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### BLACKSMITH BILLS

#### Error Claimed in Astorian Relative to Shoeing Horses.

#### STATEMENT OF CLAIMS PAID

Shoeing Horses for the Astoria Paid Fire Department Amounts to \$12 a Month and Balance of Expenses Paid Are for Repairs.

Chief Engineer Foster contends that the Astorian made a mistake in its statement of city expenditures in the item of \$25 a month for shoeing horses. The bills as read mention the firm and the amount, and it was supposed that it was for horse shoeing. The object in calling attention to the matter was not as a criticism on the fire department nor the firm where the work is done, as if it is not done by one person it will be by another, and the most experienced horseshoer in city is where the work is being done, but to impress upon the common council and the city officials the necessity of practicing rigid economy in every branch of the city government. According to the records of Auditor and Police Judge Anderson, the following claims have been paid this year for horseshoeing and repairs to one firm.

January—New shoes \$12; stands for Babcock, \$20; repairs, \$2; fire bell, \$2.25; repairs to tool box, \$3.75; total, \$45.

February—Shoes, \$12; repairs, \$1.75; repairs, No. 1 door, \$7; total, \$20.75.

March—Shoes, \$12; repairs fire alarm boxes, \$5; work No. 1, \$9.50; total, \$26.50.

April—Shoes \$12; 13 spanners, \$9.75; repairs, \$2.50; iron door brick engine house, \$1.50; total, \$25.75. Total for the four months, \$118.

It is possible that all these repairs were necessary, but there is a time in the business affairs of every man when necessary repairs are not necessary and they can get along without them until such time as they have more money. If property owners who rent houses made all the "necessary repairs" demanded by their tenants, there wouldn't be enough left of the rent money at the end of the year to buy one glass of Irish disturbance.

There is one question that must be considered by the common council and every member of the city government, and that is retrenchment. Unless some repair or some expenditure cannot possibly be gotten along without, without seriously impairing the efficiency of any department, it should not be contracted. There should be the same economy practiced in managing the affairs of the city as is done in managing one's own business affairs, but this is seldom done, especially where someone else has to pay the bills. The Astorian has no other interest in the matter than that which concerns every tax payer in the city, but we are satisfied that expenses of the city can be cut down without impairing the efficiency of any department.

Just because some little repair is needed or some new tool is required, it is not necessary to rush to the stores and buy them or to the shop and have the repairs made. It is possible that other methods can be used without incurring unnecessary expense. Business men and property owners often have to do without little necessities in order to make their accounts balance at the end of the month, and the same business principles should be applied to the management of the business of the city.

#### COUNTY COURT.

#### Bills Allowed and Several Road Contracts Awarded.

The county court met in regular session yesterday. After allowing the monthly bills the following proceedings were had:

The contract for the improvement of road No. 69 to George Richardson was approved.

The contract for building the bridge at the M. Devereux place was awarded to J. P. Ryan for \$221.

The contract for clearing the road on road No. 97 was awarded to August Juhrs for \$244.

Bids for improving road No. 77 on Alder ridge were opened as follows:

G. B. Kleppy	\$1239 50
W. A. Goodin	1800 00
J. F. Bartoldes	1185 00
F. M. Blalsdell	1023 75
C. Winters	1102 75

The contract was awarded to F. M. Blalsdell. Bids for clearing road No. 91 at Warrenton were opened as follows:

August Juhrs	665 00
D. F. Halferty	145 00
R. A. Abbott	549 50

The contract was awarded to D. F. Halferty.

Bids were received from R. A. Abbott for building a fence near Warrenton at \$1.10 1/2 cents a rod.

In the matter of the road petitioned for by O. A. Bourglund and others, was laid over until today.

The report of Geo. F. Parker, ap-

pointed to determine the exact location of Bridge street at Seaside, was filed. It shows that he found all the old monuments and that the east end of the Gilbert building occupied by F. Dresser & Co. was in the street seven feet, and the west end of the building occupied by R. B. Smith was in the street two feet.

The court adjourned until 9:30 this morning.

#### ST. PAUL TO COME HERE.

#### Steamer to Be Placed on the Run in Place of the Oregon.

Steamer St. Paul will be placed on the Astoria-San Francisco run in place of the Oregon sometime before the 15th of this month, to operate in conjunction with the Columbia, which is now alternating with the Oregon. The St. Paul has been undergoing extensive improvements in San Francisco, and will henceforth burn oil. The staterooms have also been renovated and it is said that the vessel will be one of the finest in the coastwise passenger trade. Possibly the Oregon will be rechartered by the San Francisco & Portland Steamship Company to go on the route this summer, thus placing three liners on the regular schedule. What will be done with the Oregon for the present is not known.

#### Vessels Reported Sold.

The British ship Anglesey, 1260 tons register, has been sold to Norwegians; the four-masted British bark Lady Wentworth has been sold to Germans for £12,750; the British ship Conway, 1776 tons register, has been sold to Germans. All of these vessels are well known in this port, having been in the trade in recent years.

