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### To City Subscribers.

There are such frequent changes in the residence of our city patrons that we shall feel obliged to any who make such changes if they will report the same to this office. Otherwise we shall not be responsible for failures of the carrier to deliver the paper promptly and regularly to them.

Soggy.—The weather yesterday forenoon was soggy, wet and foggy—the mellanchollyest day of the year.

CLEARED.—The barkentine Webfoot, with a cargo of lumber valued at \$7,777 sailed from Knappton for San Francisco yesterday.

CENTENNIAL STOCK.—Those who bought stock in the Philadelphia Centennial show will get back only \$1 75 on each share costing \$10.

FOR LUMBER.—The schooner Hayes arrived at Knappton yesterday under charter to load lumber for A. M. Simpson & Brother, San Francisco.

REMOVED.—Dr. Freeland yesterday removed his dental office into the new building built by Mr. Shuster, next door to the Astorian office. See card.

NEW FRONT.—The new front just put into the Armstrong building on the roadway improves the appearance of that row of tenements very much.

DIDN'T HEAR OUR BAND.—Offenbach is very fond of repeating to his friends and admirers in Paris that he found no music in America except of his own band.

DOMESTIC EXPORTS.—The cargo of the Orizaba Sept. 11th, for San Francisco was valued at \$25,330 66. Besides 6,946 centals wheat, she took away a large quantity of other productions.

SUSPENDED.—We have no banks nor life insurance corporations in Astoria to suspend operations, but the weather yesterday before noon was decidedly unfit for all out-door employments, and work upon streets and the newest buildings temporarily subsided.

SHIP-MASTER'S READING ROOM.—Mr. Peter Wilhelm has permanently fitted up a ship-master's reading room in connection with the Gem saloon in Astoria. The latest shipping papers and home and outward bound shipping lists are kept on file. Call and see him.

FUNERAL NOTICE.—The funeral of the late H. K. Stevens will take place to-day at 10 o'clock a. m. The body was found last Saturday near Sand Island, by some persons and temporarily buried there. Yesterday relatives of the deceased secured the body, when it was prepared for burial on Clatsop to-day.

PUBLIC SPIRITED.—Seeing a good wagon rolled out of upper Astoria leading on towards Tongue Point, upon which a team can haul a good load, again reminds us of the lack of enterprise at home. We must say that our upper-town neighbors possess very considerable of the quality lacking in Astoria—public spiritedness.

VERY SUGGESTIVE.—In the London Exchange and Mart appears the following unique advertisement: "A magnificent machine, made to my order this spring, cycle bearings, Carter's patent brake, &c., &c.; cost me £16. Would accept handsome gravestone, to be erected in Lower Norwood Cemetery, in exchange. Short of cash only reason."

FULL FLEDGED JOCKEY.—The backer of a horse in Sacramento bet \$500 on a race and deposited pieces of lead pipe, sealed to look like rolls of gold pieces. On being detected he argued that there was no fraud because his horse was sure to win anyhow; but that argument did not satisfy the crowd, and he was compelled to test his horse's speed to escape being mobbed.

## Fire Company Matters.

At the annual election held by Astoria Fire company No. 1, the following officers were elected:

Foreman—John Burke.  
First Assistant—P. Wilhelm.  
Second Assistant—Henry Miller.  
President—A. Van Dusen.  
Secretary—N. Carnahan.  
Treasurer—C. A. McGuire.  
Board of Delegates—W. Chance, I. W. Case, Chas. Wright.

WHAT WE ARE COMING TO.—A new use for dynamite has been found by the fishermen on the coasts of Cornwall and Devonshire. In a report recently presented to the House of Lords it is stated the practice of destroying fish by means of dynamite is so common that it is feared the pilchards, mackerel, and herring will not stand such treatment, but will leave the coast forever. There is talk of a bill to make the use of dynamite for fish-killing purposes a criminal offence, punishable with imprisonment and hard labor. A difficulty in dealing the matter arises from the fact that the dynamite is generally used beyond the three-mile boundary.

NEW SOUTH WALES.—Besides the coal which we are now burning in Astoria, New South Wales has other mines. The returns of gold mining for 1876 show that in that colony, as in Victoria, mining is a declining industry. The gold sent to the Sydney mint in 1876 was 73,454 oz. below that of the previous year. A more satisfactory account is given of the year's progress in coal mining, the value of the year's output being £1,319,918, or very nearly the same as in 1875, notwithstanding the depression that has been complained of in that industry. The aggregate value of the mineral products of the colony for 1876 was £2,183,085, an amount which is smaller than the results in former years still serves to show how large and varied are the mineral resources of New South Wales.

WHITHER ARE WE DRIFTING.—A striking confirmation has been afforded of the correctness of the estimate that glaciers move from sixteen to eighteen inches a day in summer, and less than half that distance in winter. In 1820 a Russian physician, Dr. Hamel, attempted the ascent of Mont Blanc, when three of his guides were swept away by an avalanche, and never more heard of. Some years later Prof. Forbes made some observations on the glacier toward which these guides were drifted by the avalanche, and from the rate of glacier's movement he was led to predict that within forty-five years from the time of the accident some remains of the unfortunate guides would be reaching the terminus of the glacier in the immediate neighborhood of Chamouni. This came to pass. In the summer of 1861 human remains were found there which were identified as those of Dr. Hamel's party.

