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### CITY INTELLIGENCE.

—See fourth page for brown sugar, etc.  
—Thulah and Selah, our correspondents, are not the same.

—The schooner Kate L. Heron arrived from Tillamook Thursday.

—Work has been resumed on the wharf constructed for Capt. Richardson Hobson, at the foot of Washington street.

—A neat, clean, cosy place, for gentlemen and ladies to enjoy a dish of fresh Oysters—is at the PARKER HOUSE RESTAURANT.

—The Norwegian bark Elektra cleared for Cork on the 19th, with 17,653 cents wheat, valued at \$35,306, but had not sailed last evening.

—The summit of fossil hill was literally black with Crows yesterday, which hovered over it, and settled down like a black cloud occasionally.

—One side of the roof of the farmers' warehouse was all shingled yesterday. The first vessel to lie at this dock was the schooner Adelaide, last Thursday, with a cargo of lumber.

—A. J. Donaldson has already procured a number of fat roasting pigs, turkeys and other "game," for Thanksgiving. Parties on the look out should call at the Washington market.

—The Mariano sailed for San Francisco on the 20th, laden with Oregon wheat, at \$5, or \$6 a ton, which is to be shipped from there to foreign ports, and enters of course into the export trade of California. Just how much Oregon is to make out of such transactions does not appear to us.

—Fishing for Tom Cods off the wharf is rare sport in Astoria now, and happy is the man who can get a good corner at the dock to drop his line. Thursday we caught seven fine fish with an ordinary split-needle, and sack twine. It might be well to state however, that Capt. Hustler and Police Commissioner Hallock caught them first, in the regular way.

—The Hawaiian bark Mattie Macleay, Capt. Forbes, thirty-two days from Honolulu, arrived yesterday. Two fearful gales were encountered on the passage, one on the 9th and one on the 12th, lasting for about thirty-six hours each, perfect hurricanes, shipping seas which completely filled the decks and run over the bulwarks. For about two weeks she experienced a succession of heavy gales, but those above mentioned were the severest Capt. Forbes has ever experienced. There was nothing of interest transpiring at the Islands during the stay of this vessel. She brings the following Cargo: 422 kegs sugar, Leveridge & Wadhams; 70 bales pulu, McCracken; 280 pkgs molasses, Corbitt & Macleay; 60 tons salt, do; 185 bags rice McCracken; 2071 kegs sugar, Corbitt & Macleay.

—On Wednesday morning last Prof. Worthington of the Astoria Public school was quite surprised on appearing at the school to find the room elegantly and tastefully decorated with wreaths, vases of flowers, etc., and the pupils wearing their sweetest smiles. The fact of his 31st birth day, occurred to him, on seeing these things, and we feel quite certain that he duly appreciated the preparation of his pupils for the kind remembrance. At noon time, they held him at the school, and a bountiful supply of Cakes, fruits, confectionery, etc., was produced by the same willing hands and minds as had prepared the room, and altogether it was a most memorable event of the school. It shows appreciation all round, and is further evidence of that good feeling which strengthens the band of unity between the teacher and his classes, and which if encouraged will in time show the best result.

—The Mattie Macleay will go up stream to-day.

—The Eskdale arrived from up stream yesterday in tow of the Dixie.

—The ship Akbar left San Francisco for this port on the 17th.

—We have received a copy of the TRI-WEEKLY ASTORIAN, published in Astoria, Oregon. It is a sprightly paper, neatly printed, and full of valuable information.—Buffalo (N. Y.), Commercial Advertiser.

—The schooner Alice Haake was released from quarantine on Thursday, and proceeded to Portland in tow of the Merimac. The Free Trade was also taken up the river by the same tug, at the same time.

—Four fine, large, turkeys, will be raffled for to-night, at the Astor Saloon on Main street, kept by a sandy complexioned man named Coe. Mart Brown spells it "Koe;" Mart is wrong, but that needn't make any difference with the turkeys.

—Six new fisheries for the canning and packing of salmon are now being erected on the Lower Columbia. Four are in Washington and two in Oregon. All of these new buildings will be large and of increased capacity over those now in use. The largest of these new ones will have greater capacity than any of those of last year.

—The bark Windward, Capt. Stannard struck the wreck of that old French brig near Flanders' wharf Portland, and possibly damaged her hull. The Oregonian says "it is Capt. Flanders' intention to blow this old wreck to pieces as soon as the services of a submarine diver can be secured." We are somewhat surprised that this has been done years ago. If the old hull is to be permitted to lie there, year after year, with the stubs of masts erects, it may be an expensive matter some of these days.

—For fresh Oysters, in every style, call at the PARKER HOUSE RESTAURANT.

