

\$10 REWARD

We shall give \$10.00 in gold as a first prize, and \$5.00 as a second prize, to the boy or girl under eighteen years of age writing the best poem of two or more verses, using the MONARCH RANGE as subject of the poem. All poems to be handed in before 6 P. M. on February 16, 1905

CHARLES HEILBORN & SON

Complete House Furnishers. 590-592 Commercial St.

MAY NOT BE DEAD

Difficult to Drown in Only Three Feet of Water.

DIVER MAKES HIS REPORT

Low Tide Prevailed at Time Mrs. Saylor Was Mised—Woman Left Skamokawa on Boat—May Have Been Mrs. Saylor.

Dick Meyer, the professional diver, who was retained by Mr. Saylor and Mr. Wonder of Portland, to search for the body of Mrs. M. P. Saylor, who disappeared during a dance at Skamokawa, has rendered his report to Mr. Saylor and Mr. Wonder.

Meyer found that there was no dangerous place except in the immediate front of the building, and this, he says was sufficiently well lighted to preclude the possibility of anyone "going overboard" unless extremely careless or on suicide bent.

Meyer looked over the place in darkness and attempted to place himself, as much as possible, in the position of the person missing, and he found only one place where Mrs. Saylor might have fallen into the water, and that was a hole at the corner of the building which is in darkness. It is extremely unlikely that Mrs. Saylor would have been in the vicinity of this hole in the wharf, for it was very secluded,

and remote from the place where she was last seen and not in the direction of the store room where she would have been supposed to be going.

In the event that Mrs. Saylor did "go overboard" Meyer is of the opinion that the body did not sink. At high water there is 12 feet of water under the wharf, and the pressure is 13.55 pounds to the square inch.

Mrs. Saylor was last seen about 2 a. m., and low water on that date occurred at 2:52 a. m. The depth at low water was only 2 1/2 feet. Search for the body has been made at the point where "floaters" usually come ashore, but there is no trace of the body as yet.

Several people have hazarded the opinion that Mrs. Saylor is not drowned but that she left Skamokawa with the idea of conveying the accidental death theory. It is pointed out that to have drowned she must have made the grossest mistake as to direction, and must have been very careless. She wore diamonds to the amount of several hundred dollars, and it is known that a woman took the morning boat down from Skamokawa. So little attention however, was paid to her appearance that the boat crew cannot say whether it was Mrs. Saylor or not.

A reward of \$100 has been offered for the recovery of the body if she was drowned.

Mrs. Saylor was only married last July, and is not known to have had any differences with her husband, M. P. Saylor, nor is she known to have had any male connections who would have induced her to run away from home. The case is, therefore, a mystery.

Bought Cannery.

At the recent sale of the Pacific Packing & Navigation Company's properties, George T. Meyers, Jr., of Portland made his reappearance into the salmon world and is now the own-

er of one of the most valuable South-eastern Alaska canneries.

The purchase consisted of the Pacific Packing & Navigation Company's cannery on Cathlamt straits, Alaska, together with the steam tug Phillip F. Kelly and the ship Kate Davenport the total price being \$40,000.

Mr. Meyers has been extremely fortunate in securing such properties at the price paid. The cannery was built four years ago at a cost, it is said, of \$125,000. It is fully equipped with all modern appliances for the packing of salmon and has a capacity of 75,000 cases per season. Since its erection, a period covering the poorest output of salmon for many years, this Cathlamt cannery has averaged 45,000 cases per season. Its location and equipment make it one of the best salmon properties on the Alaskan coast.—Commercial Record.

Good Advice.

The attempts of clerks to make their own present business superior to the wishes and the business of possible customers is sometimes laughable sometimes exasperating and too often damaging to the interests of the stores in which they work. It is perfectly proper that clerks should make themselves think that they are awfully busy and can hardly find the time to do all the work that is spread before them but when the said clerks carry their activity to the point where it is made paramount to the business of customers, it is time for them to quit off short and begin to see business from a different standpoint. There are a good many very busy clerks who have been offenders in this matter and there are a good many others who have a tendency in that direction.—The Tradesman.

MORE HYDROPHOBIA.

Son of an Attorney Bitten by a Pet Spaniel.

New York, Jan. 5.—While on the way to a Pasteur Institute in Brooklyn, accompanied by a physician, Henry Lenahan of Wilkesbarre, Pa., said to be the son of a well known attorney, died in great agony from hydrophobia. He was bitten two months ago by a pet spaniel and when indications of rabies developed it was decided to bring him here for treatment.

According to the physician who accompanied him the moment Lenahan heard the swashing of the waves against the ferryboat in the river he went into a spasm.

Danziger's great alteration sale starts this morning at 9 o'clock.

DRY STRAIT CHANNEL

Effort to be Made to Induce Congress to Dig Channel.

IMPROVEMENTS ARE NEEDED

The Cost of Building Through the Dry Straits Will Be Considerable Less, Safer to Navigation and of Greater Benefit.

