

## YESTERDAY'S ELECTION IN DETAIL.

The municipal election in the city of Astoria yesterday, was disposed of by a vote considerably less than one-half the normal vote of the city, which patent indifference must stand sponsor for the passage of some hurtful and dangerous expedients among the fifteen amendments submitted to the people by the charter-commission.

Mayor Wise is continued in office by a margin showing of 548 votes; Charles H. Abercrombie will assume the city-attorneyship by a paltry majority of 555 votes; Messrs. Hansen and Lebeck go back to the council by respective majorities over Mr. Davis, of 76 and 41, the latter gentleman making a sturdy run for the honor in No. 1. Councilman L. O. Belland suc-

ceeds himself by a vote of 119 to 40 cast for Mr. Jacobson; and every one of the amendments submitted carried by a pronounced majority in every ward of the city. The gentlemen named continue in office under the provisions of the accepted amendments, along with their colleagues of the present administration, until the first Monday in January, 1909. There will be no city election until the second Wednesday in December, 1908.

The following table gives the vote for the several candidates, by precincts, as returned last night to the office of Judge Anderson, by the judges and clerks of election: (The vote upon the several amendments appearing, specifically, in another column of this issue of The Astorian.)

CANDIDATES.	PREC. 1.	PREC. 2.	PREC. 3.	PREC. 4.	PREC. 5.	PREC. 6.	TOTAL.
Herman Wise, for Mayor.....	98	90	127	112	26	115	568
C. H. Abercrombie, for City Attorney.....	85	8	123	122	26	111	555
J. H. Hansen, Councilman, 1st ward.....	92	109	19	.....	.....	.....	279
L. Lebeck, Councilman, 1st ward.....	100	85	59	.....	.....	.....	244
T. R. Davis, Councilman, 1st ward.....	27	77	99	.....	.....	.....	203
L. O. Belland, Councilman, 3rd ward.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	110	110
Axel Jacobson, Councilman, 3rd ward.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	40

Let no man do any kicking on these returns; they are full and final. The onus whatsoever is unacceptable in the way of the amendments, (and they are not without some dangerous and dubious elements rests absolutely upon the shoulders of the 1,000 or more men who neglected and refused to go out and do their duty yesterday. That is all there is to it, for the present. What of remedy may be invoked, is a matter for the future and the po-

litical wisdom that may be aroused in that behalf later.

The election is over; there will be no other to interfere with the current business of Astoria for two solid years, and the best thing to be done, is to lend every faculty and aid in the development of the city and her industries and push her forward to a point of effective progress and prosperity, that will in a huge degree, minimize the blunders and worse, of yesterday.

### THE VOTE ON AMENDMENTS.

Following is the abbreviated text of the fifteen amendments submitted at the polls yesterday, for adoption or rejection, and the "yes" and "no vote" on each of the new provisions so presented. It is a safe inference that these amendments will receive a much closer scrutiny, now that they are beyond the scope of defeat, than they ever received during their pendency before the people prior to the election that was held yesterday.

An amendment to Section 143, of the Charter of the City of Astoria, making the Water Commission elective and fixing the term of office at eight years, increasing the number of Commissioners to nine members and providing the method of filling vacancies in the Board.  
Yes, 302; No, 276.

An amendment to Section 40, of the Charter of the City of Astoria, defining the duties of the Mayor, and providing that he shall see that the laws and ordinances are enforced, and giving the Mayor the power to suspend from service any officer or employee of the Police Force, Fire Department, Street Department and Surveyor's Department, who shall refuse to enforce the laws and ordinances of the City.  
Yes, 330; No, 296.

An amendment to the Charter of the City of Astoria, fixing eight hours as a standard for a days work, and \$2.50 as the minimum wages of employees of the City, and that Citizens or those who have declared their intention to become such shall be employed by the City, and providing that contractors shall be required to give bond conditional for the payment of all persons performing labor or furnishing material in executing the contract.  
Yes, 338; No, 269.

An amendment to Section 105, of the Charter of the City of Astoria, providing the method of assessing damages and benefits in laying out, widening and opening streets and alleys, and providing the method of collecting assessments levied for that purpose.  
Yes, 391; No, 140.

An amendment to Sections 4, 5, 6, 8, 11, 12, 127, and 118, of the Charter of the City of Astoria, creating four wards and defining the boundaries thereof, and providing for two Councilmen from each ward and one Councilman at Large, fixing the time of election bi-annually on the second Wednesday in December, in the even years, and providing that the term of Councilman shall be four years, and all officials of the City of Astoria, in office when this Act takes effect, shall hold until the first Monday in January, 1909, and extending the term of office of each Police Commissioner one year, and providing that commencing with the election of 1908, one Police Commissioner shall be elected every two years, and a person appointed to fill a vacancy shall hold the remainder of the unexpired term.  
Yes, 403; No, 206.