—The first number of Scribner's St. Nicholas, an illustrated magazine for girls and boys, has been issued. Pictorially, it is one of the most beautiful magazines in the country, being enriched by designs from the pencils of Miss Hollock, Sol. Eytinge, Miss Ledyard, Sheppard, Stephens, Booles, Bead and others. The reading matter is varied and bright. The paper is excellent, the type clear, and the articles take a range that affords all ages among the youngsters, with whom this publication will become as popular as Scribner's Magazine has among their elders. All who want a good, safe, entertaining periodical for their children can not do better than send for the St. Nicholas. The subscription price is \$3. Address, Scribner & Co., 654 Broadway New York.

—Concerning the Point Adams Lighthouse, the Oregonian says: "Early this fall the plans and specifications were forwarded to Washington for approval. Originally the intention was to construct only a lighthouse, which would require two keepers, and the plans were drafted with that object in view. Subsequently it was determined to construct a fog signal in conjunction with the lighthouse, by the Lighthouse Department at Washington. This would require three keepers. It was found impracticable to construct a lighthouse and fog signal with the plans furnished, and it was determined to alter them. These plans are now at Washington undergoing the required changes. Every arrangement is being effected to commence operations on this government improvement early next spring."

—An edition of two thousand copies of Scribner's Monthly has been ordered for the English market, commencing with the November number. Dr. Holland, the editor, notes the fact as one of the steps towards the community of English and American letters which is certain, sooner or later to arrive. He speaks of Scribner's as a characteristic American monthly—a mirror of American thought, literary culture, art produced without stint of labor or expenditure. In its pages English readers will find the products of some of their own best writers, and, notably, in the November number, the beginning of a series of papers upon an English topic by their greatest historian. In this number also is a critique upon one of their own poets by one of ours, who brings to his work a rare critical judgment and a strong and graceful pen. The editor remarks that we are writing for and about one another more and more; and the two great English-speaking peoples of the world are becoming more closely united in literary brotherhood every year.

### Shoalwater Bay News.

OYSTERVILLE, Nov. 16, 1873.

**EDITOR ASTORIAN:**  
Your correspondent at this place of "Curbstone notoriety," probably sympathizes with the Shag of which you gave an account yesterday. There are more unfortunate creatures in the world besides that poor unfortunate Shag. Capt. Jas. C. Jones, of the schooner Energy, which arrived at this port about a week ago, abused his cook so beastly on the voyage from San Francisco that he was arrested here by the deputy United States Marshal, on a writ issued by United States Commissioner Warman, and was bound over in bonds of \$500, to appear at the next term of the United States District Court, to be held here in July, 1874. He was also arrested in another action for wages of the cook. It appears that the Captain had forced the cook to sign a receipt for the wages due to him, under threats of death, and the cook, to save his life, signed the receipt, after which the Captain put him ashore, without paying him so much as one cent.

The Captain was forced to pungle down the amount of wages and costs of the suit. Esby & Co. went his bonds, and he borrowed the money to pay the cook's wages and costs of suit, from the only friend he had in the place, that was able to furnish the chink, promising to send the money ashore the next morning by day light. But the money did not come ashore; on the contrary the Captain hoisted sail on the Energy, turned her prow sea-ward, and made for the bar. About the same time, Sheriff J. H. Whitcomb made sail on the fast sailing sloop Minerva, and down near Goose point the Sheriff crossed his bows, dropped his peak, and hoisted. Capt. Jones, realizing the situation, and knowing how it was himself, forked over the money, without further ceremony.

It is reported this morning that there are two new schooners in the bay from San Francisco, of the certainty of which, however, your correspondent knoweth not. X.

### Duty.

Duty, we think, is our sternest monitor, it is so inseparably connected with our conscience that if we evade the one we harass the other. Therefore, we need be in little doubt as to what our duty is, if we will lay our own selfish motives aside and listen to the unbiased promptings of our conscience.

We all find it alarmingly easy to make excuses for our neglect of doing what we positively know to be right, and the more convinced we become, that we are shirking our duty, the more voluble we often are in our own defense. We need not fear this much when we are defending our cause before our friends, for if they are true friends, they will help us to see our fault, and aid us in regaining the path of safety. But we often carry on this kind of controversy with our conscience, trying by every sophistry, to persuade it to remain passive under the most glaring neglect of our duty.

But if, on the other hand, we could conquer this shrinking from our grave mistress, and learn to look upon her as our best friend, we should in time more than tolerate her: Some one, in speaking of Duty, says:

"This stern maiden with sad eyes,  
Is a strong angel in disguise."  
We fear few of us have become familiar enough with her to penetrate the disguise, and we think it can only be accomplished by embracing her with our whole heart, then will the angel appear, in making us strong and happy—however sad and stern our path of duty. SELAH.

