

**BAR, BAY AND RIVER NEW CONSTITUTION**

**Quiet Day On the Astoria Water-front.**

**NEWS FROM THE COLUMBIA**

**Potter Out On Saturday Sure—Old Officers Make New Captains—The Roanoke and Kilburn Due Down Tomorrow Morning—Notes**

The steamer Atlas, of the oil fleet, came in yesterday from California and passed on up to the metropolis without unnecessary delay here. She overtook the steamer Meteor, which also arrived in later, yesterday, at a point near St. George's reef, and anchored in good water. She tendered aid but the tender was not recognized and the Atlas came on. The Meteor followed ten hours later. She was refitting a crank-pin that had gotten loose, when the Atlas signalled her services, to which she responded in the usual form, but was not seen, perhaps.

The Johan Poulsen is now in command of Captain Reise, formerly the popular first officer of the steamer Columbia, and there are many old friends of his in this port. Just before he left San Francisco he went to look over the Columbia and he reports that work on her is being rushed with all possible speed, and that she will start up the coast about the 20th of the present month, just as good as new and as popular as ever.

Captain M. D. Staples, of the bar pilot association, will leave up for Portland, on the bar schooner Joseph Pulitzer, today or tomorrow, to place that valuable and serviceable craft in the dry dock, for a general overhauling, which she needs, having been at sea now for two years without being touched. She will be substituted by the State pilot schooner San Jose, which will do bar duty for the next thirty days, being fitted up comfortably for this service.

They have rushed repairs on the T. J. Potter and she will be out on duty on Saturday next. This will be a great relief to the O. R. & N. people in this city, who have had to use every possible expedient to handle the heavy north-shore business of that company all the week, and which, of course, was relatively bigger than if there was nothing the matter with the Potter.

The steamers Roanoke and F. A. Kilburn are due down from Portland early tomorrow morning, enroute to the southern coasts and ports.

The motor schooner Gerald C. will leave out this morning at 4 o'clock for Alsea bay.

The steamer Johan Poulsen arrived in from San Francisco yesterday and went directly on to Portland.

The schooner F. W. Jewett went to sea yesterday with 600,000 feet of lumber, loaded at Goble, for Redondo.

The oil steamer Richmond arrived in from San Francisco, yesterday, and sped on up the river to the metropolis.

**Chinese Prince Will Devise Constitution for China.**

**REFORM COREAN GOVERNMENT**

**Japanese Officials at Port Arthur Charge the Russians With Attempting to Hide Large Sums of Money.**

VICTORIA, B. C., August 1.—According to advices brought by the steamer Empress of Japan, Professor Hattori, who has returned to Japan from Peking, says a commission headed by Prince Su has undertaken a translation of the constitutions of the principal nations of the world with a view to compiling a constitution for China. The work is not expected to be completed for 12 years. Arrangements are being made to issue a paper currency in China about a year hence.

Marquis Ito has made the following proposals to the Korean government for administrative reform for Korea:

Promotion of Japanese industries, extension of general education and adoption of a system of appointment by merit, reform of the financial administration of government and imperial household, drawing distinctive line between court and cabinet and amnesty for Korean political offenders in Japan. The British steamer Sainan was attacked by pirates while proceeding from Canton to Wuchow, July 13. The crew fought, but could not prevent the boarding of pirates in numbers. Dr. McDonald, ship's surgeon, and two other officers were killed, the captain and four other European officers of the crew being seriously injured. The vessel was looted by the pirates and her cargo carried off in Chinese junks.

Japanese officials at Port Arthur charge the Russians with attempting to conceal large sums of money which by virtue of the Portsmouth treaty were to have been handed over to Japan in consequence of the capture of the fortress.

The Russian cruiser Novik, which 10, 1904, and was wrecked on the Saghalin coast, has been re-floated by the Japanese salvage steamer Kwanto Maru.

Japanese policemen are seeking an increase in pay, the policeman's wages being from \$4.50 to \$7.50. They ask to be increased to from \$6 to \$10, and sergeants pay will be increased to from \$8.50 to \$15 per month. The present wage is from \$7.50 to \$12.50 per month.

The rate war between Japanese and British steamships on the China coast is still reducing fares and freights. On the Bangkok Swatow line, passengers are being carried and berthed and fed free of charge by the German and British lines opposing the Japanese service. An amalgamation has been made between the three Japanese steamship companies on the Yangtze to fight the competition there.

The steamer Mahenow, which arrived tonight from Australia with 400 passengers, brought news of an exciting scene in the Australian Parliament when Mr. Norton charged a labor member with grafting and agreed to resign on condition that the latter member so did and they both would contest his seat. The labor men agreed amidst loud cheering and both at once left the chamber.

