

The Store *The* Ladies
FOR *BEE* *HIVE* Outfitters

IN AMERICA'S GREATEST FASHION CENTER

Mrs. M. S. Copeland is in New York buying lines of goods for spring and summer trade. We will soon be able to show you fashions latest dictates in ladies' Suits, Skirts, Coats, Millinery, Dress Goods, White Novelties and Notions direct from New York City.

OCEAN, BAR,
BAY, DOCK
AND RIVER

There is a report current in packing and shipping circles in this city that the Alaska Packers, of San Francisco, has purchased the American bark Homeward Bound, formerly the British ship Zemindar, and again formerly by the German ship Gildmeister, for the Alaskan fleet of carriers, and that she will go to work for them during the coming season. The Homeward Bound is of 2,131 tons gross, and 1987 tons net; 284.7 feet long; 39.7 feet in width, and 23.5 feet depth. She carries a crew of 21 officers and men, and was built in 1885, at Belfast, Ireland, and is registered out of San Francisco.

The oil tank steamer Asuncion, Captain Bridgett, was off the bar last evening and will enter port this morning. She is now equipped with wireless telegraph instruments and will make good use of them.

The steamer Johan Poulsen is still lingering in port after the Astorian had her out for San Francisco. She came up from the lower harbor yesterday morning and docked at the Callender for the purpose of filling her water tanks. She will leave out as soon as the bar is passable.

The steamship Breakwater is due down this morning on her way to Coos Bay, and will leave the O. R. & N. docks at an early hour.

The steamer Alliance is due to arrive in from the Coos country during the day, as usual.

BRADEN-ADAMS MEAT CO

We have arranged to do our killing at T. S. Cornelius', and we are now in a position to supply Astoria with the choicest of home-killed stock at the following prices:

- Beef from 5c to 15c
- Pork from 8c to 15c
- Mutton from 8c to 15c
- Sausages at from 10c to 12c
- Hams at 15c
- Bacon at from 16 to 17c
- Picnic Hams at 10c
- Lard, 5-lb. pails 65c
- Lard, 10-lb. pails \$1.30
- Butter 70c
- Eggs 30c

Fresh Smelt, 6 lbs. for 25c.

684 Commercial St.

Special All This Week

- Fine Blue and Blue Triple Enamel Ware Just received.
- 10-quart Dish Pans, Regular price, 75c; will sell for 50c
- Covered Kettles (Enamel Covers) 45c
- Wash Basins 20c, 25c and 30c
- Pudding Pans 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c

BIG BARGAINS, ALL OF THEM

China Salad Bowls, Special Offer, 50c article for 25c while they last. The supply is limited, so come early. NOTICE—Cash checks, from our store, amounting to \$10 worth of trade are good for 25 cents in cash to ANY ONE.



HAS FAITH IN ALASKA
BUT GLAD HE'S HERE

WILL CURTIS TALKS INTERESTINGLY OF GREAT TERRITORY UP NORTH.

In a talk with Will Curtis, last evening, he expressed himself as delighted to get back to Astoria and civilization, after nearly three years in that bleak, rich, and rough domain. Mr. Curtis served as electrician in the Federal mines near Juneau for some time after he had made his open-sea trip to that place in a small launch sent out from here for delivery to the American Coral Marble Company; and then went to Ketchikan, where for a year he was with the Citizens' Light, Water & Power Company, in the same capacity; and afterward took over the editorial and business management of the Ketchikan Miner, which he ran successfully for 18 months, or until he turned his face homeward.

He says that copper is the touchstone of progress up there; that as it varies in value, so goes all contingent conditions, all around through the country, and that the supply is absolutely incalculable. He says, also, that the New England Fish Company, has just opened up a huge fish packing plant at Ketchikan, and will conduct the largest business of the kind on the coast; the concern operating half a dozen steamers of its own, and is now building 75 cottages for its employees, and hopes to have all things completed by the end of the winter season.

Alaska, he says, is an inexhaustible region of surprising wealth, and that development is going forward there without cessation; but that the people who have gone there are so wrapped in their peculiar and personal pursuits that they are not disposed, or have not time, to cultivate the social amenities in any of the more refined ways, and therefore it is a bit lonely for anyone who goes there without a wide range of acquaintance.

What the country needs most, according to Mr. Curtis, is transportation facilities of readier sort, wider range and quicker delivery, to offset the paralysis engendered by the protracted winters and the impediments of snow and ice on all sides. This, he says, is counted as the severest winter in those latitudes, in many years, and is felt in every line of business.

WITH THE PLAYERS AND THE PLAYS

LILLIAN RUSSELL IS COMING WEST WITH HER LATEST RACING PLAY.

Chicago broke all world's records as a producing center of interest in the theatrical field last week when no less than seven important attractions opened there in as many different theatres for the mid-winter carnival of dramatics in the Windy City. The importance of these is apparent at once glance over the list of stars that included: Lillian Russell, Viola Allen, Mrs. Fiske, Marie Cahill, Kyrle Bell, Joseph O'Lara and the several stars of a new musical play at the La-Salle.

