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### THE TIDES

December, 1903.				December, 1903.							
High Water.		A. M.		P. M.		Low Water.					
Date.	h.m.	ft.	h.m.	ft.	Date.	h.m.	ft.				
SUNDAY	6	2:04	7.5	1:29	8.9	SUNDAY	6	7:40	2.8	8:19	-1.0
Monday	7	2:47	7.6	2:15	8.7	Monday	7	8:32	2.8	9:05	-0.8
Tuesday	8	3:34	7.6	3:05	8.3	Tuesday	8	9:27	2.8	9:51	-0.3
Wednesday	9	4:23	7.6	4:01	7.7	Wednesday	9	10:25	2.8	10:43	0.2
Thursday	10	5:17	7.6	5:09	7.1	Thursday	10	11:25	2.7	11:37	0.9
Friday	11	6:12	7.8	6:32	6.5	Friday	11	12:25	2.7	12:35	2.4
Saturday	12	7:10	7.9	7:45	6.3	Saturday	12	0:38	1.5	1:48	2.1

## Presents Worth Buying

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| Smoking Jackets    | Neckwear     |
| Suit Cases         | Mufflers     |
| Silk Handkerchiefs | Hosiery      |
| Underwear          | Gloves       |
| Pajamas            | Dress Shirts |
| Suspenders         | Hats         |

### LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S

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The factory number of the old linotype machine in this office is 578; of the new machine just installed, 7690.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U. were entertained yesterday afternoon at the contest social by the losing side in a highly satisfactory manner. Progressive tops was played the first prize being won by Mrs. J. A. Rannels.

One of the most attractive displays on Commercial street is that of Wherity, Ralston & Co., shoe dealers. The windows are decorated with small pieces of holly, and a few styles of shoes, slippers, etc., are shown in the windows. There was no overcrowding, the common mistake of window dressers, and the effect is decidedly attractive. The work was done by Mr. George W. Ralston, junior member of the firm.

Walter Falconer, late candidate for councilman at Seaside, was in the city today. Mr. Falconer lacked three votes of being elected to the position that he has creditably filled for the past two terms. His defeat was occasioned by the fatal "third" ticket upon which his name was introduced at the last hour. This circumstance proved unpopular to Mr. Falconer, in spite of his lack of responsibility in the matter, so his usual large majority was turned down.

A number of friends were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilkenson last night the occasion being in honor of Mr. Wilkenson's birthday. Euchre was played and refreshments were served. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Patton, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Prael, Mrs. C. S. Brown, Miss Young, Miss Utzinger, Miss May Utzinger, Miss Edith Habersham, Miss Stockton, Miss Gertrude Stockton, and Messrs. Henderson, Callan, Stockton, Cooper, Greenough.

The great McEwen will put on new manifestations at Fishers' opera house this evening. His hypnotic class will be the largest of the week and those fortunate enough to be present will be regaled with some of the funniest scenes in the professional repertoire. The miserable weather combined with the unfortunate accident at the electric power house where the lights had to be shut down was the means of keeping a number of people from attending, but the lights will be on as usual tonight.

There is a confusion of ideas among educators and students alike in the city regarding the time of the opening and closing of schools during the holiday season. For the benefit of those who are in doubt in the matter, Chairman Eakin of the board of directors stated yesterday that the schools will be closed on the Wednesday before Christmas, December 23, and will reopen for business on the Monday following New Year's day, January 4. The vacation will lack three days of being two weeks.

The Seaside Lumber Company will not operate until after New Years. The shut down is occasioned by the raise of lumber rates between Portland and San Francisco, a raise that could not be met from the coast to Portland. When the conditions became apparent the company at once closed down the works and threw out big San Francisco orders. Effort was made to transport lumber by water to the Bay City, the plan being to ship the cargoes from Elavel, but the idea was abandoned when the railroad people came to the millmen's relief. By acting promptly the company has retaken the orders thrown out, and they will be handled by rail the first part of the year.