#### SHIPPING NEWS.

French bark Pierre Loti, which left Astoria November 23 for Falmouth with a cargo of oats, wheat and hay, arrived at Grimsby on April 30. She is the last of the November fleet to reach port.

The steamer Despatch sails this morning for Aberdeen, where she will load lumber.

The German bark Nishe sailed from Hilo, April 27, for this port.

The steamer Whittier with the barge Santa Panta in tow are due from San Francisco tomorrow.

The bark La Pontaine finished discharging her cargo of cement yesterday and will be towed up the river this morning, where she will take on a cargo of lumber.

The French bark Pierre Loti, from Astoria, arrived at Grimsby on April 30th.

#### FOR A GOLD STANDARD.

#### Argentina Wants no More Bryan or Populist Money.

New York, May 3.—Minister of Finance Terry will, cables the Herald correspondent at Buenos Ayres, Argentina, submit to congress several bills, among them one for the adoption of a peso of the value of 44 centavos gold as the standard coin in the Argentine currency.

Minister Terry is convinced of the necessity of establishing a certain uniformity in the currency system with those of neighboring countries and will hold conferences with the minister of Uruguay, Chile, and Bolivia and later will confer also with the ministers of Peru and Ecuador.

He has sent a circular to the principal bankers here requesting their opinion. The answers will be distributed among members of congress.

#### ANOTHER BANKER GOES WRONG

#### His Wife Deeds Her Home and Makes Application to Teach School.

New York, May 3.—A state bank examiner is at work endeavoring to straighten out the tangled finances of the Peconic bank at Sag Harbor, L. I., which closed Monday.

So far the shortage of Cashier F. H. Palmer has reached \$41,600. He has turned over all his property, worth \$20,000, to the institution, and his wife, prominent in the social life of eastern Long Island, signed over to the bank directors a house and lot she owned.

Mrs. Palmer also applied for a position as teacher in the Sag Harbor high school and was at once appointed by the board of education.

Excitement among the depositors has subsided in view of assurances that they will receive their money in full.

#### NOW WHAT DO YOU THINK OF IT

#### New York Woman Sues for 45 Cents and Says She Needs the Money.

New York, May 3.—It has been officially determined by the board of United States General appraisers that Miss Mary M. Goodwin of Boston cannot recover the sum of 45 cents exacted as duty by the collector of customs at Bangor, Me., on a souvenir spoon of American manufacture returned from New Foundland. Miss Goodwin had testified that she bought the spoon in Boston and sent it to a relative at St. Johns. It did not match some other articles and was returned for exchange.

The Bangor collector held it up and mulcted Miss Goodwin 45 cents and that lady at once appealed to the general board intimating that she needed the money more than did the government. It is possible she will carry the

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**UP TO DATE METHODS.**

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Astoria's "RELIABLE" Clothier.

case to the federal circuit court. The litigation has already cost the government several hundred dollars.

**Three Men Burned.**  
Duluth, May 3.—Three men were burned to death tonight in a hotel fire.

#### HOTEL ARRIVALS.

##### Parker.

- W. E. Knight, Nehalem.
- E. Hargraver, Portland.
- L. Duffy, Oregon City.
- S. Staben, Oregon City.
- D. Jones, Oregon City.
- F. W. Roberts, Nehalem.
- W. E. Gray, St. Paul.
- H. E. Gray, St. Paul.
- Jas T. Boyer, Portland.
- J. H. Wells, Chinook.
- H. C. Johnson, Chinook.
- F. J. Ford, City.
- J. E. Kint, Grays River.
- A. Becker, City.
- Theo. Bergmoney, Portland.
- L. M. Wahlburg, Chinook.
- John Carlson, City.
- J. H. Miner, Portland.
- Wm. J. Olman, Fort Canby.
- Chas. Howe, Springfield, Ore.
- F. Westin and wife, Springfield.
- J. M. Vantanner, Lebanon.
- Ethel Wiseman, Portland.

##### Occident.

- C. H. Lee, Portland.
- R. Seel, Portland.
- G. Gessling Hood River.
- G. A. Watz, New York.
- J. W. French, Portland.
- G. W. Tacobury, Cincinnati.
- C. Ringle, Portland.
- F. Robertson, Portland.
- F. O'Neill, Portland.
- J. H. Walker, Portland.
- H. C. Manver, Portland.
- A. M. Lock, San Francisco.
- M. Manasse, Cascocton, O.
- F. Kryster, Chicago.
- G. Sharpe, Tacoma.
- Geo. Taylor, Butte.
- R. M. Crawford, Salem.
- Gov. Mead and wife, Olympia.
- T. Kershaw and wife, Bellingham.
- G. Welsh and wife, S. Bend.
- E. Jussen, Spokane.
- E. Macdonald, Spokane.
- L. C. Burton, Cathlamet.
- W. Gorman, Stella.
- W. S. Paige, Portland.
- G. Scharlack, New York.
- J. Dickson, Portland.

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