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CAN BE WITHDRAWN AT ANY TIME; IF LEFT IN OUR SAVINGS DEPARTMENT OR ON TIME DEPOSIT, INTEREST WILL BE ALLOWED ACCORDING TO OUR RULES. COME IN AND ASK US ABOUT IT. IF YOU WANT TO BUY, BORROW SOME MONEY, OR TRANSACT ANY OTHER BUSINESS IN THE BANKING LINE, OUR BEST SERVICE ARE AT YOUR COMMAND.

BANK STATEMENT.

Condensed statement of the condition of the Scandinavian-American Savings Bank, at the end of its third week of business, December 16, 1907:

Resources.	
Loans and discounts.....	\$33,650.37
Furniture and fixtures.....	3,674.41
Due from banks.....	11,771.46
Due from stockholders on unpaid subscription.....	10,530.00
Expense.....	1,942.36
Cash in bank.....	11,071.08
	\$72,530.08
Liabilities.	
Capitol stock.....	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund.....	5,000.00
Profits.....	231.85
Deposits.....	17,308.13
	\$72,530.08

Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the kind friends whose sympathies during our late bereavement are very much appreciated.

MR. AND MRS. D. J. INGALLS.

Reception This Afternoon—
 The Ladies' Aid Society of the First Lutheran Church will be entertained at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the parsonage of the church after which a general reception to members and friends of the church will be given. Refreshments will be served from 3 o'clock until 9 p. m.

Muscular Pains Cured.
 "During the summer of 1903 I was troubled with muscular pains in the instep of my foot," says Mr. S. Pedlar, of Toronto, Ont. "At times it was so painful I could hardly walk. Chamberlain's Pain Balm was recommended to me, so I tried it and was completely cured by one small bottle. I have since recommended it to several of my friends, all of whom speak highly of it." For sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

In its final analysis the flurry of 1907 may be classed in history as the New York stock gamblers' panic.

The Store for Women Ladies' Beehive Outfitters

Ladies' and Children's Long Coats Greatly Reduced

The days of profit sacrificing have come in the women's Coat section. While we have enjoyed an extraordinary trade in this department, we find ourselves with more coats than we need at this time. In order to turn these coats into cash as quickly as possible we have decided to cut prices as they have never been cut before. All idea of profit is eliminated and in many cases we are willing to take less than the actual manufacturer's cost during this sale. You know that for style, fit and general goodness there are no women's coats hereabouts to compare with ours. Whether you buy one for a Christmas gift or for your own use, by all means buy. Not a woman who reads this advertisement can afford to miss the bargain. Hundreds of them on sale in every wanted color and style. Prices range from \$5.00 to \$20.00.

The big store in the middle of the block

WEATHER.

Western Oregon and Washington—Partly cloudy; probably occasional rain; westerly winds.

Eastern Oregon and Washington, Idaho—Fair.

QUARANTINE.

It has developed in the Astoria Chamber of Commerce, that the recent row, raised in Portland, over the alleged short-coming in the federal quarantine service at this port, were, if not inspired by the indisputable anti-Astoria sentiment prevailing in certain places in that city, at least, radically unwise, ill-advised and without tangible basis other than the yawn of a single sea-captain, and he an employe of the rank and rawest combine, permitted, by the indifference of the Almighty and the cowardice of a handicapped people, to exist and do business on the face of the earth.

If the little group of English shippers up at Portland, that seem to have such overweening influence in invoking adverse sentiment there as against this port, were trained down a bit and made to show real, instead of imaginary, causes for their strictures on Astoria, the file of the commercial memberships in the public organizations there, would have a larger and juster knowledge and estimate of the utilities and people at this end of the river. Or, if, in the case at hand, they had sent a committeeman to consult with Dr. Holt, or asked that gentleman to go to them and discuss the situation and coalesce on remedies for what was amiss they would have shown a much more decent spirit as well as better business acumen. As it is they have made a blunder and while nothing has been lost, save the force of the blow intended for the port here, they have relinquished their right to continue the row and our advice to them is to haul off and get sensible, and above all, to "get next!"

TILLMAN.

What would the country do without the redoubtable, the flamboyant, the interesting Tillman? It is hard to conjecture a session of the Federal Senate minus this fiery and fighting member from South Carolina; and yet he would be sorely missed at the national capital and in the press of the country, were death or desuetude to overtake him.

Just now he is making one of his customary war-plays on the "interests" and is hammering the President over the shoulders of the gang the latter despises worse than Tillman does. The old war-governor is always on edge for a scrap and at his best in a passion; and what is more, he is far oftener right than wrong in his premises, though wrong in his strictures on Mr. Roosevelt in this instance.

Senator Tillman is tarantula-istic in his style of attack and defense; he springs and bites and springs back, and his opponent knows, without any figuring, just where he has been hit and hurt; and the counter-attack, be it ever so heavy, never feazes the big Carolinian; he is up and at it, on time and with the zest of battle-joy that is his chiefest pleasure in life. Politically, we detest him; but as a manful grouch and scrapper for what he thinks is right, he is a fine example.

RESUMPTION.

The crucial hours of resumption have passed.

