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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

Dull on the Sound—

Rev. Mr. Ellefsen, of this city has just returned from Seattle and the Sound country, and reports things almost stagnant over there in the way of business and real estate; and says they have no bulge on Portland or Astoria in affairs of a general nature.

Are You Curious?—

Just to acquire an impression of what your forebears were supposed to look like, according to the conclusion of Professor Darwin and others, it is of interest to drop in on "Mowgli," the man-monkey, who is holding receptions just now in the store-room just east of Burns' cigar store. He is a revelation, and a first class specimen of his genus.

In Washington's Honor—

The Custom House, the Court House, and the City Hall were silent as the tombs yesterday, being fast closed in honor of Washington's birthday; and to that extent circumscribed the news field for the ubiquitous reporter. Judge McBride will re-open the Circuit Court on Tuesday morning next, and all other institutions will take up their several routines tomorrow morning.

Death of Pioneer—

The sad intelligence was received in this city, yesterday, of the death, near Olney, of Richard Dealey. He departed this life, on Friday night, at an age of 62 years, nearly 40 years of which he had lived in Oregon, the time being divided between Astoria and Olney. He was born in County Tipperary, Ireland, on May 20, 1846, and came to this country 22 years later. He was a brother of Thomas Dealey the popular city treasurer of Astoria, and he leaves besides him a son and two daughters. Today, at 1:30 p. m., the funeral services will take place at the family residence, at Olney, and the interment will be at Greenwood cemetery.

Funeral Today—

Today, from St. Mary's Church will be placed in its last resting place, the body of Joseph Greget, formerly of Brookfield, Wash. Mr. Greget died in a hospital in Portland on Friday afternoon after undergoing an operation for gall stones. He was a young man, 24 years of age, and a native of Austria. He was unmarried but left an uncle, Joseph Jacob, who lives in Astoria. His father, mother and four sisters survive him, in his native country. He was a member of the St. Nicholas Benevolent Society under whose auspices the burial will take place. The interment will be at Greenwood cemetery and the funeral services will be as above, this afternoon.

Visiting Railway Officials—

President Francis B. Clark, of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway (the North Bank line), yesterday wired Manager J. H. Whyte, of the Chamber of Commerce, that though he will not be able to come

to this city tomorrow, himself, with the railway party, as was anticipated, on account of a sudden call in another direction, that General Traffic Manager Adams, General Superintendent Forrest, and Assistant Superintendent McGuire, will arrive here during the afternoon, and will remain in the city over night. Manager Whyte will do the honors of the Chamber of Commerce on the occasion, and many others will wait on the gentlemen during their stay here; though there will be keen disappointment at the absence of President Clark, who is about the only one of the group who can be expected to talk "by the card" on matters of large moment on which enlightenment is wanted and has been expected.

Flirting With La Grippe—

Mayor Wise is still confined to his bed with la grippe. He says he is just "flirting" with the malady, but it begins to look as though it had passed the stage of dalliance and had simmered down to a "breach-of-promise" case, or, at least, a "suit for divorce"; most likely the latter; and his many friends hope he will get an early and fiat decree. He hopes to be out a bit tomorrow, or on Tuesday.

Bear With Delay—

If the Morning Astorian does not reach its thousands of local subscribers and readers at the usual early hour this morning, the patience and good will of all is invoked on account of the heavy loads wherewith the distributing force is burdened; the paper being just five times as big and heavy as the usual edition. Once it is delivered, it will amply compensate for what of delay may have transpired.

Same Old Way—

There is a good story going the rounds here anent the recent resolution passed by the common council directing an inquiry into the existence of gambling and graft and certain other municipal evils. It seems that a certain officer was ordered to investigate the charge of gambling against a popular resort on Commercial street, and being or a complacent sort, he dropped in there about lunch time and incidentally passed a mild hint that he would be back in 20 minutes to personally conduct a rigid examination into the alleged laches wherewith the house was accused on the score of open gambling; true to his promise he was there with all the sternness he could command and dignity enough to equip a dozen inves-

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igations, and all he found was a large clientele busily reading temperance tracts, hymnals, and other religious manuals of various sorts; singing boisterous chants and exhorting each other to be good. He straightway reported the charge against this particular house to be a canard of the most vicious type and it was immediately crossed off the list of suspects. In the meantime the book dealers have placed heavy orders for light religious works, to meet the exigencies of the thorough overhauling of the other alleged "dens of iniquity."

Amend the Charter—

At the last meeting of the common council a resolution was introduced by Councilman Logan to amend the charter and it was passed although Councilmen Belland and Stangeland voted against it. There was to be a committee, appointed and his honor, the mayor, yesterday named Dr. Logan chairman and Councilmen Belland, Kaboth, Robinson and Hanson as the committee on this resolution.

Painful Accident—

Mike Gergos, an employe of the Tongue Point Lumber Co., met with a very painful accident yesterday afternoon having his hand smashed by coming in contact with a trimming machine. He was taken to the hospital and Dr. Fulton dressed the injured member.

