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Is almost here. Buying time is now. Every day adds dozens of new stuffs to our already big showing. Here are a few of the latest.

Fancy Grass Linens

28 inches wide with satin and lace stripes, plaids or checks, at.....
18c yd

Linen Madras

32 inches wide, non-shrinkable, fast colors, in stripes, checks or plain, at.....
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Mercedized Foulardines

A new substitute for silk. Beautiful effects in light and dark colorings, at the yard.

Plumets

A cheap silk fabric with heavy raised stripes. Exclusive with us.

Silk Corded Gingham

For evening and party waists.

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, March 28, Western Oregon, occasional showers; Western Washington, generally fair except showers along the coast; Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and Idaho, generally fair weather.

AROUND TOWN.

A. Bryant, of Portland, is in the city.
F. K. Wright, of Detroit, is at the Occident.
Dr. Douglas came up from Fort Stevens last evening.
Norris Staples, the John Days logger, was in town yesterday.
First-class table fruits, three cans for 50c at Johnson Bros.
Best 15-cent meal—Rising Sun Restaurant, 612 Commercial St.
Harness collars and fixtures at Gastone, at 105 Fourteenth street.
Jeff's Restaurant—the largest and best. A trial will convince you.
A. W. Melton, the carpet renovator, has returned to Astoria for business.
Japanese goods of all kinds, cheap at Yokohama Bazaar, 626 Commercial St.
Charles Knowles, of the Imperial Hotel, Portland, was in the city yesterday.
Fancy Riverside Navel Oranges, finest received this season, at Johnson Bros.
Lieutenant Clarke and Brewster, of Fort Stevens, were in the city last evening.
Light-House Engineer Warrick, of Portland, returned from North Head light yesterday.
A fine lot of best Eastern hams and bacon just in; call and see them, at Johnson Bros.
BEST 15-CENT MEAL: RISING SUN RESTAURANT.

The British ship *Albion*, which arrived last Saturday from Chile with about 1000 tons of wheat, is to load wheat for Europe at 1374 60.

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.

The funeral of John Menden, which was held yesterday from Pohl's undertaking place was largely attended. Interment was in Greenwood cemetery.

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

W. J. Forrester, general manager of the Pacific coast sales department of the Ridpath History Club, is in the city in the interest of that standard work.

Martin Denny and Billy Wright will give a sparring match at the Louvre April 13. The preliminary event will be between Tom Tracey and Steve Drummond.

Mrs. Rosina Simmie, of Clifton, died at St. Mary's hospital yesterday from the effects of a paralytic stroke. The remains will be taken to Westport today for burial.

The following made declaration in the county clerk's office yesterday of citizenship, intending to become citizens: Tobias Olsen and Chris Jacobson, all natives of Sweden.

Representative B. L. Eddy, of Tillamook, has written Master Fish Warden Van Dusen asking that a salmon hatchery be established in some stream tributary to Tillamook bay.

Wanted—To rent, by April 1, a furnished or unfurnished house of 4 or 5 rooms and 3 or 4 furnished rooms for housekeeping. South of Exchange St. preferred. Address H. G. S. care of Astorian.

Miss Lena Morrow will lecture at Page's hall, Saturday at 3 p. m. and 8 p. m. Afternoon subject, "Character Development Through Names," evening subject, "The Language of the Stars." Admission 25c.

The W. C. T. U. meeting today will give a talk to the temperance meeting at the Pacific church at 2:30. Col. Holt will give his lecture on "Social Purity From a Man's Standpoint." Everybody urged to attend.

Not much sorrow will be felt when the G. W. Shaver goes off the Astoria Portland run, as he was not built for so long a run with so many stops, in so short a time. The steamer Astorian will go on the route today, to arrive down this afternoon.

Three new claims were filed yesterday on mining claims in Clatsop's Gulch by Mary Denck, Lizzie Voss and Jacob Denck. It is understood that San Francisco capitalists who have seen samples of the ore from the gulch have sent experts to report on the prospects.

