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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

Meet Today.—The special investigating committee of the city council appointed to look into the Barry-Goodin controversy will meet today and commence the taking of testimony, some of which is expected to be of sensational character.

Valentine Day.—Yesterday was Valentine day and as a consequence the post-office authorities were busy distributing the usual surplus mail. The mail carriers report their labor a little more arduous, but on the whole experienced no inconvenience in attending to the extra amount of mail.

This Is Pay Day.—Auditor F. D. Kuetner, of the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad Company, leaves on this morning's express for a pay-trip over the system, this being the regular pay day of the company. He will be cordially received all along the line, no doubt; people on such errands generally are.

Six Hundred and Fifty.—At the close of business, yesterday, in the county clerk's office, there were just six hundred and fifty citizens of Clatsop entered on the primary election registers; 413 in the seven Astoria precincts, and 237 in the twenty-one county ball-wicks.

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Seriously Ill.—Word from Gray's river states that Mrs. Barr of that place is seriously ill with pneumonia. She is 79 years of age, and fears are entertained for her recovery.

Resigns Position.—Timothy A. Leahy, who has been employed with the Board & Stokes Company, has resigned his position with that company and on March first will accept a position with the hardware department of Fisher Brothers.

Blue Label Ball.—Last evening the Cigar Makers' Union in this city gave a delightful ball in Logan's hall. There was a large attendance, music of the best, and a good time enjoyed by all in attendance. The affair was one of the most successful that has taken place in this city for some time.

Cleaning House.—The city auditor yesterday went over all the old records of the city dating back from 1873, regarding the police court complaints by years, and packing them into one box, and doing likewise with the old ordinances, and other ancient documents. All the records are now put in such shape that any document which should be wanted for reference commencing with 1873, can be found in a very few moments.

Coming Her Way.—Yesterday was Miss Alice Roosevelt's birthday, day after tomorrow will be her wedding day. Two happy events in one short week. She is 22 years old now, and there is no one in Astoria but wishes she may celebrate her golden wedding with the same happiness that is hers now. She is a thoroughly good, honest, well-poised American girl, and no more can be said of her than that.

Met Last Night.—Astoria Assembly, No. 28, Lincoln Annuity Union, met last night in the Pythian building, supreme vice-president, W. E. Malbury, presiding. A class of twenty-eight new members was initiated and there was a large list of new applications with a promise of many more for the next meeting, which will be in Logan's hall next Wednesday evening. A committee was appointed to provide for entertainment at the next meeting.

You will find a WORLD of information in the 1906 WORLD ALMANAC. 25 cents—Svenson's Book Store.

Will Answer Today.—An attraction occupied yesterday on board the revenue cutter Perry, as between B. Evanger, one of the crew, and S. Ivanof, a Japanese cook, during the course of which the Oriental is alleged to have used a hatchet, with certain effect on the knee of Evanger. At all events, complaint to this extent, was filed yesterday, in Justice Goodman's court, and the Japanese was arrested and placed under \$500 bond for his appearance in court at 10 o'clock this morning to answer the charge of "assault with a dangerous weapon."

HIS PROTOTYPE IN ASTORIA.

We were both amused and disgusted a few days since at reading in a weekly newspaper published in a small town a vigorous protest by "Old Settler" to measures proposed to secure fire protection for the village. Some men are so afraid that they may have to part with a dollar that they may possibly do some good to others besides themselves that they would sooner see the whole community in hopeless stagnation than lend a helping hand to progress. The blind selfishness of such narrow minded egotists is pitiable, and would be comical were it not so mean. It seems almost incredible that a man in his right senses can refuse to aid a good cause on the ground that the returns of it may directly benefit his neighbor slightly more than himself. Civilization depends upon mutual helpfulness; no man can live for himself alone. Probably every community of any size has a representative or two of the close-fisted, penny wise and pound foolish, selfish, jealous, hateful, suspicious and useless type; but the community that progresses, and where all share in the benefits of progress, is the one where the public spirited element predominates; where a thing is done for the good of all, in confidence unhampered by the base fear that a public improvement will benefit one more than another. It is a pity, but it seems true that some persons are in such a state of lopsided mental and moral development that rather than have their neighbors derive more than themselves from bettered conditions, they would prefer the continuing evil of conditions that ought to be bettered. Such men need education along the lines of common sense.—Ex.

LEST YOU FORGET.

Is it not about time you were getting that buggy fixed up? It may need new rubber tires or perhaps some other repairs. If so, take it to Andrew Asp & Company. They also do all kinds of blacksmithing and repair work.

BAR, BAY AND RIVER

Very Quiet Day Along Astoria's Waterfront.

SHIP SARGENT READY TO SAIL

Oil Fleet Had Two Representatives in Port Yesterday—British Steamship Iford Due in at Any Hour—Local Boats and Boatmen Notes.

"Yesterday's Oregonian says: "Members of the committee representing the commercial bodies of Portland will meet today with C. P. Doe, manager of the North Pacific Steamship Company, to arrange if possible, terms for the securing of the steamship Roanoke to ply between Portland and Alaskan ports. Those who made the recent canvas of the merchants say that a guarantee of \$50,000 could be easily raised to cover the losses for the first year, should a line be established. It is understood that the committee will today offer Mr. Doe a guarantee of about this amount, and it is believed by many of those who have been following the situation that the deal will be consummated. If so the Roanoke would leave Portland for Alaska, within three weeks. Ships leaving Seattle for Alaska are crowded to the very brim, many passengers being unable to secure accommodations, and it is believed the Roanoke would have all the business it could handle for the first trip."