An amendment to Section 132, of the Charter of the City of Astoria, fixing the limit of indebtedness at \$230,000.00 and defining the assets and liabilities to be taken into consideration in fixing such limit.  
Yes, 359; No, 190.

An amendment to Section 129, of the Charter of the City of Astoria, exempting the City from liability from damages for accidents or injuries upon any street, unless the claim is filed with the Auditor and Police Judge within thirty days from the time of the accident, exempting Councilmen from liability for words uttered in debate and fixing their salary at \$100.00 per year.  
Yes, 368; No, 186.

An amendment to Section 75 of the Charter of the City of Astoria, providing for the manner of making assessments to defray costs and expenses of improving streets, and providing that assessments may be levied without regard to the assessed valuation of the property.  
Yes, 380; No, 198.

An amendment to Section 91, of the Charter of the City of Astoria, providing for establishing and re-establishing the grades of the streets of the City of Astoria, and that no grade shall be changed on an improved street or portion thereof, except upon a written petition of the owners of at least three-fifths of the property abutting upon said street or that part thereof upon which the change of grade is proposed.  
Yes, 393; No, 154.

An amendment to Section 47, of the Charter of the City of Astoria, defining the powers and duties of the President of the Council.  
Yes, 363; No, 126.

An amendment to Section 33, of the Charter of the City of Astoria, defining the powers of the Council and providing for licensing, taxing, regulating, restraining, restricting and prohibiting barrooms and drinking shops and places where liquors are sold; prohibiting gambling and providing for levying taxes, providing for contracting indebtedness and prohibiting any off-

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cer from being interested in any contract, and restricting the granting of franchises for street rail-ways for a longer period than thirty years, and regulating the manner of issuing franchises.  
Yes, 367; No, 194.

An amendment to Section 2, of the Charter of the City of Astoria, giving the City power to build, purchase, lease and operate Street car lines, Telephone, Telegraph and Lighting Plants, and to control, lease, sell or dispose of the same for the benefit of the City.  
Yes, 399; No, 174.

An amendment to Section 15, of the Charter of the City of Astoria, defining the qualifications of electors, fixing six months residence as a qualification to the right to vote and providing for registration of electors.  
Yes, 439; No, 190.

An amendment to Sections 27 and 28 of the Charter of the City of Astoria, relating to vacancies in office, and providing for filling vacancies by appointment by a majority of the remaining members of the Common Council, to continue for the remainder of the unexpired term.  
Yes, 409; No, 183.

An amendment to Section 51, of the Charter of the City of Astoria, defining the duties of Superintendent of Streets and making it his duty to inspect the construction of street improvements and sewers, and, with the City City Surveyor, and Committee on Streets and Public Ways, certify in writing of the completion of the same, and to perform other work.  
Yes, 454; No, 125.

### CIVIC FEDERATION.

Annual Meeting Convened in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The annual meeting of the American Civic Federation begins today at the Park Avenue Hotel. Two subjects will be discussed at today's session. "Government by Injunction," and "Child Labor."

At the afternoon session, to be held at 2 o'clock, the principal speaker will be Senator A. J. Beveridge, whose bill on the federal regulation of child labor, which has been endorsed by all child labor organizations, is now pending in the Senate. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, will preside at the session.

### SELLING COCAINE.

Chicago Druggist Arrested for Violation of Law.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—The movement to check the traffic in cocaine and similar drugs, which have cast a blight over the neighborhood of the Desplaines street police station, received a new impetus yesterday.

Acting on five informations filed by the State's attorney under the Ill-

inois law, Municipal Judge Frank P. Sadler issued bench warrants for the arrest of Dr. Albert J. Dahlberg, a clerk in the drug store of Adolph C. Brendecke, charging him with "selling cocaine and preparations said to contain cocaine."

The sales are alleged to have been made to cocaine victims.

Dahlberg was arrested and was compelled to remain locked up five hours. The bonds were fixed at a total of \$10,000. Heretofore, under the old justice system, bonds usually were as low as \$200.

### RETURNING HOME.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Mr. Whitelaw Reid, United States ambassador to the court of St. James, is among the passengers of the Kron Prinz Wilhelm, which will reach her pier at an early hour today.

### LONG TENNESSEE FIGHTS.

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