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The steamer W. H. Harrison arrived yesterday from Umpqua, with 2373 cases of salmon and six tons of iron for S. Elmore & Co.

Because of the fact that the new furnace has not yet been installed, school will not open today at the Adair school house, as was intended.

The Imperial oyster house is prepared to furnish Shoalwater bay oysters in quantities of pints and quarts to supply the family trade. Colonial oysters always on hand.

Mrs. Robert Jones died yesterday morning of blood poisoning, after a short illness. Deceased was 35 years of age and is survived by Mr. Jones and three children. Her mother resides at Oak Point.

Colonial oysters, the choicest shell-fish product of the waters of the Pacific coast, are kept exclusively at the Imperial Oyster House, where they are served in any style. The Colonial is of Blue Point size and of delicious flavor.

A considerable feat in house moving is being accomplished by Thomas Trullinger in transferring his large residence from its old location on Astor street to a lot on Bond street at a much higher elevation. When completed the property will present a very slightly appearance.

The county board of equalization was in session yesterday and the objecting timbermen again appeared before the board. All of the timber land owners want their assessments reduced, but thus far no reductions have been

made. Local property owners who appeared before the board expressed satisfaction with the assessments. It is quite probable that the assessments will be allowed to stand as they were compiled by Assessor Cornelius.

The circuit court was in session yesterday morning, but no session was held during the afternoon. The case of Robert Carruthers vs. W. W. Whipple and Alex Grant was to have been tried yesterday, but was postponed. Today the case of A. A. Cook vs. Hayden & Drilling will be tried.

The postoffice at Goble was robbed Monday night by burglars. The robbers secured a quantity of merchandise, \$20 in money and a few dollars' worth of postage stamps. The authorities of Columbia county have failed thus far to discover any clew that might lead to the arrest of the burglars.

Four lumber carriers entered yesterday at the customs house. They are the schooners Virginia, Melrose and Beulah, from San Pedro, and the schooner Joseph Russ, from San Francisco. The fleet now loading on the Columbia river is a large one, but the cargoes to be taken away will not figure in the statement for the present month.

A. R. Carruthers has received a letter from a woman living in New York who inquires as to the whereabouts of H. S. Shuster, formerly an Astoria photographer. Mr. Shuster left this city several years ago. He was last heard of in Washington state, where he was arrested for "sweating" coins. He was adjudged insane and committed to the asylum.

Three important transfers of real estate were recorded yesterday. Andrew Poutala sold to Andrew Ahmala lot 10 and the east half of lot 11, block 16, Alderbrook, for \$1300. Thomas Ca-

hill sold to Andrew Nordstrom 160 acres in section 23, township 6 north of range 6 west, for \$1600, and E. Z. Ferguson sold to the Merrill Lumber Company 320 acres in section 12, township 5 north of range 9 west, for \$3000. The real estate market was lively yesterday and almost a score of transactions were recorded.

Perhaps not in 10 years have as many substantial new residences been constructed in Astoria as during the present season. In all parts of the city they have been going up steadily since the rains ceased last spring. A large number are now just being completed, but several have only been commenced, notably in the west end. The rains do not check the desire to build homes. Nothing more positively indicates the city's prosperity.

Deputy Sheriff Binder last night arrested a man named Edward Louisgaut, who is wanted in Columbia county to answer to a charge of horse-stealing. Yesterday Sheriff White of Columbia county telephoned Sheriff Linville a description of the man and he was found last night in an Astor-street gambling resort. He admitted that his name corresponded with that furnished by Sheriff White, and he answered the description. Sheriff White will be down today or tomorrow to take the man to St. Helens for trial.

Chief of Police Hallock said yesterday that parents would have to assist the police if the terms of the curfew ordinance were to be vigorously enforced. The chief realizes that many girls and boys roam the streets after the hour fixed by law for them to be in the house, but he insists that it will be impossible for the police to put a stop to the practice unless the parents lend their efforts. The chief feels that parents are largely responsible for much of the juvenile indiscretion which has lately been brought to the attention of the authorities, for it is well-nigh impossible to keep children off the streets if the parents assume an indifferent attitude.