It has been learned that the 12-foot beam, 17-inch high Santa Rita is too broad for the bridges on the Northern Pacific railroad, and as soon as her 25-horse-power gasoline engine arrives from San Francisco and is installed on the Santa Rita, she will take her round to the Sound by her own power.

Accountant Brice is taking possession of the new office of the Flavel Estate on Bond street. The building has been remodeled inside and presents a very neat and comfortable appearance. The rooms vacated in the rear of the First National bank are being refitted for use as private offices and store rooms for the bank.

Col. Holt's temperance meeting last night was the most enthusiastic yet held, with the largest audience this week and probably the best lecture. The pledge has been signed by 142 persons during the meetings. The colonel will lecture every evening this week in the Methodist church, and on Sunday evening in the opera house.

Portland business firms give high testimonials of the work of Pernin shorthand writers. A new class is just beginning the study with Mr. C. B. Brown. If you think of ever learning the art, investigate this opportunity now; it is easier to get a position after you have learned, than to learn after you have failed to get a position.

Sheriff Linville sold at public auction yesterday the machinery materials and supplies belonging to Contractor E. T. Johnson, attached under executions from the circuit and justice courts. Enough was realized to settle all the claims except those of H. Whitecomb for \$103.70 and A. Campbell for \$36.05, both being for labor performed.

Some fine specimens of amateur photography, the work of George Nelson, were displayed in the Astorian office yesterday. The pictures showed the steamer Despatch with passengers crowded with passengers bound for the Alaska cannery of the Columbia River Packers Association just as she was leaving the wharf, and the bark Prussia coming in at the same time. The subjects are unusually clear, the Prussia being so distinct that the figure of Pilot Dan McVie is plainly recognizable on the forecastle deck.

The new can factory consolidation went into effect Monday, and the New York Journal of Commerce states that the fact that quotations were withdrawn on cans pending the transfer does not indicate a prospective raise in price. Edwin Norton is slated for president and W. H. and J. H. Moore, the promoters, will be directors. An interesting feature, it is understood, is that all vendors have signed an agreement not to engage in the manufacture of tin cans within 1500 miles of Chicago for the next fifteen years.

Twenty-two Japanese cannery hands came down from Portland yesterday in charge of Contractor Ah Dogg. These men, with eighty-three Chinese, who are to arrive on Saturday morning, will make up a crew of one hundred and five men who will take passage on the bark Prussia, to work in the cannery of the Columbia River Packers Association at Nushagak, Alaska. The Prussia will complete her cargo by Saturday, and only some lumber to go on deck, and the fishboats are now to be loaded. The launch Triton brought ten of the latter down from Clifton yesterday. The Prussia is to sail Saturday afternoon.

HAMMOND EXPECTED.
Arrived in Portland Yesterday With Party.

A. B. Hammond arrived in Portland yesterday morning and may arrive in Astoria today. One of the members of the party is T. B. McGovern who, according to current report, is interested with Mr. Hammond in the Onifroy syndicate, formed to control the Alaska salmon canneries.

GENERAL STRIKE FEARED

MACHINISTS WILL PRESENT THEIR DEMANDS MAY 20.

Increased Wages and Shorter Day's Work Must Be Granted or Men Will Quit.

A general strike of machinists that may involve all union iron workers is expected to be declared May 20 unless demands for increased pay and shorter day's work be granted by employers. Already the fitters-up of the Union Iron Works of San Francisco, the largest establishment in the iron trade on the coast, have walked out and Irving Scott, president of that company, has stated that it was but the beginning of a strike of greater magnitude than has been seen for years.

