



NEW TUG BOAT

IS NOW IN USE

Is a Fine Boat and Competent to do Towing for any Port

CAPTAIN JOHNSON WILL BE IN COMMAND

The new tug boat Klyhiam, which was built here by J. H. Price and towed to San Francisco some time ago, where her machinery was put in was brought up by the Fifield on her last trip and is now doing service on the Coquille river, having displaced the old tug, Triumph, which has so long done the work. While the Triumph was a good boat in her day, and would do good service yet in a smaller harbor, yet she became wholly inadequate for the work at this place, consequently a new boat with greater power was necessary.

The Klyhiam is a modern tug in every particular and one that is equal to most any occasion. As compared to the Triumph she has a 350 horse power engine against 150 for the old boat, she is 94 feet over all as against about 75 for the Triumph and is 22 feet wide, while the Triumph is about 18. The Klyhiam is equipped with all modern machinery and is strongly built so that she can face any kind of a sea and will be able to tow a vessel out and into the harbor when the old boat would not dare undertake it. Shippers and others here welcome her with delight, while at the same time they pay their respects to the Triumph who served her time and is now ready for the retirement from this port. Capt. Johnson will be in command of the Klyhiam, and Mr. Holland chief engineer, while Joe McCord is the fireman.

Rainfall for December

Captain O. Wren of the light house furnishes us the rainfall for the month of December 1908 as follows: Rainfall for month five inches and forty hundredths of an inch. Days clear eight, cloudy and rainy days 23. The rainfall for the corresponding month of 1907 was sixteen inches and eighty four one hundredth of an inch, making a difference of eleven inches and forty-four one hundredths of an inch.

Wedded by His First Love

An Omaha dispatch says that the acquaintance of Lee Bryan, merchant, of Craig Col., and Mrs. Carrie Younkins, of Omaha, who has become his bride was not of recent origin. They knew each other in their youthful days, and when their respective parents broke off their engagement Bryan went West and his sweetheart wedded another. Bryan also married, but the union was not a happy one, and he separated from his wife fifteen years ago.

June 1, he secured a divorce, and at once sought his schoolboy sweetheart. He found her a widow of five years, and at once applied for a license. This was refused him on the ground that he had been divorced within six months.

When the six months period required by law expired the license was secured and the dream of nearly a half century became a reality.

A big line of dry batteries at the Standard Electric Co's. Store on Atwater Street.

A GREAT COMIC OPERA

The Ever Popular Comic Opera H. M. S. Pinafore to be Presented Soon

The most popular comic opera ever written is the celebrated composition of Gilbert and Sullivan, H. M. S. Pinafore. It has been produced by every opera company in this country and England and it still is being presented nightly in one of the largest theatres in London where it has been running continuously for over fifteen years. Although a typical English opera it has been enjoyed by more American audiences than any other opera and wherever it is presented it is greeted by crowded houses.

The ladies of the Episcopal Guild have engaged Mr. Robinson who produced "Queen Esther" here two years ago, to drill the Bandon singers on the music of Pinafore and rehearsals have already begun and from the enthusiasm among the singers it is assured that the opera will be excellently rendered.

Mr. Robinson brings the necessary costumes and scenery to make the opera attractive, and wherever he has given it the audiences have agreed that it was the best entertainment ever given by local talent.

Pinafore is a pleasing satire upon conditions existing in the British navy and is full of pleasing dialogue and comical situations as well as the music being the most bright, catchy and popular of all of the compositions of Sir Arthur Sullivan. The opera will be presented complete in full nautical costume at the opera house in about three weeks, with a cast and chorus selected from among Bandon's best singers.

Pioneer Teacher Dies

The Coquille Herald gives the following account of the death of Prof. Milton Edmunds, a pioneer teacher of Coos County, and who was at one time the principal of the Bandon schools. The Herald says: "No doubt many readers will be shocked to learn of the death of Prof. Milton Edmunds who died at The Dalles, Oregon, December 20, aged 58 years, 8 months and 20 days. Heart failure was the cause of Mr. Edmunds' sudden taking off. The deceased moved from this county to The Dalles 18 months ago, where he leaves a loving wife and four children to mourn their great loss. Mr. Edmunds was one of Coos county's successful and popular teachers, having taught in a number of districts in the county where many children will learn of his death with deep regret."

Coates-Keysler

The marriage of Lewis E. Coates and Miss Madilina G. Keysler was solemnized Thursday evening December 31st at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Coates, Rev. Haberly officiating. Only the immediate families of the contracting parties were present. The many friends of the newly married couple will extend congratulations and best wishes.

Presbyterian Church

Preaching at the Presbyterian Church the first and third Sundays of each month, both morning and evening. Sunday School and young people's meeting every Sunday.

Visitors and transients are cordially invited.

GEO. H. ROACH, pastor, A. HABERLY, temporary supply.

