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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

Business Meeting—

The regular business meeting of the W. C. T. U. this afternoon at 2:30 in their annual place of meeting in the Seamen's Home building. Business of importance.

A Bouncing Boy—

The wife of John Constantine, yesterday, presented her husband with a fine bouncing boy weighing 12 pounds. John is a happy man over the event and has a continual smile on his face these days.

Died at Brookfield—

John Ryan died yesterday at Brookfield, of heart trouble. Mr. Ryan has been ailing for some time, and news was received by his sister, Mrs. Voldsen, of this city, last evening, of his demise. Funeral Director Pohl left up last night to bring the body to Astoria.

Lecture On Japan—

Miss Lucy Broad will lecture on Japan and Korea in the Methodist Episcopal Church Friday, September 20th, at 7:30. The lecture will be illustrated by 75 views, also costumes, curios, and ring-ding. Miss Broad comes highly recommended and the low price of admission will make it possible for all to attend. Tickets 10 and 15 cents. 9-19-21.

Case Appealed—

C. W. Cottam, the solicitor, who was found guilty of violating the ordinance against soliciting, gave notice, yesterday, of appeal against the constitutionality of the ordinance. He filed the necessary bond of \$100, as required by the city charter, and proposes to test the matter to a final conclusion. Considerable interest will be manifested in the decision of the higher court.

Articles of Incorporation—

Articles of incorporation were filed in the county clerk's office, yesterday, by the Steele & Gurtulla Company. The objects of the company are to carry on a general real estate business, operate sawmills, logging camps, etc. The capital stock is \$8000, divided into 80 shares at \$100 each. W. E. Steele, John Gurtulla, Frank W. Gurtulla and Eddie M. Gurtulla are incorporators.

An Old Newspaper Man—

Earl Chapin May, press representative of the Gentry Brothers' United Shows, came in on the 11:40 train yesterday. Mr. May, who is a very genial young gentleman, met several old time friends while in the city and regretted that previously made arrangements compelled him to leave last night. Being an old time newspaper man he is strictly at home in his present position and often meets some of his old confidantes. Mr. May was making preliminary arrangements for the appearance of his shows, here, on October 8th.

GENTRY'S CIRCUS IS COMING

TRAINED ANIMALS OF ALL KINDS TO PERFORM IN ASTORIA ON OCTOBER 8—EASTERN AND WESTERN SHOWS UNITED.

That department of the circus world especially devoted to the entertainment of the younger generation and presided over by the Gentry Brothers is to compare the local tented season in Astoria, Tuesday, October 8, with an exhibition of trained animals such as has made the name of Gentry synonymous with Santa Claus in the minds of the little ones and those who look after their happiness.

During the two decades the Gentry Brothers have been catering to the amusement patronizing public they have successfully specialized in trained dogs, monkeys, ponies and other small animals, whose performance has had an individuality and a superior quality which have given the Gentry shows a clientele whose number and enthusiasm go hand in hand.

The "cleanest circus in the world" has however, experienced a change and an increase in size during the past year which will make its coming more than ever an event to those who liked tented shows and who believe that there is more of good medicine in a day under the tents than in many weeks of more orthodox summer resorting. During former years the Gentry's have placed around an "eastern" or "No. 1" show and a "western" or "No. 2" show, but during the past winter the Gentry properties passed into the ownership of M. W. Savage, proprietor of the International Stock Food Company, of Minneapolis, owner of Dan Patch, the world's greatest pacing horse, and a number of other investments, and this change of ownership has given the shops a change of policy which has combined the two shows and given this season's enterprise the appellation, the Gentry Brothers' Famous Shows, United.

In this merging of the two tented exhibitions the familiar features which have increased the popularity of the Gentry shows for many years are retained and while the children and "grown-ups" who attend during two performances given in Astoria will again be delighted by the remarkable intelligence shown by the ponies, dogs and monkeys, the united shows will present several features not hitherto associated with the name of Gentry.