Although no formal demands have yet been made it is understood among the heads of iron working plants that the machinists are preparing to demand an increase of 15 per cent in wages and the shortening of a day's work from ten to nine hours. Mr. Fox, of the Astoria Iron Works, stated to an Astorian reporter that he had been informally told that such demands had been sent out by the unions. The machinists have already been served on the San Francisco company and President Scott has declared that he will close down the shops, which employ between 120 and 200 men rather than meet the demands. Unless a sympathetic strike is ordered the local machinists will probably not go out, as the owners of iron working plants here will pay the difference asked and get it back by increasing the schedule for work performed. In the case of larger plants, where the volume of a year's work will aggregate millions of dollars, the situation is more serious. Mr. Scott states that his concern is running on a five per cent basis of profits and that ten per cent loss to employees would result in bankruptcy. The strike, however, will not interfere with the launching of the battleship Ohio, which is scheduled to be placed in the water May 15. It may, however, seriously interfere with the plans of Moran Brothers of Seattle, who have taken a contract to build a battleship, and have spent much money enlarging their plant.

RAILROAD RUMOR.
Reported That N. P. Wants S. P. Portland-Prisco Line.

It is currently reported in Tacoma, and the rumor is credited in railroad circles that the Northern Pacific is negotiating for the purchase of the Southern Pacific from Portland to San Francisco. It is said that the purchase of that portion within the state of Oregon is assured. It is known that a representative of the Northern Pacific has been over the entire line and much depends upon the report he will make to the board of directors. Negotiations have been hanging fire for more than a year, the rumor says, but the matter has been kept quiet.

Of interest to railroad men is the shipment of 100,000 pounds of California oranges by boat to Seattle and from there to St. Paul over the Great Northern. Heretofore the entire California crop has been handled by the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe. The new plan is an experiment and if the fruit reaches St. Paul in good condition better shipments will probably follow. It is believed that the time between California and Chicago can be reduced five or six days by the new route.

BOOKS THAT ARE READ.
That Washington Irving's old book "Astoria" should be a good seller in this day and in regular demand may seem a little strange to some, but it is true," said Mr. Reed, of Griffin & Reed, the book dealers, in answer to a query as to the books having the latest sale. "The Bridge of the Gods," another book of high local interest and full of romance is also much read, while "McLaughlin and Old Oregon," a thrilling story-history of early Pacific coast times and people, by Eva Emery Dye, is fast becoming a standard volume.

"As to popular romances, 'Alice in Old Vincennes,' a charming story of frontier life among the old French settlements on the Wabash by Maurice Thompson, probably takes the lead, followed by F. Marion Crawford's 'In the Palace of the King,' a daring and picturesque love story of old Madrid. Other novels having a large sale are 'Life and Death of Richard Ysa and Noy,' James Meredith, 'Billy Baxter's Letters,' 'Tommy and Grisel,' and 'Bob, Son of Battie.'"

TO BUY GOODS IN BULK.
It is reported that an organization is being formed among certain of the fishermen of the city for the purpose of co-operating in the purchase of the supplies of all kinds for the coming fishing season. The intention seems to be to ascertain the wants of the members of the association and to invite proposals from merchants for furnishing the entire lot. The plan has a thrifty appearance on the surface, but if, as stated, it is the intention to go outside of the city for prices, there may be some doubt as to its wisdom, although it is highly probable that the merchants would come out victorious in such a competition, everything considered.

Home dealers, who are always ready to help a worthy patron when in need, have claims on the patronage of loyal citizens which may well be considered.

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ARISTOCRATS OF THE DEEP.
Those large, white, fat Norway bloater mackerels are truly "aristocrats of the deep."

If one is too large for your family we can supply you with smaller kinds. Come in and see them. There are on our delicatessen counters where we have every thing that is dainty.

ROSS, HIGGINS & CO.
NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Strait of Juan de Fuca, Washington—Notice is hereby given that the Sand Spit, New Lungueuse Buoy, No. 2, a red, first-class buoy, is reported March 23, 1901, as having gone adrift from its position. The buoy is a screw pile, which extends about one mile from the light-house. It will be replaced on its station as early as practicable.

This notice affects the List of Beacons and Buoys. By order of the light-house board.
W. P. DAY,
Commander, U. S. N., Light-House Inspector.

HAD THE FISH WITH HIM.
John Demeyne, of Eagle Cliff, was brought to Astoria last evening by Water Bailiff Kleckman, on the Shaver. Mr. Demeyne was found with four salmon in his possession. As he was not taken in the act of fishing he was released on the charge of having fish in his possession contrary to law, to which he pleaded guilty. He was released by Justice Brown, and his own recognizance, the case being taken under advisement.