The only star of that galaxy to be seen in a familiar play was Lillian Russell, who brought out "Wildfire" in Chicago the season before. It was her return after a triumphal tour of the east and with even such unheard of opposition in every quarter the famous American beauty captivated the town, and her engagement at the Illinois theatre was the most successful she ever played in Chicago. This speaks volumes for the personal popularity of Miss Russell and it also illustrates the hold that her racing comedy "Wildfire" has upon the people. To play a repeat engagement in the face of the most widespread opposition any city has shown in years and return box office statements in

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Charles H. Fletcher*

excess of those recorded during the original run, is going some and proves that the former queen of comic opera has made a ten strike by going into straight comedy work.

On March 1st Lillian Russell leaves Chicago and jumps direct to Denver, Colo., where she begins her supplemental Spring tour of the West in "Wildfire," the racing comedy which has so completely established the former queen of comic opera as a star of the first magnitude in straight comedy characterization. Miss Russell will stay out until July in order to present "Wildfire" in the territory that gave her such genuine encouragement during her first venture as a star in more serious work. She will visit the Pacific coast cities and return via way of the Northwest and is booked for an early appearance San Francisco.

GRUESOME GUN.

Soldiers, diplomats and sportsmen are to-day making frantic efforts to find out how Hiram Maxim will introduce the silencing device for guns with which he electrified a crowd in the office of his lawyer the other day. Those who saw the heaviest rifles tamed to noiseless and kickless action by the application of a tiny tube to the barrel are declaring that the test has marked a revolution in the ways of war and sport. Throughout this sort of sterilized Buffalo Bill Show to which Mr. Maxim treated his select audience no one could help thinking of the possibilities in crime that the introduction of his invention must open. There was something cold blooded in the stillness through which the high power projectiles of lead were hurled with force enough to pierce ten men. To-day no indication has been given by the holders of this magic device as to the field or limitations of its use.

NO LIEN ON CHILD.

Court Demands Return Of Babe To Its Parents.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—A child cannot be bartered to settle a debt according to a decision just rendered by Justice Greenbaum in the Supreme Court here. The case came before him on a writ of habeas corpus and involved four year old Hanna Blume, the daughter of Morris Blume and wife, who are destitute.

The Blumes about a year and a half ago left the little girl in the charge of a Mrs. Jennie Cohen after making arrangements to make payments of \$1 weekly, for her care. Then after finding himself out of work the father was unable to make the payments as agreed and when after a few months he acquired some money which was presented to Mrs. Cohen for payment, Mrs. Cohen announced that, not having what was due her, she had sold the child to Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Duell for \$50. Mr. and Mrs. Duell flatly refused to give up the child and as the little girl's parents had since gone to San Francisco, relatives here began proceeding to recover her. In a decision handed down yesterday the court, in restoring the child to her parents, said in part:

"Mrs. Cohen had no lien upon the child for unpaid board and lodging and no legal right to dispose of it to a stranger. Mrs. Cohen simply had a money claim against its father. It may be that the respondents have become attached to the child during the few months that they have enjoyed its society and it is unfortunate that they may be unable to be reimbursed for the expenses in its behalf incurred during the time that they have maintained it, but they were not deceived. They fully understood that Mrs. Cohen had not the slightest right to dispose of the child and the monetary considerations urged in behalf of the respondents cannot for a moment be entertained by the court."

COMMENDS HEROISM.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Secretary Newberry has written a letter to Charles Dady, a seaman on the U. S. S. California commending him for his heroism for jumping into the sea while the vessel was at full speed, and assisting in the rescue of two officers who had fallen overboard.

If You Are a Trifle Sensitive About the size of your shoes, it's some satisfaction to know that many people can wear shoes a size smaller by sprinkling Allen's Foot-Ease into them. Just the thing for Dancing Parties, Patent Leather Shoes and for breaking in New Shoes. When rubbers or overshoes become necessary and your shoes pinch, Allen's Foot-Ease gives instant relief. Sold Everywhere, 25c. Sample FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y. Don't accept any substitute.

WASHINGTON IS FORTUNATE IN HER BILLS

TWO EXCELLENT MEASURES PENDING IN THE EVER-GREEN LEGISLATURE.

SEATTLE, Feb. 17.—A bill has been introduced in the legislature which, if it becomes a law, will give the counties of the state a good chance to advertise themselves in a manner that will probably mean a great increase in immigration to this state in the course of a year. Representative Bell, of Pierce county, is the author of the measure. The Tacoma Chamber of Commerce has endorsed the bill and the Seattle Chamber will likely do so at its next meeting. The bill authorizes county commissioners to levy a small annual tax for advertising purposes. At present there is no fund for that purpose and the average county must depend upon the newspaper press of the county for the exploitation it receives. As a matter of fact, the press of the state gives up hundreds of columns of space every year, free of charge, to exploiting their particular section. While it is true that this line of work eventually means more business for the newspapers, at the same time the average newspaper editor could afford to conduct a more elaborate system of advertising for his county if the county were in a position to bear part of the expense.