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**PEABODY ANSWERS TERRIBLE SYSTEM OF SLAVERY**

**PRESIDENT OF MUTUAL SAYS POLICYHOLDERS' STATEMENTS ARE UNTRUE; CALLS UNTERMYER A LIAR; UNTERMYER SAYS SAME.**

NEW YORK, August 1.—President Charles A. Peabody, of the Mutual Life Insurance Company yesterday made public a letter he has addressed to Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the International Policyholders' Committee.

The letter is an answer to one sent the Mutual trustees by Mr. Untermyer July 25, requesting a duplicate of the list of policyholders which the company had prepared by the stencil process, declaring that the list filed at Albany was grossly inaccurate and charging that the stencil list was prepared to enable the Peabody administration to send foreign literature to the policyholders at the company's expense.

In his letter to Mr. Untermyer Mr. Peabody says in part:

"No campaign literature has been or will be sent out from the lists at the company's expense.

"You have voluntarily created a body which you have styled a 'policyholders' committee' of which less than one-third are members of this company. These gentlemen for reasons which I presume are entirely satisfactory to themselves, permit you to use them for the purpose of giving weight to your reckless and untruthful statements about the officers and trustees of this company.

"Your letter of July 25 is full of statements that are not true and of insinuations and inuendos that are not sustained by existing facts."

In reply, Mr. Untermyer wrote President Peabody last night, in part as follows:

"It is impossible to properly characterize the statement in your letter without impairing the dignity of the contest. I repeat the charge that the circular letter under date of July 2, which has been mailed to the policyholders at an expense of over \$15,000 contains grossly inaccurate statements. I refer especially to the statement, 'No one who was directly or indirectly responsible for the conditions that existed in and prior to the year 1905, remains in the service of the company.'"

**A. A. SAARI.**

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**In Self Defense**

Major Hamm, editor and manager of the Constitutional, Eminence, Ky., when he was fiercely attacked four years ago by piles, bought a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, of which he says: It cured me in ten days and no trouble since." Quickest healer of Burns, Sores, Cuts and Wounds. 25c at Charles Rogers drug store.

**ARE YOU A BON VIVANT?**

The pith of life, after all, is a good feed. The good things of this life are not as a rule easily found, so that it is a pleasure to find so close at hand a first-class up-to-date establishment, where one gets those good things at every meal, like the Palace Restaurant, on Commercial street. The home of the bon vivant.

**WHITE MEN FORCED TO LABOR IN TURPENTINE CAMPS GUARDED BY NEGROES—BEATEN AND KILLED IF THEY TRY TO ESCAPE**

NEW YORK, August 1.—Another man returned from Florida to the East side yesterday with a story of peonage in Florida and an other letter has been received from a man there begging aid. There are still fifty immigrants who are known to have started for the Florida camps within the last six months, who have not been heard of since.

David Krill, who lived with his sister, Mrs. Jennie Abramowitz, came home after an absence in Florida of several weeks. When he left this city for the turpentine camps he was in good health. When he came home yesterday his sister did not recognize him and attempted to drive him out of her flat. His back was black and blue and still marked with deep red scars where he said he had been whipped. He had been taken to Jacksonville, he said, and from there to Mateo. He was then carried to a camp in the woods, where there were huts and negro guards. At the end of two weeks, he said, he found that he owed the company \$24 above his promised \$12 a week. He was still strong and decided to escape. He ran away one night and in the morning found that he was lost. Later in the day he was recaptured and beaten.

The next morning while he was at work in the swamp, one of those with whom he had shared the company stores slipped \$30 to him which he said he had kept hidden in a boot. This man did not dare to escape but he begged Krill to take the money and if possible to get north so as to tell of the horrors of the slave camp. That night when he saw the guards were asleep Krill slipped through the lines and managed to reach a city. He worked his way as far as Baltimore and from there walked to his sister's home in this city.

Mrs. Bernard Sklut of 292 Cherry street, received the following letter from her son yesterday, dated Mobile, Ala.: "I do not dare to give the exact place where I am. This is written at night and forwarded by a friend in greater danger than I am. If he should be caught with it he would be killed like a hog as others have been. I escaped and walked 100 miles in four days when I was found and brought back and beaten. One thing I would say and that is that the negroes would not do it if they were not afraid of the white men."

**The End of the World**

of troubles that robbed E. H. Wolfe, of Bear Grove, La., of all usefulness, came when he began taking Electric Bitters. He writes: "Two years ago kidney trouble caused me great suffering, which I never would have survived had I not taken Electric Bitters. They also cured me of general debility." Sure cure for all stomach, Liver and Kidney complaints, Blood diseases, Headache, Dizziness and weakness or bodily decline. Price 50c. Guaranteed by Charles Rogers drug store.

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