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PART AND PARCEL.

DAINTY box, an exquisite wrapper, a delicate color, and a clinging fragrance—yet all these will not cleanse the skin! Has it ever occurred to you that you pay big prices for these things? Do you care to buy five articles or do you require only one—a strictly pure soap. Remember you pay for perfume whenever you buy it mixed with soap. Don't you think it is wiser to make your own selection of perfume and buy it separately? It is certainly the method adopted by most persons of cultivated taste, those who bathe with pure Ivory Soap.

IVORY SOAP—99 44 PER CENT PURE.

A MOUNTAIN OF FACT

GREATEST LITERARY PRODUCTION OF THE CENTURY.

Ridpath's Famous History of the World Offered at Club Rates, at Half Price.

The educated people of Astoria through the enterprise of the sales department of Ridpath's famous works, will be afforded the exceptional opportunity of securing a set of his famous history of the world, a literary production that has received only the most generous recognition of critics everywhere, at just half the usual selling price of these books. This work gives in a practical compass a terse, graphic, accurate, complete and interesting history of the whole world. Every person who aspires to any reasonable degree of qualification based on the accurate knowledge of affairs he may strive to attain can easily recall many occasions in the past when he has found it necessary to go direct to some library or to some leading book store to consult a work of the scope of Ridpath's history.

It was with the view of giving a direct response to this urgent demand that Ridpath wrote what has since proved to be his famous history of the world. Previous to that time there was no work in existence that made any attempt of meeting this demand. It tells the full and complete story of a man's experience in this world of ours as far back as the records go, and it tells that story better—more interesting, more vivid, more complete, more up-to-date than ever told before. It begins with man a savage without fire, without clothing other than the hides of beasts, and with no shelter but caves and overhanging rocks. It follows him step by step upon the long highway of time. And it leaves him harnessing the powers of earth and air to be his servants, and whispering messages across continents and under oceans. Every great event in the histories of all the nations down to the present day is fully told about. It is the only history of the world used and recognized as an unquestioned authority by such men as President McKinley, ex-President Harrison, Senator Foraker, President Warren, of Boston University; President Seelye, of Amherst; Bishop Vincent, General Lew Wallace, Rabbi Hirsch, Theodore L. Cuyler, Seth Low, and many others.

The history comprises nine massive royal octavo volumes, the equivalent of 50 ordinary books. The type is a large, clear, open face, which doesn't tire the eye in reading. The books are elegantly bound in half-Russia leather. They are profusely illustrated with thousands of engravings, colored time charts, colored charts, genealogical diagrams, etchings on tinted blocks, etc., a picture to every page or two.

The work also contains a wonderfully complete index, which enables the reader to "look up" any historical personage or event in a moment. It is by far the best general historical reference library in existence.

A letter addressed to W. J. Forrester, City, will elicit all the special information regarding the books and distribution of Ridpath's history in the local field that the Astoria people may desire. Forrester in charge of the local club will be very glad to furnish free sample pages of the work in response to all applications he may receive at any time during the coming week.

REPUBLICAN CHANGES HANDS.
Well-Known Baker City Paper Has a New Editor.

The Baker City Republican has been sold by Col. B. F. Alley to Edward Everett Young, who is also owner and editor of the Sumpter American. In his salutatory Mr. Young states that the policy of the paper will be Republican and will support the present administration and the gold standard. A complete telegraphic news service will shortly be established and the paper will be a new, up-to-date publication. Mr. Young has made many friends on the coast and is regarded as an authority on mining affairs in Eastern Oregon.

