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TODAY'S WEATHER.

PORTLAND, Feb. 22.—Western Oregon and Western Washington, cloudy and threatening with occasional showers; Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho, increasing cloudiness.

AROUND TOWN.

Bar report—North wind, hazy; bar, smooth.
Three first-class barbers at the Occident again.
Mrs. C. H. Wheeler and son, of San Francisco, are visiting in Astoria.
Thos. Hornaby, of Portland, is stopping at the Occident.
Strictly fresh eggs, two dozen for 35 cents, at Johnson Bros.
Richard Nixon, of Portland, arrived in the city last evening.
H. L. Boyd and wife, of Portland, are guests at the Occident.
Best 15-cent meal, Rising Restaurant, 612 Commercial street.
N. H. Knox, a Portland business man, was in the city yesterday.
Jeff's restaurant—the largest and best. A trial will convince you.
George Halston is confined to his home by an attack of la grippe.
Sweet navel oranges from 15 cents to 40 cents a dozen, at Johnson Bros.
Albert Dunbar is visiting his brother, the secretary of state, at Salem, during the closing days of the legislature.
BEST 15-CENT MEAL: RISING SUN RESTAURANT.

Miss Frances M. Anthony, of Denver, is the guest of Mrs. Flora H. Gilman.

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

Japanese goods of all kinds cheap at Yokohama Bazaar, 626 Commercial St.

Robert Forbes, of Aberdeen, Wash., registered at the Occident last evening.

M. S. St. John, a former Astorian, now a resident of South Dakota, is in the city.

Mrs. E. L. Sherman and Master Ray Sherman, of Portland, are guests of the Occident.

Assistant U. S. Engineer G. B. Hedgkott, of Fort Stevens, was in Astoria yesterday.

The light-house tender Manzanita is being overhauled and is tied up at the Ninth street dock.

The steam schooner Dispatch, with a general cargo for San Francisco, passed out yesterday morning.

W. C. Cron was among the passengers from Portland last evening, registering at the Occident.

Japanese boy wants situation in small family, where he can attend school, inquire at 612 Commercial St.

Chief Engineer Boyd, of the U. S. revenue cutter Perry, and Mrs. Boyd are guests of friends in Astoria.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Wright and child, of Wilber, Wash., are guests of Mrs. Dr. Garner, Mrs. Wright's mother.

Rise and shine; Gold Rope, Thrasher, anti-trust, union-made plug tobacco. Save your tags. They are valuable.

The American bark Ferris S. Thompson cleared yesterday for San Francisco with a mixed cargo of coal, spits and shooks for Hume Bros. and Hume's Alaska canneries.

Reinsurance on the overdue vessels Bertha and Cape Wrath has again been advanced and is now quoted at 90 per cent.

Clatsop Viavi Co., M. Ednor Duffy, county manager, Office, Tighs Hotel, Office hours, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Fridays and Saturdays.

Dan Ross will open will open a logging camp in Crooked Creek for the Astoria Box Company of Astoria. The timber is mostly spruce.

The members of the trades' unions are invited to be present at the stag social given by the Teamster's Union at Carruther's hall tonight.

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

The British ship Queen Victoria cleared from Portland yesterday with 96,162 bushels of wheat, valued at \$55,000, bound for Antwerp.

The directors of the Knappa Coal Company met last night in the office of Van Dusen & Co., but no business of importance was transacted.

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.

Ex-Mayor Storey, of Portland, is interested in the Western Cedar Company of Rainier, which will build a two and one-half mile flume at their plant.

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

Martin Knutsen, formerly employed by Van Dusen & Co., will leave soon to accept a position in the office of the Alaska Fishermen's Association at Bristol bay.

If you've never tried our "Perfection Blend" Java and Mocha you've missed one of the pleasures of life. Our customers say it's the best in town; they ought to know.—JOHNSON BROS.

The Victoria Club, composed of the Royal Neighbors, held its second meeting at the home of Mrs. E. S. Andrews yesterday. Refreshments were served and a very pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by all present.

There will be an Epworth League social given this (Friday) evening at the home of Mrs. Bussey, 721 Irving avenue. A unique Washington day program has been prepared. Everyone is cordially invited to attend and partake of Washington Pie.