TILLAMOOK, Feb. 14.—Frank Moore, a Japanese cook on board the steamer Sue H. Elmore, was arrested today for violating the local-option law, and put up \$300 bonds to appear on Saturday. The cook is accused of selling whisky to boys. Drunkenness in the city has been coincident with the arrival of the steamer.

The American ship C. F. Sargent, with crew and cargo aboard, and duly cleared, hence to New York, was to have left down from Knappton at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, but did not get underway. She will probably get her dispatch today.

The following people came in on the Callender steamer Jordan, yesterday: Messrs. Crane, Lamont and Kennedy, the fishing "trinity," with Mrs. and Miss Lamont, from Skamokawa; Matt Hogan, from the same place, and Mrs. C. R. Johnson, from Cathlamet.

The big British tramp steamship Iford is due in today from the Sound. She is under charter to load foodstuffs out of Portland, for Také, Japan.

The new steam schooner Johan Paulsen, of the Inman-Poulsen fleet, came down from Portland yesterday, lumber laden, and went outward, for San Francisco.

The oil steamer George Loomis came down yesterday and left out in the afternoon, on her return voyage to California.

The British bark Balmore went up to Portland, yesterday, on the hauling lines of the Oklahoma.

The steamship Senator will dock here early tomorrow morning, on her voyage to San Francisco.

The steamer Roanoke is due at the Callender pier tomorrow morning, on her way to the south.

The oil tanker Whittier arrived in from San Diego, via Port Harford, yesterday and proceeded to the metropolis.

The steamer Sue H. Elmore is billed to sail this morning for Tillamook.

A WORD OF DEFENSE.

Against Cowardly Politics as Used to Defeat Mr. Whitney.

From an article in the Sunday Salem Statesman the following is taken: "A scurrilous article having appeared in the Cowlitz County (Wash.), Advocate recently, reflecting on the administration of the present state printer of Oregon, has been reprinted in circular form and is being circulated among the Republicans of this State, intimating that the emoluments of this office are being divided between a few political 'highlanders' as a consideration for their efforts in nominating the present incumbent four years ago. The writer knows this to be untrue. "This attack is, no doubt, inspired by an interested party who at that time was a prominent candidate for the office and defeated, but, as a matter of

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fact, at no time had he the support of the delegation from his own county for the position, and consequently his nomination was made impossible.

"The emoluments of the state printer have always been grossly exaggerated, and especially by those who are unfamiliar with the subject, looking only to the appropriations made as a whole, and never once considering the cost of producing the printing.

"Any one elected to the office of state printer will perform the duties of that office just as his predecessors have done no more no less. The fees paid the state printer are regulated by statute, and he is powerless to change them. The governor appoints an expert to measure the work and fix the prices thereon conformable to law, and he alone performs that duty without any aid or suggestions from the state printer. Four years ago Governor Chamberlain appointed to the position of expert printer Albert Tozier, a democrat, and secretary of the Oregon Press association, a practical craftsman, a gentleman of unquestioned integrity and probity, and who has done his duty faithfully and impartially in accordance with law and without fear or favor from any one. Hence, the assertions made in a certain platform about what great retrenchment and reform will be inaugurated in the state printing when the author of it secures the office is untimely, unwise and out of place. He would follow the same methods and pursue the same course as his predecessors, which have prevailed for more than thirty years.

"A few years since the State of Washington operated under about the same laws as now exist in Oregon, but dissatisfaction existed among the people, many claiming that the state was paying excessive and exorbitant rates for its printing, and the result was that the office of state printer was abolished and a superintendent of printing selected to oversee the work, which was contracted to the lowest responsible bidder. This condition of affairs existed for a very short time under most unsatisfactory conditions with increased appropriations for printing and a far inferior class of work being done than formerly, besides a great loss of time to the different departments sustained, when the clamor for patronage became so great that a scandal ensued during the last session of the legislative assembly in regard to contracting the work, and the legislature was compelled to create the office of state printer and establish rates on an equitable basis, and which are now in force.—Albany Herald.

Allen and Eigner wish to announce that there will be music at the skating rink on both Tuesday and Friday evenings. Spectators will be charged admission on music nights only.

THE HUNGRY MAN.

The hungry mortal is almost universal (at times). When one is hungry he wants something good and wants it quick, well-served, in comfortable quarters, and at reasonable cost. That's what he wants; and if in Astoria, he goes where he knows he can get satisfaction under all these conditions, that is, to the Palace Restaurant, on Commercial street, opposite the Page building. The stranger going there once, goes there always. Party, and banquet, service, on the same satisfactory scale.

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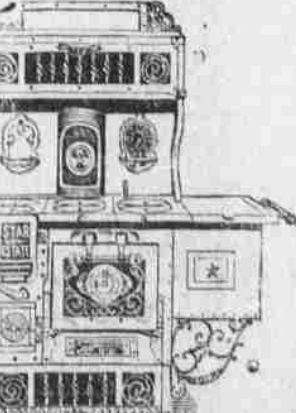
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

Notice is hereby given that the Shively Improvement Club respectfully requests that all residents living within the borders of Shively's Astoria take steps within the next ten days to clear their premises of all debris so that they will present a cleanly appearance. In the meaning of this notice it is expected that all front and back yards, sidewalks and gutters be cleared from all rubbish which causes an unsightly appearance. Failure to comply with the request within ten days of this notice will cause the delinquent to be reported to the club. An early compliance to the suggestion will be appreciated. By order of

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