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THE MORNING ASTORIAN

TELEPHONE 661.

THE WEATHER.

PORTLAND, Dec. 23.—Cloudy with showers.

Ten cents per box—Christmas candles at Johnson Bros.

Boys' tool chests, suitable for Christmas gifts, at Fisher Bros.

Sweet cream 15 cents a pint. No charge for whipping. Tagg's candy store.

Buy your suit or overcoat from Danziger & Co. and get an elegant suit case free of charge.

Clean, newly furnished rooms by the week or month, at moderate prices, over Peterson & Brown's shoe store.

"High Art" insured clothing for gentlemen at Herman Wise's big store.

For Rent—Three furnished rooms for housekeeping, on ground floor. Enquire at Scully's hardware store, 421 Bond street.

Proposals for the construction of a drain on Eleventh street will be opened today by the council committee on streets.

Tuxedo suits for evening wear, "High Art" brand, at Herman Wise's.

I have a line of imported novelties for Christmas entirely new, never in the market before, at prices to suit every one. Rogers, druggist.

Coal to burn. The famous Wyoming coal for domestic use, \$8 per ton. Good lump stove coal at \$6 per ton. Phone 661. Elmore & Co.

For a limited time we will sell Christmas boxes containing 1 bar Kirk's toilet soap and 1 bottle Kirk's perfume, at 20c per box. Considering the quality of these goods the price is very low. Johnson Bros.

John Fred Fritson, a native of Finland, was granted first citizenship papers in the office of the county clerk yesterday.

"High Art" insured clothing is not high priced, considering it's better than most made to order clothes. See Herman Wise.

Christmas candles 10c per box. Johnson Bros.

The Surcouf French bark, left up the river to load grain.

The French bark Cornet bart arrived down the river yesterday grain laden for Europe.

The French bark Francois Coppee left up for Portland yesterday to load grain for Europe.

Full dress suits, "High Art" make. See Herman Wise, the Reliable Clothier.

The German bark Alsterthal arrived down from Portland yesterday. She has grain for Europe.

The O. R. & N. steamer Elder arrived in Sunday from San Francisco with freight and passengers.

The steaming steamer Despatch arrived in port yesterday from San Francisco and later left up the river for Portland.

The three masted schooner F. S. Redfield, which arrived in port Sunday, left up the river yesterday to take on a cargo of lumber.

On Monday next, at the courthouse, Sheriff Ljoville will offer for sale the property on which taxes for the year 1901 are delinquent.

Step in at Danziger & Co.'s and examine the elegant suit cases he is giving away with each purchase of men's and youth's suits and overcoats.

Lost—Châtelaine bag, containing papers of value only to owner, and small sum of money. A reward of \$10 will be paid for return of same to this office.

The remains of the late Clement A. Pradbury were laid to rest in the old Clatsop cemetery yesterday. The funeral was held at the M. E. church in Seaside.

I have the largest line of perfumes ever brought here, for Christmas, and a lot of fancy purses for ladies; prices reduced to one-half. Rogers, druggist.

When in doubt, buy "High Art" insured clothing at Herman Wise's, and you'll be safe.

Intending purchasers of Christmas tree ornaments will do well to see our stock, as we have probably the best line ever brought to the city. Tagg's candy store.

By an agreement between the clerks' union and the merchants, all stores will remain open as long as their proprietors wish this evening and on Wednesday evening.

A crew was shipped yesterday on the barkentine Echo, which has just finished her cargo of lumber at the Knappton mills. She is bound for Algoa bay, South Africa.

The A. & C. R. R. has been awarded \$750 in its suit against Daniel Kern, for damage done to the railroad trestle last winter by one of the defendant's scows. The company sued for \$1900.

For framed and unframed pictures, picture frames, burnt leather outfits and materials, art novelties, picture glass and picture framing, go to Frank Woodfield's are shop on Bond street.

There are other good makes, but "High Art" insured clothing is the "very best." Herman Wise is the Astoria agent for "High Art" clothes.

A steamer is reported outside. Its identity is not known, but it is presumed that the vessel is the Ellerie, an English tramp chartered by the government to transport supplies from Portland to the Philippines.

The Wheeler Lumber Co.'s mill at Nehalem is closed down for the winter, and until extensive repairs have been made. A cargo of lumber now on hand is waiting shipment to San Francisco on the schooner Lizzie Prene.

Chafing dishes, five o'clock teas, carvers, china plates, cups and saucers, lamps, pipes, cigars, silver plated knives, forks and spoons, fancy oranges, fruits and vegetables. Ross, Higgins & Co.

The petition of Martin Foard for reduction of a street assessment for the improvement of Bond street between Forty-second and Forty-fifth was decided by the council last night, and the full amount of the assessment will be required of him.

At the request of many the opera "Little Duke" will be repeated this evening and a price of 50 cents will be charged to all parts of the house. No reservations will be made. Come early and secure your seats.

Yesterday was a banner day in local trade circles. Every store in town, and particularly such as made a specialty of holiday offerings, was crowded with eager shoppers. From the crowds thronging the streets it might have been supposed that a regatta or a Fourth of July celebration was in

progress. It was very evident that there is plenty of cash in Astoria, and that it is being circulated.

