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Files Suit—
Complaint in an action brought by A. D. Craig against David West was filed in the circuit court yesterday. The suit is for \$937.50.

Signed Warrants—
Mayor Wise announced last night that he had signed the ordinances and all the warrants that were considered at the last session of the city council, and payments will now be made upon the warrants.

Filling the Grounds—
The court house grounds are finally being rapidly filled with earth and will soon be in shape for levelling off preparatory to planting with grass seed. The contractor now in charge of the job had four or five teams at work.

Artillery To Portland—
Some of the field artillery belonging to the company of Oregon National Guards from Portland, who have been camping at Seaside for the past week, passed through the city yesterday on the A. & C. train on its way back to Portland.

Saw a Bear—
A report reached this city last night that a big black bear had been seen at Young's river in the vicinity of Assessor Cornelius' residence. As soon as the report reached Senator Scholfield, Fred Moore, and Collector McGregory, they started out in hot search for the Teddy.

Arrived Yesterday—
A baby daughter made her welcome appearance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Matthews, on Ash street, Alderbrook yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock; Dr. O. B. Estes introducing the young lady to her new sphere and kinsmen. Mother and babe are doing finely.

A Dozen Dunkards—
Among the passengers that disembarked from the steamer Charles R. Spencer yesterday at 1:30 o'clock p. m., were twelve "Dunkards," men, women and children, from Payette, Idaho. They went on to Seaside last evening for a fortnight's outing on the coast.

Necanicum Bridge—
The plan of constructing a bridge over the Necanicum has been virtually abandoned for this season at least. Even if the job were let within the next few days the work could hardly be completed before the latter part of August, when the summer season will be practically over, and therefore it is deemed highly probable that

nothing will be done with the matter at the next meeting of the commissioners. Judge Trenchard, who heretofore has been very anxious to advance the matter with all the haste possible, said last evening that there is now apparently little chance of the bridge being built this summer. The money will be used on the county roads.

Looking For a Farm—
Mr. Aubrey G. Smith and wife from California, Mo., are in the city, in search of a suitable ranch, which if found, they intend purchasing. Both Mr. Smith and his wife are favorably impressed with Astoria, and are anxious to locate in this vicinity permanently, if they can make the proper arrangements.

Will Not Close—
It has been rumored around town for the past few days that the Georgia Harper Co. intended to close their engagement at the Astoria theatre this coming Sunday evening. The report has no foundation whatever, as it is the management's intention to continue the engagement throughout the summer.

Greatly Improved—
Dr. A. S. Smith, a resident of Gray's River who was brought to the hospital Tuesday evening, suffering with stomach trouble and internal fever, was greatly improved yesterday, and it is thought by the attendants of the hospital that he will be sufficiently recovered in a few days to return to his home.

Struck By Train—
Yesterday afternoon while in a discussion with a friend on the track of the A. & C. Railroad, Peter Lubetich, a fisherman was struck by a freight train that was backing down the track and had his shoulder dislocated. He was not seriously hurt, and with the assistance of two men he was able to walk to the hospital where Dr. Fulton set his collarbone.

Old Oregon Mills—
Word reached this city yesterday that E. S. McIlroy, ex-manager of the Old Oregon Mills, at Warrenton, is now serving the Nelson Lumber

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Company, of Seattle, as its vice-president. Mr. McIlroy has scores of friends here, who will be glad to hear of this pleasant assignment. The authority states that the Old Oregon plant at Warrenton will resume full operation within the next 60 days.

Good Official Work—
City Health Officer Clara W. Reames has set a fine example of official promptitude and thoroughness in compelling the prompt and careful cleaning and sanitation of the premises at No. 290 Eighth street, of which considerable complaint has been made. She will pursue the same rigid course at all other points requiring treatment of the sort, and the citizens will assuredly appreciate her care and interest in this line.

Work Started—
J. G. Kelley, the consulting engineer from Portland, who has been engaged by the Astoria water commission arrived in the city yesterday on the noon train. He will leave today for the up water head works where he will start the preliminary operations to bring the water of Fat Buck creek into the present pipe line. The new pipe line will be laid this fall, and its object is to provide for any possible shortage in the city water supply that may occur.