An effort will be made by persons interested in the Alaska fisheries to induce the government of the United States to make some needed improvements that will be of benefit to the fishing industry. An investigation discloses the fact that the most beneficial improvement that can be made and that will benefit the largest number of persons interested, will be the digging of a channel through the Dry strait. There are many reasons why this improvement should be made. It is a sand channel and will require no blasting, hence can be done at less expense. A jetty should be built and all the materials necessary are close at hand. It will shorten the distance between Seattle and Skagway at least 15 miles. It will be of great benefit to Wrangel by giving it better steamboat service and will build up the great Steeken river, one of the most important in the territory.

It has been suggested that a 20-foot channel be built through the Wrangel narrows, but an examination shows the project not feasible and very expensive and it would always be dangerous to shipping, while a channel through the Dry straits will at all times and under all conditions be absolutely safe, being almost straight and nothing but sand to contend with. The channel can be deepened at any time at very little expense. Not only will the building of a channel at the other place suggested be expensive, but the benefit derived would not be commensurate with the cost. A large majority of the people interested in Alaska are in favor of the proposed channel through the Dry strait, more particularly on account of the cheapness and the natural benefits to be derived.

CHASING CASSIES.

Broadway Appurtenances Likely to Be Corralled by Police.

Astoria is not the only city in the world where mining stock promoters and vendors of gold bricks find employment. The following, taken from the Butte Inter Mountain, sounds strangely familiar.

"Among his other daily strenuities—cleaning up the celestial settlements, corralling gun-carrying Italians and running down gamblers—District Attorney Jerome of New York is about to become engaged, it is said, in chasing the "Cassies" off Broadway. The "Cassies" are esteemed members of an old profession, romping under a new name. They have received this pleasant appellation from the fame of a Cleveland lady whose extended financial transactions have so engaged the world of late—Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick. A New York dispatch says:

"The "Cassies" have returned to the city, to the annoyance of Broadway hotels, which they are overrunning. Hotel proprietors don't like to call attention to the "Cassies" who infest their corridors because of the notoriety it would bring, but they will probably have to call in the police occasionally before the winter is over. These "Cassies," or grafters, who sell worthless mining stocks, or the gilded brick of agricultural commerce, or even green goods, have come into winter quarters for the winter is not a good get rich quick season in the rural districts. The grafter loves comfort. Comfort is hard to find in the country hotel in winter, and it is hard pickings between jumps. So they all come to New York and find a \$1 a week room and eat in a 2-cent coffee house and look for urban suckers, of which the supply never fails, to help them over the road to another spring. Good clothes are the tools of the grafters' trade, and the raiment of the "Cassies" now crowding Broadway hotel lobbies would make Solomon envious. Two of these gentry had a dispute recently in the Waldorf-Astoria over the capitalization of a million dollar company. They came to blows and were arrested. When searched at the police station one had a bunch of keys and 15 cents, and the other had \$1.10 and three pawn tickets.

"The world contains more "Cassies" than the average man suspects. They are to be found in every clime, in every walk of life. They deal in gold bricks on Broadway because those articles are popularly supposed most often to attract the rural eye, but they may be unripe or overripe cocoanuts in the heart of the jungle. The principle is all the same. A "Cassie" is a person who negotiates a deal for something on

something he or she has not got. His or her prey is credulity, ignorance, bias or narrowmindedness coupled with cupidity. And the profession, which, without exaggeration, may be said to be one of the oldest and at the same time most highly remunerative in history, will embrace active workers so long as victims continue to be born.

Danziger's Great Alteration Sale.

Real Estate Transfers.
H. L. Hamblet and wife to Otto E. Carlson east half of lot 2 block B, McClures; \$2000.

United states receiver to Warner Storm 155.8 acres in section 5, township 7 north, range 7 west; \$399.50.

Patrick Lawler to J. V. Burns, undivided one half of lots 7 and 8 block B, subdivision of block 5, Olney's; \$100.

Arne Wahl and wife to Anton Indergaard, lots 3 and 4, block 32, Adair's; \$205.

Nine o'clock is the hour.

CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT.

Reopened Under New Management.

John Blasich has leased the California Restaurant and Oyster House and is now prepared to serve the public. The best oysters and meals in the city. Family trade supplied. Good cooks, polite waiters and prompt service.

We have a few boxes of Northern Spy apples at 75c per box. Astoria Grocery Co.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad's New Through Service.

Effective November 27th, 1904, and thereafter, a new daily train will be inaugurated, leaving Grand Central passenger station, Chicago, at 10:30 p. m., for Akron, Cleveland, Youngstown, Pittsburg and intermediate points, connecting at Pittsburg with "Duquesne Limited" for Philadelphia and New York, and with train No. 10 for Washington, D. C., and Baltimore.

This train will be equipped with first-class day coaches, Pullman sleepers and dining car service.

On all through tickets stop-over will be allowed at Washington, Baltimore and Philadelphia, not to exceed 10 days at each place.

For further particulars address, Peter Harvey, General Agent, Room 1, Hobart Bldg., San Francisco. D. B. Martin, Manager Passenger Traffic Baltimore, Md. B. N. Austin, General Passenger Agent, Chicago.

