in their hall last evening and an uproariously good time was enjoyed. An excellent program was rendered, among the features of which were the acrobats and tumblers and a cake walk. The Christmas tree hung low with its load of 400 presents, which were dispensed to the large number of members and their families attending.

Theater-goers at Fisher's last evening were provided with a treat in "What Did Tompkins Do?" It is useless to praise Mr. Clarke on this coast, where his work is so well and favorably known. The packed house testified admirably to his deserved popularity here. In the role of Tompkins, the lawyer's father, Mr. Clark was simply irresistible and was supported by an excellent company.

Dr. A. A. Finch has made himself a unique Christmas present in the shape of one of the very latest improved X-ray machines, which arrived yesterday afternoon. The machine was set up in the doctor's office yesterday but will require a little time to thoroughly dry out before it will be in perfect working order. The apparatus will prove a valuable addition to the surgical appliances of the city.

The Oregon and Oriental steamship Company have decided to put on a line of steamers between the Columbia river and Manila to accommodate the increasing demand for freight transportation to and from that port. The Monmouthshire, after her present trip, will enter into service on the line and the Carmarthenshire will also be put on the run. The new line is expected to be in operation by February 26.

An official inquiry was made on board the British ship Inchcape Rock Christmas afternoon by British Vice-Consul Cherry, regarding the mysterious disappearance of Captain James Porter. From the testimony taken the only conclusion that could be drawn was that Captain Porter during a temporary fit of insanity, brought on by the scarcity of provisions on board, committed suicide by jumping overboard.

The British steamship Ching Wo has finished loading at Portland, though she has not yet secured her full cargo. She draws twenty-four feet of water and has 430 tons of wheat yet to load. She will be brought to Astoria, and the balance lightered to the steamer here. She has been in the river but twelve days, and was the first of the steam carriers of the grain fleet to arrive. She is being dispatched by Eppinger & Co., and will arrive down either tonight or in the morning.

Unless combinations of railroad interests prevent it, the new year is likely to see three new transcontinental roads added to those already finding outlets upon the Pacific coast—the Burlington, the Northwestern and the Rock Island. All three of these are within sighting distance of the Pacific, and the development of the Oriental trade, it is thought, will prove incentive enough to make them build across the intervening space, which is now covered through agreements with other roads.

The German ship Carl, from Tacoma for Europe, wheat laden, was towed into Port Angeles Tuesday morning badly waterlogged. She sailed from port December 5, and after passing through the straits she ran into a gale, during which time she took water aboard at a greater rate than could be gotten rid of with the pumps. The stanchions of her bulwarks were pulled out and her cargo was saturated and it was deemed necessary to jettison a portion of it as she settled at such a rapid rate.

The storm of last week tore up about a mile and a half of the south track of the jetty tramway at Gray's Harbor. The 14x16 inch stringers on which the tracks are laid were torn loose from the caps, broken in pieces and the track and stringers thrown over on the north track. A few piles were broken, but the heavy caps being fastened to them with iron straps, they generally withstood the effects of the heavy seas rolled up by the southerly storm. The damage will be repaired as soon as practicable, and jetty work will be resumed when suitable weather arrives.

The arrival of the steamship Saint Bede Monday makes a total of four steamships in port of 6000 tons each. The Indrapura and Indravelli which are to be operated between this port and the Orient by the O. R. & N. Co., are now on their way here. The Indrapura is on her way from Moji for Calcutta, where she will load a cargo of grain bags for San Francisco and Portland, and she will probably be the first of the two to arrive. The Indravelli will arrive at Hong Kong in February, and then enter the service of the O. R. & N. Much steam tonnage is now under engagement for the coming year, and a large increase is expected. During the past year there have been 64 steamers cleared from this port for the Orient and Siberia, carrying a total of 170,000 tons of Oregon freight.

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The German ship Lika, which arrived in port on Saturday was formerly in the Rock Line, operated by J. Cornfoot, and sailed under the name of Drumbarton Rock, and been operated as a wheat-carrier from ports along this coast for years. She has been under a German flag for the past six years. The Inchcape Rock, which reached the river two days behind the Lika, is one of the Rock Line. There are about six vessels due to arrive, which will fill the places of the craft now waiting to get away. It is thought the largest fleet of the season will be in port the first of the year.

The La Conner Trading and Transportation Company has purchased the new Columbia river steamer Inland Flyer and will probably put her on the Seattle-Port Orchard run, says the Post-Intelligencer. She will be brought around to the Sound in about six weeks, or as soon as the machinery can be placed in the vessel. The Inland Flyer is 116 feet long, with a 19-foot beam. She was built for passenger carrying purposes only. Though never in commission, The Dalles, Portland and Astoria Navigation Company, her builders, intended her for the run on the Columbia between The Dalles and Portland. The machinery first constructed for her being unsuited to the vessel, was removed and sold, the new purchasers acquiring the craft stripped of this equipment. The Inland Flyer was built with special reference to speed. On her trial trip she made the remarkable time for a small vessel of twenty-one miles an hour.

Grand Master Jas. W. Welch, who has been on a tour of inspection to the various I. O. O. F. lodges in the south-central portion of the state, returned yesterday at noon, after having spent Christmas in Portland. Regarding the recent attack upon him by the Baker City Democrat on the charge of "knocking," he stated that in making the statements in regard to the small-pox epidemic in Baker City, that appeared in the Pacific Oddfellow, he had no desire or intention to disparage that hustling city, but that the statements were true and that a dangerous state of affairs existed there. The next meeting place of the grand lodge was to be at Baker City, however, and Mr. Welch, as grand master of that organization, did not deem it prudent for the delegates from almost every town and city in the state to congregate there unless a better state of health and sanitation existed. Mr. Welch therefore stated the facts and such facts as could be easily proven, for the purpose of protecting the grand lodge and at the same time to give the Baker City people a chance to correct the present existing conditions.

THE HALF CENT.

A movement is on foot to put a one-half cent coin in general use in the United States. Several suggestions have been made to the government, and a document was presented, signed by the heads of department stores in the various large cities throughout the country, showing the need for the money in making change. Progress finds many methods of improvement, but for half a century past, in spite of many imitations, nothing has arisen to equal Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, the greatest benefactor the human race has ever known. This medicine cures constipation, indigestion, dyspepsia, biliousness, nervousness and sleeplessness, also prevents malaria, fever and ague. Be sure to get the genuine with our Private Revenue Stamp over the neck of the bottle.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

H. W. Hatch and wife to W. D. Claggett—undivided half interest in lots 1, 2 and 3, block 8, Hustler's Astoria; $1.

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 9th 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.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

Notable among the pleasures afforded by the Shasta Route is the winter trip to Southern California and Arizona. Renewed acquaintance with this section will ever develop fresh points of interest and added industries, in its prolific vegetation and among its numberless resorts of mountain, shore, valley and plain.

The two daily Shasta trains from Portland to California have been recently equipped with the most approved pattern of standard and tourist sleeping cars, but the low rates of fare will still continue in effect.

Illustrated guides to the winter resorts of California and Arizona may be had on application.

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SOMETHING NEW.

Just published by the Southern Pacific Co. is a phamphlet upon the resources of Western Oregon, which includes an excellent map of the state, and contains information on climate, lands, education, etc., existing industries and their capabilities.

Attention is also directed to such new fields for energy or capital as promise fair return.

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And jumped into a seat,
And when he heard the whistle blow
He jumped upon his feet;
He jumped from off the Pullman step
Right on the station floor,
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He jumped within the door,
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