**ARRIVALS AT THE PARKER HOUSE.**—William Carlton, Clatsop; W. Peaterson, Blind slough; J. L. Hepburn, Eagle Cliff; A. J. Megler, Brookfield; J. L. Duffield, Portland; T. O. Coulter, R. N. Carnahan, Salem; Frank Hildreth, H. B. Beerman, J. Sharp, G. A. F. Clayton, H. R. Brown, Clatsop; K. V. Montiegh and family, San Francisco; J. Blodgett, Cape; J. Russell, city; R. M. Lowe, Skipanon; N. Raymond.

**TOYS IN LOTS.**—For the convenience of Merchants who cannot visit the city, I put up assorted lots of toys, toy books and fancy articles at Twenty, Twenty-five, Thirty, Forty, Fifty to One Hundred Dollars, comprising selections from everything in stock. These lots retail at a profit of nearly one hundred per cent. This plan has given great satisfaction to my customers during the past ten years, as thereby they obtain a much greater variety than by any other method. All these lots are put up under my own supervision. Send your orders early to obtain a good variety.  
S. S. McCORMICK, 19 First st., n22tf Portland, Oregon.

—Oysters in every style, at all hours of day or night, at the PARKER HOUSE RESTAURANT, Main street, Astoria.

**School Books.**—Now is the time to buy School books to conform with the new law. For first introduction there is a discount of 33% per cent. from retail prices, as follows:  
Pacific Coast— Retail, Introductory.  
First Reader.....\$ 25 ..... 167 1/2  
Second Reader..... 50 ..... 334 1/2  
Third Reader..... 75 ..... 501 1/2  
Fourth Reader..... 1 00 ..... 668 1/2  
Fifth Reader..... 1 25 ..... 835 1/2  
Speller..... 35 ..... 231 1/2  
Hopkins' Manual of American Ideas, (in place of Sixth Reader)..... 1 50 ..... 1 00  
All of which may now be found in Astoria, at the store of L. W. CASE, oc21edod Chenamus street.

**EMPIRE HOUSE.**—J. O'BRIEN, Proprietor. Opposite Railroad depot and Steamboat Landing, Kalama W. T. The best and cheapest Hotel in Kalama.

### TELEGRAPH DISPATCHES.

#### The Price of Gold.

PORTLAND, Nov. 21.—Gold in New York to-day, 106 1/2; Portland Legal Tender rates,—90 buying, and 91 selling.

#### Miscellaneous News.

McMahon has decided to ask a prolongation of the President's term of seven years.

The London Daily Telegraph says England ought to view with favor the plan of annexing Cuba to the United States.

Castelo, Commander of the Tornado, says the capture of the Virginus made the people of Santiago de Cuba delirious with enthusiasm.

President Grant, in his annual message, will recommend further legislation for Utah, to relieve judicial matters from present embarrassments.

Secretary Robeson, now in New York, has summoned his chief clerk to his Department in that city in connection with fitting out vessels for Cuba.

The Spanish Cabinet unanimously favor an honorable settlement of the Virginus difficulty, but say the integrity of the Spanish territory must be maintained.

Edwin K. Winship, Government claims broker, of New York city, is announced as a defaulter to the extent of \$400,000. He is believed to be out of the country.

The Berlin Government has addressed a remonstrance to the French on account of the pastoral letter issued by the Bishop of Nancy, ordering prayers for the recovery of Metz and Strasburg.

Costa Rica is chiefly taken up with her railroad schemes. Congress has approved the new contract to enable the contractor, Harry Meiggs, to extend the railroad to the Pacific, which the old contract did not provide for.

It is not denied that the Pope wrote a second letter to the German Emperor. The fact that it has not been published is ascribed to the circumstance that it treated on matters strictly personal to his Majesty, and no way to be used upon political subjects.

A Washington special says orders have been issued for opening recruiting offices throughout the country. The navy is to be recruited to its utmost capacity. The United States steamer Worcester, flagship of the North Atlantic squadron, has sailed from Fortress Monroe for Santiago de Cuba.

The American filibustering steamer General Sherman entered the harbor at Aspinwall on the 3d instant, under the name of General Areza, and was at once seized by Captain Cushing, of the United States steamer Wyoming, for using illegal papers and sailing under the flag of Honduras, while it is claimed she is an American vessel.