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S. DANZIGER & COMPANY

488-490 COMMERCIAL STREET

GREAT ALTERATION SALE.

SLAUGHTER SALE.

\$15,000 worth of our fine Suits and Overcoats, Cravenettes, Mackintoshes, Pants, Hats, Caps, Shoes and Furnishing goods for men and boys must be sold to make room for the workmen and save them from danger of ruin on account of dirt and dust. Read the prices; you can save from 1/4 to 1/2 on Everything.



The entire premises and building of which we now occupy the corner part, has been leased to us. The building will be torn asunder and from the ruins there will rise a New and Great Store, occupying nearly double our present space. A store that will be modern in every detail. A Clothing Establishment that will be a credit to the coast and the pride of Astoria. No stone will be left unturned.



For a score of years S. Danziger & Co. have stood the test until business has outgrown their already big store. We must more than double the space we now occupy and are going to sacrifice \$15,000 worth of as good clothing, hats, shoes & furnishings as there is in Oregon at prices that start the biggest crowd that ever attended a sale in the history of Astoria. Alterations begin on the building in 30 days, so strike while the iron is hot.

MEN'S SUITS.

There are hundreds upon hundreds of fine Suits that are so low in price that you cannot afford to miss this sale.
\$6.65 for all kinds of \$10 and \$12 Suits.
\$9.65 for all kinds of \$13, \$15 and \$16.50 Suits.
\$13.65 for choice of hundreds of finest \$18, \$20, \$22 and \$25 Suits.

YOUNG MEN'S SUITS.

\$4.90 for \$7.50 Suits.
\$7.90 for \$10 and \$12 Suits.
\$9.90 for \$13.50, \$15 and \$18 Suits.

KNEE PANTS SUITS.

Hundreds to Select from. The best and latest styles.
\$1.65 for \$2.50 Suits.
\$2.35 for \$3.50 Suits.
\$3.35 for \$4.50 Suits.
\$3.95 for \$5, \$6 and \$7 Suits.

CHILDREN'S OVERCOATS.

2 to 12 Sizes.
\$1.65 for \$2.50 and \$3 Overcoats.
\$2.85 for \$4 Overcoats.
\$3.85 for \$5, \$6 and \$7 Overcoats.

ODD KNEE PANTS.

35c for 50c all wool.
55c for 57c extra good.
5c for 10c stockings.

BOY'S OVERCOATS.

13 to 20 Sizes.
\$3.45 for \$6 and \$7.50 Overcoats.
\$6.95 for \$10 Overcoat.
\$9.95 for \$15 and \$18 Overcoats.

FURNISHING GOODS.

Our fine new fresh stock must be sold. Let the loss be what it may. Now, men, boys and women, your time has come.
5c for choice of white and colored 10c Handkerchiefs.
5c for 15c Celluloid Collars, all styles.
5c for 10c Good Quality Cotton Sox.
8c for 15c Extra Quality Cotton Sox.
10c for ladies' 20c fine Bal. Hose.
12 1/2c for Wool Marino 20c Sox.
17c, 3 pair for 50c, best quality 25c Wool Sox.
35c for best quality Heavy German Knit 50c Sox.
15c for all 25c and 35c Suspenders.
35c for all 50c, 65c and 75c Suspenders.

SHIRTS.

Largest stock of nobby and fresh styles in Astoria at less than wholesale cost.
35c for Golf soft bosom or Nobby stiff bosom, also Black Sateen, etc., worth 50c and 65c.
45c for Black Sateen, soft or stiff bosom, with or without cuffs. Worth 75c.
85c for Monarch and other-brands worth \$1.25.
\$1.15 for all kinds of \$1.50 Shirts.

UNDERWEAR.

35c for Broken Lots Derby Rib, heavy, worth 50c and 65c.
45c for fancy French Bal. Rib, worth 75c.
85c for Ex. Quality Wool, \$1.25 value.
\$1.15 for Select Quality, \$1.50 and \$1.75 value.
\$1.45 for \$2 and \$2.50 Best Imported Stock.

SHOES.

Our entire stock of Fine Shoes at sacrifice.
\$1.35 for odd lot \$2 and \$2.50 Shoes.
\$1.75 for choice of all \$2.50 Shoes.
\$2.75 for choice of all \$3.50 and \$4 Shoes.
\$2.25 for choice of \$3.50 logger's Shoes.
\$3.50 for choice of \$4.50 and \$5 Fine Logging Shoes.

HATS.

\$1.35 for \$2 and \$2.50 Soft and Stiff Hats.
\$2.35 for \$3 and \$3.50 Hats. Best quality for Hawes Hat. As we are under contract not to cut prices on this hat we will give each customer buying a Hawes Hat the choice of any necktie or suspenders in the house.

MEN'S PANTS.

More than a thousand pairs—the best kinds.
\$1.45 for \$2 and \$2.50 Pants.
\$1.95 for \$3 Pants.
\$2.65 for \$4 Pants.
\$3.65 for \$5 and \$6 Pants.
Mackintosh Coats Just Half Price.