The "legal holidays" have run their length and served their purpose admirably; and Astoria, and all Oregon, are in the swing of normal and customary business, public and private.

The files and books on every desk in the State are overrun with great accumulations, and the trained servants of the business world along with the owners and operators in every line of commerce and industry, are literally swamped to a point that invokes the limit of their practical experience in dis-

persing affairs; but they are, one and all, unhampered by any untoward and threatening elements that might have attached to the situation had it not been for the intervention of the "holidays" and the abundant common sense of the people at large.

The Christmas trade all over the State so far as heard from is in excellent shape, and shows a much smaller percentage of diminution than was anticipated, and it is likely the sum of business will prove, in the end, more nearly normal than was anticipated at all a few weeks ago. Therefore, we of Oregon, have much to be thankful for and a sharp incentive to get in and make the most of a much healthier condition than we had looked for; and what is more there is always the new and untried year at hand in which to make the fresher and sturdier endeavor to accomplish the things that could not be wrought this year.

PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATION.

We are publishing this morning a tabulated statement showing the actual relation of this port to the wheat-shipping interests of the Northwest, comparatively, as to distance, with every one of the commonports now figuring in the general scheme of transportation service available in this behalf. It is succinct, plain, and indisputable; it was calculated and arranged by men who, while obviously of Astoria, Astorians are sensible of the demands of the common-good and disposed to accelerate them if need be at the expense of this city; happily, that extreme does not attach at present, and may be averted for all time, if, in due course, the commercial acumen of the territory in question shall elect its real and commanding sea-port to the place and work belonging to it.

A careful study of the revelations made in this table will show clearly, to any mind not obsessed with an invincible prejudice against Astoria, that distance, grades, and time, in the scheme of wheat transportation from the interior to the coast, and its subsequent despatch from dock and elevator, are mimified by the adoption of this port to the final and permanent commercial designs of the future; and the intrinsic value of the showing is less for us than for the interests at Portland that must, of necessity, control the sinews of the business. At all events it is worth the careful review of every live man within hail of the slow, yet inevitable, development, in this direction.

THE STAR THEATRE.

Another crowded house at the Star last night. The performance is the longest that has yet been put on at this popular resort, and the audience went home well pleased. Owing to the length of the program but one performance was given which was not completed until 10 o'clock. The show is good and will no doubt fill the house at every performance. McIntyre & Bennett did well in their comedy sketch, "Down at Riley's" and kept the audience convulsed.

Dick Hutchins is back again and was cordially greeted. He has become quite popular, and deservedly so.

Boyle David & Company should be seen in their skit which is well put on. Johnny Mack, "The Mark Twain Kid" is a good entertainer and a great accession to a good program.

Bobby Boyle & Company in a one-act farce comedy, hit the public taste

COFFEE

What is essential to good coffee?

Good bean ground fresh, and a woman of common sense.

Your grocer returns your money if you don't like Schilling's Best; we pay him.

and contribute largely to the enjoyment of the patrons.

The moving picture is particularly good and the whole show is one of the best ever put on here.

For That Dull Feeling After Eating

I have used Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for some time, and can testify that they have done me more good than any tablets I have ever used. My trouble was a heavy dull feeling after eating.—David Freeman, Kempf, Nova Scotia. These tablets strengthen the stomach and improve the digestion. They also regulate the liver and bowels. They are far superior to pills but cost no more. Get a free sample at Frank Hart, the Leading Druggist, and see what a splendid medicine it is.

Special Advert Service—

A special advert and Ember-tide service will be held in Grace Church this evening. The Rev. John Dawson, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Portland, will deliver the address. Service begins at 7:30.

Mexico received a nice notice in the message and deserves the appreciative words.

BROWN'S TALK

The first two days of this week have certainly been strenuous as far as the little folks, Jerry and Santy Claus were concerned.

Incidentally, I forgot to say that myself, clerks, cashier, and even the boy are nearly tired out, and Christmas trade, they tell us, has not fairly begun.

I have been thinking as to what was the best thing to do with my six turkeys for Christmas.

There has been more or less complaint about the excitement of my lone Thanksgiving Turkey detracting from the stores of other Commercial street business men. I have enjoyed such a wonderful business this year that I am willing to do anything whatever to please the Astoria public and glory in it, but not wishing to interfere with other peoples business, for I want to help them if I can. I want them to be as successful as I am if possible, and I am going to give every one an equal chance on a turkey for Christmas in this way: for every purchase made at my store, large or small, from this time until Christmas, I shall give one number which will entitle the holder to a chance on any one of the six turkeys. The numbers will be drawn on Monday, evening, the 23rd, which will give the lucky number holders plenty of time to stuff and roast these birds for Christmas.

Do not forget that I can sell you Christmas shoes and slippers at what a great many other people might term sale prices, but they are my regular prices. I have been reminded of that old adage, "Goods well bought are half sold" and judging from the way my customers are carrying my Christmas stock away, I am satisfied that my goods were well bought indeed.

Purchasing Practical presents means the purchasing of Brown's Christmas shoes and slippers, and I can fit up the whole family from baby to grandpa and grandma, "got a few very good things that will answer for a sweetheart too."

Chas. V. Brown
 THE FAMILY SHOE MAN