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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

Dell B. Scully, Notary Public at Scully's Cigar Store. Any old hour!

"A Ragged Hero" at the Star Theater tonight.

The very best board to be obtained in the city is at "The Occident Hotel." Rates very reasonable.

For Your Holiday Wines and Liquors see the American Importing Co. (In the Ford & Stokes Store.) \$1

Columbia and Victor Graphophones and all the latest records at Chicago prices, for sale by A. R. Cyrus, 424 Commercial St. 4f

How Do I look.—To really see yourself as others see you, get one of those new style mirrors at Hart's Drug Store; all prices. A new supply just received.

I am positively going to retire from business and must sell out as soon as possible and from now on will give you still greater bargains at C. H. Cooper's great retiring sale.

Plans for Building—In a conversation with Architect J. E. Wicks of this city, the information was given out that Mr. Wicks is preparing plans for a residence in Portland to be built by Lars Bersvick, superintendent of the Astoria water works.

Taken to Hospital—Frank Howard, the specialty artist who has been performing at the Star theater, was taken to St. Mary's hospital at twelve o'clock Wednesday night. He is suffering from a severe attack of nervous prostration.

IT'S GOOD

That is just what they all say when they drink

Hills Bros. Java and Mocha Coffee

Try a can and if you do not think it is better than any other you have ever used we will refund your money.

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A Gift Worth While



The money spent for trinkets by the average family at Christmas time would buy an Edison Phonograph. The trinkets last about as long as Christmas does. The Edison Phonograph affords enjoyment day after day and year after year. The trinkets please only the individual recipients. The Edison Phonograph offers a continuous round of pleasure for the whole family.

It is the greatest music-maker of the age. It brings into the home circle all of the world's best music, rendering with wonderful faithfulness whatever song, instrumental piece, or orchestral selection is desired.

Make this Christmas the merriest of all by having for its chief feature an

Edison Phonograph

Johnson Phonograph Co.

Parlors Second Floor over Scholfield & Mattson Co.

Announcement—Charles Hellborn & Company make the pleasant announcement that on the 2nd day of January, 1907, they will inaugurate a January Clearance Sale, at which, and during the entire month of January, they will sell anything, and everything in the house, excepting Monarch Ranges, at a discount of 20 per cent. This is made in perfect good faith, and will be carried out to the very letter and figure of the declaration. td

New Flame Sign—The Astoria Theater management yesterday erected, or rather swung its 18-foot electric sign across Commercial street, and last evening it was doing brilliant service. A member of the common council was heard to wonder where the authority came for its suspension, since the petition for such permission is now on file for consideration by the council on the night of January 7 and had not yet been passed upon.

Wedded at Portland—On Wednesday morning last at 8 o'clock, at St. Mary's cathedral in Portland, Rev. T. J. McDevitt, rector, officiating, there were married Mr. Louis Kinkella, of this city, and Miss Harriett Whipple, of the metropolis, Miss Eva Davich serving the pretty bride as maid while the groom was supported by his brother, Dr. John Kinkella, of this city, as best man. The newly wedded pair will tour Eastern Oregon for about ten days and then come to Astoria to make their new home.

Residence on Franklin—Dr. Alfred Kinney will erect an up-to-date residence on Franklin Avenue early in the spring. Mr. J. E. Wicks is the architect.

Release Lone Prisoner—Judge Olat Anderson of the police court today released from custody the one prisoner in the city jail. The man was taken in a couple of days ago for being drunk.

Great Gun Practice—As Artemus Ward might put it, the "ambly" air about this peninsula was punctured a whole lot yesterday, by the boom of the heavy ordnance at Fort Stevens, the great 10-inch rifles there being employed in target practice, at which, it is said, some very clever work was done. On Wednesday the mortar batteries were in action in this same behalf.

Promiscuous Theft—Lewis Nelson of Vesper, complained by letter yesterday to Sheriff Pomeroy, of being robbed by one Harry Jones, whom he had taken on his place to work. During his absence Jones tried to sell Mr. Nelson's fine rifle, but failed, as everyone in the neighborhood knew the weapon. Then he fastened on to a lot of good underwear, two white shirts, ten dollars in money, a dog, and stealing Mr. Nelson's boat, started down the river for Astoria. Sheriff Pomeroy easily picked him out of a bunch of "vags" in Judge Anderson's court yesterday and landed him, self-confessed, in the county jail, where he will await trial, in February.

Return to Astoria—Captain N. K. Willis returned to Astoria yesterday from Seattle, on the noon express, accompanied by Mrs. Willis and their young son and daughter. It is not known yet whether they will take up their quarters on the British bark Melanope, now in the lower harbor, and from which they so providentially escaped at sea during the fearful gale of December 6, now that the vessel is within the purview of the federal court and in charge of a deputy United States marshal. There is some talk of her purchase by the libelers, the owners of the salvaging steamer Northland, in which event, the suit pending will be settled out of court, and the new owners will wind up the claims of the Northland's crew, who are legal participators in the salvage claim.

Lovers of Music—Lovers of good music in Astoria will lose nothing by hearing Miss Bertha Garland, at the Louvre, sing the latest of all popular songs, among which is "The Golden West is Home, Sweet Home to Me," and "The Ramona," both character songs, thoroughly and beautifully rendered in her superb contralto. She is ably seconded in the vocal line by the invincible favorite, Miss Forest, whose latest contribution is "Somebody is Thinking of Someone," one of the prettiest illustrated offerings of the day. The flute playing of Miss Wand-rath forms a finale in one of the best entertainments of its kind in the city, and these three stars, perfect mistresses in their specialties, are the leading cards of the evening bill at that house.