The bill at the Star this week is simply immense and the theater is packed nightly. Lewis Burdick, magician, opens the performance with some wonderful feats of sleight-of-hand. O'Neil and Russell are a comedy sketch team with new humor, and their turn offers 15 minutes of genuine fun. Miss Emma O'Neil is a vocalist of ability and her ragtime songs have taken with theatergoers. The three Girdellars are pronounced to be the best acrobats ever seen in Astoria. They are well up in the work and conclude a very strong bill. Mr. Scott sings "Like a Star That Falls From Heaven," and the motion pictures are of more than usual interest.

The new Catholic church which is being built at McGowan will be completed today, so far as the work of the contractor, J. W. Surprenant, is concerned. The church was built for P. J. McGowan, the canneryman, who is now in his 85th year. Its cost will be about \$5000 and it will have a seating capacity of 150 to 175. Mr. Surprenant used a native stone for the foundation, and he pronounces the stone to be almost the equal of the Tenino which has been used in the court house here. The quarry is one of enormous extent and some day will be worth a fortune to the owner. The new church is to be dedicated in November by the archbishop of the diocese of Seattle.

Everybody will want to see the free fire-extinguishing exhibition opposite

the Star theater on Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock, especially when they learn that one of the tests will be setting on fire a man whose clothes have previously been saturated with benzine. With a little powder the fire is put out in a second. Judging from the endorsements this extinguisher has from state institutions, including the state fair association at Salem, which gave the extinguisher company a diploma and highest award of merit, the demonstrations will interest all business men and property owners. The demonstrator promises to put out a fire 30 feet high in less than five seconds.

Mayor Surprenant, who is superintending the work of building the court house, as the county's representative, stated yesterday that excellent progress was being made. In all 25 men are at work, of whom 11 are stone cutters and stone setters. As fast as the stone is cut it is placed in position and the walls are gradually being built up. One thousand tons of stone will be necessary to complete the basement, or 25 carloads, each of 40 tons. This quantity of stone will cost, delivered here, \$5000. The stone is sold by the foot and delivered at Astoria costs 40 cents a foot. In every foot there are 160 pounds, and the cost per ton is, therefore, \$5. A very large quantity of brick is also being used in the walls, which are remarkably substantial. The building is going to be a large one, and there is every reason to believe that it will prove one of the finest public structures in the northwest.

Deputy County Clerk Dalgity thought his time had come yesterday. A young man who lives in precinct No. 5 entered the office and said he desired to register. Mr. Dalgity stepped forward and proceeded to register the young man. He gave his name, his age (26), his native state (Illinois) and his place of residence. "Democrat or republican?" queried the deputy. "What's that?" demanded the voter. "Democrat or republican?" repeated the clerk. Then the voter proceeded to tell the deputy what he thought of him. He set forth in distinct terms that he was an American citizen, and that he did not purpose telling anyone his political faith when such a request for the information were made. "In some states you would be shot for asking such a question," continued the young man. He was very indignant, and for a time it seemed trouble would ensue. Finally he was made to understand that the direct primary law required the clerk to ask this question. The explanation was satisfactory, but the voter declined to reply to what he evidently regarded a decidedly un-American question.

Twenty-one persons have registered since the books were opened September 20. All of the registrations were in the city precincts, and of the 21 observing the formality 11 are republicans. Two are nonpartisans, but there are no democrats. One democrat applied for permission to amend his registry and the request was granted. In precinct No. 1 two voters have registered, one of them a republican. The other did not state his politics. In No. 2 precinct four men registered, three of them republicans and the fourth a nonpartisan. In No. 3 precinct three voters, all republicans, have registered, while only two have registered in No. 4. Of the two one is a nonpartisan, while the other did not declare himself. Six men have registered in No. 5, one being a republican, one a nonpartisan and the other four declining to make any statement. In No. 6 three men have registered, one of whom is a republican. The others' political faith does not appear. One republican has registered in No. 7. Of the 21 men who have registered, but 11 would be entitled to the right to vote under the terms of the direct primary law. It is not difficult to judge from this that the law will operate very awkwardly in this county.

#### HOTEL ARRIVALS.

##### Parker House.

- G. E. Elkington, Baraboo, Wis.
- W. E. Connolly, city.
- T. J. Bromset, Alaska.
- T. T. Wilson, Alaska.
- E. D. Wheeler, Springfield, O.
- O. N. Wheeler, Walla Walla, Wash.
- U. W. Patterson, Portland.
- F. H. Miller, Cathlamet.
- D. S. Knutta, Portland.
- Mrs. Fred Brown, Ilwaco.
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