The Buffalo exposition management have ordered two cars of timber from Present, Veness & Co., of Winlock, Wash. One of the attractions of the exposition will be a log 30 feet long and 13 feet in diameter, which will be displayed in the Forestry building.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Streumeyer celebrated the first anniversary of their wedding last night at their home on Fifteenth street. Among the guests were several who were present at the wedding a year ago, and the evening was enjoyably spent in social diversions.

Captain Robertson, of Westport, is considering the advisability of building a raft of logs, containing 10,000,000 feet of timber, to be towed to China. He believes a 5000 ton steamer could land the raft at Shanghai in sixty days, where the logs could be sold at a profit.

A Portland man who owns property in the city was before Judge Nelson yesterday charged with drunkenness. He explained that he came to Astoria Wednesday to pay his taxes and spent the surplus for booze. The name of John Doe was entered on the records and sentence was suspended.

Two steamers made an ineffectual effort yesterday to pull the British whaler Almond Branch from her position abreast the Morrison street bridge in Portland, but the big craft refused to budge and other plans are being devised to release her from her present perilous position.

Upon the return of Senator Fulton from Salem the school board will meet and a rule governing the payment of tuition will be adopted making it payable to the clerk of the board instead of the principals as is now the rule. Other matters of minor importance will be passed upon at the meeting.

A telegram received in Astoria yesterday conveyed the sad intelligence of the death of Bishop William M. Barker, of the Episcopal diocese of Olympia. Bishop Barker was well known to many Astorians and was prominent in church councils. A wife and child survive him. Mrs. Barker was before her marriage Miss Laura Adair, daughter of the late General John Adair of Astoria. The deceased clergyman was born in Tonawanda, Pa., and was educated at Germantown and Berkeley Divinity school. He occupied pulpits in New York and Washington previous to being called to St. Paul's in Duluth, where his remarkable faculty for organizing and discharging executive duties soon made him a man marked for preferment. When the diocese of Western Colorado was created he was appointed its first bishop and remained there until 1894, when he was transferred to Washington. Bishop Barker was a nephew of Bishop Morris. The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

The family of Fred Dillberg, a young Astorian who recently made a trip to San Francisco as an officer on the tug Samson, fear that he is losing his reason. He acted queerly Wednesday and subsequently went to Portland. Relatives have gone after him and steps will be taken to have him examined and confined if found to be insane.

Three of Astoria's favorite entertainers will be heard in joint recital on the evening of March 5th. The ladies of the Every Monday Club have the entertainment in charge and in presenting Mrs. J. T. Ross, Miss Reba Hobson and Terry McKean they promise an evening that will long be remembered by those who love to hear good music and witness clever acting. The Columbia orchestra will assist.

MRS. WHITE-KINNEY.

Appreciative Tribute to Former Astorian by W. C. T. U.

The following beautiful tribute to this gifted and beloved lady, prepared by Mrs. James Marka, was read at the last meeting of the Central W. C. T. U. of Albany:
In view of the fact that our Heavenly Father has, in His infinite wisdom, seen fit to call, "Come up higher," to our state president and beloved sister, Mrs. Narcissa White-Kinney, the Central W. C. T. U. of Albany feels a sense of personal bereavement, as well as a realization of the great loss the state has suffered by her early removal from us.

On her first lecturing tour through Oregon she gained the esteem and love of all she met, and when it was understood that she was to return and make this her home there was general rejoicing among those who were laboring in the same cause.

Her election and continued reelection to the highest position in the state W. C. T. U. was but a slight acknowledgment of their appreciation of her peerless abilities and unflinching devotion to the cause of righteousness and temperance. In speaking of her as a friend, one who was permitted to know her better than most of us, says: "Those who were privileged to be counted as personal friends of Mrs. Kinney feel their loss most keenly, as her loyal, loving comradeship was something more than ordinary friendship. It was helpful in so many ways and had in it that element which appealed to the highest nature and made one ambitious to reach out and do the things that would benefit mankind and build up Christ's kingdom on earth."

Of her public work we quote from a writer in the Midland, of Chicago: "She was one of the most gifted and brilliant speakers of the whole coterie engaged in reform work and was everywhere hailed with delight. Her presence was magnetic, her manners gracious and winning, her arguments clean cut and forcible, and her fervor and enthusiasm swept aside all prejudice, and left her mistress of her situation."

