

DECK AND DOCK HERE YESTERDAY

STEAMSHIP SARK ARRIVES IN FROM BAY CITY—EUREKA HERE FROM EUREKA—SHIPS, DATES AND CARGOES.

A report was current at midnight last night that there was a vessel outside on fire, and that she was being towed in. No confirmation of the report could be obtained. At North Head nothing had been heard and it was reported there that the fog was so heavy that nothing could be seen more than a few hundred feet away. Nothing had been seen on either side of the river up to and after midnight. The Tatoosh had heard nothing and lay at her dock.

To the little British ship Arctic Stream will be awarded the blue ribbon of the foreign craft belonging to the 1907 season grain vessels sailing from the Columbia River. Captain Charles C. Dixon, master of the ship, in a cablegram to a Portland friend, stated that the Arctic Stream arrived in Queenstown early Monday morning. She sailed from the mouth of the river late on the afternoon of April 1, thus making the passage in the remarkably fast time of 110 sailing days. This is one of the smartest passages made from Portland to Queenstown or Falmouth, and is the record for the past 20 years for a sailing vessel of small class, the Arctic Stream being but 250 feet long and 35 feet beam. She was built in 1885 at Port Glasgow, Scotland, of the best iron—no steel plates having been put in her hull, and on lines that make her look like an overgrown yacht. She is owned by C. E. DeWolf & Co., of Liverpool.

The Norwegian steamship Sark crossed in from San Francisco, at 5 o'clock yesterday morning and went direct to the Hammond Lumber Co.'s docks, where she will take on an initial load; going thence to Portland for part cargo and returning to the Hammond plant, will take on her deckload and sail for Port Pirie, Australia.

Captain Ike Turppa has been appointed master of the Kamm steamer Lurline, temporarily, vice Captain McCully, who is in attendance upon court in Portland upon a charge of exceeding the speed limits of the "harbor" there, and who will resume command shortly.

The Armeria, flagship of the lighthouse fleet of tenders in the 13th district, has completed her repairs and will leave out shortly for Nome, Alaska, on a supply trip, and will not show up here before concluding that voyage.

The steamship Geo. W. Elder crossed in at noon yesterday from the California coast, with a big list of passengers and a fair manifest of freight, and went on to Portland almost immediately.

Captain Archie Cann's new pleasure motor, the "Myrtle," has been tried out with happy results and is now one of the marine successes of the day in Astoria waters.

The schooner Mabel Gale, now on drydock at San Francisco, will make this port on her first voyage out, and load lumber at the Columbia mills, at Knappton, for Molendo.

The steamer Eureka arrived in yesterday at 10 a. m. from Eureka, and after a brief stay at the Callender, left up for Portland. She was flying rather light.

The handsome lighthouse tender Heather came in from Coos Bay yesterday. She has been laying a system of buoys in those waters.

The steamer Sue H. Elmore is due in from Tillamook at any hour.

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STILL PROMISES A NEW SYSTEM

MANAGER OF PACIFIC STATES COMPANY REITERATES ASSURANCES THAT SYSTEM WILL BE BETTERED.

Several more men have been added to the force employed by the Pacific States Telephone Company, and the work of changing the wires over to cables is progressing rapidly. In a letter written to the Chamber of Commerce in reply to a communication recently received by him, Mr. Brunold, local manager of the company, states that this work is preparatory to the installation of new instruments and a new switchboard.

Patrons of the Astoria Telephone Company, according to the comments heard on the streets and in other places where the telephone matter has been discussed during the past week, seem to be well satisfied with the efforts made by Mr. Brunold to better the service. The criticisms are in no wise made against him.

"Perhaps it is times that our side of the matter be heard a little," said Mr. Brunold in reply to questions put to him by a representative of The Astorian last evening. "It is erroneous to say that we are starting work now. We are simply continuing what had already been commenced, though the employment of new men will permit the work to go on more rapidly. That new wires, new instruments and a new switchboard are to be installed within a reasonably short time is an assured fact. The preparatory work is being done rapidly now. It is only a matter of a reasonably short time before the entire work will be completed. I am sorry that I cannot state just when the new instruments and switchboard will be here, but my personal belief is that it will be a very short time.

"When our system is completed it will be strictly up-to-date. It is a pretty big undertaking to completely overhaul a telephone system, and perhaps it is only fair that the public be asked to exercise a little patience."

Mr. Brunold said that the service now given is excellent; that is, the time required by the operators to respond to a call is merely a matter of a second or so. Others have observed that the girls are responding quickly.