For Sale—A complete course in civil engineering in the I C S will be sold cheap. Inquire at this office

NEW BULKHEAD

ON RIVER BANK

To be Built on North Bank of River to Protect Lighthouse

WILL SUFFICE FOR TEMPORARY NEEDS

James Laughead, of Portland, is here and will superintend the construction of a "bulkhead" on the north side of the river where the water has been washing away the sand, thus endangering the residence of the light house keeper. For some time the breakers have been washing against the north bank with such great fury as to render the conditions on that side of the river extremely dangerous, especially the residence of the lighthouse keeper. Captain Wren notified the proper authorities of the condition some time ago with the result that Mr. Laughead was sent here to construct the bulkhead, which will be of lumber and piling, but will be built strong and will suffice for the present although it may not be permanent. The real need is for a stone jetty or a pile jetty with stone ballasting on both sides of the river inside of the bar, this would not only serve as a protection but would help to get rid of the sand in the channel and thus be of benefit to the inside harbor. The pile jetty which was started by the business men of Bandon and vicinity is doing good work, and will be of great service when it is completed, but the government should take hold of the proposition and carry it through.

Cramer Stock Co.

The Cramer Stock Co. appeared at the opera house again Wednesday evening when they put on the famous comedy-drama "The Octoroon." This is a play somewhat similar to "Uncle Tom's Cabin, which everyone has heard, and if anything the Octoroon is a better play, and the way the Cramer Company handled it would do credit to any troupe, whether they played in the large city theatres or in smaller places. Every part of the play was well put on and the audience showed their appreciation by their constant applause. The specialties between acts as put on by this company are themselves almost worth the price of the show. The Cramer Co. will be here again next Wednesday evening when they will play the rip roaring farce comedy "A Family Mix Up" This will give the people plenty of chance to laugh and the troupe should be greeted by a well filled house.

Fifield Sailed, Bandon in

The Fifield sailed from Bandon Monday morning with 485,000 feet of lumber and seven passengers as follows: Miss May Lovejoy, Mr. and Mrs. Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. Broad Bent and daughter, and Mrs. Hemphill. The Bandon arrived in port Tuesday morning and is loading at the Lyons-Johnson Mill. She is in command of Capt. Jack Wesseler, who formerly came in here on a sailing vessel. The Bandon has not been here for some time, but will run regularly hereafter.

A. B. Daily of Marshfield was in the city Wednesday on business.

A SUCCESSFUL AFFAIR

Grand Leap Year Ball Enjoyed by Bandon Society People

The Leap Year Ball given by the Ladies' Art Club New Year's eve was a successful event and one that will be long remembered by all present. The main feature of the evening's entertainment was the fact that the ladies did the managing of affairs till midnight when at that hour the gentlemen took the helm. That the ladies were superior to the gentleman cannot be denied. No doubt most of the gentlemen were glad when the ladies' choice was over and they again came into their own.

One of the amusing features of the evening was the Kangaroo Court presided over by Mrs. Zeek and Mrs. Stephenson at which every gentleman who moved around unescorted by a lady was fined five cents. This was done to show the gentlemen that they were to keep their place. Whether any of the ladies took advantage of their last opportunity and popped the question we are unable to state.

Altogether the evening was one of the most pleasant ever spent by Bandon people and the one regret is that leap year does not come often.

Nels Rasmussen and A. Munk were in Coquille Tuesday on business.

S. J. Culver, Thos. Coates and Loss Gardner of Bandon have been attending court at Coquille this week.

The county court Wednesday appointed Hon. Thos. Dimmick of Marshfield to serve the unexpired term of County Treasurer Dully, deceased. Mr. Dimmick is one of the old pioneers of the county and is highly respected by all.

The old schooner Gotoma, which for years was engaged in the Coos Bay trade and which was known as nearly every port along the coast, is a total wreck at Aberdeen, Wash., and her hull and what remains of her cargo was sold on Thursday last for \$120. The Gotoma was built at North Bend for Simpson Bros. in 1872 by the late John Kruse, and was 119 feet long, 35.6 beam and 8.6 depth of hold. —Coos Bay News.

C. S. Hilborn, of Millicoma, was in town Saturday, transacting business. The old gentleman looks well considering his advanced age, and his numerous friends hope that he will enjoy health for many years. yet Mr. Hilborn is one of the earliest pioneers of Coos and Curry counties. He was born in Paris, Maine, Jan 16, 1820, and will therefore be 89 years old on the 16th day of this month. He settled at Port Orford in 1856, and ten years later moved to Coos Bay. It was Mr. Hilborn who piloted the Baltimore colony from Port Orford to the mouth of the Coquille river in 1859. —News.

For the first time this winter the outside mail failed to arrive at the Bandon post office Wednesday, but we will probably get a double dose this evening which fact will be greatly appreciated by the post office people, as they are not fond of that kind of medicine. The government mail inspector was in this county this fall and promised to give the long suffering public better mail service. We sincerely hope he will make good as people are getting tired of missing their mail so often, however there has not been much cause for complaint this winter, but then the rain has been comparatively light and the roads correspondingly good, so there would have been no excuse for not getting it here.