The stellar feature of all features this season is the original Mrs. Gen. Tom Thumb, widow of the famous Gen. Tom Thumb, and present wife of Count Primo Magri, to whom she was married 18 years ago. With this interesting couple will be the count's brother, Baron Magri, the trio holding receptions from a platform just inside the main entrance each afternoon and evening prior to the performance. Mrs. Gen. Tom Thumb is undoubtedly the most widely known human "diminutive" before the public, with whom she has been on speaking terms for nearly 50 years.

Also with the Gentry shows this season will be a herd of trained elephants, whose elephant band and elephant supper contribute joy to the performance, a herd of baby camels, trained pigs, sheep, geese and other animals, all giving substantiation to the claim that as now constituted the Gentry Brothers' shows have the finest trained animal exhibition in the world.

On the morning of October 8 the Gentry shows' street parade, nearly a mile long, will leave the show ground and traverse the principal streets, over routes to be announced later, while from 4 to 5 Tuesday afternoon the big animal tent of the shows will be thrown open to the juvenile public for the weekly "children's afternoon reception," during which the children are given an especial invitation to make themselves at home and to make friends with all the animals with the shows.

IN ASTORIA'S CIRCUIT COURT

INFORMATION FILED IN CRIMINAL CASES AND ARRAIGNMENTS—SEVERAL PLEAS TO BE HEARD TODAY.

The circuit court convened, yesterday morning, in the third day's session. All the court of officials were in attendance. The judge exoused Juror T. L. Ball for the balance of the term and after rendering decisions in two equity cases took up the arraignments of criminal cases in which the district attorney had filed informations.

In the case of J. H. Bowlsby, charged with the murder of Cleve Jennings, Friday, September 20th, was set as day to make plea.

In the case of C. A. Brown, who is charged with the larceny of a fishboat and net, Howard Brownell, attorney for defendant, entered a plea of not guilty, and the trial was ordered for October 5. Information was filed against Al Benson, charging him with assault with a

21 YEARS IN BUSINESS

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Twenty-one years ago, when many of the young men and women of today were still unborn or else delighting parents with their babyish pranks, I started business in this city and have done my share, not only of business, but my full share of work for Astoria.

It seems not so far distant and yet what changes have been wrought; many kind faces are missing; I myself was very little more than a boy, so early did I strike out on my own hook. I have met with successes and reverses; and have stumbled and jumped up again, continuing in the maddening race of this generation, and yet, my only regret is that I can't try all over again, and bring back the faces of friends and neighbors whose smiles were so good. So, I intend to celebrate this year of my business maturity (because I can't expect in the nature of things to be in the harness another 21 years) by giving the people a few days of a "Bargain Feast." Now I can't afford to make any false statements, hence this brief explanation of my big ad. on another page.

No Reduction on Contract Goods.

On Knox Hats, E. & W. Collars and Cuffs as well as Carhartt work clothes

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20 and 50 Per Cent Reduction.

All broken lines of suits and overcoats for men or boys, as well as all odd lines of hats and furnishings will be reduced from 20 to 50 per cent.

10 and 15 Per Cent Reduction.

The cream of this fall and winter stock of men's and boys' goods are reduced from 10 to 15 per cent. This is "extraordinary," considering that the goods have only arrived, are of the latest styles and if anything are higher in the eastern market, than when shipped, as the finest grades of heavy weight woollens are advancing daily. Still this is my twenty-first business birthday, and the "cream goes with the rest."

Special Reductions.

A number of items of staple merchandise will be reduced regardless of regular price, as every show offers special attractions, so every real sale must offer special inducements. Now, without further talk, this real genuine SALE, celebrating an event which comes but once in a man's lifetime, will begin

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH

at 9 o'clock in the morning.

In the meantime the store will be closed to give my force a chance to put green tags on the goods and mark the reduced price on those green tags.

