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Local Brevities.

Telegraph Lines Down.

Both Western Union and Postal wires went down last night, and as a result The Astorian appears this morning without its usual full telegraphic report. The telephone wires were likewise out of commission beyond Clatskanie, and Astoria was cut off from communication with the outside world.

Fines and forfeitures in the police court yesterday aggregated \$125.

The regular meeting of the council will be held Monday night. Several important matters are to be brought up for action.

City Physician Pilkington reports a case of scarlet fever at the home of Elmer Scott, 52 Astor street. The customary quarantine regulations are in effect.

The Swedish-Finnish Society gave a delightful social at O'Brien's hall last evening that was attended by a large crowd. A program of high order was rendered and the hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion.

John Salling, charged with robbery, was arraigned yesterday before Justice Goodman. He waived examination and was bound over to the circuit court in \$200 bonds. In default of bail he was remanded to the custody of Sheriff Linville.

Dr. August Kinney wishes to make known the fact that he is not connected in any way with the company which is being formed for the purpose of engaging in gold mining along the seashore. Dr. Kinney merely learned of the circumstance and informed a newspaper man. It seems the promoters are now offering stock in this city. They have commenced operations near Seaside, where a dredging scow is located. The machinery by which the gold is separated from the sand is

ing onto a stringer, plunged headlong into the river. Mr. Church stopped the engine and went to the assistance of the man, who had crawled upon a snag. The whistle cord was removed and thrown to the hapless pedestrian and he was finally hauled to the track. Mr. Church took him as far as Rainier. He was almost frozen when rescued.

In the three-men team tournament at the Commercial alleys Friday night Ralston's and Regan's teams split even on games. Pye's 195 was the best flat total of the night. There are several postponed games to be bowled during the coming week.

Astorians who returned last night from Portland report that a very severe storm raged in the up river country yesterday. The wind blew from the east at a high rate, and at Goble the blow was so hard the ferry was unable to cross from Kalama. Little or no rain fell in Portland. The day was singularly disagreeable in Astoria and the indications were very favorable for a heavy storm. The barometer took a sudden downward shoot from 29.50 to 28.75, and then started upward, registering 28.85 at midnight. Weather Observer Ellis received notice of the approach of a storm, but it did not break with the fury which the low barometer indicated.

Superintendent Coolidge, of the A. & E. Co., stated last night that the rest of the machinery for the new electric plant was on its way here from the east. The foundations for the new boilers have been almost completed. Mr. Coolidge added that the original plant was being practically doubled, and said Astoria would soon have fine lighting service. While the improvements are being made patrons of the company will be inconvenienced, but this can not possibly be avoided. Mr. Coolidge is doing everything possible to give an uninterrupted service, and expresses the hope Astorians will not complain because of the present uncertain service.

If Columbia river packers had 100,000 cases of salmon on hand they would make some money just at this stage of the proceedings. For months there has been no chinook salmon on the market, and the sockeye supply has likewise long since been depleted. There remains only a very moderate supply of Alaska salmon in first hands, the quantity being much smaller than dealers generally believe. Despite the present high prices realized for salmon, J. K. Armstrong is quoting low figures. Arnsby, for instance, quotes pinks at 50 cents, when, as a matter of fact, pinks are bringing 60 and 65 cents in large blocks. Arnsby's quotation on chums is 37 1-2 cents, while the actual selling price is 60 cents. One packer has, to the positive knowledge of the writer, sold a very large block of chums at 60 cents within the fortnight. The outlook for the market was never brighter, and the coming season promises to be one of the most successful in the history of the Columbia river.

A sensational report reached the city last evening to the effect that the prosperous little town of Westport was being destroyed by fire. Both telegraph wires went down early in the evening and the telephone line was not available, as there is no office at Westport. However, an Astorian man talked with Mr. Conyers, the operator at Clatskanie, who said trainmen on the night express out of Astoria had told other employes of the company at Marshland that the fire was one of great extent. The glare was plainly visible at Clatskanie, having lighted up the river for miles. Swenson Morton, who came down from Bugby on an engine, was told that the messhouse and one or two other buildings had been burned. Engineer Church had brought down the engine and Mr. Morton said he was of the opinion the fire was not a large one. When the night train arrived Conductor Richard Blew was seen and said he had talked with a resident of Westport as the train came

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6:20 p. m. The Young People's Society.

7:30 p. m. Evening Service.

