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Very smart garments with newest sleeves, cuffs and trimmings; veritable things of beauty. See our windows.

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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, March 10.—Western Oregon and Washington, rain, gales along the coast. Eastern Oregon, rain or snow, warmer. Eastern Washington and Idaho, rain.

AROUND TOWN.

R. B. Adair, of Sunnyside, is in the city. 25-lb-box French prunes \$1, at Johnson Bros. Mrs. C. Norton has returned from a visit to Portland. Mrs. T. G. Coleman, of Portland, is at the Occident. Ex-Fish Commissioner Reed returned home last night. Bar report—Wind, southeast, fog and rain; bar, rough. Occident barber shop and baths, First-class service. C. B. Allen returned from Portland on last night's train. Hunt, Shields, of the water works, returned home last night. Miss Nellie Sherman returned from a visit to Portland yesterday. Best 15-cent meal—Blazing Sun Restaurant, 612 Commercial St. George Cherry came down from Portland last evening for a visit. Jeff's Restaurant—the largest and best. A trial will convince you. Latest shapes, E. & W. Collars and Cuffs, just received at Danziger's. Try Perfection Blend Mocha and Java coffee. None better; Johnson Bros. L. A. Loomis, of North Beach, came over yesterday en route to Portland. Rise and shine; Gold Rope, Thrasher, anti-trust, union-made plug tobacco. Save your tags. They are valuable. BEST 15-CENT MEAL; RISING SUN RESTAURANT.

For rent—Two nicely furnished rooms, Apply, 325 Sixth St., near Grand Ave.

Miss Muriel Williams, of Portland, is visiting her aunt, Miss P. M. Norton.

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

Mr. W. E. Ross returned yesterday morning from Portland, after a brief visit.

Fred Colbert and J. C. Denton, of Ilwaco, returned from Olympia last evening.

The ships Klyber and Arthur Fitzer left yesterday in tow of the Occident.

Swedish Medwurst Summer Sausage and Cervelat Wurst. Something fine, at Johnson Bros.

Mrs. P. F. Woodford, of Mr. Hammond's Portland office, is visiting with friends in the city.

Miss Ivy Parker, of Portland, is spending a few days with Mrs. Captain Richardson at the Cole.

Philo Holbrook, Jr., Blaine B. Smith and Jack Peters, of Portland, are registered at the Occident.

R. S. Howard, Jr., of the First National bank, left yesterday morning for Portland on a brief visit.

The steamer Harvest Queen towed the Clatsop County of Lillithgow and Thessaly up the river last night.

The steamer Miler is on the gridiron at the Astoria Iron Works for slight repairs to her stem bearing.

Edward Sandberg, a draughtsman for the government at Fort Stevens, is spending Sunday in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Stokes, who have been spending several weeks in California, are expected home today.

Bids for the construction of the Nehalem road will be received by the county court up to 2 p. m., April 3.

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Mrs. A. M. Newlands and mother, Mrs. Love, of Portland, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Smith on Seventh street.

For rent—A five-room cottage, furnished or unfurnished, on Tenth street, near Harrison. Inquire corner Tenth and Irving.

Lars J. Backman, of San Francisco, and Miss Allie Little, of Clatsop county, were married yesterday by the Rev. Henry Marcotte.

Lillian Carlson, daughter of John L. Carlson and a student at the Holmes' business college, is spending Sunday with her parents.

Headmaster John Frye filed bonds with the county court yesterday in the sum of \$300 with J. T. Ross and F. Bartoldus as sureties.

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

Spokane claims that the recent freight rates announced by the Great Northern discriminate in favor of Sound cities against Eastern Washington.

A logging engine on a scow and a pile driver belonging to Root Brothers are at the "Fisher Bros." dock waiting for a tow to Chinook river.

Master Mechanic J. Graham, of the O. R. N. Co. rail lines returned from a visit of inspection to the Ilwaco road yesterday and left for 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.

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

S. Danziger is distributing among his customers very neat little memorandum book, containing also calendar and tide tables for the current year.

Ed Peoples, a former resident of Ilwaco and lately a successful business man at Skamania, visited his old home yesterday and leaves today for an eastern trip.

Special Agent Beckwith looked after the offices of the Pacific Express Company on the I. R. & N. Company line on North Beach yesterday, returning last evening.