Keith Lackey, for some time past assistant accountant in the office of Fisher Bros., has resigned and will go into business on his own account. He will engage in the brokerage, insurance and general commission business, in which line he sees a good opening in this field, and his friends and acquaintances are confident that he will make a success of the venture. Mr. Lackey is thoroughly conversant with the details of the business in which he is to embark, and this knowledge, together with a happy faculty of making friends and retaining them, will doubtless bring a large measure of success.

R. A. Seaborg announces that the Seaborg Packing Company will operate a new cannery next season the construction of which will be begun next February. The plant is to be the most modern on the river and white help will be employed wherever possible. The company has been securing a number of trap locations on the river near

Bay View and has also a large number of gillnetters to deliver fish to than was had last year. The notable feature about the proposed cannery is to be the employment of white help, a circumstance that is meeting with favor among those who have given the matter consideration.

Boyle and Reilly, the team of specialists now appearing at the Louvre, are by long odds the best that ever came to this city, and good judges pronounce them the equal of any others in America. They are drawing large audiences, and every one is kept laughing from the time of their appearance on the stage until they finally retire. A noteworthy feature of Boyle and Reilly's work is the total absence of anything that might be construed as even approaching vulgarity, and if proprietor Wirkkala shall always exercise as good judgment in engaging talent for the stage in his popular place of amusement, it will assuredly prove a paying investment.

Plans for the proposed new Elk building, to be erected probably at Seventh and Stark streets, Portland, were submitted last night and will in turn be submitted at a meeting of Portland lodge No. 142, B. P. O. E. Several plans have been drawn up for a four-story building at the location named, where the order has owned a plot of ground for three years. Whether to build one or two stories of stone and the remaining stories of brick and whether to have the second and third floors offices, or offices on the second floor only, with lodge and club rooms occupying the two upper floors, are the points to be considered and discussed. The first floor will be a store room. It is estimated that the building, fitted out complete, will cost about \$75,000.

The oriental liner Indrapura, in command of Captain Hollingsworth, arrived from China and Japan last night. She brought five white passengers, 26 Japanese and one Chinese. The trip was a comparatively pleasant one. Captain Hollingsworth's wife and child are aboard the vessel and will accompany him to Europe on his vacation, which commences with his arrival here. The other passengers aboard are Captain Horn, wife and child, Captain Horn relieves Captain Hollingsworth while the latter is abroad. The Indrapura has a full cargo of oriental stuffs, and her passengers brought over an interesting collection of far eastern curiosities. Some of the Jap passengers brought over a large number of gold fish and several Astorians bought fish from the Japs this morning. They retailed for 50 cents a dozen. There is a large monkey on the vessel, and generally she is well provided with curios.

Charter rates are steadily increasing, and before the season is ended the indications are that they will be back to a pretty respectable figure. Wednesday the British bark East African turned down an offer of 20s 6d to carry a grain cargo to the United Kingdom. The day before the owners of the Glenesslin refused an offer of 20s for the same kind of business. Good offers are being declined almost every day, and it is believed that all the spot ships will be engaged before many days elapse. The only vessels in the river not chartered are the Glenesslin, East African and Red Rock. Those engaged are the Christel, preparing to load, and the Europa which will complete her grain cargo this week. From the appearance of things Portland will soon be short of available tonnage. Two more vessels are about due there, however, from San Francisco. They are the British ships Andorinha and the Anacolis. One reason for the improvement of the rates is believed to be partly attributable to the fact that many of the big windjammers are leaving San Francisco in ballast. The owners were dissatisfied with the freight situation and sent them to other quarters of the globe in search of better business inducements.

### PERSONAL MENTION.

Charles Brown returned today noon from a Portland visit.

Captain John Reid, who has been in Portland, returned home today.

Miss Townsend and Miss Leona Townsend of Warrenton were doing Christmas shopping in the city today.

F. Lester and family were in the city today from Warrenton.

Miss Eva Parker was over from the west side today.

Rich Eberman formerly of Seaside, but now traveling insurance man, is in the city from Portland.

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