

SPAR, DECK AND BUSY

IN THE CITY CHURCHES.

Samson Again Engaged in Ocean Towing.

GEO. W. ELDER IN LAST NIGHT

Chinese Bride for Astoria Merchant Among Her Passengers—Aragonia Due to Sail for China Today with a Dairy on Board.

The steamship Geo. W. Elder arrived in at a very late hour last night with a good cabin list and plenty of freight from San Francisco and will leave up for Portland early this morning. Among her passengers was the dainty bride of the well known Astoria Chinese merchant, Hong Wick, whose place of business is at Eighth and Bond streets, and who has made elaborate preparations for a three-day festival to accentuate the wedding which transpires sometime today. He has a wedding afoot that will cost him something in the neighborhood of \$1,500, including the \$800 contribution made to the bride's family, as is the Chinese custom.

The steamer Alliance did not get down from Portland until yesterday morning. She was delayed by the fuel oil shortage prevailing in Portland. Among her passengers out of here were: Captain W. W. Latham, assistant superintendent of construction, in the life-saving service, bound for Coos Bay entrance station to estimate certain repairs there. He will return immediately and resume his work at Point Adams and Cape Disappointment. Mrs. G. A. PUNCH, for Marshfield, and E. H. Kellogg, for North Bend.

The steamship Aragonia is due down from the metropolis on her way to China and Japan. She has a couple of dozen finely bred Jersey cows on board, an unusual consignment for liners, such as she. There will be plenty of fresh milk, cream and butter on board, if they are properly handled, and the cows must be milked twice a day under the shipping contract entered into.

The ocean-going tug Samson is due down from Portland today en route to San Francisco, towing the barge barge Washington, lumber laden. The Samson has been thoroughly overhauled since her arrival and is in good trim for the trip.

The barkentine Gardiner City will be down sometime today on her way to the Bay City, lumber laden.

The C. S. Holmes got away to sea and San Francisco yesterday morning, on the flood.

SUNDAY TRAVEL TO PORTLAND

Increases and \$2.50 Round Trip Rate via A. & C. R. R. is Popular.

Travel from this city to Portland on Sunday at the low round trip rate of \$2.50 is on the increase and many enjoy that day in the metropolis each week. This rate will be continued throughout the winter and the volume of travel toward Portland every Sunday would indicate that the public appreciates it. 11-8-17

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

First Congregational.
Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Subject, "A Journey from the City of Peace to a Place of a Curse." Evening service at 7:30. Subject, "An Old Testament Setting to a New Testament Parable." Sunday school at 12:20 p. m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.; midweek meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Social evening for the members and friends of the church and congregation on Thursday evening at 7:30. Music and refreshments. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services. G. E. Moorehouse, Ph. D., pastor. 661 Irving Avenue.

First Lutheran.
First Lutheran Church, Gustav E. Rydquist, pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Miss Alema Nylan, Supt. Morning service in Swedish at 10:45; Sunday school and service in English at the German Lutheran church on Grand Avenue at 2 and 3 o'clock, respectively. Evening service in English at the church in Uppertown at 7:30. Theme for sermon, "The Harvest is Great—the Laborers are Few." The choir will assist at the services. All are cordially invited.

Presbyterian.
Morning worship at 11 o'clock. "Friends." Sunday school at 12:15; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30; evening worship at 7:30, "Pilate's Questions and Christ's Answers." All invited to all services. Wm. S. Gilbert, pastor.

Grace Episcopal.
Sunday morning services at 11 o'clock and afternoon service at 4 o'clock.

Warrenton Presbyterian.
Sunday school at the Warren hall at 10:30 a. m. Evening worship at 7:30.

Alderbrook Presbyterian.
Morning worship at 10 o'clock. Sunday school at 11. Y. P. S. C. E. at 7:30 p. m.

Norwegian-Danish Methodist.
Corner of 37th and Duane streets. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching by the pastor at 11 and 8 p. m. At 2 o'clock a funeral service will be held at the church over the remains of Miss Jennie Pedersen. Midweek service Thursday night at 8 o'clock. Elias Gjerding, pastor.