Pleasant Intimation—
The Morning Astorian is glad to pass along the very plain hint given it, yesterday, by one of the leading citizens of this place, that as soon as the civic authorities shall have fixed, and declared, permanently, the new and essential grades in the business section of Astoria, one of the wealthiest business firms in the State, stands ready to erect and maintain the buildings and business, of a wholesale and retail department store, involving an expenditure of \$150,000. He was not at liberty to go further, but gave it emphatic assurance.

To Patrons And Friends—
The management of the Morning Astorian having made new provision for handling its Sunday social column, will appreciate any trouble its patrons and friends will go to in seeing that this office is promptly and properly supplied with all current social data they may desire to appear in such columns; such as names, dates, events, people and features of social import. The paper will, of course, report all these matters as it comes in touch with them, but the gratuitous courtesies here asked for will greatly simplify and improve the pleasant record, beside adding to its authenticity at all times.

Peddler Arrested—
J. D. Rarick, a peddler, who has been canvassing the town from door to door for the past few days without a license, was arrested yesterday by Officer Houghton. When he appeared before Judge Anderson yesterday he asked to be given time until today, to consult a lawyer. It was granted. The man denies that he was peddling, but says that he is a mas-sagist, and was arrested while practicing his profession. Unfortunately for him however, at the time he was arrested he was selling a face preparation, to a woman who is ready at any time to testify the fact. She will appear at the hearing today.

Busy Season With Them—
Captain and Mrs. Oscar Wicklund, of Hammond, with their little daughter, were in the city yesterday, on business and pleasure bent. The doughty captain of the Point Adams life-saving station, in course of a conversation with an Astorian reporter said this year had been replete with live incidents down at the mouth of the river, in the way of accidents that had occurred among the fishermen in and about the bar waters, his crew and boat having been engaged in 15 rescues since the season opened, and he was glad to report that the majority of the episodes had ended without grave consequences; but it kept his station and that of his colleagues on the north shore everlastingly on the qui vive. He, and all the rest of the life-savers down that way may rest assured the people of

Astoria know and appreciate the work they are constantly and successfully achieving there.

Regatta Matters—
At a meeting of the regatta committee last night it was decided to commence the usual voting contest for the Queen of the Regatta next week. The contest will be carried on in the customary manner, with which most Astorians are familiar. This has always proven a decidedly popular matter and it is expected that again this summer much interest will be manifested in the contest for the queenship of the regatta. It was virtually decided last night that the projected farmers' fair will be abandoned for this summer, as the grocers, who were to have worked the matter up, find that they would not have the time to properly care for the event. The committee has one matter under consideration that should prove a highly successful event, and that is a general "big time" on the last night of regatta week. This would include a procession, confetti and other Mardi Gras effects.

Dangerous Faking—
Late, on Tuesday night, a startling report was current on the streets here, that a ship of some kind, on fire, was being towed into port. The rumor reached this office from a source that commanded respect and attention, and the matter was given prompt and thorough investigation, as such news deserved, for it was known that the steamer Sue H. Elmore was due in from Tillamook, and that other craft were likely to be off the bar, and in such perilous predicament. Due inquiry was made at North Head, the United Wireless, the Tatoosh dock and elsewhere, happily, without verifying the silly canard. People who start silly yarns of the sort should take thought of the confusion, fear and perhaps distress, inherent in the lying stuff. This is written for the benefit of the party, whoever it was, that gave first voice to it, and moved a reputable and responsible citizen to pass it on to the newspapers for verification.

Down From Cathlamet—
M. Gorman, a member of the city council of Cathlamet, and George Irving, commissioner of road district No. 1, and Thomas Kent, road supervisor of Wahkiakum county, will join Judge Trenchard this morning on a trip of inspection over some of the Clatsop roads, and especially will view one of the rock crushers in operation. Judge Trenchard will take the visitors out to the rock crusher that is now a few miles beyond Olney. Mr. Gorman came down yesterday. He says that in his county plans are being made to extend the roads to a considerable extent, and the advisability of buying a rock crusher is being considered. It is probable that if the visitors are convinced that a rock crusher is a profitable thing they will recommend the purchase of one in their county. The Clatsop authorities are able to make excellent roads with the aid of the crushers and would hardly know how to get along without them.

