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TODAY'S WEATHER.

PORTLAND, Feb. 23.—Western Oregon and Western Washington, rain; Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho, cloudy and threatening with occasional rain or snow.

AROUND TOWN.

Frank R. Stokes has returned from Portland.

T. C. McHugh, of Wrangell, is at the Occident.

R. S. Dickie, of San Francisco, is in the city.

Three first-class barbers at the Occident again.

Bar report—Light east wind; hazy; bar, moderate.

City Treasurer Carney was in Portland yesterday.

Mrs. E. L. Sherman and son are visiting in the city.

Mrs. Colbert and son, of Ilwaco, are visiting in the city.

Max Friedenthal, of Portland, was in the city yesterday.

J. S. Dellinger has gone to Tillamook on a business trip.

Strictly fresh eggs, two dozen for 35 cents, at Johnson Bros.

The George W. Elder passed out yesterday for San Francisco.

C. H. Callender, of Knappton, came over on last night's boat.

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

S. A. Nicol, a South Bend, Wash., business man, is in Astoria.

Special Inspector Bransford returned from Portland yesterday.

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

BEST 15-CENT MEAL: RISING SUN RESTAURANT.

Fisher Bros. have the contract for furnishing the Astorian with the value of \$7000 to the first of the year of the Alaska Fishermen's Packing Association.

At the Baptist church tomorrow morning the topic will be "Hobbery," and the evening subject "The New Way." The usual Sabbath services will be observed.

Clatsop Veneer Co., M. Elinor Duffy, county manager, Office, Tighe Hotel, Office hours, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Fridays and Saturdays.

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

John A. Montgomery has opened a shop at 42 Bond street and is prepared to do all classes of plumbing and tinning at the lowest possible rates.

Roslyn coal lasts longer, is cleaner and makes less trouble with stoves and chimneys than any other. George W. Sabin, agent. Telephone 1211.

The Teamsters' Union held a stag social at Carruthers' hall last night which was largely attended. Different forms of amusement served to make the evening pass pleasantly and quickly.

Will Thompson, of Knappton, was brought to Astoria yesterday to have his right arm attended to. It having been broken in an accident at the Knappton mill, where he is employed.

An Epworth League social was held last night at the residence of Mrs. Busby, 721 Irving avenue. The affair was largely attended and the evening was devoted to pleasant amusements.

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.

M. J. Kihary, a prominent canneryman, with headquarters in Portland, and one of the stockholders of the Clatsop mills, which burned Thursday night, arrived in Astoria on last evening's train.

The bark Prussia, under charter to the Columbia River Packers' Association, which has been loading supplies at San Francisco for the Alaska canneries of the association, cleared from that port yesterday for Astoria.

Washington's Birthday was very quietly celebrated here. No public programs nor entertainments were held and the only observances apparent were the closing up of the banks, schools, public offices, etc. The Columbia and Manzanita were rigged out with all their signal flags flying.

The work of taking the lightship off the beach at McKean Head will commence immediately. A completely equipped wrecking barge with crew of twelve men has been taken to Fort Canby from Portland. Roberts & Allen, who have the contract, expect to finish the work within thirty-five days.

Fred Lidberg, the young man who eluded the officers here last week, who wanted to detain him for an examination as to his sanity, has been captured in Puyallup, Wash., and will be returned to his parents who live at North Beach, Wash. The boy was en route to Portland and from there to Puyallup indicated that his mind was unbalanced.

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 Mrs. McKean they present an evening that will long be remembered by those who love to hear good music and witness clever acting. The Columbia orchestra will assist.

At the Presbyterian church tomorrow night the Rev. J. M. Cole, lately engaged in missionary work in the Fiji Islands, will give an interesting and instructive talk on "Cannibalism." Illustrated with stereoscopic views of scenes and people of the islands, Mr. Cole spent many years in the South Sea Islands and is thoroughly familiar with their queer inhabitants and their queer ways. There will be no charge for admission other than the usual collection which will be taken up at the close of the lecture. All friends of Christian mission work are invited to attend.

The usual services will be held at the Methodist church tomorrow morning. Topic, "A Grip That Holds;" evening topic, "A Runaway Boy." The evening sermon will be illustrated with large paintings. Special services will be held every afternoon and evening next week. Large scriptural paintings will be used to illustrate the evening sermon. There will be special music rendered at both the morning and evening services. On Sunday in the morning Mr. Eltinge Elmore, of Milwaukee, will sing Gounod's "Forever with the Lord." In the evening Mr. Elmore will, assisted by a chorus, render "I Saw a New Heaven and a New Earth," from Gounod's cantata, "The Holy City."

