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**ON HER OWN ACCOUNT.**

Mrs. A. B. Jewett, who for some time past has successfully served the A. Dunbar Company in the capacity of dressmaker, has withdrawn from its employment and has opened dressmaking parlors of her own, upstairs at No. 451 Commercial street, at the southeast corner of that thoroughfare and Ninth street, where she will be pleased to meet and serve old friends and patrons.

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**TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN**  
 Martin Meyer, a former resident of Norway, has declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States. Fish Warden Van Dusen has gone to the McKenzie river, to inspect the hatchery work being done at the experimental station.

A chimney on the residence of Ed. Foad, at Thirty-third and Franklin streets burned out last night, and an alarm was turned in to Hose Company No. 3.

The organ recital that was to have been given by Carl Dunton of Portland, in Grace Episcopal church tonight, has been postponed until Tuesday evening, October 24.

A thief appropriated to his own use, one of the metal rugs in front of the office doors in the city hall Monday night. The door knobs on the jail will probably go next.

Since the close of the September term of court the county jail has been empty. This is a rather unusual thing as it is the first time in three years that all the cells have been tenanted.

City Treasurer Dealey yesterday made final payments on a number of street bonds, to the amount of \$631.35. The bonds were issued ten years ago, and were held by the Astoria Savings bank.

An examination for two interpreters for the immigration service, to be stationed at Baltimore, will be held by the local civil service commission on November 1. Each position will carry a salary of \$1000.

It is reported that fishing on the Coquille river is better than it has been for many years. All the canneries are in operation, running both night and day, but in spite of this fact, they are unable to handle the product.

The 1904 tax roll, together with a warrant authorizing the sale of property on which taxes are delinquent, was turned over to the sheriff's office by the county clerk yesterday afternoon. Bids will be invited for the publication of delinquent taxes and they will be opened on October 30th. Up to that time taxes may be paid at the sheriff's office.

One hundred and thirteen warrants were issued by City Auditor Anderson yesterday, covering the amount due on street contracts, and the small bills allowed by the council at the meeting the night before. The total amount of the outlay of the warrants was close to eight thousand dollars, and they were signed by Mayor Suprenant during the day.

The repairs to the main conduit which connects the reservoir on the hill with the water supply at Bear creek, will probably be completed tomorrow. A force of 25 men, under direction of City Engineer Berkshik, have been engaged at the task since last March, and the work has cost the city \$15,000. It is estimated that the present repairs will last for five years, when a new 24-inch steel pipe will probably be used to replace the present wooden one. While the work has been in progress, the water supply was shut off during the day, and turned on at night, after the workmen had quit.

City Auditor Anderson is anxious to dispose of all the street improvement matters now before the council, as soon as possible, so that his office will not be handicapped by this work during registration time. At the adjourned meeting Friday night, a considerable amount of the work will be cleaned up, when ordinances confirming a number of street assessments will be passed. Registration for the primary election will begin on Monday, October 23, and will continue until Tuesday, November 7. Registration for the regular election will begin November 16, and terminate on December 9. No provision is made for extra help, and the auditor's office will probably be taxed to its capacity.

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**INJURIES ARE LIGHT**

**Columbia River Lightship Found in Good Condition.**

**BOAT WILL GO TO DRYDOCK**

**Difficulty May Be Experienced in Hauling Vessel Through Baker's Bay—Major Roessler Makes an Inspection of the Work at the Jetty.**

Major W. S. Roessler, commanding officer of the federal engineers, and Captain Albert Ross, of the lighthouse inspection service, returned to Portland on the A. & C. train last evening. While at the mouth of the river, Captain Ross inspected the lightship No. 50, which had been stranded on Peacock spit, and made arrangements for the towing of the vessel to Portland, where repairs will be made. Major Roessler did not visit the lightship, but spent several hours, inspecting the government work at the jetty.

"No. 50 is in much better condition than we anticipated," said Captain Ross last evening, to an Astoria reporter. She is in better shape than we had reason to believe. As soon as possible she will be towed to Portland, where repairs will be made. The vessel has needed these repairs for some time, and once she is in the dry dock she will probably be thoroughly overhauled. The repairs that will be necessary by reason of her going on the spit, however, will be light and will entail only a nominal outlay.