Gets Her Child Back—
A letter from the Boys' & Girls' Home at Portland to Judge Trenchard yesterday stated that Mrs. Mary Niemie, who had gone there to get possession of her little girl, had again been given the custody of her babe. Apparently the authorities at the Home became convinced that the mother was willing and able to properly care for the little one and therefore did not long hesitate in taking the action they did. It is understood that Mrs. Niemie will again return to Aberdeen, where she has been employed in a boarding house. The outcome of the matter pleases those who have been familiar with its details, and the best part of it all is that the mother, whose good name had been impugned, hurried back to Astoria as soon as she heard of it and righted the inadvertent judicial wrong that had been done to her and her little one. Judge Trenchard and Attorney A. M. Smith gave the woman all the aid that was possible under the circumstances.

NOTICE.
The members Beaver Lodge No. 35, I. O. O. F., are requested to attend a regular meeting to be held this (Thursday) evening at 8 o'clock. Second degree. Visitors welcome.
OLOF ANDERSON, Secretary.

Lost.
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MASTER FISH WARDEN McALLISTER GRANTED A NEW CRAFT—DETAILS OF HER CONSTRUCTION, ETC.

The Oregon Fish Commission has just closed a contract with O. P. Graham, of Portland, for the immediate construction of a patrol launch for use in that department, 45 feet in length, 9 feet beam and 9 feet draft. She is to be equipped with 30 horsepower Imperial engines, and must show a guaranteed normal speed of 12 knots. Fish Warden H. C. McAllister and his deputy wardens will have full use of this craft and of the Oregon Patrol, built last year for this service, and the combined cost of the two fine boats is practically \$300 within the appropriation made last winter in this behalf. The Oregon Patrol cost \$2013, and the new launch is to cost \$2675.

Both are needed in the service, and the additional patrol will have a tendency to reduce the numerous infractions of the fishing laws which have arisen on the Oregon banks of the Columbia during the past few years.

PERSONAL MENTION

Dr. W. S. Murray, of Fillmore, Utah, who has been visiting Dr. C. W. Barr has gone to Seaside where he will be domiciled at "The Pines" until the middle of September.

E. D. Brooks, of Pliner, Ore., is in town shaking hands with many of his old friends.

Miss Clara Munson of Warrenton, was in the city yesterday visiting friends.

Miss May Parker was a homing passenger from Portland on the Spencer yesterday.

O. F. Morton returned from a business trip to the metropolis, yesterday, via the steamer Charles R. Spencer.

Mrs. L. Altman, from Portland, is in the city the guest of Mr. and Mrs. I. Bergman with whom she will visit for a week or ten days.

J. H. Smith, the prominent attorney of this city has gone to Portland for a few days on a business trip.

Mr. A. Dexter, a representative of the World Today magazine, was in the city yesterday, and called on Manager Whyte of the Chamber of Commerce. He is here for the purpose of obtaining material for an ar-

THE TEMPORARY INJUNCTION NOW PENDING AGAINST MCGOWAN ET. AL. CONTINUED TO SEPTEMBER TERM.

Messrs. Samuel Elmore, and his attorney, G. C. Fulton, have returned from Tacoma, whither they went in the interest of the suit in injunction instituted by the Columbia River Packers' Association against H. C. McGowan, et. als., to restrain them against interference with the Association's fishing rights on Sand Island.

The defendants were not ready and sought a continuance of several days, to amend their answer in the case, but Judge Hanaford, of the Federal court demed the plea a bit out of order and continued the case and the injunction now in force, until the first Monday in September next; an order which virtually settles the issue for the current season at all events.

The McGowan interests were required to file a bond in the sum of \$10,000, pending the continuance, instead of \$2000, as heretofore required.

Sunday Excursions to Long Beach.
Steamer Nahcotta leaves O. R. & N. dock at 6:45 a. m. daily. Round trip fare to any point on North (Long) Beach, \$1.00, Sunday's only

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New Business Venture.
Mr. E. G. Gunall has opened a boot and shoe repairing establishment in the building at the corner of Eighth and Commercial streets, formerly occupied by N. Akerman. Your patronage is respectfully solicited. Open evenings. 7-15-tf

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

He is preparing for an early issue of the publication. Mrs. E. M. Crawford returned to Astoria yesterday after passing ten days in Portland.

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