

..REMNANT SALE..

Having just closed the most successful Clearance Sale ever given in Astoria we have a number of Remnants of all kinds left.

THIS WEEK we want to close out the lot and offer special rates on all remnant and

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The A. Dunbar Co

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, Feb. 7.—Western Oregon and Western Washington, occasional rain. Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho, fair.

AROUND TOWN.

Sweet apple cider at Johnson Bros. Strong bodies by using Ralston barley food.

P. F. Hafferty was in from Skippoon yesterday.

Three first-class barbers at the Occident again.

Ralston breakfast food. Once tried always used.

Ralston health foods served free at A. V. Allen's.

Bar report—Wind, calm; weather, clear; bar, rough.

P. Svensen, of Svensen, had business in Astoria yesterday.

Jack Wilson, of Nacotta, is stopping at the Astor House.

Strictly fresh eggs, two dozen for 55 cents, at Johnson Bros.

George Lingenfelter, of Ilwaco, is stopping at the Occident.

Charles A. Stone, of Spokane, is visiting his father and sister.

Best 15-cent meal, Rising Restaurant, 512 Commercial street.

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

Sweet navel oranges from 15 cents to 40 cents a dozen, at Johnson Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. John Manning, of Portland, visited friends here yesterday.

Where do you get your Sunday dinner? I take mine at the Central Hotel.

M. P. Callender came over from Knappaon in the noon train yesterday.

BEST 15-CENT MEAL, RISING SUN RESTAURANT.

C. H. COOPER'S ANNUAL SALE

POSITIVELY CLOSING ON SATURDAY EVENING, THE 9TH INST.

John Hill, who recently suffered a stroke of paralysis, is slowly improving and there is hope of his ultimate recovery.

The Manzanita came to her dock yesterday, flying the flag denoting that the lightship inspector, Captain Day, was on board.

There is a larger run of steelheads in the river now than usual, and some of the boats that are out are making good hauls.

Among the commercial travelers in town yesterday were J. P. Dwyer, of San Francisco, and Geo. R. Cleveland, of Chicago.

Miss Matlock, of Silverton, has been re-engaged as teacher for the next term of the Deep River school to begin February 18.

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

W. S. Stone, who was formerly connected with the local office of the O. R. & N., has engaged in the restaurant business in Portland.

John A. Montgomery has opened a shop at 421 Bond street and is prepared to do all classes of plumbing and tinning at the lowest possible rates.

Dr. Eades lost a valuable overcoat yesterday. He had left it hanging in the hallway of his home, and it is supposed some thief carried it away.

Italy's coal lands longer, is cleaner and makes less trouble with stoves and chimneys than any other. George W. Sanborn, agent. Telephone 1311.

The steamship Condor, of the State Fe & Orient line, is due to arrive down the river some time this morning. She carries a cargo of flour for the Orient.

Chas. W. Alter has removed to Astoria permanently and commenced repairing and building his cold storage plant, which will be operated in 1901.

The O. R. & N. Co. have ceased loading at the Ralston coal docks and are now buying of the Pacific Coast company—Round Lumber company, agents.

If you want groceries that are groceries, goods that sell on their merits, goods that make customers and keep them, go to A. W. Shipley, the reliable grocer.

A large force of carpenters are at work on the steamer Bailey Gatzert. When the work of overhauling and repairing is completed the vessel will be practically new.

A colony of sixty Japs is located on Stuart creek, engaged in logging and woodcutting. They have built a flume from where they are working to Quincy, on the Columbia.

The first practice by the Young Ladies' Orchestra for the Library Association next Tuesday evening at Hamilton's hall, was held yesterday at the residence of Miss Elmore.

Wm. Wallace, who is selling pianos here for the Elmer Piano House, says to see Sherman's Transfer Company handle pianos is like getting money from home. They are all right.

The Columbia River Packers Association are settled in their new and commodious quarters. The latest improvements as to heating and lighting make their offices very convenient.

We see repairs to fences and sidewalks around the city that denote spring is not far off. Mrs. Gilman has greatly improved the corner of Eighth and Exchange by partially new fence.

Captain Benton, of Washington bar- rades, who will relieve Lieut. Cioke at Fort Stevens, is expected to arrive today. Captain Benton will join his battery at his new station, Fort Riley, Kas.

The old wharf west of the Sanborn bunkers has been leased to the Treecott Packing company, and work has already begun on the receiving station and cold storage plant to be erected there.

The Electric carried a party of young people across the river yesterday to the quarantine station. They enjoyed the delightful warm day, while Dr. Earl attended to the various duties of his position.