J. V. Marien and wife, of Point Roberts, arrived in the city yesterday to spend the holidays.

Captain J. N. Jones of the scow Belle and Miss Nora Faulkner were married on Sunday last in Portland, where they will reside.

Dan M. Goulter, for several years past a popular employe of the O. R. & N. Co. in this city, expects soon to resign his position and take a trip to Alaska.

The meeting of the Push club to have been held last evening has been postponed until a more convenient season. The "Little Duke," a counter attraction prevented the holding of the season as scheduled.

The Christmas number of the Chitook Observer is out. The edition is a handsome one and speaks volumes for the enterprise of the people of the bustling little city across the bay, as well as for the good management of the publishers, Messrs. Hibbert and Payne.

George Tilden, a marine diver of Portland, arrived in the city last night to investigate the condition of the anchor of a ship in the lower harbor. The anchor can not for some unknown reason be raised. The vessel is loaded and the captain is anxious to put to sea.

At an extra session of the circuit court which was convened at 7 o'clock last evening, a decree of divorce was granted the plaintiff in the case of J. P. Merrifield vs. Alice B. Merrifield. The plea was desertion. Merrifield is a resident of Seaside and follows the vocation of blacksmithing. The couple have no children.

Captain Jordan of the steamer Jordan went over to Deep river yesterday morning to tow a cedar raft around in to the mouth of the river from the bay. The raft contains 300,000 feet of cedar and is valued at \$2700. Its position endangered it to loss. The raft is for the Day Lumber company of Portland and will shortly be towed up the river.

The cloth, the linings, the padding, the tailoring, the fit, the wear, it's all superb in the "High Art" clothes for gentlemen. Do not buy inferior makes; only Herman Wise sells "High Art" insured clothing in Astoria.

A good sized crowd attended the football game played between the Astorian and the Adair school teams, Sunday afternoon. The game which was hotly contested from start to finish resulted in a score of 5 to 0 in favor of the Astorians. The teams were evenly matched both as to weight and ability. Edwin Sinnott as umpire and Alvin Campbell as referee did efficient work.

Mrs. Carrie Krager died at her home in Portland on last Sunday evening from blood poisoning resulting from the Caesarian operation performed 11 days previously. For a number of years Mrs. Krager was a very popular teacher in the Astoria schools, and had here a large circle of friends. She is survived by her infant daughter, her husband, A. F. Krager, and her mother, Mrs. John Abercrombie, who were with her during her illness, and several brothers and sisters. The deceased was 41 years of age and a native of Wisconsin. By her own request her grave will be beside that of her father in Clatsop cemetery.

Rev. Francis E. Clark, the founder of the Christian Endeavor movement, is sending circulars to the state officers asking them to take part in a great forward movement for 1903. An effort is to be made to increase the number of societies in the state by 10 percent, and to add 10 percent to the roll of each society. The state making the required increase will be presented with a banner at the international convention in Denver, and the successful societies will be placed on the roll of

honor. The plan, as announced, is to make the last week of January "increase week," when the stoniest effort is to be made. The first Sunday in February, "Endeavor's birthday," will be "decision day," a day for adding new members. Members of the society hope to arrange matters so that Oregon will be one of the banner winners.

The recently enacted land law for Alaska is meeting with much favor among homeseekers, and a considerable rush to the southern portion of that country, in the vicinity of Admiralty and Prince of Wales islands, where the best land and timber are situated, will probably result. Under the new law, a citizen can homestead 320 acres of land without waiting for the government survey, the tardiness of which has heretofore prevented the land being taken. The yellow cedar timber growing there is described as being a very valuable article for future markets, and the field is regarded as a first-class chance for speculation.

The three act comic opera "Little Duke," was presented last night to a packed house. The performance, every part of which was acted by a local amateur, was remarkably well rendered and was well merited applause throughout. The leads were ably sustained and the choruses gave efficient support. Mrs. J. T. Ross as "Fabrice," the little duke, achieved over again the success that is always hers. Her voice and stature were perfectly adapted for the character she portrayed and her acting was up to the standard and fitted well with her other admirable qualities. The duchess, "Blanche de Cambray," as done by Miss Sadie Sutherland, was highly appreciated by the audience, the love scenes with Fabrice, her solo work and the various situations of which she was principal being effective indeed. A feature of the evening was the ladies' quartette, Misses Bess Reed, May Utzinger, Amy Lemon and Margaret Busey. In their Spanish dance, both as to movement and vocalization, those young ladies were particularly well liked. While everything and everybody were certainly good, Mr. Frank Carnahan, he it said in all truthfulness, was considerably better than anything or anybody. "Frank Carnahan was swell," is doubtless what everyone who attended the opera last evening, is still saying. His voice, a high baritone, leaves nothing to be desired and he acted, apparently, with as much ease as if he had been doing light opera for the last hundred years and never expected to do anything else. Without any exaggeration, no vocalist, either local or otherwise, who has ever appeared before an Astoria audience had more nice things said about him than did Mr. Carnahan for his really remarkable rendering of "Frimousse." He sang Piniotti's famous "Bedouin Love Song" in the last act and then everybody went wild. It was a fitting climax to a perfect triumph. The opera will be repeated this evening. The admission has been reduced to 50 cents to any where in the house. No reserved seats.

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