Fun, Fast and Furious—The new film-string now on at the Waldorf takes the medal for fun and interest. It reveals the history of a French student who leaves a good home for his university and his career there, with all the pranks and scrapes and sins of student-life, faithfully and fully portrayed, including a visit from the old folks, who catch him in one of his maddest whims, and the old father, who has not forgotten his own college days, goes out for a night with his son, and has more experiences before morning than he ever had in his life before. The things the boys do to the professors and others, day and night, would fill a book if written out, but are pictured quickly and clearly to the man who has not time to read books, and wants to see things for himself. He gets his money's worth by taking in this entertainment. tf

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NOTICE!

As usual I ordered a number of

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

for those of my customers who have bought a certain amount of goods from me during the past year. The presents have arrived but the Railroad Company wants \$144.50 freight and I won't pay such an exhorbitant a sum as freight.

Therefore I ask that my friends be patient until the Railroad Companies accept a reasonable sum for their services or else I can secure other presents.

Respectfully,

HERMAN WISE

BEHIND EACH ARTICLE SOLD IN HIS STORE

PERSONAL MENTION.

G. P. Morden of Portland is registered at the Merwyn Hotel.

J. H. Turner of Portland is in this city on a business visit.

George Best came down from Portland yesterday and put up at the Irving Hotel.

John G. Harris of Chicago is spending a few days in Astoria.

J. Friend of San Francisco is at present a guest at the Occident Hotel.

S. A. McNeill and wife of Providence, R. I., are making a short stay in this city.

Ernest Lamson of Phoenix, Ari., was in this city yesterday.

C. C. Lumby of New York is a guest at the Occident Hotel.

It is reported that John G. Richardson, bookkeeper, for the Prael-Etgener Company, has suffered a relapse from his recent illness.

C. C. Clark came up from Seaside yesterday and spent the day here on business.

A. B. Young of Sumpter, is in the city on a holiday visit to his father, Hon. Ben Young. He reports that mining district in a very solid and prosperous condition, with nothing overdone about it.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Omon were passengers for Coos Bay on the steamer Alliance last night.

Henry Friedlander has severed his connection with the Herman Wise clothing house, and will re-locate himself at an early date, here, or in Portland.

Do You feel sleepy and not a bit like working in the afternoon? Perhaps it's because of the kind of lunch you're eating—too heavy an dtoo hard to digest. Why not try the Palace restaurant on Commercial street, where all the baking is done in those famous slow-process ovens, which turn out light appetizing, wholesome things? You'll save money, too.

At the Astoria—"The Heir to the Hooraah" occupied the boards at the Astoria Theater last night and gave very general pleasure to the audience present, which was not as large as it might have been had there been a wider knowledge of the attraction, which was certainly entitled to a far larger house than greeted it. The play itself was lively and full of interest and was thoroughly well interpreted by a clever cast, though it dragged a bit in spots.

Dr. J. M. Holt is relieving Dr. Finch, during his absence and will keep the regular hours. 12-19-1f

Lots of good comedy in the popular play, "A Ragged Hero" at the Star tonight.

Tempting Values in Footwear



WE ASSERT OUR SUPREMACY AND EMPHASIZE THE FACT WE ARE SHOWING THE MOST TEMPTING VALUES, IN BOOTS, SHOES AND SLIPPERS.

AT THIS TIME OF THE YEAR WE HAVE A VAST ASSORTMENT FROM WHICH FORESIGHTED BUYERS OF CHRISTMAS GIFTS CAN SELECT ADMIRABLE CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FOR RELATIONS OR FRIENDS.

Wherity, Ralston & Company

The Leading Shoe Dealers.

Removal of Bank—It has been known in a quiet way for several months that the First National Bank contemplated a change of quarters. Yesterday it developed that the Flavel building at the intersection of Bond and Tenth streets will be the new place of business. A glass front will be placed on the part of the building opening on Tenth street, a new vault will be built, and new furniture installed.

An Octette in Prison—Deputy Sheriff Archie McLean has eight people in his custody as jailor of the Clatsop county "barracks," namely Edward Anderson, Sr., and Edward Anderson, Jr., in for one year, assault and battery, from Seaside, term expiring on June 1 next; Captain Chas. Forest, of the schooner Annie Larsen, held for trial in February next for the killing of George Fisher, one of his crew; Marius Littra, theft of \$170 from the mate of the Annie Larsen, awaiting trial in February; John Stark, a larcenist, doing 20 days time; Thomas Gibson, an alleged absconding debtor; and Harry Brown, arrested yesterday on a charge of larceny from a dwelling.

"A Ragged Hero" at the Star Theater tonight at 8:15.

Orkwitz sells the celebrated Victor safes; see him about it.

Morning Astorian, 60 cents per month, delivered by carrier.

DONE BY DEED

W. C. Smith and wife to Elsie Strauel, lots 4 and 5, block 23, The Plaza..... \$ 450
 Edward Hallock to William T. Kenny, lots 13 and 14, block 7, Skipanon..... 100
 United States to John Close, patent, 160 acres in Section 32-8-7..... 100
 C. D. Stanley and wife to James Elwood, 160 acres in Section 8-5-6..... 100

PREPARING FOR BOUT.

TONOPAH, Dec. 27.—Jack Welch, referee of the Gans-Herman fight, was in conference with the fighters today. He said afterwards that both men thoroughly understood the rules and there would be no trouble in the ring on that score. Gans was down to a fraction over 133 pounds today. He says the rest will be easy. Herman will stop boxing tomorrow.

INDICTMENTS RETURNED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—It is reported tonight that the grand jury, which is investigating into the affairs of the New York Life Insurance Company, today voted indictments against two men as a result of the insurance inquiry. It was rumored that forgery in the third degree will be charged. Those in a position to confirm the report refuse to discuss the matter.