The best local talent has kindly consented to sing and play for the Ladies' Aid society concert at the Methodist church next Monday evening, and a musical treat is in store for those who attend. Remember the time and place.

One of the most delightful social events of the season was the ball last evening given by the Order of Eagles at Ford & Stokes' hall. There was a large attendance, the best of music, and the evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The contract for constructing the Walhuck bridge has not yet been awarded, but the matter will be considered by the county court today. As the bid for a steel structure is less than \$2000 higher than for a wooden one it is quite possible the bid for the former will be accepted.

The Astoria & Columbia River railroad, being ever mindful of the interests of this port, will lay a ship on for Astoria direct. She will sail on or about the 15th of February. The A. & C. R. R. is to be commended for this prompt meeting of the requirements of our merchants. Particulars as to rates on freight from J. C. Maye, general freight and passenger agent at the A. & C. R. R. office.

Complaints have been heard from people living along the Lewis and Clarke against the conduct of the loggers blocking the stream, and it is probable that the county court will investigate the matter. There are several million feet of logs in the river at the present time, and as they are not properly boomed, they float up and down the stream with the tide, damaging bridges and dikes.

Tonight the great comedy drama, "The Angel of the Alley" will commence a two evening's engagement at Fisher's opera house. The really marvelous production is without parallel upon the stage today. It is brimful of startling scenes and unique situations. The play deals with the adventures of a young officer who is lured to an underground gambling resort in New York. The scenery used is a representation of the most familiar street and alleyways and is covered in every detail. Seats are now selling at Griffin & Reed's.

A new company has been formed known as the North American Mail and Steamship company, which, it is stated, will soon inaugurate a line of steamships between Victoria, Vancouver and Pacific coast points in the United States, and between the same cities and the Orient. The incorporators are American and Canadian capitalists who have obtained from the Canadian government a charter to operate a line of foreign vessels.

The British ship Strathgyle, which left Portland yesterday morning heavily laden with flour for the Orient, did not reach Astoria last evening. This vessel is the largest craft that has been seen on the river for many months, and her progress down to the sea will be watched with interest. The vessel probably stopped somewhere up the river so as to complete her difficult course by daylight, though it is possible some untoward accident delayed her.

W. J. Barry and L. Lebeck were yesterday given permission by the county court to lay water mains on all county roads in sections 21 and 22, T. 8 N., R. 10 W., and also to lay a main over the county bridge across the Necanicum river between Seaside and Grimes grove. It is the intention of the grantees to put down six-inch mains and work is to be commenced as soon as the city of Seaside grants a franchise for running the pipes through the city.

Editor Davis, of the Cathlamet Gazette, was in town yesterday, his mission being to interest some of the local steamship owners in a scheme to arrange a service between Cathlamet, Skamokawa, Elsie Rock, Hume's Landing, Brookfield and Astoria. He says that the people living at these points would prefer to trade at Astoria but as the boats now run it necessitates their staying here over a night. A service with three times the speed and for less would pay well for a small steamer.

Young Chief, hereditary chief of the Cayuses, died of consumption at his home at the head of Thompson Hollow, in the southeast of Pendleton, Sunday afternoon, in his 45th year. His wife and uncle were at the bedside when death came. The latter is Chief Joseph, of the Nez Percés, one of the most celebrated Indians with whom the United States government has to deal. Immediately after his death eight runners were dispatched to carry the news to different points on the reservation, according to old Indian customs.

Tacoma is at present experiencing a small sized reign of terror. Housebreakers, thugs, sandbaggers, highwaymen and the profession generally, are everywhere. The Tacoma public has come to the conclusion that it cannot afford to be passive, and all citizens are agreeing that something must be done to put an end to the reign of terror. The dealers in sporting goods are doing a great trade in revolvers, one dealer, who carries a large assortment, declaring that he has sold more revolvers during the last few days than he did during the great Klondike rush.

Allen & Roberts have been awarded by the government the contract for taking the lightship off the beach at McKean Island and overland to Baker's bay, where she is to be launched, for \$17,500. The announcement causes some surprise as this firm was not the lowest bidder and their bid included the use of their own appliances while several lower bids, particularly that of L. Lebeck, of this city, whose offer to use his own appliances and give a bond guaranteeing to successfully complete the work. The only apparent argument in favor of the successful bidder was that the work was to be done in thirty-five days.

There seems to have been a hitch in the improvement program planned for Astor street. The council recently gave notice of its intention to repair that thoroughfare, and thereupon some of the property owners affected filed a protest. The council was then urged by a sufficient number to induce the street committee to drop the matter for the present. It appears that the property owners want the street only partially improved, such an improvement could not well be made while the street car system is in operation on that street, and it will be impossible to do that street.