If a bill that has been introduced in the legislature by Representative E. P. Palmer, of King county, becomes a law the telephone and telegraph companies of the state will have to come under the direct supervision of the State Railway Commission, the same as are the railroad. "There is, of course, a big opposition to the bill," said Mr. Palmer while in the city this week, "but the fact remains that the measure is the best thing that the public could possibly get from the legislature. I shall do everything to put through the bill. State regulation of this class of corporations must come sooner or later and it might well as come now."

The new receiving home of the Washington Children's Home Society in this city has been completed and will be opened on Washington's Birthday. The building cost \$30,000, all of which was given by the people of the state. Five thousand dollars are yet needed to complete the lighting, heating and other details, and an appeal has been made by the committee on furnishings to the people the Sunday schools and the church societies of the state to aid in furnishing the home by contributing furniture or cash for the purpose.

The Children's Home Society is one of the largest and the most worthy charitable organizations supported by the people of Washington. Costing only about \$15,000 annually for running expenses, the society cares for homeless children and places them in private homes, saving the state every year the \$150,000 which California pays for supporting orphanages. With its new building complete, the society is in a position to increase its efficiency throughout the state.

NEW TO-DAY

Try our own mixture of coffee—the J. P. B. Fresh fruit and vegetables Badollet & Co., grocers. Phone Main

The very best board to be obtained in the city is at "The Occident Hotel." Rates very reasonable.

The Modern.

The best and most up-to-date tonorial parlor in the city is The Modern. Perfect comfort and service guaranteed to all. Excellent baths.

Wood and Coal.

If you want dry fir cordwood, inside fir, bark slab, or boxwood, ring up Kelly, the Wood and Coal Dealer, the man who keeps the prices down. Coal at \$7.00 per ton in your basement or \$6.00 at yard. Main 2191. Barn, corner 12th and Duane.

The Proper Place.

Go to the Occident Barber Shop if you are particular and desire first-class service. Satisfaction guaranteed. An expert bootblack and porter has also been engaged.



HERALD THE NEWS

We have a large supply of the famous Golden State Cherries in Maraschino the most delicious preserved fruit on the market

50 Cents the quart bottle

AMERICAN IMPORTING CO.

Importers and Wholesale Liquor Dealers

Fisher Brothers Company

- SOLE AGENTS
- Marbour and Finlayson Salmon Twines and Netting
- McCormick Harvesting Machines
- Oliver Chilled Ploughs
- Sharples Cream Separators
- Raccolith Flooring
- Starrett's Tools

Hardware, Groceries, Ship Chandlery

Tan Bark, Blue Stone, Muriatic Acid, Welch Coal, Tar, Ash Oars, Oak Lumber, Pipe and Fittings, Brass Goods, Paints, Oils and Glass

Fishermen's Pure Manila Rope, Cotton Twine and Seine Web

We Want Your Trade

FISHER BROS.

BOND STREET

John Fox, Pres. F. L. Bishop, Sec. Astoria Savings Bank, Treas. Nelson Troyer, Vice-Pres. and Supt.

ASTORIA IRON WORKS

DESIGNERS AND MANUFACTURERS OF THE LATEST IMPROVED

Canning Machinery, Marine Engines and Boilers

COMPLETE CANNERY OUTFITS FURNISHED. Correspondence Solicited. Foot of Fourth Street.

ASTORIA & COLUMBIA RIVER R. R.

Will sell cheap round trip excursion tickets to Denver May 17th, July 1st and August 11th. On June 2nd & 3rd, July 2nd & 3rd and August 11th and 12th, very low round trip rates will be made to St. Paul, Duluth, Omaha, Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago and all eastern points.

Through Rail and Steamship tickets sold to all parts of the world.

For full particulars call or address

G. B. JOHNSON, Gen'l Agent A. & C. R. R. 12th St., near Commercial St. ASTORIA, OREGON.

CASTORIA

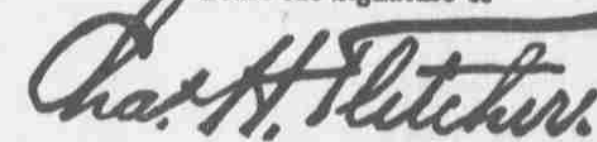
The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

What is CASTORIA

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is Pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. It cures Diarrhoea and Wind Colic. It relieves Teething Troubles, cures Constipation and Flatulency. It assimilates the Food, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

GENUINE CASTORIA ALWAYS

Bears the Signature of



The Kind You Have Always Bought

In Use For Over 30 Years.

THE CENTAUR COMPANY, 77 MURRAY STREET, NEW YORK CITY.