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ILWACO ECHOES.

The following are taken from Saturday's Journal:

"Capt. Chas. G. Stuart, of the Cape Disappointment Life Saving Station was in Ilwaco Thursday. He is expecting the arrival of a new 34-foot, 12 horse-power, twin screw gasoline life boat that will be added to the equipment of the station. The boat was shipped from Marquette, Mich. on January 1st, and its arrival is daily expected. (The boat is now here in custody of the A. & C. railroad awaiting shipment to the station.)"

"Cards are out announcing the coming marriage of C. E. Kerlee and Claudine A. Nordwick. The happy event will take place at Portland, on Monday, February 5. They will be at home in Ilwaco after March 1.

"John Peterson, of Chinook, was in Ilwaco Monday, and made arrangements for the purchase of trap-piling to be used in repairing his traps at Cathlamet.

"C. E. Kerlee, of the Aberdeen Store, and owner of the two business houses that were destroyed by fire on Tuesday, offers a reward of \$1500 for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who set fire to the property."

EVERYWHERE BUT ASTORIA.

The Rosburg Review's Drain correspondent under recent date, says:

"The Greek gang who have been here for the past two or three weeks unloading steel rails for the projected Coos Bay branch of the Southern Pacific, have been supplanted by Americans who

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REV. L. D. MAHONE.

His Departure From Astoria Is Deeply Regretted.

During the past six months, Rev. Luther D. Mahone, the pastor of the First Congregational church has twice resigned from the church, but they have unanimously refused to accept his resignation and he remained. For the past few weeks, because of the dampness of the climate, Mr. Mahone was preparing to spend a part of the winter in California, but because of other matters that have come up he has changed his plans. Some three churches in different cities of the coast have called him to their pastorates, but as yet he is undecided what he will do. He will leave today or tomorrow for Portland and will go thence to the Sound cities where he will meet some people that are interested in this city at the present time, and a little later will go on a trip to the east.

As he leaves the church here he will assist to bring the matter before some of the eastern people and see if money cannot be provided for a parsonage for the pastor and other work in the city will be presented to the eastern people.

Since coming to Astoria Mr. Mahone has been before the public and the demands upon him have been greater than that of any other minister for a great many years. He entered with activity into the work of making the city better and has been highly successful. His work among the foreign element has been much appreciated. In a mass meeting on Sunday afternoon the following resolution was passed:

"We learn with sorrow the contemplated removal of Rev. Luther D. Mahone from our city to another field of labor. Since coming to our city he has been identified with all that is good and for the advancement of the best interest of the people and especially for the good of the large foreign population. Therefore, be it.

Resolved: That we appreciate the efforts and the splendid work of our brother and the high standard which he has always set for the people relative to better things. As he leaves us he goes with the good will and prayers of our people that his life may be spared for many days to come and that his work may be blessed with success."

The church of which he has been the pastor expressed their sorrow and loss last evening, in the following resolution:

"Whereas, our pastor, Rev. Luther D. Mahone, has decided to sever his relations with us, we, as a church, desire to express our loss because of this action and assure him that we appreciate his work among us. Therefore, be it Resolved: That our prayers and best wishes go with him for his future success; and that we are highly gratified for the courageous and Christian manner in which he has stood for the subduing of the Kingdom and the success that has come to him and to our church under his leadership."

Previous to his coming to this city Mr. Mahone had been on the Lecture platform, had been active in politics in many of the eastern states where he was sought after as a "stump" speaker and served as the clerk of the West Virginia legislature. He took part in the Spanish-American war and at the close of it was presented with a sword by the Confederate Society of Virginia for meritorious services. He entered the service as a cadet in the University of West Virginia and at the outbreak of the war went to the front with the First West Virginia infantry. At Chickamauga Park he was detached from his regiment and served at various headquarters in this country and abroad. While in the service he was a comrade with the President. During the trip of the President on the coast some two years ago Mr. Mahone was with the party for some few days in California, with other comrades of the President and they had a most enjoyable time.

Since entering the ministry Mr. Mahone has filled good places for a man so young and has been successful in every way. He is a hard worker and is continually at it all the time.

In the journalistic field he is not a stranger, having served on the staff of some of the leading papers of the country. He has written book, "The Destiny of the Republic," and has assisted on two others. His book is one of 228 pages and has been widely read and the comments are of the highest coming from the leading men of the country. Senator Dolliver says: "That it is a masterful presentation of a most interesting subject."

Wherever he shall go, should he not remain in Astoria, the city in which he located will be better by having him in their midst. Should his departure be permanent from here, Astoria's will be the loss. For in many ways other than his church work he has brought the city before the reading public and has given it a great deal of free advertising in eastern papers.

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The following, taken from the last Scientific American, indicates that the American farmer is still ahead of the world in the scope and value of his holdings and resources:

"In view of the vast increase that has taken place during the past decade in the number and wealth of our industrial establishments and in the value of our manufactured products, it will be surprising to many people to learn that our farms still greatly exceed in value and as a source of revenue every other source of wealth, not even excluding our great manufacturing enterprises. The wealth production of the farms of the United States reached in 1905 the highest amount ever attained in this or any other country, the total figure being nearly six and one-half billion dollars. Four of the crops reached new records as to value, namely, corn, hay, wheat and rice. Corn exceeds previous yields both in amount and in price, and hay, wheat and rice reached new figures as to value only. The general average of production was high in the case of every crop, and the prices ran higher still. The Secretary of Agriculture estimates that in addition to the enormous yield of wealth, the farms of the country have themselves increased in value during the past five years by over six billions of dollars; and he puts the matter dramatically when he states that with every going down of the sun during the past five years, there has been registered an increase of three million four hundred thousand dollars in the value of the farms of the country. An analysis of the principal crops for the year shows that corn reached its highest production with 2,708,000,000 bushels, a clear gain of 42,000,000 bushels over the very profitable year of 1899. This hay crop is valued at 693 million dollars; cotton at 575 millions; wheat at 325 millions; oats, 282 millions; potatoes, 138 millions; barley, 58 millions and tobacco at 32 million dollars. Very remarkable is the increase of 34 million dollars in the value of dairy products, which reached the total valuation of 663 million dollars. The farmer's hen, says the Secretary, is becoming a worthy companion to the cow, the annual production of eggs being now 20 millions. Poultry products have climbed to a value of over half a billion dollars, so that poultry competes with wheat for precedence. The total value of horses is estimated at \$1,200,000,000. There are over 174 million milk cows, valued at nearly half a billion dollars. During the year farm produce to the value of 827 million dollars was exported. During the last sixteen years the domestic exports of farm products have amounted to 12 billion dollars, or one billion dollars more than enough to buy all the railroads of the country at their commercial valuation. Clear evidence of the prosperity of the farmer is seen in the fact that under a recent amendment of the national banking law, allowing the establishment of banks with a capitalization of less than \$50,000, there have been 1754 such banks established in the last year, nearly every one

of which says the Secretary, is located in a rural community and the capital furnished by farmers. For the first time in the financial history of the South, the deposits in that region exceed one billion dollars. Should there be no relapse from his present proposition as a wealth producer, three years hence the farmer will find that the farming element, which forms thirty-five per cent of the population, has produced an amount of wealth within the preceding ten years equal to one-half of the entire national wealth produced in three centuries."

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