The proposed substitution of Douglas fir for yellow pine in the construction of the battiship p the contract for which has been awarded the Moran Bros. Co., Seattle, by the United States government, continues to furnish food for considerable speculation among not only those directly interested in the matter, the contractors and the lumber men, but also Oregon and Washington people generally. The question has now been referred into one of securing government tests of the Douglas fir, and those who are familiar with the facts feel confident that the results of such tests will forever establish its superiority over yellow pine.

Chief of Police Packler, of Tacoma, is engaged because of the publication in the Ledger of the various robberies which occurred in Tacoma Sunday. With the idea in view of concealing from the public at large any further occurrences of that character, the chief has issued orders to the officers on duty at the police station that none of them should speak to a newspaper reporter under any circumstances, even so much as to acknowledge a pleasant "Good morning." The chief also issued orders that no robbery should be recorded in the daily reports. Said he to the officers at the police station in concluding his instructions as to their further conduct and speech: "If the reporters ask any questions send them to me. I'll shut them—quick."

Demonstrator Geo. H. Grose, of the Ralston Health Foods, whose headquarters are in Portland, gave a most interesting and instructive demonstration of the merits of these foods before the Ralston Health Club of this city at its hall on Bond street last evening. An audience of about eighty prominent men of the city was present and a strong interest was manifested in these justly celebrated foods. Mr. Grose's lecture was a strong presentation of the claims made by the proprietors of these foods and he was accorded a hearty reception. The sentiment of the local club is a strong endorsement of the Ralston products, and the Ralston barley food and whole wheat cracker are held to be the finest athletic foods known. Mr. Grose will demonstrate this week at A. V. Allen's and at J. V. Marion & Co.'s places of business and will leave Saturday for Portland, where he will open a food show at Meier & Frank's. He regrets that he could not remain longer in Astoria.

The much-talked-of extension of the Astoria & Columbia River railroad to the Necanicum timber belt has brought out a story the most that the government will indirectly assist in the payment of the construction expenses. A prominent member of the state legislature of 1893 and 1896 is responsible for the tale. "The government," the ex-lawmaker says, "has promised President Hammond, that if he will extend the road nine miles to the Necanicum stone quarry, it will take 50,000 carloads of rock for the Columbia river jetty, paying \$12 per carload for the haul. This would practically pay the building expenses. Besides, the timber owned by Mr. Hammond will warrant the extension. From the Necanicum to the coal fields is only a short distance, and from there to Tillamook is only twenty-two miles. With rail communication, timber can be bought at \$4.50 per 1000 feet. Portland mills are now paying \$7 per 100 feet. Mr. Hammond has a mill with a capacity of 150,000 feet and he needs logs himself, so you may be sure that the extension will be built, and clear through to Tillamook, too. Construction will be begun soon and work on the line will be pushed."

Government Said to Be Interested in the Proposition.

COME JUST TO LOOK
Great American Importing Tea Co.

STATUS OF THE LIBRARY

Encouraging Report From Secretary of Association.

A WORTHY INSTITUTION

But Funds Are Needed for Its Enlargement and Maintenance—No Word From Carnegie.

To the board of trustees of the Astoria Public Library Association, according to the requirements of our constitution, I hereby present the secretary's annual report for the year ending February 1, 1901.

We are still growing, slowly, it may be, but nevertheless surely. The library was incorporated in 1892, so that we have lived through nine years of varying degrees of prosperity, but always advancing steadily in all lines. We have added new book cases and made various other improvements during the year.

The number of people enjoying the advantages of the free reading room for the year is 15,000. The number of magazines, periodicals and papers regularly subscribed for and donated to the reading room is 47. Number of books in the reference library, 287. Some valuable books have been purchased for and contributed to this department during the year. Number of books taken out on subscription, 1636. Number of books now in the circulating library, 2022.

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1900, \$219.20
Total income from city, \$200.00
Entertainments, 234.25
Library earnings and donations, 233.15 217.40
Total expense, 1,926.01

Balance in bank Feb. 1, 1901, \$91.69
We understand that the proposition has been made to amend the city charter to read that not over \$20 per month be granted by the city council to the library.

We think it a grave mistake that our city charter was not amended to read (as in the original section referring to the matter) that "not above seventy-five dollars per month be allowed the Astoria Public Library Association."

Under this section the association was granted forty dollars per month, and this was obtained by a petition being presented to the city council signed by a majority of the leading taxpayers of the city.

