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Local Brevities.

Dolph, the 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Hardesty, is ill with measles. The home is under quarantine.

County Clerk Clinton yesterday granted a marriage license to Anton Pleinich and Mari Tarabochia, both of Clatsop county.

Spire is a new face powder, and is the best. Use that and nothing else. Sold only at the Owl and Eagle drug stores. 25 cents a box.

Mrs. George Hill returned yesterday from Vancouver, Wash., where she had gone to place her daughter, Maud, in Providence academy, of that city.

Seventy-two persons have thus far registered for the coming county election. Of this number all but a few have registered in the city precincts.

The Clatsop Mill Company's box factory is being operated day and night, because of the rush of orders from California. The demand is unusually brisk for this season of the year.

The Hume mill presents a brilliant appearance at night, electric arc lights having been placed in the big yards. Contractor Hardesty has a force of 10 men at work there, but it will be two weeks before the electric light plant is fully completed.

Master Clifton Bragdon, who played at the Unique theater last week has lost a pet fox terrier known as "Beauty," and will pay a reward for its return to the Central hotel. It has one black and one white ear, and wore a leather collar with steel trimmings.

Raymond and Clark, the team of sketch artists appearing this week at the Louvre, have a wide reputation for doing good work. The men came here with the intention of going to work for the Columbia but owing to differences with the management cancelled

the engagement. The team made a decided hit last night, and will doubtless draw large crowds at their every appearance.

Chairman A. Howard, of the Portland Commercial Club bowling committee, has assented to January 30 as the date for the contest between the two Commercial teams for the Fetschenhelm trophy. The personnel of the Astoria team has not yet been decided upon.

The measles epidemic is about over and it is believed there will be few cases within the next 30 days. The total number of patients now is only about 25, and all of these are on the road to recovery. There are seven scarlet fever cases in the city, and of these four will be declared well before the end of the week.

Mr. C. W. Stoss and Mr. J. E. Anderson, representing W. P. Kraner & Co., merchant tailors of Portland, are at the Occident and will remain in the city for a few days, probably until Monday. They will make a panvas of the city and afford Astorians an opportunity of selecting spring and summer suitings, overcoats and trousers from one of the most complete lines ever brought to Astoria.

Kalama advices received last evening by The Astorian tell of a sad accident which occurred there on Tuesday. The 2-year-old child of Charles Jones, while playing about the home, secured a bottle of carbolic acid, and, childlike, sampled its contents. The little one's face was badly burned and for 24 hours or more it was in great agony, but its life will doubtless be saved, as it swallowed only a small amount of the poison.

The business of the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad has, according to the statement of a gentleman well posted as to the company's affairs, increased fully 100 per cent within the past year. This increase applies to freight traffic as well as the passenger business, and denotes the wonderful prosperity of the community. The road is said to now be on a paying basis and netting handsome profits to the men who put their money into it.

There will be a special service of the holy communion at Grace church this morning, St. Agnes day, at 10 o'clock, for the members of the St. Agnes Guild as well as other members of the parish. Also a special evening service with an address to the guild by the Rev. J. E. H. Simpson, of St. Mark's church, Portland. The regular quarterly meeting of the parish branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the board of missions will be held in the church at 2:30 in the afternoon.

Probate Judge Trenchard yesterday made an order fixing March 1 as the date for hearing the final account of the administratrix of the estate of Martin Empe, deceased, and apportioning \$689.87 for use of the administratrix and the minor children. The court ordered sale of the personal property of the estate of Andrew Johnson, deceased. February 1 was set as the time for hearing the petition of the administrator to sell real property of the estate of Peter Brown, deceased.

Captain Porter, of the British ship Red Rock, in a letter to the Portland Journal, explains that seamen desert from foreign ships because they are offered better wages ashore. Some of them seek refuge at the boarding-houses, but deserters always leave some money behind, which goes to the owner and helps to make up the greater cost of procuring seamen. Captain Porter seems to entertain the opinion that the matter is one which cannot well be remedied.