STANDARD OIL CO.

WINS REBATE CASE

Will Not Have to pay \$29,000,000 Fine Assessed by Judge Landis

DECISION SET ASIDE ON TECHNICALITIES

Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—The \$29,000,000 fine case of the Standard Oil Company will not be reviewed by the supreme court of the United States. A decision of the court to this effect was announced by Chief Justice Fuller late Monday. The case came to the court on a petition filed by the government asking the court for a writ of certiorari to order up the record of the case for a review of the decision of circuit court of appeals for the seventh circuit by which Judge Landis' original decision imposing a fine of \$29,000,000 against the Standard Oil Company for accepting rebates from the railroad companies was reversed. In the supreme court the case turned largely upon the right of the court to interfere, in view of the fact the case had been passed upon by the court of appeals, the government contending for such a privilege as right, while it was urged in behalf of the Standard Oil Company that precedents were against such proceedings. The action of the court consisted in the announcement that the government's petition would not be granted. The effect of this announcement will be to leave standing the decision of the court of appeals which was adverse to the government and favorable to the company.

James Keane Coming

The noted actor James Keane who was here a few years ago and made such a big hit in "Ismerald" will be in Bandon Monday evening January 11th with fourteen people and will put on the celebrated play "Fabio Ramoni" taken from Marie Corelli's Vendetta. Mr. Keane is one of the leading actors in this country and his reputation is nationwide. It is said that he is backed up by a troupe of the most clever actors to be found anywhere, and the public will be assured of a first class performance. There will be vaudeville between the acts thus causing no waits, which are always so tedious when you are anxious to see how the play is coming out.

Elizabeth Sailed Sunday

The Elizabeth crossed out over the bar Sunday morning with 300,000 feet of lumber and about 15 tons of freight. She also had a good list of passengers as follows: Mrs. L. Burnap, Mr. Gehrig, Mrs. J. S. Tilton, Ruby Tilton, T. H. Peterson, Wm. Peterson, Mrs. Snyder, Ira Snyder. The Elizabeth has reduced the passenger rate to San Francisco, from Bandon to \$7.50, a reduction that will be greatly appreciated by Bandon people who travel.

English Walnuts

I am agent for Brooks & Sons of Carlton, Ore. for their celebrated English Walnut trees. This firm is the only English Walnut importers in the state.

B. L. HURST.

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CITY IMPROVEMENTS

City Council to Make Progressive Campaign in This Line

That the city council is determined to make a progressive campaign for street and other improvements is evident from the actions of recent council sessions. Among the chief improvements to be made at once is the opening of Columbia Ave. from Atwater street to the county road A full sized plank street 70 feet wide, with raised sidewalk on either side will be constructed. This property is partly owned by S. E. Hines who has signified his intention of dedicating it to the city, providing the city make the improvements as indicated. We understand that the Bandon Manufacturing Co. is also making preparations to extend the street north of Oriental hall through to deep water, and make a first class wharf some where near where the buoy now is.

Other street improvements, will be the repairing of the big bridge of Fourth street, and the town steps are also to be repaired and made perfectly safe. At a recent meeting of the council City Recorder C. R. Wade tendered his resignation to take effect January 16th. The council has not yet acted on this resignation but an effort will be put forth to have Mr. Wade reconsider his action and withdraw his resignation.

F. H. Van Norden returned Monday from a trip to Marshfield.

Robt. Fredrick, who is well posted on nautical affairs, returned from San Francisco recently where he has been for some time. He reports business conditions as being good, but says there are no boats on the market for shipbuilders at present but will probably be some in the spring, when it is likely that J. H. Price, the Bandon shipbuilder will get one or two good contracts, and the ship yard here will again be going at full blast.

If you want to get the best to be had for the money, you should patronize home industry and home institutions. The Bandon merchants can do as well by the people of this community as any catalogue house, or any merchants in any town, and if you spend your money at home you stand a chance of getting it back some time, but if you send it away you will sure never see it again and it does not help to build up your community. If you have been in the habit of getting your merchandise elsewhere, try your home merchant a while and see if you do not get better satisfaction.

Drs. H. A. Foster and W. H. Crowell have leased the Steele building, opposite the Grand Hotel and will open a Chiropractic Institute. Dr. Foster has been practicing in Bandon for some time past and has established a practice that justifies them in opening an institute where they will be prepared to accommodate the increasing number coming to the institute to be cured.

There will be a dance Saturday evening Jan. 16th at Oriental Hall. The music will be furnished by the new orchestra composed of Jas. Whetstone, violin; Carl Moore, piano; C. G. Adams, clarinet; J. L. Litzemberger, cornet; L. T. Suther and trombone. The New Orchestra has large repertoire of the latest music and it will be rendered to the entire satisfaction of the dancers. There will be no pains spared to make the evening one of the most enjoyable of any social evening of the season, and those who attend will be assured of getting everything they want. The members of this orchestra are well known to Bandon people and what they can do in the musical world is highly appreciated by all.