It is not necessary for me to enlarge upon the need for a well equipped library in any progressive city; all the principal towns of the coast are supporting fine, free libraries, and as patriotic Astorians we wish to keep in line with our neighboring cities.

In view of the fact that our allowance from the city was so materially reduced, at the suggestion of friends a letter was written Mr. Carnegie, stating our financial condition and asking his aid. This was endorsed by the proper city officials, but brought no response from this great founder of libraries.

The steady growth of the library and its appreciation by the resident public being so apparent at the present time, have encouraged us to start a building fund.

Considering the cost of maintaining the free reading room, and otherwise keeping the library up to date, it was decided that 25 per cent of the earnings from entertainments (only be set aside for this purpose.

Fifty dollars was subscribed in the association, and three other friends who incidentally learned of the enterprise, helped to enlarge the amount to \$215, which is now on deposit as a nucleus for a library building.

In the removal to Portland last year of the late Mrs. Narcissa White Kinney the board felt it had lost a valuable member and indefatigable worker. That she was not unminimally of the obstacles with which we would meet with in this work and that the struggling little library was ever dear to her is made manifest by her generous bequest of \$500.

It is not stated in the official notice for what particular purpose she intended this, but it will in all probability be added to the building fund.

At the regular meeting of the board, January 18th, the following resolution was adopted:

"Whereas, It has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst Mrs. N. W. Kinney:

"Resolved, That we deeply regret the death of our friend and fellow worker, one who was for 20 many years an earnest and valued member of the Astoria Public Library association, and we hereby tender our deepest sympathy to the bereaved family and friends."

"M. W. WINGATE,
"H. A. PRAEL,
"M. L. USHUR,
"DORA BRADDOLET,
"Com. A. P. L. A."

An appendix to the last catalogue we feel now to be a great necessity. The card catalogue is the best known system, and though it means a good deal of hard work, we hope to earn it before another year is past.

MARY W. WINGATE,
Secretary Library Ass'n.

A. & C. EXTENSION.
Government Said to Be Interested in the Proposition.

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A GENTLEMAN'S SMOKE

Is what a cigar is. It will tickle the palate of the fastidious without depleting his pocketbook. There isn't a cigar rolled that there is so much pleasure, richness or perfect satisfaction hidden in its folds for the money as there is in a GENERAL GOOD for five cents. A box of these delicious cigars should be on every man's dresser.

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OUR NEW POSSESSIONS.

Will Be Well Represented at the Pan-American Exposition.

The United States government is making arrangements properly to represent Cuba, Porto Rico, the Philippines, Hawaii, Guam and Tutula at the Pan-American exposition. Most of us have had very little opportunity to study the resources and needs of these places.

The exposition will offer the first opportunity to make their acquaintance under favorable auspices. A building is in course of construction which forms one of the triangular groups arranged by the government. This building is 150 feet square, tastefully decorated, keeping with the general plan of the exposition. The idea of grouping these new possessions by themselves is an effective one and the general public will naturally associate the different possessions as being historically connected.

These possessions broaden our latitude by adding the tropical and semi-tropical regions. It seems proper now that we should set about their systematic development. Tea, coffee and spices may be grown in these countries in abundance. Coconut copra may be manufactured into oil on the ground where the fruit is grown instead of being shipped to France, as has been the custom for a hundred years. Manila and other fibres may be improved, and their cultivation materially extended. The first thing for the sovereign people of the United States to do is to study the question. This may be followed by careful, systematic improvements that will be suggested in the many directions that will be suggested. The Pan-American exposition, by its extensive exhibit, will start the ball rolling. There seems little doubt that the momentum thus gained will be followed up to the advantage of every country in the group.

CHARTER AMENDMENTS.

ASTORIA, Feb. 6, 1901.—Editor Astorian: History repeats itself again in Astoria. About 20 years ago the city council, wishing more power as well as more money, sent a committee to Salem to fix the charter to suit. The charter was duly doctored to the council's satisfaction, but when the committee returned and wanted pay for services some obstreperous individual had stepped in and enjoined payment, and the injunction still stands against that bill. We don't insinuate that the committee now off for Salem are to be paid.

The fight is on. The Tax League, numbering 400, against nine councilmen. Charter amendments from both bodies are in Salem for adoption. Those from the Tax League to prevent further increase of indebtedness against those from the council to open the gates wider. It is to be presumed the council will win the fight by reason of having a lobby on hand to beg, threaten or any old thing.

SALMON.
Give some worse time and they will turn into gaudy butterflies.

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