There is always something new to be found at the Boston Restaurant. The Sunday dinner includes turkey with cranberry sauce. A first class place for ladies and gentlemen.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Maddock have returned from Portland where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Maddock's uncle, the late Col. T. M. K. Smith, of the Tenth infantry.

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The Astoria Commercial Club will be organized tomorrow night, at which time a meeting will be held in the council chamber. Over one hundred names have already been secured by Messrs. Wise and Scherneck.

Twenty-five cannery reports are under contract at the Astoria Iron Works, all for Alaska but one, and 2800 coolers, each weighing forty-six pounds, worth five and one-half cents a pound made up. This one item of coolers represents forty-four tons of iron, which gives a faint idea of the immense amount of material being taken north this year, as a cooler is but a small article of cannery equipment.

Astorians note with much satisfaction that returning sailors to the north do not come home loaded with parcels and bundles so generally as was the case before the recent agitation on that subject. They are waking up to the fact that every dollar spent in Portland, which could have been used here, is a dollar lost to local circulation, and in nine cases out of ten the dollar would have purchased as large a quantity of and as good quality from home merchants as it did abroad.

ACCIDENT IS LAUNCHED.

New Launch for Packers' Association Put Into the Water Yesterday.

At the Elmore cannery yesterday afternoon the new steamer "Occident" was placed in the water by Contractor John H. Berglund. She was launched from the wharf, which at that stage of the tide was ten feet above the water, by means of a ways the lower ends of which were supported by a watertight box of sufficient buoyancy to support the weight. By a skillful manipulation of tackles and greased skids the boat was drawn to the edge of the dock and, as the water was given, the waters parted to welcome their newest burden, while Mr. Berglund stood upon the deck to do the honors, and the crowd cheered the success of the launching.

The "Occident" was measured yesterday by acting surveyor, McLean. Her outside measurements are: Length, 41 feet; beam, 9 feet 7 inches; depth, 4 feet 4 inches; gross tonnage, 10 tons. She is built on graceful yacht lines, is lighted with large watertight windows and reflects much credit on the skill and workmanship of her builder. Her engine is in position, and her boiler will be placed on board at the Astoria Iron Works. She will be taken to Alaska by her owners, the Columbia River Packers' Association, on the steamer Dispatch.

CHURCH SERVICES.

The usual services will be held today at the Swedish Lutheran church, Midweek meeting Thursday evening.

Presbyterian church—Morning topic, "A Powerful Advocate"; evening topic, "The Categorical Imperative." A very cordial welcome is extended to all.

First Congregational—Sermon at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday. Special services will be continued next week and each evening's sermon will be illustrated with paintings.

Methodist church—Sermons at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Evening topic, "Three Young Men in a Fiery Furnace." Special services will be continued next week and each evening's sermon will be illustrated with paintings.

A KING FOR AMERICA.

It may be a surprise to learn that there are enough Americans in this country with monarchial beliefs to warrant the publication of a magazine the first number of which has just been issued in the East. This pretense is as ridiculous as that made by the various bogus stomach remedies which spring up, claiming to be the only cure for dyspepsia and indigestion. The only real king of all stomach remedies is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It is founded on true merit, and it must be a very bad case of indigestion, constipation, biliousness, liver and kidney trouble, which it will not cure. Try it also for insomnia, and as a spring purifier and preventive for malaria, fever and ague, it has no equal.

LUMBER PROSPECTS GOOD.

E. G. Wist, president of the Yellow Fir Lumber Company, located ten miles south of Tillamook city, is in town. His company owns twelve million feet of timber and the tributary supply is inexhaustible and of the quality. Logs delivered in the boom cost \$235 a thousand, the mill furnishing timber and donkey engine. There is a good local market among the farmers and dairymen, and Mr. Wist expects to ship some of the finer grades of finished lumber to Astoria. Besides purchasing the outfit of the Oregon and California Co-operative Company at Ray City, he has shipped a considerable quantity of machinery from Portland and now has a \$1000 planer on the way. He says he can buy a billion feet of choicest timber in his locality at fifty cents a thousand stumpage.

Special Sale

Lamps

Oil Heaters

Agateware

Jardiniers

China

Crockery

Glassware

Dinner Sets

Toilet Sets

Artware

Bottom Prices

Come Just to Look

Great American Importing Tea Co.