In her death Oregon has sustained an irreparable loss. Not only does the temperance cause lose its most able advocate and its wisest counsellor, but the church loses one of its most consecrated and efficient helpers. Educational institutions also suffer loss, as she was always on the alert to further their interests in any way possible. The social circle has also to yield up one of its most brilliant ornaments. Her influence will long be felt throughout the state.

The Rev. Huber Ferguson, of Portland, writes: "The cause of Christ in the Northwest, both in its negative aspect, which is the destruction of the powers of evil, and in its positive aspect, which is the widening and deepening of the rule of grace in human hearts has lost one of its great champions."

We, in our weakness, are lead to exclaim: "Help, Lord, for the Godly man ceaseth, for the faithful fall from among the children of men." But we know that the work is His and though sorrowful bow in submission, knowing that though the workers fall the work will go on.

An exchange thinks that the rescue of the passengers of the steamer Russett goes far toward wiping out the memory of the Paris bazaar fire. Does it not rather emphasize the contrast between the heroism of the fishermen of the French coast and the fashionable cowards who left women to perish in the flames?—Pittsburg Dispatch.

SAID HE WAS MORGAN'S SON

Confidence Man Traded on Banker's Name.

CLEVER AND PLAUSIBLE

Petty Swindler Talked Glibly of Transactions Involving Millions and Then Decamped.

One of the cleverest of confidence men has been operating here for two weeks, in a large and small way, though the extent of his deals cannot be definitely learned at this time. It is known that he has "done" several individuals out of sums of money ranging from \$250 to \$100, and incidentally defrauded his landlady out of a board bill.

This genius of crookedness came to the city about February 7 and put up at one of the hotels registering as John P. Morgan, Jr., and representing himself as the son of the New York millionaire banker and billion dollar trust promoter. A strong resemblance to the pictures of J. Pierpont Morgan gave color to the statement and he was taken seriously by the few persons to whom he went so far as to divulge his identity and his business. He gave out to these few that he was in the employ of the London-American Mining and Investment syndicate, with which concern his father, John Pierpont Morgan, is heavily interested, as a mineral expert and financial agent, whose business it was to look after the various mining properties of the syndicate located in North and South America, Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia. He acted, according to his story, as inspector for new and undeveloped properties, and recommended any mineral interests to the syndicate, negotiating these deals himself and handling in this way between \$20,000,000 and \$50,000,000 a year.

He was in Astoria ostensibly with a view to looking over the coal prospects in the lower Nehalem country, his purpose being in case coal deposits of value were discovered in that district to secure them for the syndicate. His first concern here was to organize a crew of half a dozen men to accompany him to the Nehalem on his tour of inspection, and this crew, on promises of liberal salaries, was readily enough secured. He intimated that the crew should remain with him permanently and go with him to China shortly after the Nehalem inspection.

To each member of his crew he stated, "on the quiet," that up in the Okanogan country of northern Washington he had made some very valuable mineral discoveries; that he had filed on several of these, using fictitious names; that it was his desire these properties be secured to the syndicate, and that he was willing that these fictitious names should be replaced with the names of his crew, provided each man would agree to act in good faith with him, and when the time came transfer his interest to the syndicate for a consideration of \$20,000 or \$25,000, the probable value of each property. A further stipulation was that the men should pay the small fee of \$6 for filing and as this was "only fair" it is probable that every man of the crew, and probably a score or more of others about town, came down with the stuff.

He decamped early yesterday morning, leaving a board bill unpaid and a good many individuals who would like much to know something of his whereabouts. "Mr. Morgan," as he styled himself, is a man of medium height, well built, with a shapely head, sandy mustache, and a face that shows intelligence. He dressed in a black suit, double breasted coat, though sometimes wearing trousers of mixed gray stuff. He was very quiet and retiring in his demeanor and impressed one as a man of culture. He has no bad habits of the common sort; neither drinks nor uses profanity or vulgar language. He is a good conversationalist, an excellent story teller, and recounts in the most dramatic and fascinating manner his many wonderful experiences in the cities, mining camps and wilds of the world. He is well educated, and it is evident, has traveled much, for he appears familiar with almost every part of the world, and his facile use of

the details of every scene or incident he recounts is truly wonderful. When once he allows anyone to enter his confidence this modest, unobtrusive man launches out into narratives that thrill and fascinate and hold his listeners, and they are impressed, so great is the man's apparent earnestness that he is telling the truth in every particular.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

Schools and Public Buildings Will Remain Closed Today.

