# THE ASTORIAN

ASTORIA, OREGON: .... Editor. D. C. IRELAND..

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BLACK SAND, the exhaustless wealth of Clatsop county and the adjacent country, but not all that could be by any means. The black auriferous sands which is found in exhaustless quantities at the mouth of the Columbia river have been almost totally overlooked. Now that these sands are attracting the attention of scientific thousand miles of well established men, as they have never done before, it is a good time to bring them before the notice of the public. A writer in the Overland Monthly almost totally ignores the rich deposits of the neighborhood of Coos Bay, and this valuable article in our immediate neighborhood. He says: "these gold bearing sands are known to exist along our Northern coast for a distance of over two hundred miles, reaching from the 41st to the 44th degree of latitude. Trinidad Bay on the southern limit and the Umpqua river on the Northern limit, have proved to be within the belt containing these beach sands, in paying quantities. The black sand in diminished deposits and richness, extends much further along the coast. Very rich deposits are said to exist on the coast North of Vancouver Island in British Columbia; and similar deposits are found, also, on the coast of Lower California." This writer concedes somewhat that this auriferous sand "extends along the coast" but "in diminished deposits and richness." This is certainly a grave mistake. It exists in the vicinity of Astoria, in inexhaustible quantities. A large portion of Sandy Island at the mouth of the Columbia river is composed of black sand, It is also found on the beach at Point Adams; also at Cape Disappointment and Shoalwater Bay. We are further informed that the middle sands of the Columbia River are mainly composed of black sand, and as this sand is universally conceded to be richest when taken from below the water line, then these sands ought to prove very valuable. As to the richness of these sands at the mouth of the Columbia we are not prepared to speak at present, other than to say that they contain a fair quantity of gold. About twenty years ago they were tested, at a considerable expense, by Mr. Thomas Goodwin, a gentleman of considerable experience in mining, and at that day, with the rude machinery he could then command, and the high rate of wages demanded, he made expenses. So we may plainly infer that if, under such circumstances, they proved so rich, they would now pay handsomely when wages are much lower and the means for extracting the gold are so much improved. The writer referred to, speaking of the beach mines in Coos county says: "A few years ago, one of those nomadic individuals dwelling on our borders, discovered in his wanderings in the forest, two or three miles back from the Oceanbeach, at Whisky run near Coos Bay, a rich deposit of auriferous black sand, that had been exposed by a little stream of water, in a ravine leading to the sea. \* \* The character of the deposit being identical with that of the beach washings on the shore below, indicated that the newly discovered deposit had a similar origin. \* \* The discovery was an important one and the original claimants soon found a purchaser for their mine at a good price." This claim belongs to Mr. Joseph Lane, the oldest son of Gen. Lane one of the first Senator from Oregon, and the adjoining claim belongs to Mr. F. G. Lockhart, whose claim is at present profitably worked.

Since the existence of these auriferous black sands has been fully established, it has become a matter of importance to find a process that will overcome the difficulty of separating the gold from the sand. The ordinary process of washing saves only fifteen to twenty-five per cent. of the

unsuccessfully until at last the leaching, or chlorination process, has been Coos Bay. His methods are said to be a complete success, having recently extracted from several tons of black sand, \$29 per ton at an ex-Much has been said concerning pense of \$4 per ton. Here then we have a new field of labor open to us, which we think cannot fail to renumerate us largely. The black sand of our Southern coast comes from the washing of the shore, or is conveyed to the shore by the force of some small stream, the sands of the Columbia come to us from a gold districts, and as a consequence must be correspondingly rich. We should send a man of experience immedately to witness the process in having made himself familiar with it, we should then organize a mining company and go to work. This, if successful, would do more for Astoria and Clatsop county than a hundred wharves and warehouses without business for them.

> Newspaper Postage.—As we understand the facts the new postal law does not and will not require full prepayment of postage on all printed matter. Transient or miscellaneous matter must be fully prepaid at the mailing office. Regular publications, known as newspapers or periodicals, may be sent to subscribers unpaid, and the postage collected quarterly of the subscribers. Newspaper exchanges may be prepaid quarterly either at the office of mailing or delivery. The requirement for full prepayment on transient printed matter is statutory, not departmental, and therefore cannot be abrogated by the Postmaster General. It is made the duty of all Postmasters to collect all deficient postage at the office of dilivery, whether upon letters or printed matter, more or less such matter being inadvertently transmitted in the mails. If any statement has been made that no papers will be sent without prepayment, then a mistake has been made, for large numbers are sent daily to subscribers as provided by law. One cent will fully prepay on any daily or weekly published in this State but it will not carry two such papers, nor will it carry the larger New York weekly or daily papers. Two copies of the ASTORIAN may be sent to any part of the United States in one wrapper for one cent. Mr. Parker has the wrappers, at the Astoria Post-office. Send the paper East.

