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## COMMERCIAL BODY MEETING

(Continued from Tuesday's Astorian)

### The Gas and Oil Bearing Proposition.

The gas and oil bearing proposition which the committee has labored with long and patiently, is slowly making headway and it seems likely that it will presently achieve the success of making it possible to do the drilling necessary for a thorough test. A copy of the ordinance which was granted to the Astoria Gas Light Company in 1882, and under which this company is now operating, was introduced at the last meeting of the city council with the understanding that it would be properly referred for the purpose of such amendment as might be deemed proper, with the purpose in view of securing privilege of laying pipe lines through the city and supplying gas for manufacturing and lighting purposes in case either gas or oil were discovered. The ordinance reads as follows, the "Clatsop Fuel Company" appearing where the Astoria Gas Light Company appeared in the old ordinance:

"That the 'Clatsop Fuel Company' is hereby authorized and empowered to erect and construct within the corporate limits of said city, gasworks, to manufacture and distribute gas throughout said city, and to use the streets of said city for the purpose of laying pipes therein. Provided, that after laying pipes in any street or portion thereof, said company shall cause the same to be put in as good repair and condition as it was before having been disturbed for said purpose, and in laying said pipes in any street of said city, said company shall do so under the supervision of the superintendent of streets and the committee on streets and public ways of the common council of said city."

In case either gas or fuel oil should be discovered by this experiment the benefits to the city of Astoria would be great beyond comparison. They would be the same benefits that Tacoma or Spokane or Fall River enjoy from the cheapest possible water power for motor purposes. The committee which has been handling this matter is Dr. J. A. Fulton, chairman; George W. Sanborn and Dr. W. C. Logan, while I have suggested, managed and thoroughly and unqualifiedly approved of every step that has been taken, and incidentally I may say, been almost altogether instrumental in obtaining the leases that have been secured up to this date. It now seems that if a reasonable privilege can be secured to pipe into the city natural gas, or gas made from fuel oil, that the drilling expenses can be financed. As a business proposition, natural gas would be altogether

valueless even if discovered in large quantities, unless a home market can be found for it, as gas cannot be shipped like fuel oil. Therefore it is necessary to obtain the best possible piping privileges in advance of the expenditure of any money for drilling purposes. The matter has been taken up in a public-spirited manner for a public-spirited purpose.

The Clatsop Fuel Company has not been chartered, as it is desired to have all of the subscribers present after the leasing and franchise details have been perfected, that they may have votes in the organization based upon the stock for which they subscribe.

### The Port of Astoria Boundaries.

Considerable comment was caused by the introduction of a bill in Congress by Senator Bourne the object of which was to change the boundaries of this port giving slightly more territory to the port of Portland and slightly less to the port of Astoria. It was noted that the bill considering the loose manner in which it was drawn might be construed to give to the Portland port district all of the north side of the Columbia River down to its mouth. But this was not the intention of the drafter of the bill, I understand. The intention was merely to extend the Portland district from the mouth of the Willamette on down the Columbia to the 123rd degree of longitude or at a point between Rainier and Quincy.

Collector of the Port, Frank L. Parker, on his own initiative has secured the necessary amendment to the proposed bill doing away with any ambiguity such that Portland might be construed as having a hold on the north bank of the river, so that there is nothing left to be done in the premises, thanks to the prompt action of Mr. Parker.

### Freight Rates.

I have since the last meeting as per instructions then given, complained of the increased rate of 2 1/2 cents per hundred on hay. The railroad commission is now endeavoring to adjust the matter.

After further investigation of the reported raise in the rate of freight on box shooks from this port to California, it now appears that a mistake has been made somewhere in the clerical department of the S. P. & S. R. R. Co. and that there has been no such raise. The through rate of freight on shooks is now as it has been, 30 cents a hundred or \$6.00 a ton.

### The New Military Company.

City Attorney Abercrombie has succeeded in securing the necessary members and has organized his military company since the last meeting. He is now in line to secure a proportionate part of any funds that may be had for the building of armories in the near future.

During the last month there were

received and answered 299 letters. Advertising for that month cost us \$111.39 for space not including stamps. More than 2000 letters have already been sent out however during the present month of May.

We have this letter from a man who wants to establish a glass factory here:

"In reference to organize a company to start a glass factory, would like to hear from you as I promised to come back this month. Now I would like very much to hear from you and if you would give this a little investigation and let me know before I come up. It is necessary to have a capital of \$10,000 for to make it self supporting and no doubt in my mind but what that I can double the money put in. And besides it will employ at least 25 men. I would like to hear from you as soon as convenient and would like very much to interest you as Astoria is in a good location for a glass factory. Hoping to have an early reply."

Interested parties who desire to do so may secure the name and address of the writer at the office.

We have not yet accomplished anything definite on the Chautauqua proposition, on the matter of inaugurating the special steamship line to San Francisco, or of launching the electric railroad enterprise, but it still seems likely that these propositions may be accomplished.

### The Bar Excursion.

The excursion across the bar to see the fleet of naval vessels is now arranged excepting the date and we hope to succeed in having the date fixed almost immediately, and have been strenuously endeavoring to do so for the past two weeks. Mr. C. W. Callender has done all he can in the way of completing arrangements until the date is fixed and has authorized me to announce positively however that the price of the excursion will be \$5 per ticket. Only 700 people will be allowed aboard for the trip. Tickets will be printed and offered for sale as soon as the date of the arrival of the fleet is fixed.

Here is the telegram received from Senator Fulton announcing the arrangements he had made for us:

"Washington, D. C., May 2, 1908. 'Hon. W. T. Scholfield, President 'Chamber of Commerce, 'Astoria, Oregon.

"Secretary of Navy has directed commander of Atlantic fleet to sail in close to the mouth of the Columbia river in the day time slow down to give people an opportunity to see the fleet. Commander will wire you day and hour when will arrive.

"C. W. FULTON"

### The Seawall Proposition.

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### A Marvel of the East.

Among other feats in the east the learning by heart of the Koran is very widespread. Not only men, but women and children, can be found who can recite the holy book from beginning to end without a mistake. Taking it in round numbers, the Koran contains, together with the additions, which are included in the recitation, some 60,000 words. This is about the length of an average up to date novel, but, unlike the novel, there are no connecting links—the whole book being a confused and much mutilated jumble—to enable the reciter to remember. To make the least error would be a deadly sin, yet even children can go through it. But this is not all. For an Arabic child to recite the Koran is wonderful enough, no doubt, but he understands what he is saying—it is not to him an unknown language—but for a child of another nation to recite it from beginning to end, without understanding the words he is saying, is a much more wonderful feat of memory, and very few of those outside Arabia who can recite the Koran know more than a few of the simplest words, if they know those.

### England's Lion.

The British lion means so much to us all that it seems almost treason to suggest that he is after all not the terrible wild fowl! (to quote Bottom) that foreigners think him, but, sad to say, this is so. For in the older armorial bearing of England our lion is a leopard. It was all the fault of the early heralds of France, from whom our arms seem to have been derived. According to them, the lions passant and gardant of the arms of the kings of England were either lions leoparded or lions maned. The omission of the mane, in rude tricking, would reduce them to leopards, and this our lions originally were. The Emperor Frederick, in choosing his presents to our Henry III., so construed, according to Mathew Paris, our royal shield, "In quo tres leopardi traneuntes figurantur"—that is, in which three leopards, stalking, are figured. Thus Henry seems to have had no reason to be annoyed when the emperor sent him the wrong emblematic beasts.—Pearson's Weekly.

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