The public schools, banks, city, county and federal offices will be closed today in honor of Washington's birthday. At the postoffice the general delivery window will be open from 12:30 to 1:30 and the carriers will make one distribution in the business district. The money order department will remain closed the entire day. Nearly all the merchants have agreed to give their employes a half day's holiday. The barber shops will be open until noon, at which hour they close for the balance of the day.

In several departments of the public schools yesterday informal exercises were held commemorative of Washington and his accomplishments. Miss Gray's room in McClure's school and the classes in Shiveley school, taught by the Misses Dealy and Shiveley and Mrs. Bussey, observed the day with appropriate programs.

With the continual parading of the immortal "Father of His Country" before young America as a striking example of ideal American citizenship from the hatchet incident to his farewell address it would seem impossible that a youngster would forget his deeds and his fame. Yet a young hopeful in one of Astoria's schools, yesterday told his teacher, with an assurance born of positive knowledge, that Washington discovered America. For which he promptly went to the foot of the class.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

Successful experiments have recently been accomplished in wireless telegraphy, and its adoption will undoubtedly be a good thing, and revolutionize many ways of doing business. One writer has gone so far as to say that wireless telegraphy is the greatest discovery of the age. We beg to differ. Don't overlook Hostetter's Stomach Bitters when you talk about the great things of the world. This peerless medicine has done more to promote health and settle stomach troubles than any other medicine in existence. It cures dyspepsia, indigestion, malaria and constipation. It never fails. Try it, and be sure and get the genuine, with our private revenue stamp over the neck of the bottle. Don't let the druggist pain off a "substitute."

A girl will make almost any sacrifice for the man she loves. She will even give up chewing gum if necessary.

One great trouble with the average man is that when he gets started he don't know when to stop.

FIRE DESTROYS CLATSOP MILLS

Originates in Engine Room and Rapidly Spreads.

LOSS MAY BE \$75,000

Disaster Came in Busy Season When Mills Were Running Night and Day.

The saw and planing mills of the Clatsop Mill Company were destroyed by fire last night and but for a favorable east wind springing up when the flames were burning fiercest the entire plant would probably have gone, together with a large part of the lumber stored in the mill yards. As it is, the splendid mills and their equipment is almost a total loss and five freight cars in the loading shed were also destroyed. The loss will approximate \$75,000, though no definite estimate could be made last night. The plant is well insured but not sufficient to cover the entire loss.

The origin of the fire is uncertain. For some time past the mill has been running night and day to keep up with orders and last night there was a shift of seventy-five men working. Shortly before 10 o'clock flames were noticed in the engine room and before any effort could be made to subdue them, the room was a blazing mass and the men had barely sufficient time to escape from the building.

The fire alarm whistle attached to the plant was sounded and the entire fire department was summoned. By the time they reached the mills the flames were beyond control and the only thing possible was to prevent them from spreading if possible. The mill, which was a two story structure, burned rapidly and fear was expressed for other buildings in the neighborhood. To the east was the box factory, which has burned twice previously, and it seemed like the intervention of Providence that a strong east wind should blow up, at a time when it could do the most good. With this assistance the firemen had no difficulty in keeping the flames under control. Of the freight cars in the shed three were loaded, the two empty cars having been run in when the down freight arrived in the afternoon.

It was impossible to estimate the value of the finished lumber or raw material lost, but a conservative approximate estimate places the entire damage at \$75,000, though it may exceed that sum. The mills have been built for sixteen years and the operating company is composed of Mrs. W. S. Kinney, manager; H. F. Praet, president; M. J. and L. C. Kinney.

Several freight cars on the tracks opposite the mills were damaged slightly by the flames.

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2 50 Underwear, Suit for	2 00
3 00 Underwear, Suit for	2 25
3 50 Underwear, Suit for	2 75
4 00 Underwear, Suit for	3 25
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