To look at the map, it would seem that the waters of the Atlantic and Pacific Ocean might easily be united by cutting a canal across the Isthmus of Darien. The width at the narrowest point is less than fifty miles, and under ordinary circumstances the digging of a ditch one hundred feet wide, thirty feet deep and fifty miles long, would not be considered a herculean undertaking for the United States Government, or even for a private corporation. It must be remembered, however, that the ANNUAL STATEMENT of MONEYS REC'D AND EXPENDED prosecution of an enterprise like this in Central America cannot be conducted upon any estimates derived from the building of public works in the United States. The conditions of the problem are entirely different.

It may not be well to anticipate that the Government will obtain any money restitution from the Union Pacific Railroad or the Credit Mobilier through the portentous suit in equity which has been brought against them by the Attorney General at the direction of Congress. The defendants have got the money, and besides having the advantage of that possession which is nine points of the law, they are determined to resist the suit with all the legal resources, quibbles, technicalities and delays which the plentiful use of their means enables them to avail themselves of.

COACH AND SIX.-Yesterday a six horse Coach to be used between Skipanon and the Summer House on Clatsop Plains, was taken to the landgold. Various methods were tried ing on the steamboat E. N. Cooke.

ASTORIA HARBOR.-It seems unaccountable, in view of the fact that tested and adopted by Mr. Lockhart from the days of '49 such gentlemen owner of a mine in the vicinity of as Admiral Alden, McArthur, and others equally as reliable, have known and recommended Astoria Harbor, that Oregonians cannot lay aside old grudges, and presenting an united front 'go in together for the purpose of building up a trade that would at once place the State in the lead for superior commercial relations. Oregon cannot do without Astoria, and every man in the State should stand up for the growth and development of this valuable possession. It is necessary to the prosperity of Portland that she work for this object; it is necessary for the State. The city of Portland could better afford to issue her own bonds for a commercial investment at Astoria than she can to purchase forty acre tracts of woodland for public parks. Without Astoria she will have no need for the parks, as the time will come, in the event of losing the best seaport in the northwest, and the only one for Oregon, that there would be nobody left in Portland to want parks.

> We have tested new potatoes from a hill on Mount Misery, raised by Mr. Minnaker that were splendid. The four weighed 21 pounds.

#### Beaver Lodge No. 35, L.O. O. F.



Meet every Thursday evening. 8 o'clock, in the Odd Fellows Hall, corner of Cass and Jefferson streets, Astoria. Members of the Order are invited to attend. By order, N. G.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice of Final Settlement. N THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF G. W. Cook, deceased. By order of Hon. J. Moffitt, Judge of the Probate Court for Clatsop county, State of Oregon, the first Monday in September, 1873, that being the 1st day of said month, is appointed for hearing objections and

final settlement of said estate.
GEORGE FLAVEL, Administrator. Astoria, July 10th, 1873.

#### Final Settlemt.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL whom it may concern that the undersigned has filed, in the County Court, of Clatsop County, Oregon for her final account as Admin-istratrix of the estate of John Brown, deceased and the said Court has fixed September 1st 1873 for hearing objections thereto. ELLIZABETH BROWN, Administratrix. Astoria Oregon, July 12th 1873. j12 4w

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# CITY FINANCES.

-BY THE-Town Government of Astoria, For the year Ending June 30, 1873.

RECEIPTS.

1	April 12, 1872, Amount in Treasury \$ 6 87	n
١	Am't rec'd for Saloon Licenses. \$850 00	6
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9	EXPENDITURES.	
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	Treasurer's per centage \$ 41 96	I
	Street Commissioner 423 80	7
	Marshal's fees 30 35	
	Recorder's " 152 72	1
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Labor on road . Receipts .. Indebtedness, June 30, 1873...

CHARLES S. STEVENS, Recorder.

Boarding prisoners...... Interest to January 1st, 1873.....

Merchandise

Repairing Jail ...

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Winship Chowder Club, F. & F. SPECIAL MEETING OF THIS CLUB AT the rooms of Capt. W. F. Kippen this day. (SATURDAY) July 12, at 2 o'clock p. m. Business important. All members of the Club are requested to be in attendance. By order of the Commodore. A. VAN DUSEN, Sec'y.

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CLATSOP HOUSE, SKIPANON LANDING, A. C. WIRT, PROPRIETOR. Is prepared to entertain the public. Horses

and Coach, with Baggage Wagon and careful drivers to convey parties to any point.

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VISITORS WILL FIND THE ABOVE named House open for the entertainment of guests during the season. as usual

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# For Sale or Rent!

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the same with new material, it will be kept in first-class style.

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