TESTS SINCERITY.

French Officials Doubt Good Intentions of the Vatican.
PARIS, Feb. 2.—The view of Minister of Education Briand, that the government must continue along liberal lines in the execution of the separation law seems to have prevailed over the stiff-necked view held by Premier Clemenceau. It has been practically decided to instruct the prefects that contracts for leasing of churches offered by parish priests are acceptable with modifications, provided they do not vitiate the rights of the state to "disaffect" these churches. In other words the government wants to test the sincerity of the desire expressed by Rome to find a basis of settlement.

Foley's Honey and Tar cures the most obstinate coughs and expels the cold from the system as it is mildly laxative. It is guaranteed. The genuine is in the yellow package. T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

THE CREAM--NOT THE LEFT-OVERS

GRATITUDE SALE!

To properly express our gratitude to the public who have helped us to have the most successful sale in our twenty odd years of business experience in Astoria, and at the same time cut our stock down to a minimum, we have decided to inaugurate this sale. The confidence the people displayed in us during our JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE filled us with pride and grateful appreciation, but made us feel the responsibility that has always rested upon us—that of keeping our word with the public and being deserving of your confidence.

The Way We Stand

We have always taken this position—"not good enough for us not good enough for our customers." Now we had remnants left over from our recent sale, every store has after such a big sale such as ours has been, but instead of trying to sell these bad ones to you as most stores do, we DISPOSED OF THEM one and all to two of the smaller dealers, thus leaving our stock free and clear of odds and ends of all descriptions.

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Former Prices	Men's Suits.	Gratitude Sale	Former Price	Men's Furnishings	Gratitude Sale
\$13.50	Black Cheviots	\$8.65		Men's Working Shirts	65c
\$15.00	Mixed Tweeds	\$8.85	\$1.00	Stiff Bosom Shirts	65c
\$15.00	H. S. & M. Fancy Cashmeres	\$12.50	\$1.25	Wool Mixed Underwear	\$2.25
\$18.00	All wool worsteds	\$14.40	\$2.50	Men's wool sox special	12 1-2c
\$20.00	Black Clay Worsteds	\$9.00	\$3.00	Men's Hats, good selections	\$1.35
\$22.50			25c		
\$25.00			\$2.00		
\$10.00			\$3.00		
\$12.50					

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FIFTEEN YEARS OF SALMON CATCH IN OREGON

The following tables, showing the night. This was done by Master Fish Warden H. G. Van Dusen, at the Columbia river, were submitted to the joint meeting of the fisheries committees of the legislature of the any and every citizen who has def-states of Oregon and Washington, held nite interest in this immense and in- in Portland at the Portland Hotel last creasing industry:

Year.	Chinooks	Silversides	Steelheads	Bluebacks	Total
	Number of pounds.	Number of pounds.	Number of pounds.	Number of pounds.	
1892	13,323,680	658,000	3,934,136	3,771,712	20,787,528
1893	7,706,592	1,282,992	1,826,736	1,326,000	12,142,320
1894	9,603,744	1,956,384	1,947,936	1,959,072	15,467,136
1895	18,963,784	4,792,032	1,541,152	693,176	25,990,144
1896	15,704,817	2,381,616	2,222,256	951,504	21,260,193
1897	19,498,716	3,410,496	1,954,896	717,664	25,581,772
1898	15,119,584	3,620,688	1,144,656	3,049,200	22,934,128
1899	12,472,579	1,429,264	1,168,496	1,363,440	16,433,779
1900	12,129,931	1,830,960	792,784	419,136	15,172,811
1901	13,381,318	1,284,528	1,792,032	267,558	16,725,435
1902	16,528,217	996,647	2,761,761	889,243	21,175,868
1903	20,601,939	1,007,444	2,666,375	299,470	24,575,228
1904	19,614,174	1,558,375	1,772,075	521,699	23,466,323
1905	20,768,977	478,119	2,797,218	380,977	24,425,291
1906	19,010,120	1,722,180	1,553,400	623,000	22,908,700

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