571 Commercial Street, Astoria.

HAI HAI SAYS THE NEWS

AND THEN PROCEEDS TO TALK DEEP SEA WISDOM.

Declares Astorian Story a Sea Lawyer's Tale but Proof is Lacking.

Doubtless actuated by a desire to defend an erring fellow-countryman, the editor of the Daily News takes it upon himself to abuse the Astorian for publishing the statement made by John Kiebe, one of the men of the British ship County of Lillithgow. The News seeks to ridicule the statement of Kiebe, at the same time casting life into the statement made by John Kiebe, one of the men of the British ship County of Lillithgow.

The Astorian has no apology to make for the publication of Kiebe's statement. Whether or not the story was true, the fact remains that Captain Stoark has made no attempt to publish the statement made by John Kiebe, and, as the News editor evidently did not see the skipper, at least does not quote him, he certainly must have been actuated by some unfathomable motive in thus rushing to the defense of a man who made no effort whatever to protect himself.

According to the News, scantling instead of boards is used to store oil cargoes. Here is a display of ignorance what is surprising coming from one who professes unlimited advice. Scantling is not used to store oil, but narrow slitting boards are employed for that purpose. However that may have been, the fact remains that the ship was not properly provided with slitting boards, and the men were compelled to use the "tween deck hatches" instead. These hatches, according to Kiebe's statement, were about 12 feet long and 2 1/2 feet wide. They just reached the stanchions and the men were able to utilize them to great advantage. The Astorian laid stress on the point in Kiebe's statement that the ballast was not properly placed aboard, and when the News undertakes to deny the statement that the sand was in three heaps it does not present any counter statements regarding the matter. Astorians are pretty well acquainted at this time with the peril of seafaring men who sail under incompetent or careless captains, and the loss of several fine vessels on account of the shifting of their ballast has brought home to them the truth of the oft-repeated statement that many sailors' lives are always in danger from this cause. If the Lillithgow was "properly ballasted," why didn't the News get a statement from Captain Stoark to that effect?

The Astorian reporter who wrote the story is not a deep sea sailor, nor has he had the experience on big vessels that has enabled him to get the facts of the gentleman who chortles with glee over a misapprehension of a technical nautical term. The Astorian reporter's occasional trips to Portland have been made by train. Otherwise he might have been better acquainted with the facts of the case.

The Astorian confesses that its reporter's use of technical terms may have been erroneous in one or two instances. For instance, the reference to the vessel's experience before she went onto her beam ends was hardly as accurate as Kiebe related it. Kiebe told the reporter that, after the main lower topsail was carried away—a circumstance, by the way, which was due to the failure of Captain Stoark to use proper trim in making fast his canvas—the captain became "rattled" and excitedly gave orders to cut loose the fore lower topsail and mizen lower topsail. He likewise, according to Kiebe, gave the orders to hoist the main topsail, and the loss of his topsails made this impossible as canvas is required to bring a vessel up to the wind. Instead of bringing her head on, Stoark succeeded in putting the ship in the trough of the sea, where she foundered helplessly, her ballast shifting and her lee scuppers being submerged. Any man with a knowledge of maritime matters would know that the vessel could not have been on her beam ends and hoist at the same time, and the editor of the News places himself in a ridiculous light in seeking to puncture Kiebe's story on the use of the nautical expression.

The News tries to create the belief that the weather was very severe when the first sail was carried away. As a matter of fact, the weather was hardly stormy, though the velocity of the wind was great enough to snap the ropes sent by the captain from the storeroom. The Astorian did not say that all the lee-yards were in the water but, quite to the contrary, stated that the vessel's yards were in the sea. The inference was plain that the main yard was not there.

It is announced by the prophet of the evening sheet that the seamen could not work in the vessel's hold for an hour, much less for seventy-two, but there is no denying the fact that the vessel was on her beam ends and that the ballast was eventually after more than 72 hours' work, righted and the ship placed on an even keel.

The Astorian made no charges against Captain Stoark. It gave the statement of Kiebe as to why he and his companions deserted the ship. It Captain

PLEA WILL BE VAIN.

Portland Wants Fish Warden's Office to Remain There.