SUCCESSFUL EVENT

Maquerade Ball of Astoria Football Club an Enjoyable Entertainment

The masque ball, given under the auspices of, and benefit of, the Astoria Football Club, last night, was a very successful event and largely attended. When the first number on the program was called about 100 maskers were in the hall, and the happy throng was augmented, as the evening wore on, until at 10 o'clock, when the grand march for the inspection of the judges, was called, there were over 200 maskers in the hall. McCloskey's orchestra furnished excellent music which was much enjoyed by the merry maskers, and spectators, and encores were the rule of the evening. The judges were at their wit's end to select the winners, but succeeded in giving satisfaction to the gathering. There were many characters, other than those who were declared winners, that attracted attention, but as there were but four prizes all could not win. The first prize for best sustained character by a gentleman was won by Leo Grammas, as Uncle Sam. Miss Rosie Martin, as "The Evening Star" was declared the winner of the ladies' prize in this class. For the best dressed gentleman, Ed Heckard, as a Spanish cavalier, won the prize, while Miss Pearl Davich, as a "Huzzarina" captured the ladies' prize. There were several other fine characters that were noticeable, among them being several Indian maidens, "The Astorian Football Club," "The Morning Astorian," an engineer, and a couple of ladies impersonating "the boys."

After unmasking all joined in thoroughly enjoying themselves, and regrets were heard throughout the hall when the last number was indulged in. The committee of arrangements was Al Minard, Allen Hughes and Al Stebbach, with George Jackson as general manager. Jos. Phillipps was floor manager and John Corno, A. Spicer and M. Vranson, judges.

A SCIENTIFIC PRODIGY



MRS. O. S. FOWLER.

The noted speaker on the brain will give six free lectures on "The Laws of Life as Related to Man From His Creation at Astoria Theatre, beginning Tuesday, February 25th, 8 p. m., subject, "The Seven Primary Factors of the Mind," to all. Her other dates and subjects are as follows: Wednesday, February 26, 2:30 p. m., "The Motherhood of the Race, Its Progress and Destiny," ladies only; Wednesday, February 26th, 8 p. m., "The Cleansing of the Human Temple," gentlemen only; Thursday, February 27th, 8 p. m., "The Brain, the Tap-Root of Life," to all; Friday, February 28th, 8 p. m., "Electricity, the Great Elixir of Life," to all; Sunday, March 1st, 2:30 p. m., "God's Plan of Salvation Was Written in Man from the Beginning." These lectures will be illustrated by oil painting and marmikins. She will stop at Occident Hotel, till March 11.

The Week In Astoria Society

All Items of Social or Personal Nature Will Please Be Sent to Miss Albert, The Astorian Office. Phone Main 661. No Communication Will Be Received Later Than Ten O'clock Saturday Morning, Except in Case of an Event Occuring Later Than That.

A very delightful whist party was given on Tuesday evening at the Grant residence on Commercial street. Miss Lillie Lewis won the first prize which was an immense bouquet of carnations. Miss Nellie Lewis won the second prize, a box of bon bons. A sumptuous luncheon was served and everyone present had a very enjoyable time.

The number of young ladies who had come together to prepare the score cards and make all arrangements for the whist party given on Friday night by Gateway Social Club, were pleasantly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Anderson at their residence on Tenth and Bond streets on Tuesday evening. After several hours spent in busy preparations the hostess assisted by Miss Jackson, served a delicious lunch. Those present were the Misses Gunderson, Eckstrom, Kudson, Henston, Enberg, McCrea and Jackson.

Miss Bessie Gregory left last evening for Portland to be present at the wedding of her friend, Miss Francis Rodgers to Mr. Charles Koch, which takes place on March 5th in Irvington where the participants in the approaching event have already prepared a home for themselves. Miss Gregory will have charge of the music to be rendered during the ceremony and will play Lohengrin's wedding march.

The whist party given on Friday night in I. O. O. F. hall by Gateway Social Club was a very delightful affair. Twenty-eight tables were filled with players. The score cards were "club" and "clubs were trumps." The ladies first prize was won by Miss Johnson, the ladies' second prize by Miss Clara Larsen. The gentlemen's first prize by Mr. Alvin Campbell and Messrs Haddix and Holmes cut for the second prize which was won by Mr. Haddix. Luncheon was served and the remainder of the evening was spent in dancing. The ladies having this party in charge were the Misses Gunderson, Enberg and McCrac, ably assisted by Messrs. A. C. Anderson and J. L. Klime.

A debate will take place in this city probably on Friday evening, March 7th, between the Clatskanie and Astoria High Schools on the following resolution, "Resolved, that the Municipalities of the United States should own and operate their own Lighting and Transportation Systems." The local team will support the affirmative side of the question and the result of contest will determine which team will represent the Columbia river district in the final inter-scholastic debate to be held in Eugene in June.

Mr. Bowen, stenographer for the O. R. & N. Co., at Ilwaco, Wash., passed through Astoria yesterday for a several days stay in Portland.

Mr. Isaac Bergman is entertaining his brother, Mr. A. Bergman, of San Francisco this week. The brothers have not met before in 16 years and

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as is to be expected, are having a very enjoyable visit together.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Moore returned on Wednesday from their wedding trip and are staying at present with Mrs. Brunold, mother of Mrs. Moore.

A delightful children's party was given on Friday evening by Mr. and Mrs. Vincent at their residence on Third street for their son, Master Otto Vincent, who was 13 years old on that day.

Miss Alvena Peterson, of Ilwaco, Wash., was in town yesterday between boats, going on to Portland on the Lurline.

The Tuckabachee Club of the Presbyterian church entertained the Young Men's League with a colonial dinner party on Friday evening in the church parlors. Covers were laid for 66 and there were no vacant chairs. An interesting program as well as a sumptuous dinner had been prepared by the young ladies and every one present thoroughly enjoyed every minute of the time. The menu cards were beautiful hand-painted affairs showing the American flag. The place cards were colonial slippers and hatchets. The young ladies were all prettily gowned in smart

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