The mail from Mexico brings the news that the Federal troops are occupying Monterey and Saltillo to maintain order. General Zepeda, the deposed Governor of the State of Coahuila, is at Saltillo, and has organized several hundred State troops, and another conflict between Zepeda and the friends of the State is anticipated. Five hundred Federal troops have been dispatched to escort a conducta of silver from Zacaticas to Monterey, to prevent it from falling into the hands of either of the opposing parties.

A special statement of the condition of the Pacific Mail Company shows the receipts from May 1st to October 1, 1873, to have been \$3,012,300. expenditures, \$2,950,555—leaving a balance of \$60,000, earnings for the five months. It is said no account is taken in this statement of the insurance, wear and tear, etc. It is also stated that recent investigations into the disposition of the millions earned annually by the company showed fraud, corruption and mismanagement and the necessity for reorganizing the concern.

New York city protested against the Spanish butcher in a public meeting Saturday night. Wm. M. Evarts presided, Sun Set Cox and others made speeches. Resolutions were adopted calling on the President to use any prompt and decisive action consistent with the dignity and pre-

cedents of our Government. The steamship Cleopatra returned to New York on the 17th, with the American newspapers which she took to Havana, but which the Spanish authorities would not permit to be landed. President Grant says the Government has acted on such information as has come to it, and is collecting more from available sources. Upon the meeting of Congress all these facts will be presented.

The great event of the completion of the main trunk of the San Diego and Arizona Military Telegraph was consummated on Saturday last. The length of wire strung is 417 miles. The labor has been performed by soldiers under civilian foreman. The number of working days aggregate 167. Remembering the great difficulty of supplying working parties with water and forage on the desert plains, and the intense heat, the completion of the line thus early surprises even those bearing the burden. The general superintendence of construction and location of the route was under the charge of R. R. Haines, of the Western Union Telegraph Company, assisted by Captain George F. Price, of the Fifth Cavalry.

—From San Francisco dispatches of the 17th, we call as follows:

The receipts at the Custom House during the first half of this month were \$286,057 86.

During the present month mining dividends were paid here to the extent of \$213,100.

The United States revenue cutter Wyanda was sold to-day to John Birmingham, at auction, for \$17,000.

The steamer Costa Rica, which ran ashore at the Golden Gate a short time since, will be ready for sea in about three weeks.

Mayor Alvord sent to the clerk of the Supervisors his veto of the order granting to H. J. Booth & Co. the Central Basin in Mission bay for the purposes of a ship yard.

—The Cleveland Plaindealer tells this charming little story about the great showman: P. T. Barnum's love for children is proverbial. In Cleveland a little five-year old cripple at a friend's house became quite a favorite with the veteran showman, and the child has learned to expect a visit from his kind-hearted patron immediately upon his arrival in the city. One morning the little fellow was all excitement as the door-bell rang and Mr. Barnum stepped into the sick room. The usual greeting followed, but a shadow came over the invalid's countenance as he remembered his inability to attend the menagerie. "Never mind," said Mr. Barnum, "if you cannot go to the show, why, then, the show must come to you," and then departed. Presently the child, and indeed the whole household was startled at seeing a procession of elephants, camels and dromedaries walk quietly past the house, and halt in the back yard. The little invalid was wild with delight, and upon being held up at the window, cheered merrily at the novel spectacle. The performing elephant gave a retirement, and the beautiful child bolstered up at the window gave his orders with the air of a prince. In half an hour the procession re-formed, and under the care of their keeper, the docile but ungainly animals marched quietly back to the menagerie.

—An enthusiastic friend of the National Centennial Celebration, writing to a gentleman prominent in official circles, makes the following suggestion: "At precisely 12 o'clock, noon, on the Fourth of July, 1876 (Washington time), let all the bells, locomotive and other land whistles, the trumpets, the drums, the organs and other musical instruments, with the tens of millions of singing voices of our great land burst forth in sounds of joy and praise. All the telegraph lines shall be silent at the command of the United States Government, from 11:45 a. m. to 12:15 p. m., and then let the great battery at Washington send the flash and click over the vast iron maze to every city and town and village of our land, and even to Europe, Asia and Africa, and the isles of the sea, as far as the lines can at that moment be secured, and at this signal let the cannon thunder forth the death-knell of oppression; let all the mighty steam whistles proclaim the grand march of civilization amid the western wilds and isles of the sea, as well as the city full, and the fertile plains, and bid the slumbering millions of heathendom awake and join the happy nation in singing that sublime invocation to praise: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," etc. With this we place the suggestion of the Salem Statesman: That as Mr. Riggs wants to mend the old "Liberty Bell" of Philadelphia, and he can do it, if permitted the trial, the managers of the Centennial should give him a chance and thus provide for the ringing of that grand old relic, after a silence of a hundred years. It would be one of the most gratifying features of the Exposition.