The following is from the Telegram of yesterday:

"General regret is experienced in this city over the alleged determination of Master Fish Warden H. G. Van Dusen to make his headquarters at Astoria. While Astoria is the home of Mr. Van Dusen, and the center of great fishing and canning activity during the open season, the interests of the fishing industry of the Upper Columbia, Willamette, Clackamas and southern coast streams require that Mr. Van Dusen's office be located in Portland, it is argued. Portland, by reason of her transportation facilities, is better situated for the location of the fish warden's office than any other city in the state. For this reason, it is contended, the office should not be removed from Portland.

Even for his own convenience, it is believed that Mr. Van Dusen has fixed it more to his advantage to make his base of operations in Portland, and it is hoped that he will yet reconsider his intention of remaining in Astoria, as indicated by the dispatches from Salem."

Mr. Van Dusen's candidacy was endorsed by local commercial bodies, merchants and representatives of the fishing industry with the understanding that the office was to be in Astoria. As the master warden has himself indicated that such were his intentions the invitation of the Telegram is declined, with thanks.

WILL REMOVE TO IDAHO.

P. H. Waldman, who for a year past has conducted a drygoods store known as the Fair, in the Kinney block, has boxed his stock for shipment and will move to Lewiston, Idaho. Mr. Waldman is an energetic young man who deserves to succeed. His withdrawal from this field may convey a lesson to merchants who undertake to conduct business without a judicious use of orators' ink.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Daniel W. Feeley to M. S. Copeland 160 acres in section 22, T 6 N, R 5 W; \$300.

Alex Hakvist to Geo. W. Ross—lots 7 and 10, block 2, Morrison Park; \$70.

Elmer B. Colwell to Emma M. Colwell—quitclaim to tract of land in Grand Rapids, Oregon; \$100.

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HAVE YOU TRIED A. W. SHIPLEY?

656 Commercial Street.

DO YOU KNOW

That he gives you the best there is to be had in the city for the least money? Place an order once and see.

THE LOUVRE

Strangers visiting the city will find the Louvre an attractive resort where to spend the evening. First-class variety show is always on the bills. New performers every week. Don't fail to see Prof. Hunt's "Dog Paradox and Monkey Show," now on the bills. Palatable lunches will be served at all hours.

NEW BOOKS RECEIVED.

Recent Additions of New Publications to Library.

The following list of books has been added to the library since the last report:

The Pride of Jennico... Edgerton Castle

The Bath Comedy... Agnes & Ed. Castle

Young April... Edgerton Castle

Sky Pilot... Ralph Connor

Philip Winwood... R. N. Stephens

Friend of Caesar's... Wm. Stearns Davis

Stories from Oregon... Eva Emery Dye

McLaughlin and Old Oregon

The Reign of Law... James Lane Allen

Eben Holden... Irving Bacheller

Lally of the Brigade... L. McManus

Friend of Caesar's... Wm. Stearns Davis

Gentleman of France... Stanley Weyman

Richard Yea and Nay... Maurice Hewitt

American Ideals... Theo. Roosevelt

Administration—Civil Service

Wilderness Hunter

Hunting the Grizzly

Hunting Trips of a Ranchman

Hunting Trips on the Prairie

Tough Riders

Winning of the West; part I.

Winning of the West; part II.

Winning of the West; part III.

Winning of the West; part IV.

Winning of the West; part V.

Naval War of 1812; part I.

Naval War of 1812; part II.

Picturesque America; Vol. I.

Picturesque America; Vol. II.

Picturesque America; Vol. III.

Picturesque America; Vol. IV.

Laws of Oregon, 1859

Early Indian Wars of Oregon

Picturesque America; Vol. I.

Picturesque America; Vol. II.

Picturesque America; Vol. III.

Picturesque America; Vol. IV.

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FOR YOUNG MEN'S CLUB

WOMAN'S CLUB DETERMINED TO SUCCEED.

Merchants Will Be Asked to Contribute Small Amount to the Project Each Month.

At a meeting of the Woman's Club yesterday the proposed Boys' Assembly was discussed and the members of the committee appointed to solicit funds made its report. Owing to the fact that three of the six members of the committee were unable to solicit contributions since their appointment no definite plans were adopted and a more complete report will be made at the next meeting.

The members of the club wish corrected an erroneous impression that has gone abroad concerning the object of the proposed club for boys and young men. It will not be a gymnasium primarily as many have been led to believe but the first