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through. He was told the Gilson hotel had been destroyed and that the saloon adjoining had been somewhat damaged, but that the loss was not very great. So far as Mr. Blew was able to ascertain, no other buildings were damaged. The fire was about out when the train passed. It originated from a defective flue.

The will of the late B. C. Kindred was filed for probate yesterday. The document is dated October 11, 1898, and provides that all debts against the estate, including the last illness and funeral expenses of the testator, be paid before a distribution is allowed. The property is divided among the heirs share and share alike, except that \$200 is to be deducted from the share of Amelia Holt and James Franklin Kindred. Following are the heirs named, together with their places of residence and ages: James Franklin Kindred, Warrenton, 59; Henry Patterson Kindred, Astoria, 61; Nancy Fisher, Bear Creek, 55; Julia Babbidge, Astoria, 53; William S. Kindred, Tokeland, 47; Mary Mudd, Hammond, 51; Amelia Holt, Astoria, 49; Amanda Mathewson, Astoria, 45; Rosetta McGuire, Hammond, 43; David Careck Kindred, Astoria, 41; Sarah Mudd, Hammond, 39. John W. Babbidge is named as executor and the court yesterday followed out the wishes of the testator in this regard, bonds of the executor being fixed at \$40,000. The value of the estate is estimated at between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

F. W. Kepper arrived in the city yesterday from Portland with a warrant sworn out of Justice Reid's court for the arrest of three salors on the French ship La Fontaine, which is lying in the harbor with a cargo of grain for the United Kingdom. The warrant charged the men with larceny, but the papers failed to state what degree of the crime was alleged. Kepper reported to Sheriff Linville and the sheriff took the special officer before Justice Goodman, who indorsed the warrant and rendered it serviceable in this county. The sheriff and the special officer went aboard the La Fontaine, where they found that the three men wanted were in charge of a special deputy United States marshal. The sheriff displayed the warrant issued out of the state court, but the special marshal declined to recognize it. He stated that he had the three men locked up and handcuffed on board, and that he was acting under instructions from United States District Judge Bellinger. He said he believed his warrant from the United States court justified his course in declining to surrender the men to the state officials. Sheriff Linville says he did not feel that the situation warranted violence in getting the men off the vessel, so he came ashore and endeavored to place himself in communication with the United States court officials at Portland. However, he was unable to catch them either over the phone or by wire. The special marshal said he had been instructed by Judge Bellinger to keep the men confined until the ship got to sea. This case is merely a repetition of numerous conflicts of authority which have recurred between government and state officials. The sheriff yesterday consulted District Attorney Allen and Attorney Fulton with reference to the legal status of the matter, and both lawyers advised him to be cautious, as the maritime agreement between our government and France might easily be violated. There is a pretty well established belief that the practice of sending down sailors in charge of special marshals is irregular, and the local authorities hope to be able to have the question settled some day in a definite manner. It is probable the sheriff will tomorrow receive word from Portland as to the instructions under which the special marshal is acting, and at that time determine upon his future course.

TOTAL REGISTRATIONS 771.

Record of Local and Out-of-Town Precincts To Date.

At the close of business in the county clerk's office yesterday afternoon there had been 771 registrations recorded, 493 of which belong to Astoria precincts. Following is the full record of

BIG THINGS FOR LITTLE MONEY

Lonsdale Cambric	12-1-2 c yd
Six Spools Thread	25c
Apron Gingham	5c yd
Good Outing Flannel	7c yd
Plaid Dress Goods	15c yd
Paper Napkins	Per hundred 25c
Ladies' Fast Black Hosiery	10c pair
Childrens' Fast Black Hosiery	10c pair
Ink	5c bottle
Lead Pencils	7c dozen
Wire Hair Pins	1c pkg
Ladies' Handkerchiefs	5c each
Toilet Pins	1c pkg
Shell Hair Pins	8c pkg
Toilet Paper	5 rolls 25c
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Astoria No. 2	Jewell	6
Astoria No. 3	Mishawaka	8
Astoria No. 4	Elsie	4
Astoria No. 5	Push	3
Astoria No. 6		50
Astoria No. 7		50
		771
	493	Decree of divorce was yesterday granted in the case of J. L. Adams vs. Jane Adams, on the ground of desertion.
John Day	14	
Svensen	8	
Walluski	14	
New Astoria	4	
Warrenton	8	
Clatsop	13	
Seaside	115	
Melville	11	
Chadwell	17	
Youngs River	16	
Olney	8	
Knappa	18	
Clifton	3	

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