Tri-Weekly Astorian

ASTORIA.....Dec. 23, 1873

Skating in Salem.—The Statesman says: "Salem's carnival season is come when Winter touches the slough and chills its surface to a solid glare; then the young men and matrons can be seen rushing through our streets keeping time to jingling skates, all pointing to the carnival ground to join in the eager sport which doubles in zest because Winter so seldom becomes a local fixture. Our folks are not premium skaters, all of them, not having sufficient opportunity for practice, but occasionally there is one who takes as naturally to ice as a duck to water, and some among us have wintered where ice was not such a luxury, so there always can be seen graceful skating when opportunity offers. It is noticable that the ladies' figure pleasantly in our ice carnivals, and many of them can rank as fine performers. Of an afternoon the scene is animated and engrossing beyond description, and the evening is frequently made to yield its full tribute by means of log fires, built along the shores, which illuminate the field of ice and lend something of additional enchantment to the scene. During this merry season mishaps are cause for mirth, broken heads and shattered skates are nothing serious, and a cold plunge below is an unexpected opening for fun." The picture is very similar to that presented about Astoria, but here the addition of music upon stringed instruments, enlivening the season while it lasted for the youngsters and many of the oldsters, for that matter, must be taken in connection with the skating.

A family consisting of a widow mother, three sons and two daughters, were all married at once in Cincinnati last month.

Mark Twain's new house in Hartford is less unique in its architecture than most of Mark's jokes. It is described as a fantastic cross between a Mexican adobe hut and a Swiss cottage. There are no lightning rods on it, either.

ASTORIA MARKETS.

Astorian Office, Dec. 22.

Following is a correct list of prices ruling in this market to-day:

Sugars—Crushed ₩ lb	14
San Francisco Golden	12½
Sandwich Island	12½
Coffee—Costa Rica	25
Fresh Ground	37½
Chocolate	37½
Teas—Young Hyson	75
Japan	65
Flour—Standard ₩ sack	1 87
Meal ₩ ¼ sack	2 00
Crackers ₩ lb	10
Candles	25
Rice	10
Fine Salt ₩ cwt	2 25
Saleratus ₩ lb	12½
Soda	12½
Vinegar ₩ gallon	50
Golden Syrup ₩ gallon	65
Hams ₩ lb	18@20
Bacon ₩ lb	13@15
Lard ₩ lb	15@16½
Butter ₩ lb	30@37½
Eggs ₩ dozen	60
Cheese ₩ lb	20@25
Apples Green ₩ bushel	75
Peaches dried ₩ lb	14@18
Honey ₩ lb	none
Potatoes ₩ lb	2c
Onions ₩ lb	3½c
Bran ₩ cwt., $1 10; Shorts $1 75, Wheat, $2 25	
Hay per ton	$18 00
Oats ₩ lb	1¼
Oil cake ₩ cwt	2 25
Hides, dry, ₩ lb	12c@14c
" green ₩ lb	5 @ 6c
Deer Skins, ₩ lb	25c
Elk skins ₩ lb	15c

The Price of Gold.

San Francisco, Dec. 9—Gold in New York to-day, 109¾; Portland Legal Tender rates,—90½ buying, and 91½ selling.

Church Notices.

Congregational Church, Rev A W Tenny Pastor. Divine services every Sunday at 10½ A M and 7 P M; Prayer Meeting every Thursday evening, Sunday School meets at 12 M

Grace Church, (Prot. Episcopal) Rev. T A Hyland Rector. Divine services every Sunday at 10½ A M and 7 P M; Sunday School at 1 P M