

## BAR, BAY AND RIVER

### Steamship Fuku Maru Down from Portland.

The steamship Fuku Maru, Captain Nagawaka, arrived down from Portland yesterday afternoon, and lies in the city channel, bar bound. She will leave out on the first available water, for Nagasaki, with an immense cargo of general merchandise.

### QUITO, SURVEYED IN CHINA

Santa Ana Among The Bar Bound Here—Alliance Held Up—Ship Fennia Ready For Puget Sound—Columbia Off For San Francisco Today.

The steamer Santa Ana, lumber laden for San Francisco arrived down from Portland yesterday morning and swung by the city like a race-horse bound for the bar and the open sea. She found the bar in a non-receptive shape and came back to an anchorage to await her turn at the big barrier. This is said to be the last run the Santa Ana will make to this port this season in the lumber trade, as she goes north to do transportation work in Alaska for her owners who are heavily interested in mining ventures there.

The Lurline was late getting down from Portland last night owing to the prevalent bad weather of the past two days, and did not leave until nearly midnight. When she cannot come through, nothing else is likely to show up here from the Columbia river points. Ed. Donnelly, the newspaperman's friend, who has been doing look-out duty on the flagship for the past three weeks, is back on the Astoria dock again and along with his major duties is taking items that are always worth having.

Captain Max Skibbe, of the Callender Navigation Company, is a belated passenger on the steamer Alliance which has been bar-bound here since Wednesday last. He goes to Coos county to contract for the immediate construction of several big barges for the use of his company, being unable to get them at the Astoria yards which are chock-a-block with orders on contracted time and cannot undertake the work.

The steamship Quito, Captain Shottem, for Shanghai, with a big general cargo will leave out at the first moment the bar is approachable, she being in good shape after her contact with the Martin's Island sands, and having been duly surveyed by Captain Vessey, and will be re-surveyed at her port of destination.

The Russian ship Fennia came down the river early yesterday morning on the hawser of the Harvest Queen, and as soon as the weather permits, she will go to Puget Sound on the lines of the bar tug Tatoosh, where she will finish loading for Europe.

The North Head reports were practically blank yesterday as to ships and steamers off the coast. The storms that have prevailed hereabout for the past 48 hours have had a tendency to hang up commerce on both sides of the bar.

The steamship Columbia will depart for San Francisco this morning from the O. R. & N. pier at 6 o'clock sharp. She is loaded all over, and has a big list of passengers.

The schooner Cascades arrived in from S. F. yesterday in the afternoon, and after a stop at the Callender docks went on to the metropolis, for another load of lumber.

The steamer Alliance, with her big crowd of passengers, is still in port here, awaiting the pleasure of the Columbia bar which has its back up just at present.

#### Another Demonstration—

The interest in the Waldorf moving picture films is unabated because the management insists on putting the best and most graphic pictures obtainable on the market, and in proof of this; the line now running is among the very finest yet produced there. It tells the story of a counterfeiter from beginning to end, and gives in detail the manipulation of the coin, the detection, the warning, the escape, the capture, the auto-race, and the terrific finale of self-imposed death of the coiner, rather than fact the penalties of the law. The action and figures of the swift drama are intensely realistic to the very point of speech, the only quality lacking in the presentation.

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## THE FOREST TRIAL

### All of Yesterday Devoted to This Grave Matter.

### TALE TOLD BY THE ACCUSED

List Of Witnesses For Defense—Captain Forest Declares All Intent of Shooting, Let Alone Killing—Arguments of Counsel—Verdict Today.

All of yesterday was devoted to the testimony and pleas in the case of the State against Captain C. M. Forest charged with the killing of George Fisher. The interest in the case is unabated and despite the warning of Judge McBride as to the unfitness of the old court-room for great crowds, there was no diminution in attendance yesterday, nor last evening.

The case for the state, as far as testimony went, was closed shortly after the court convened yesterday morning. Paul Pengrat and Charles Cooper being the only two examined in addition to the eight that were on the stand Thursday. The defense introduced the testimony of the following witnesses yesterday forenoon, M. D. Johnson, R. B. Dyer, John Petersen, Martin Foard, Capt. D. J. McVicar, L. Mansur, G. C. Fulton, P. A. Berglund, and the aged defendant himself, that of the first eight named being almost wholly as to the excellent character, and long record of useful and quiet service rendered by the old ship-master on this coast, his own testimony being the most directly concerned with the unhappy incident of last December. Captain Forest's story as told on the stand, was, in substance, as follows:

He told of Fisher's joining the Annie Larsen at San Francisco; he had never known or sailed with him before that voyage; shortly after arriving in this port and docking, Fisher went to the Captain and asked for \$5 for the purpose of buying some oil-skins; the captain borrowed \$20 at the office of the Astoria Box Company, which was loading the vessel, and gave \$10 of it to Fisher, he also gave him an order on Foard & Stokes for the things he needed; the man worked steadily enough for a couple of days after that, but on Thursday the first mate advised the master of Fisher's alleged sickness; captain went to hunt him to ascertain what was the matter; found him sitting in the fore hatch, complaining of rheumatism, and wanting his discharge he was told the Captain could not pay him off and was given a note to Dr. Tuttle for treatment, enclosed in which was a hospital blank; later in the same day the captain was walking about town and was roughly accosted and abused by Fisher on the street, and avoided him by going into the office of the bar pilots on Twelfth street; early in the afternoon the captain gave Fisher a second note to Dr. Tuttle asking him to "examine this bum"; went on deck about 2 o'clock and Fisher again accosted him and called him out of his name; the man had been drinking deeply and was very insulting; the captain thought he was going to strike him and threw up his hand to avoid an expected blow, and had a lighted cigar in his hand, which struck and burned Fisher on the hip; Fisher instantly struck the Captain in the face near the left eye and dazed him considerably; the captain turned and went below to his cabin, got his revolver, went back on deck and struck it through the rigging with the idea of frightening Fisher; the hammer caught in the rigging and was discharged, the shot striking Fisher; the man fell to the dock on which he was standing, and the captain returned to his cabin where he fainted from the shock of the accident and the knowledge it forced upon him; he had not shot to kill the man and did not know the gun was loaded; the whole transaction occupying but the space of a moment.

The balance of Captain Forest's testimony dealt with the removal of the injured man to the hospital; the arrival of the officers; his arrest, and all the well known detail that followed the shooting.

His tale was told in quiet, forceful terms and carried conviction and a sense of sympathy to every listener in the room. The revolver was a gift from a former member of the crew of the Larsen and the captain did not know anything of its condition and had never even examined it closely.

The pleas at bar were then made for the state and for the defense and were able and clear statements in the varying interests presented, U. S. Sen-

ator C. W. Fulton making the most impassioned and extended speech of the day. At 5 o'clock the court took a recess until the hour of 7 last evening when the closing argument for the state was made by District Attorney G. F. Hedges and the case was sent to the jury under specific instructions from Judge McBride. It was thought at that hour that the jury would be able to render its verdict before bedtime, but this was made apparent as impossible later in the night and it is likely the final decision will not reach his honor until the court convenes at 9:30 o'clock this morning.

The civil docket received brief recognition at the hands of Judge McBride yesterday when he made an order entering a default in the divorce case of Daisey M. Phillips versus James H. Phillips, and handing down a decree of divorce as prayed for.

## COUNTY COURT ENDS ITS SESSION

PROVIDES FOR NECESSARY IMPROVEMENT OF ELK CREEK ROAD—MAKES PASSING ALLUSSION TO PORT OF COL. LAW.

The county court yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock and wound out its docket of public affairs, in the following manner:

The road petitions heretofore filed by Otto Johansen et al., and L. Myltenbeck et al., were read and referred to Attorney J. A. Eakin to prepare the necessary orders conforming with that made yesterday by the court that said road be opened.

In the matter of the improvement of Road No. 77 bids were ordered called for, by the Court, and the requisite notices were ordered sent to the supervisor of Road District No. 8 for the posting.

In the matter of the road from the Power house to the Traveler's Rest, the county surveyor was directed to examine the various routes, and file a report thereon by the 7th of the present month.

In the matter of the temporary improvement of the Elk Creek road, the district attorney was requested to prepare a contract with A. W. Duncan for the doing of said work upon that section of the road beginning at a point near the Russian cabin, to connect at White's Bottoms, for the sum of \$500 same to be graded 2 feet in width on top, with proper ditches and culverts and to be covered with 6 inches of rock to make it available for driving, the work to be finished by August 1st, and providing for an approved bond in the sum of \$300.

In the matter of the Port of Columbia law, the court made and entered the following order:

"It appearing to the court that some of our citizens are of the opinion that the court is not proceeding with the test of the Port of Columbia law, the court desires to state that the attorneys heretofore appointed to examine and report to the court have so failed to do so, but state to the court that it is only on account of other business preventing. The court is fully alive to the matter, is ready at any time to intervene and will take proper steps to protect Clatsop county."

The court then adjourned until 9:30 o'clock a. m. on Wednesday, April 17th.

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