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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

This is the Last Day.—Today, the 10th is the last day on which to pay your water rent and escape the 25 cent penalty charged against any delinquent.

Work Begun.—Work on the construction of the public wharf at Hammond commenced yesterday morning. Contractor Lebeck has it in charge. The wharf will probably be finished this month.

Take Law Course.—H. J. Langoe, of the Allen & Gilbert Ramaker piano house left last night for Portland to enter the law school of the University of Oregon.

New Firm in Town.—Fred J. Brown, Jr., of this city and W. R. McBeth, of Portland, have associated themselves in business here having bought out the cigar stand of D. B. Allen, at No. 594 Commercial street, where the new proprietors will conduct a cigar and tobacco business and maintain an agency for all the leading papers of the Pacific coast.

Two More Deeds.—But two transfers were filed in the county clerk's office yesterday: The Columbia Harbor Land Company to W. A. Mason and Emma M. Patchett, warranty title, consideration, \$540; conveying lots 15 and 16, block 41; Warrenton Park. The Peninsular Land & Trust Company to E. A. Potter, warranty title, consideration, \$540; conveying 50 by 120 feet in Taylor's Astoria.

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Climbing Slowly.—Registration goes forward very slowly at the county clerk's office. At the close of business yesterday 128 citizens of this county had gone on record in this behalf. Eleven of the twenty-one county precincts are represented in the outside registration to date, covering fifteen names, while the seven city precincts show the remaining 113.

It's coming soon.

Off to California.—Hon. J. Q. A. Bowlby, James W. Welch, J. E. Gratke, J. N. Griffin, J. E. Ferguson and C. R. Higgins and presumably the wives of all are billed for the California excursion out of Portland in tomorrow and Saturday. If they all stay together they should have a happy time of it and make a good impression for Astoria abroad.

The date is set.

Reconvenes Today.—The Hon. County Commissioners' Court will reconvene this morning and finish up the work of the term, drawing the panel of 250 from which to select the jurors for the year, selecting the route and accepting bids, for completion of the new Hume mill road on the eastern suburb, and the naming of road supervisors, and the judges and clerks of election, and for the transaction of such uncompleted business as may be pending.

Tuesday, Jan. 10th, at 9 a. m.

Officers Installed.—Concepcion Tribe, No. 7, I. O. O. F., Monday evening, held their regular installation of officers, after which a sumptuous repast was served by Dr. C. C. Rosenberg it being the occasion of his seventy-second birthday. Speeches and a general good time were enjoyed by those present. The officers installed were: Sachem, Max W. Pohl; Prophet, Thomas Dailey; Senior Sagamore, Frank Bourn; Junior Sagamore, Thomas Withers; First Sannap, C. C. Rosenberg; Second Sannap, Charles Gammel.

At Foard & Stokes Co.

Arrived On Lurline.—Leonard H. McMahon, a well known attorney of Salem, accompanying his old friend, John Hicks, a venerable citizen of Silverton arrived down from the valley last evening on the steamer Lurline. They are out for a "bit of fresh air" and an outing in behalf of Mr. Hicks' health which is not of the best and will take a run to the ocean side points today, returning to Marion county tonight via the 6:10 express. Mr. McMahon once lived in Astoria nearly a score of years ago and worked in the Clatsop mills, and has many pleasant memories of the city and friends of that day and time. He is one of the leading young lawyers of the state and is known far and near within her borders as an energetic and capable lawyer, with a palpable taste for politics of the independent sort.

The big embroidery sale.

Annual Meeting.—Yesterday afternoon the annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of this city occurred in the directors room of the bank. The different reports of the officers showed that everything was in good condition, and prospects for the coming year are very bright. All the old directors were re-elected as follows: G. C. Flavel, W. F. McGregor, Jacob Kamm, J. W. Ladd and S. S. Gordon.

Attached for Judgment.—Sheriff Linville, assisted by Chief Deputy Watson Binder, yesterday made formal levy under attachment judgment on the goods and chattels of Lum Dong, doing business in the city as Kung Wing & Co., in favor of John H. Woodward an attorney whom the chinaman owed nearly \$400. The sheriff sold enough "old junk" in the store to net \$127, and found \$100 in cash in the till, and dug up a hundred cases of salmon in storage which netted about \$2.04 per case, the whole bringing a fraction more than the lawyer's demand, and which fraction went to the credit of further judgments against the same party.

PERSONAL MENTION.

W. B. Chase of Portland is in the city.

A. C. Smith of San Francisco is in town this week.

A. J. Dundas of Portland is in town this week on business.

Peter Jones of Rockland spent yesterday in the city on business.

E. P. Jones of Seattle has been in town this week on business.

J. R. Werry of Elsie was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dorr of Chinook spent yesterday in Astoria.

Nans Jensen a trapper of Chinook was in town yesterday for a brief time.

William Ross returned yesterday from Portland after a brief business trip.

Miss Ida Lineweber of this city is visiting a short time in Portland.

Charles K. West of Cathlamet was in town yesterday for a short time.

City Attorney Smith and Robert Wherry are in Nehalem this week on a hunting and fishing expedition.

Mrs. Harry Cribb, who has been in this city for a time with her parents, left last night for Seattle, where she will meet her husband, who is expected to arrive shortly from Alaska. After his arrival they will start on an extended European tour.

J. W. Ladd of Portland spent yesterday in the city attending the meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. N. Callaway expect to leave in a short time for California to live.

State Land Agent Oswald West of Salem was in the city yesterday for a brief business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Farmer, residents of Chinook were in the city yesterday for a short time.

S. E. Manchester of Portland arrived in the city yesterday noon to remain a few days on business.

Miss Hana Logan a former resident of this city is visiting friends in Astoria, from Portland.

Mayor J. H. Johnson of Seaside was a business visitor in town yesterday for a short time.

R. W. Ludington arrived in the city yesterday from Portland to transact some business.

Sylvester Farrell attended the meeting of the state board of Pilot Commissioners in this city yesterday.

Secretary A. L. Dundas, of the Pacific Aid Society, of Portland was in the city yesterday in behalf of the work of his association, now about one year old and doing a great deal of good.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Strauss, of this city, will leave San Francisco for home tomorrow. They have been enjoying their honeymoon among a host of friends in the Bay City.

Captain and Mrs. W. A. Starr have gone to Portland to spend a week with friends there.

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CHANGE OF TIME

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MARINE INVESTIGATIONS.

Professor Kofold Issues Bulletin Dealing With Marine Life.

BERKELEY, Cal., Jan. 9.—Professor Charles A. Kofold, of the Marine Biological Association of San Diego, has written a bulletin which the university press issued today dealing with investigations made of the characteristics of the Plankton a species of marine life. These investigations have continued for a period of three years. They have brought to light a number of species belonging to the family Peridinate, which Professor Kofold says do not conform to any known genus. "These all present in common a number of characters," says Professor Kofold, "which call for the establishment of a new genus for the reception of the several species represented."

OREGON DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE MEETING

Portland, Jan. 12th and 13th.
On account of above meeting the O. R. & N. Co. will sell round-trip tickets to Portland at one and one-third fare for boat leaving Astoria on the morning of January 11th Tickets good returning until January 16th.

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