That the patrons will wait patiently for the Pacific States Company to rehabilitate its system may be expected too much, though it is evident that Mr. Brunold thinks it is only fair and right that it should. Rightfully or wrongfully, the impression gained by the patrons seems to be that the promises of the company are hardly to be trusted, though there is no doubt that many are disposed to feel that the best outcome of the matter would be that the present company should go ahead and improve its entire system so that proper service could be had. The idea of two competing companies, or of a municipal system, apparently meets with little favor.

NEW TO-DAY

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LADY MANICURIST ENGAGED. "The Modern," A. E. Petersen's beautiful tonsorial establishment, has

A DREDGE TO RECLAIM TIDE LANDS

WORK TO COMMENCE SOON ON THROWING UP A DYKE FOUR MILES LONG ON YOUNG'S RIVER.

A great dredge, with a boom on it that has a sweep of somewhat over 70 feet, has been in process of building in a slip down near the old wood-yard dock, and the contract calls for the completion of the dredge tomorrow. Yesterday it was said by the builder, J. D. Heckard, that it would be in readiness on contract time.

This big dredge has been built for the purpose of dyking thousands of acres of tide lands over on Young's river, a project that will mean much to the farmers in that locality. It is estimated that fully 5000 acres will be reclaimed, and a contract has been entered into to complete the work of dyking these lands within a period of two years. It is probable, however, that the work will be completed in about a year of actual work.

K. F. Johnson & Company are the owners of the dredge, which has been constructed for the primary purpose of doing the work over on Young's river. It is 80 feet in length over all, and 26 feet in width. It is built of big timbers and in a strong and durable manner. The house over the boilers and engine is well made, as are the cabins and other rooms, and the appearance of the entire work indicates that everything has been made in the best manner possible. The boom, 72 feet long, is of tide land spruce, and about 18 inches square at the base and tapering off to about 14 inches at the outer end.

It is understood that the dyking will be carried on for a distance of four miles. It is proposed to throw up a barrier of earth 12 feet wide at the top, and solid and high enough to keep out the waters of the river. Behind the four miles of dyking it is estimated that there are about 5,000,000 acres which will thus be reclaimed. At present these tide lands are, as a rule, not worth much, but it is said that once the dyke is built their value should easily jump to \$100 per acre. For dairying. The owners of the lands in question have gotten together and organized a district, and have agreed that each acre of land that is benefitted by the dyking shall pay its proportionate share of the cost.

The work of reclaiming these tide lands on Young's river is one of the biggest jobs of its kind ever undertaken in this vicinity. The enterprise is one that apparently promises rich returns and, while it requires an outlay of money, it should prove of certain benefit to the enterprising men who have the courage and business instinct to take it up.

It is expected the dredge will be tested tomorrow or the next day and probably within a very few days will be at work over on Young's river.

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The Passion Play will be shown at The Jewell the coming week. A feature of the entertainment will be a lecture at each evening's performance. 7-21-3t

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ANOTHER CITIZEN TO THE FRONT

TAXPAYER HAS A WORD OF CAUTION IN REGARD TO A SEAWALL AND ITS ATTENDANT PUBLIC COSTS.

The following communication was filed in this office yesterday with a request that it be published, a favor that is conceded, as much for the temperate and reasonable treatment of a broad and popular topic, as for the Astorian's desire to publish everything of rational sort in this connection, for, and against, the enterprise, in order that the voting citizens of Astoria may have a full and accurate estimate of the project by the time their votes shall be demanded in final solution of the question:

"To the Editor:
"I have listened to considerable wild talk about 'the seawall' for some time by men who I was convinced, did not know what they were talking about, but in a local of the evening paper, I read what purported to be a synopsis of the ideas of the committee appointed by the common council, to formulate a bill for the consideration of the voters at the coming city election, authorizing the building of a seawall in front of the city and filling in the streets and lots, etc.

"I wish to say that I am heartily in favor of, and will aid, as far as in me lies, any measure that may be inaugurated for the advancement or betterment of the city of Astoria. Knowing, however, the disposition of many of my fellow citizens, 'to bite off more than they can chew' and their tendency to rush in, without much consideration as to where they are to come out, I therefore, feel some anxiety as to the outcome of many of their schemes.

Personally, I am not competent to plan or build a seawall and I know that members of the common council are in about the same fix as I am, in that respect, such matters having been outside of their training and business experience, but my own ex-

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