"We do not know exactly when the vessel can be towed out of Baker's Bay," he replied to a query. "During the next few days the boat will be lightened, and relieved of all possible weight. Then we will be ready for the trip, and the first opportunity that presents itself, when the tide is heavy and other conditions right, she will be towed out of the bay and up the river. We expect to get No. 50 down at least to 11 feet, and we should be able to get her through the bay, at that draught."

Many marine men however are skeptical over the proposed plan and believe that much difficulty is yet to be encountered. Captain Parker, master of the steamer Nahotta, who has navigated Baker's Bay for many years declares that 11 feet cannot be taken through.

"I towed No. 50 out before, but she then drew only 10 feet," he said last night. "On a heavy tide, backed by a northwest gale, I would say that 10 feet could be hauled through all right, but I believe that depth to be the limit."

Major Roessler stated that the work at the jetty was going along as rapidly as possible. He did not visit the work on the fortifications at Fort Canby, but stated that they would not be completed for some time.

The trip to the jetty was made in the tender Columbine. There Captain Ross left the party, and in the tug Mendell, went to the opposite side of the river, and devoted his attention to the work of arranging for the lightship.

**MAYOR SUPRENANT'S "BOXES."**

City Hall Officials Disagree With His Honor on Ventilating Plan.  
 Mayor Suprenant has an eye to economy, if not an eye to beauty. When, at the council meeting the other night, Chairman Kaboth of the public property committee, called attention to the damp condition of the vaults where the books are kept, the venerable mayor seemed to have a few ideas of his own, as to how the difficulty should be properly remedied. In fact, he was so positive he was right, that his name was included on the committee, to take the proper action.

City hall officials do not object to the presence of the mayor on the committee but they do disapprove of his plan for ventilating the vault—a plan which they declare to be entirely impracticable.

Chairman Kaboth wants to connect the different vaults with flues, and thus wit hthe aid of outside draft, effect a ventilation. But the mayor says he has a simpler plan.

Out in the outer office rooms, about a dozen feet from the door leading into the vaults are iron radiators in the floors which all connected with the regulation hot-air flues below—and onto these the mayor would make extensions. That is, as one of the irate officials at the hall explains it, "he would build a dirty old box over the grating and run it through the vault doors into the vaults." And what is a warm point in favor of his plan, so the mayor considers, is that the total outlay for the boxes, or chutes, will not exceed \$3—according to the mayor's estimate.

Some of the men up at the city hall,

however, are hot under the collar, and among the number is the venerable custodian of the treasury, Thomas Dealey.

"Why, he's going to have it this way," as he illustrated his talk with vigorous gestures. "Just a box, built of boards, to extend through the vault door into the vault. How in the world he ever expects me to close the vault door with that thing in the way, is more than I know," he concluded. "Not on your life, I'll have no such thing in my office."

The apparent determination of the mayor to build his "boxes" and a counter determination, equally insistent, he shall not, has added just a tinge of humor to the situation, in the eyes of many about the city seat of government. The mayor's "box" scheme will be watched with interest.

**SKAMOKAWA ENTERPRISE.**

G. N. Howell, of the Howell Shingle Company, of Skamokawa, is in the city on business. He reports his people steadily busy now, as they have been since they started in April last. The trade of the company has increased at a satisfactory ratio and the outlook is gratifying on all sides. They are cutting and marketing 4,000,000 shingles per month, and are shipping heavily on eastern orders. Their "Star A Star" brand is known far and wide as a staple cedar shingle, and the company is now making a specialty of plain dimension, and fancy, butts, which are in popular demand for ornamental roofing and siding. Twenty-five workmen are kept constantly busy and it is hoped projected contracts will necessitate a radical increase in this force.

**FAR REACHING UTILITY.**

At the public sale of the Commercial club "gym" effects, on Monday last, the "dummy" bicycle was knocked down to John Mauciet, the jolly saloonist on Eleventh street. John didn't want it in the least, he was just bidding to help along the club's cause and sale.

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