NEW RULE FOR PUPILS.
The school board has adopted the following rule:

"Where a non-resident is also a taxpayer in the district and pays a tax under the special levy of the district, he shall, upon producing to the clerk of the district a certificate made by the county clerk, under seal of the county court, stating the total amount of tax

paid on account of the special tax levy of school district No. 1 by such non-resident for the year covered by the latest and last levy of the district, be allowed a credit for such amount upon the regular tuition fee of the district, in either the primary or high school grade, provided, however, that in no event shall such credit so allowed exceed the difference between such tuition fee and an amount equal to the amount received from the state and county apportionment combined, for one child, for and according to the local apportionment made; the intention being that non-residents shall pay first in cash to the clerk of the district for such pupil that they may send to the schools of this district an amount equal to the state and county apportionment combined, for each child before any credit shall be allowed for a special tax as above."

STRAY STORIES FROM CLIPPINGS.

A dispatch from Grand Forks, N. D., says that the engineering force of the Northern Pacific is surveying a route from Winnipeg to Bemidji, to shorten the distance from Duluth to Winnipeg some 200 miles. It is generally believed that the Northern Pacific will not build through to Winnipeg, but will construct the McKenney-Mann road as some point near the boundary.

The state convention of the Christian Endeavor society will be held at Salem May 15 to 19, inclusive. At a recent meeting of the Salem branch the following committees were appointed: Entertainment, Calista N. Linton; reception, Mrs. A. H. Dodd; music, Frances Cole; registration, W. F. Ketchum; finance, Theodore Roth; decoration, Nina McNary; press, E. T. Prescott; pupil supply, Dr. H. A. Ketchum.

Field Agent J. Alden Loring, of the New York Zoological Society, is en route to Alaska in search of rare fauna in the vicinity of Cook Inlet. The white sheep and goats of southern Alaska will be pursued and the huge Kodiak bear, the largest carnivorous animal known, will also be sought for. The society has extensive gardens in New York City and is constantly sending out expeditions for rare specimens.

A pitiable tale comes from Walla Walla, Washington, concerning a deformed woman, Mrs. Mary Calloway, who was recently found half frozen and starving at a small village on the route of the O. R. & N. The woman has been suffering from spinal trouble and was unable to speak or act rationally. Inquiry developed a story of married unhappiness and the inhumanity of the woman's husband who compelled her to herd sheep and in reward beat her and choked her cruelly. The girl's mother testified to the sufferings imposed upon the unfortunate at the hands of her husband. After an examination, Mrs. Calloway was committed to an asylum for the insane.

CALL FOR WARRANTS.
Notice is hereby given to all parties holding Clatsop county warrants endorsed prior to February 1st, 1899, to present the same to the County Treasurer at his office, 147 Third street, for payment; interest ceases after this date.

H. C. THOMPSON,
County Treasurer.
Dated, Astoria, Oregon, March 21, 1901.

C. W. BARR—DENTIST
Successor to Dr. Ball.
573 Commercial St., ASTORIA, OR.
TELEPHONE, RED 2061.

WHERE DO YOU BUY YOUR GROCERIES?
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.

Dr. Rhoda C. Hicks,
OSTEOPATHIST
Consultation Free.
573 Commercial St., Astoria, Or.

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An unusual opportunity to buy fine TROUSERS far below value. There is no reason for the BIG REDUCTION in price except our desire to close out every pair of Winter pants before the arrival of our Spring stock. The patterns are the newest and best, the quality superior, the fit is right. We have divided the entire stock into four lots as follows:—

The Coacher

Is necessarily a man of judgment and discretion. One way he has of showing that fact is in wearing the

"R & W" TROUSERS

Every pair sewn with silk. Guaranteed not to rip. Carefully finished in every detail. Above all, they fit perfectly and have an air of individuality and style not equaled by any but the highest grade custom-made garments.

Trade Mark

MEN'S TROUSERS

Fancy Worsted and Cheviots, sold for \$2.50 to \$3, now cut to

\$1.95

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Suitable for dress wear, Fancy Worsted and Cheviots, sold at \$3.50 to \$4, now cut to

\$2.75

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For dress wear, neat stripes, made of Fancy Worsted, Cassimere, sold at \$4.50 to \$5, now cut to

\$3.40

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Equal to Tailor-made, all neat patterns in Fancy Worsted and Cheviot, sold at \$5.50 to \$6, cut to

\$4.35

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