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Allen entertained a party of young people at their residence Thursday night in honor of Washington's birthday. The decorations and favors were suggestive of the event, and a novel form of amusement was introduced under the name of "Presidential Quiz." Questions were put to the guests bearing on facts in connection with different presidents and to the ones answering correctly the long and delightful souveniers of their accuracy in historical events. The honors were won by Miss Floretta Elmore, who received a silver dagger, and Dr. Earl, who received a scarfpin. The baby prizes were won by Miss Harriet Talbot and Mr. Frank Greenough. Mrs. Allen was assisted in receiving by her mother, Mrs. Newman, and a delightful chafing dish supper was served. The guests present were the Misses Heilborn, Theresa Heilborn, Talant, Harriet Talant, Elmore, Floretta Elmore, Reed, and Messrs. R. E. Carruthers, D. A. McLean, F. Greenough, Dr. Earle, C. Heilborn and L. L. Herz.

WHO WAS MORGAN?

Banker's Nephew Supposed to Be on a Whaler and Son in London.

The business men who came in contact with the enterprising confidence man who styled himself J. Pierpont Morgan, Jr., are extremely reticent concerning their transactions with him and while there is ample reason to believe that his acquaintance cost several of them a neat sum each they prefer letting the fellow go unmolested than to go on the witness stand and explain in detail why they were so easily taken in.

However, if he is captured, the charge of defrauding a hotel keeper, together with the complaints that will be made by the men he signed to make up his crew, will be sufficient to give him a taste of punishment. There is some doubt as to the man having been the banker's scapegrace nephew, who created a disturbance in San Francisco some time ago. The latter was not criminal in his depravity but had an over fondness for the cock-tail route of the California metropolis and it was his constant devotion to booze rather than business that worked his undoing.

Something over a year ago young Morgan was indentured on board a whaler bound for the Arctic seas and his time on board is not yet up. It was at his distinguished uncle's instigation that this rather stringent reformation plan was brought into use. Previous to sailing the young man finally adjusted his faculties and hopes the trip and the discipline of the ship would mark a change in him.

As a matter of fact Banker Morgan has a son and namesake who has visited the coast on different occasions or not. Young Morgan is now supposed to be in London, as the manager of his father's English house, known as Drexel, Morgan & Co., with branches in Paris and other continental cities.

Undoubtedly the spurious Morgan was a man of splendid intellectual attainments, and a rare spinner of lurid yarns. Where he spent his time and likewise his money is a Chinese puzzle to his acquaintances here. He had none of the ordinary vices, yet was continually crying for more money and generally got it.

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 ease 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 cap of the bottle. Don't let the drug-patent pain off a "substitute."

BURNED THIRTEEN HOURS.

Water Pumped on Clatsop Mills' Fire Until 11 a. m. Yesterday.

It was not until 11 o'clock yesterday morning, or thirteen hours after the fire broke out in that Fire Chief Stockton gave orders to take up hose at the Clatsop mills' fire. All night long steady streams of water were poured on the smouldering, smoking mill until the entire building was thoroughly soaked, and there was no possible vagrant spark left for future menace.

The fire department did splendid, effective work in confining the fire to the mill in which it started, thereby saving the dry house, box factory and immense stock of lumber piled in the adjoining yards. The loss to the company will be greater than was at first estimated, superintendent Butler placing the amount at \$100,000. The insurance will aggregate about \$25,000, distributed among different agencies in the city.

In the storeroom were half a million feet of dressed lumber, all of which was destroyed. The present season promised to be the most prosperous in years. Altogether 180 persons were on the payroll and the daily output of the mill has averaged 175,000 feet since night and day crews have been working.

Plans for rebuilding the mills will be considered as soon as the insurance adjusters have finished their work, but heavy expenses for immediate and future delivery will have to be cancelled. Apparently, the origin of the fire will remain forever a mystery. No one could be found among the employees yesterday who could tell, except that apparently the flames started in the engine room and spread so rapidly that investigation was absolutely out of the question. Many of the workmen had barely time to get out unhurt and were forced to leave their tools behind in the burning building.

Herman Prael, president of the company operating the mills, returned from Puget sound on the noon train yesterday. He knew nothing of the fire until he viewed the blackened and debris and twisted machinery from the car window.

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