Respectfully,

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dangerous weapon, and, not having an attorney, F. D. Winton was appointed by the court to defend him. Thursday, September 19th, was set for to plead.

F. D. Winton was appointed attorney, by the court, to defend James Walker, who is charged with larceny from a store in Hammond, and he was allowed until Thursday, September 19th, to prepare his plea.

Scott Anderson, colored, was arraigned with assaulting John Scott, with a knife, on the steamer Hassalo, last July. When asked if he had an attorney, he stated that he would get one. Howard Brownell afterward appeared for him and asked until Thursday, September 19th, to plead, which was allowed.

Chas. Johnson, who is charged with rape, was arraigned and, pleading not guilty, his trial was set for September 25. He is accused of feloniously assaulting Lillie Baker, a minor, on May 25 last.

In the gambling cases, where S. F. Leatherman, Artie Saari, H. Miller, Kasper Lampinen, A. Carkuria, August Ukkala, and Al Seafeldt are the defendants, Monday, September 23, was set as the day to hear pleas.

Ross, Higgins & Co. were awarded a judgment against P. Petrovich.

The case of M. O. Wilkins vs. Indio Chlo Wilkins was ordered dismissed.

Default was entered in the case of Chas. T. Bell vs. Theresa Eva Bell.

A decree of divorce, by default, was granted in the case of Edward Haney vs. Milton Haney.

MESMER FAINTS ON STAGE

WAS TRYING TO HYPNOTIZE FINNS WHO COULD NOT UNDERSTAND HIM—HAD A HEAVY DAY—ABLE TO PERFORM TONIGHT.

MESMER FAINTS ON...

While attempting to mesmerize three Finns, Mesmer, who has been the stellar attraction at the Star theater this week, fainted away on the stage last night in the second performance, from exhaustion. The fact that the Finns did not understand English, and therefore were incipitated as subjects for mental suggestion, known as mesmerism, caused Mesmer to exert himself to such an extent that he collapsed. The fact that he had performed at a matinee in the afternoon and was just starting his second night performance, had everything to do with his exhaustion.

He had put a youngster under the mystic spell and the latter sat rubbing his hands in ecstasy, to the great amusement of the audience. He put another subject under the spell and then tackled the Finns, one after another. The latter stared at him blankly, however, because they could not understand him, when suddenly Mesmer fell heavily to

the floor. His wife rushed out from behind the stage and several of the audience helped to carry him behind the scenes, where he was revived with some difficulty. Half an hour after he was able to walk home, and will no doubt be able to perform again this evening, with his usual great skill.

Meanwhile the boy whom he had mesmerized, continued to rub his hands for 10 minutes after the illness of Mesmer. He had not been worked on but a few seconds, and gradually came to his senses, highly confused to find himself holding the center of the stage. If Mesmer had had several subjects fully under control, like in all his previous performances, there might have been a long wait for them to reach an ordinary state of mind.

Mesmer explained last night after his recovery that only mental telepathy could hypnotize a person, when they did not know the language of the hypnotist, and he asserted that mental telepathy had not yet reached a point where it could mesmerize. Suggestion, he said, was the controlling feature of mesmerism.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. E. P. Parker left last evening for a short business and pleasure trip to Heppner and Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Erickson, of the Lewis & Clark, left for a short sojourn to the metropolis.

Chas. W. Helsler, supervisor of agencies of the Equitable Life Insurance Co., is in the city from Portland.

BELIEVES IN ASTORIA.

Herman Wise's clothing store has been closed for the marking down of stock prices and will be opened Thursday morning, September 19, for a great anniversary sale, celebrating the fact that he has been in business for 21 years. Mr. Wise will observe the celebration by making a big cut on all his goods, and the sale will last for ten days only. He is greatly pleased with his success in Astoria and has such firm belief in the future growth of Astoria that he will continue to reach out for a share of increased business for an indefinite period.

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