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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

Attachment Filed.—A suit for the recovery of \$75.15 alleged to be due for service rendered, was filed yesterday in Justice Goodman's court, by E. S. Ackerman against the News-Herald Company; F. D. Winton appearing as attorney for the plaintiff.

It's coming soon.

Cheerful Report.—Agent Johnson of the Astoria & Columbia River R. R. Co., in this city, reports lumber shipments heavy and active out of here, and that the car shortage recently hampering this, and all other Western roads, has been broken and there are plenty of wheels to move lumber and everything else on.

The date is set.

Survey Commenced.—It is now known with reasonable certainty that the survey of the route for the Astoria-Seaside Electric Railway line, was begun yesterday. The start was made at Morrison's place toward this city, and comprehends the crossing of the Lewis & Clark river via the county bridge. Lines will also be run to Warrenton, Flavel and Fort Stevens.

Tuesday, Jan. 16th, at 9 a. m.

Four Changes.—Real estate in Clatsop county underwent a quartette of title changes yesterday as per the following deeds filed for record in the county clerk's office: Columbia Harbor Land Co., to C. I. Moreland, war-

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CITY VERSUS SAVOY

Council Has Precipitated a Big Fight.

LAXELL & CO. WILL TEST CASE

John Stephens Makes Deliberate Statement of Firm's Position in Controversy Over Dance Hall—Says It Is Personal Fight On Him.

Last night at 10 o'clock, at the order of the Common Council, Chief of Police Hallock appeared at the Savoy saloon and informed Laxell & Company its proprietors, that he was directed to close the house. The firm, consisting of John Stephens and Henry Laxell, immediately went to the police office and gave a cash bond in the sum of fifty dollars for their appearance in court at 2 o'clock this afternoon. There the matter stands for the moment.

This action, as far as the city's side of the issue goes is fully explained in the communication of Mayor Wise to the Council last night, and appearing at length in these columns, and the subsequent action of that body in connection with that communication, and the majority and minority reports of the council committee on health and police.

After the proper bond was given, the house continued its night's business without further molestation. Without any desire to take sides in the matter, but simply to ascertain how the firm of Laxell & Company felt in the premises, an expression was sought from the firm and was readily given.

"I am being punished for daring to open my dance hall before the leaders of the successful party in the recent campaign chose to have me open up," said John Stephens, when he had returned from the police court. "I have been in the saloon business in this city for thirty-nine years and this is the first time I have ever been imposed on by any council or set of officers. For all these years I have paid not only my saloon licenses, but my property taxes without demurr or default of any sort, and I have to look away from the saloon business altogether for an excuse for this invasion."

"It is as I said before, simply payment for my choosing to open my place for dancing before certain people were ready for me to do so. I opened up in a manner, as to drinks, that put me beyond any question of breaking a city ordinance, and this I can prove by the mayor himself who with Councilman Morton, visited my saloon some little time ago and sampled all the soft drinks I had on the bar. The bar and dance room are in separate buildings and it is a matter of general knowledge that my place has always been free of offense against the ordinances that any house in city.

"When the campaign closed I sought the advice of several of my friends in this city, among whom were two members of the police commission and the city attorney himself, who assured me that if I opened up my place for dancing on the plan of soft drinks and an orderly, quiet conduct of the place, that I would not be liable to any official interference. But, aside from this advice, I was told by the mayor and one or two others, that for me to throw the place open just at that particular time, would have the effect of injuring the plans and purposes of the party and that I had better wait till after the June election. This I was not able to do, for the reason, that having been assured by those in a position to know that the fight just closed by a rousing majority for the 'Citizens had decided the issue of an 'open town', I had gone to nearly \$500 extra expense and this would have been utterly lost by waiting; so I went ahead with my engagements and opened up as I have described.

"As to the matter of my license money, my application, my bond, and my money has been in the hands of the city authorities since the 22nd of December. I have always paid this in season, and the mere bagatelle of my having failed by a few days in filing my application within the prescribed time, that is all bosh and moonshine. There is a man in this city now who was three months in getting his money and application before the authorities, and not a word was said to him about it. His license was granted to him last night, though my license was rejected over the favorable majority report of the committee that had it in charge. No, the license has nothing whatever to do with this thing. It is a personal fight on Mr. Laxell and myself because we would not meet the wishes of

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the leaders of the party in power as to the date upon which I was to open up. I do not want to cast discredit upon the authorities, but I am going to see this matter to an end, and the law must determine the merits. If I had done anything against the law I would submit to the process they have used, but since it is made a personal and private fight on my rights as a business man and a property owner, I will see it to a finality handed down by the last court in Oregon before I will submit. It is unfair in every sense and I am not used to being treated unfairly, even by the city where I have lived and done business for so many years."

Mr. Laxell had nothing to offer except what was strictly in line with the statements of his partner and in full corroboration of his plea that it was a personal fight and not a question of a law broken or of legal evasion of any sort.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The revenue cutter Commodore Perry came in yesterday noon from a week's cruise in and about Puget Sound.

The schooner Beulah went to sea yesterday with her cargo of lumber for San Pedro.

The schooner Forest Home went over the bar yesterday morning lumber laden for the lower California coast.

The British ship Vandana went outwards over the Columbia bar yesterday, cargoed with grain for Europe.

The schooner Robt. R. Hind cleared the bar yesterday for San Pedro with a big load of lumber.

The schooner Jas. Rolph, from San Pedro, arrived in yesterday and is anchored in the lower bay.

The British ship St. Mungo came down on the lines of the Harvest Queen yesterday morning and went to an anchorage in the lower harbor.

The steamship Senator is due here from Portland early tomorrow morning. She will depart for San Francisco at 7 o'clock, if she can make it.

The steamer Sue H. Elmore made a getaway yesterday morning for Tillamook City and bay points in that neighborhood.

The Georgina got away for California yesterday in good shape, being one of a fleet of five sailing vessels that cleared the bar.

The French bark Jean Baptiste finished discharging at the Elmore pier yesterday afternoon and left up for Portland on the Harvest Queen's hawse.

The British ship Hyderabad will be down this morning in tow of the steamer Oklahoma. She is laden with grain stuff and bound for Europe.

The steamer Latline brought down a

big six-ton tubular boiler for use in her new Altoona cold storage plant, last night. She left up on her schedule, and among her passengers were W. P. Sennett and C. T. Zimmerman.

The department of commerce and labor at Washington has refused to concede the claims of the French bark Bretagne, for a rebate on her space measurement charges, at this port.

MASONIC NOTICE.

There will be a stated communication of Temple Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., this evening (Tuesday), at Masonic Hall, at 7:30 o'clock. Work in the M. M. degree. By order of the W. M. Attest: E. C. Holden, secretary.

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