Members of the council say they have not given up the idea of erecting a new city hall, and all express confidence that an offer of \$15,000 will be made for the present site. Tenders have been invited, but intending investors will waste time by offering anything less than \$15,000, according to statements made by councilmen. It is hoped by the council that the present site will be disposed of ere long, for, if no offer of \$15,000 is made within six months, it will be necessary to remove the city hall now in use.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Swops returned on the Oregon yesterday from a month's visit at San Francisco and Oakland. They met several former Astorians in California. B. D. Johnson, formerly manager of the Western Union here, is now in the general office of the company at San Francisco, and expects soon to be elevated to a very important position. H. H. Baker, the artist, is located at Oakland, where he has a studio. Charles Ring, formerly with Eckstrom, the jeweler, is connected with an Oakland engraving establishment, while Herman Bellmer is

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working with the American Can Company at San Francisco. Otis Patterson, for a time editor of The Astorian, is with A. Schilling & Co., San Francisco tea dealers. Mr. and Mrs. Swops complain of California dust during their visit, and, while their trip was unusually enjoyable, they are glad to be home again.

Five milk cows were killed by the Astoria train that left this city yesterday morning. The accident occurred a short distance beyond Seapooose, as the train was rounding a curve. The cows were crossing the track, and the engineer could not see them in time to reduce the speed of the train, which plowed into the herd (?) of cows. Five of the animals were killed outright, but the others escaped. The accident was a decided shock to the members of the train crew, who were fearful that the express might be ditched. Fortunately however, the train stayed on the track.

Mrs. James Finlayson, wife of the well-known real estate dealer died yesterday morning at Fruitville, Cal., where she had gone for the benefit of her health. Recently Mrs. Finlayson suffered a paralytic stroke, and was taken south in the hope that a change of climate might benefit her. However, she gradually sank and the end came yesterday. Deceased was a native of Scotland, but had lived in Astoria for many years. Mr. Finlayson and several children survive her. The body will be brought to Astoria for interment, and the funeral arrangements will be announced later.

The county court met in adjourned session yesterday and in the afternoon adjourned for the term. All the road district special levies not heretofore acted upon were approved. The bond of Sheriff Linville as tax collector was fixed at \$15,000, while the bond of Road Supervisor Blount, of Astoria district, was fixed at \$1000. The court was requested to reconsider its action in denying the petition for a road across the Klaskanle river. Bids were opened during the day for printing 7000 tax receipts, one tax register and one treasurer's receipt book. The bids were as follows: News, receipts, \$5 per 100; register, \$18; receipt book, \$7.50. Dudgett, receipts, \$10 per 1000; register, \$15; receipt book, \$5. Astorian, receipts, \$14 per 1000; receipt book, \$9. The contract was awarded to the News. An order was entered instructing the treasurer to turn over to the city \$431.38, the amount of the Astoria road district funds now on hand.

Fulton Bros., attorneys for the Columbia River Packers' Association, have filed a motion in the circuit court asking that the plaintiff in the suit of Charlotte Grimberg vs. the association, instituted to recover damages for the death of Emanuel Grimberg, be instructed to make the complaint more certain and definite. The motion is an effort to require the attorneys for the plaintiff to set forth the allegation of the association's responsibility for any defect there might have been in the rigging of the ship St. Nicholas, from the mizzen mast of which Grimberg fell to his death. The vessel was and is owned by George W. Hume & Co., but at the time of the accident was under charter to the defendant corporation. The question as to the responsibility of the charter or the owners was brought up at the former trial of the case. The motion just filed will be argued before Judge McBride when he comes to Astoria to hold an adjourned term of court. He is expected shortly.

Theaters, like other things and other people, have their ups and downs. It was Columbia's turn last night. It appears that about 50 tickets had been sold for last night's performance, when it was announced that there would be no show, and the money taken in at the box office was straightway returned. Then the lights were put out. There will be dark house at the Columbia for an indefinite period. It was learned upon inquiry, that the trouble is caused by the fact that certain of the actors refused to go on the stage until certain demands were satisfied. These Manager Rosenberg seemed loth to grant. Therefore, dark house. Raymond and Clark, the stars of the company, being sketch artists of considerable repute, were at once engaged by Manager Wirkkala for the Louvre, and they have already entered upon their engagement, their first appearance being last night. They will show at the Louvre for the entire week, and are expected to prove valuable attractions at the well known place. It is reported that Dr. Rosenberg will engage other attractions for his theater, and that he will resume the business very shortly. That he had been giving a clean good show, there can be no question, and the trouble he is meeting with in trying to keep his house open will be cause for regret to the many who wish him success in his new venture.

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