BEAUTIFUL LAWS.—The attachment laws of Connecticut and other eastern states are very remarkable when contrasted with similar procedure in other states. Any man who chooses to bring a suit against another can have the latter's property seized—house, horses, or even perishable property, such as fruit or meat—or can take possession of his store and close it up, without giving any security for the damage he may occasion and without any proof of the justice or even of the probability of the fairness of his suit. A beggar, utterly irresponsible, may thus proceed, or even a foreigner or a resident of a distant state. If the plaintiff, after thus proceeding, is defeated in the suit, he cannot be compelled to pay for the damage he has caused. If his suit was utterly without foundation he can only be sued for malicious prosecution, and if without property even if a judgment were finally obtained against him, it could, of course, not be enforced.

HARVESTING IN THE VALLEY.—Harvest work is being crowded to the utmost and it is generally remarked that this week will see a greater share of the crop gathered. This may be true of this immediate vicinity, says the Yamhill Reporter, but not of the upper part of the county. Farmers are never so far advanced with their harvest work in the southern part of this county and the contiguous portion of Polk as they are in this section and have only made a fair beginning on the spring crop. The delay there is attributed to the sea breezes which strike that belt of country through Salmon river pass, and retard the rapid maturity of grain although there is no injury done. The volume of grain in transit is greatly reduced this week, owing to the rushing of work in the fields, but by the middle of next week at least, we may expect to witness such a huge stream of wheat teams pouring toward market as we have never witnessed before. We learn that considerable wheat has changed hands during the week at one dollar per bushel. Farmers are moving cautiously, watching the eastern markets and crop reports closely, and we notice that the most observant of them are disposed to sell when they can get what they hold as a reasonable price.

## CITY ITEMS.

... Lecture to-day at 2:30 o'clock, at Mrs. Burr's office, four doors west of Liberty hall. It will be fully illustrated by many drawings, wet and dry preparations. Admission free.

... Dr. B. R. Freeland has located permanently in Astoria for the practice of dentistry. Office in Shuster's building, on Cass street, next door to THE ASTORIAN office.

... Perforated cardboard, all colors, 25 cents per sheet, at Adler's.

... "Opposition is the life of trade," and "Variety is the spice of life." Adler has a little of both, and all the school books, cheaper than the cheapest.

... Fresh oysters in every style at Schmeer's.

... Mrs. J. W. Munson is prepared to take a few borders, with or without lodging.

... First-class billiard table for sale, cheap for cash. Inquire at the Occident hotel, Astoria.

... C. O. H. or constantly on hand, the best stock of school books, at the City Book Store.

... Mrs. Dr. Burr, Homeopathic physician, has removed to her new residence four doors from Liberty hall.

... Mrs. Arrigoni is furnishing good rooms with board at from \$6 to \$7 and upwards per week, according to location.

... When you want a fine dress suit to fit you perfectly, get it at home, of Meade, whose reputation is a guarantee for success.

... Parties wishing a nice dish of oysters will find them at the Pioneer restaurant, served by one that understands the business. Open during the day and all hours of the night.

... Peter Runey is still in the market with all kinds of building materials in his line. Has just received 100,000 lath, 2,000 bushels of sand, and a large stock of first quality of brick at his warehouse foot of Benton street.

... Griswold's Starch Finish and Leshler's Magic Cleaning Fluid for the instant removal of grease, paint, etc., from clothing, carpets, is also splendid for cleaning jewelry and silver-plate, without injury. Price 25 cents a bottle. Sold by J. W. Gearhart.

... Perfection Stonewall Whisky, hand-made sour mash; Snow-hill Whisky, fire cooper sweet mash; acknowledged from its refined taste and delicacy of flavor to be beyond comparison the best in this country, sold at the Astoria Liquor Store by H. Marx & Co., Water street roadway.

... Photographs! The latest styles taken at Shuster's new gallery, Cass st., next to the Astorian office.

... San Francisco beer, Steilacoom beer, Astoria beer, bottled beer and English porter at the Chicago house, Main street, Astoria. N. Wyman, proprietor.

... For clean towels, sharp razors, and an easy shave, go to Gillespie at PARKER HOUSE BATHS. Hair cutting, shampooing, and dyeing.

... Newspaper advertising is a permanent addition to the reputation of the goods advertised, because it is a permanent influence always at work in their interest.

... Little Van has reestablished himself at the old corner, refreshed by his late journey to the Atlantic states, and will as formerly attend to all orders in his line as general jobber.

... The Capital, on Main near Squemochqua street, Wm. Appleby proprietor, is one of the suggest and most quiet places in the city, where the public can get the finest quality of wines, liquors and cigars.

... We publish birth, marriage and death notices free of charge, but expect them to be sent to the office. The pay is not large enough for us to wear out our patent leather boots in searching for the particulars of gratuitous items of any kind.

... The sloop Magnet one of the finest passenger boats on the bay, under command of Capt. John K. Wirt, one of the most experienced masters employed in these waters, is ready for special trips anytime. We recommend the Magnet to anyone in want of a pleasure trip on the bay, or to points of interest about Astoria, during the summer season.

CANARY BIRDS.—For sale at Gillespie's, Parker house baths.

DIRECT TO ASTORIA.—Mr. M. Wise informs the ladies and gentlemen of Astoria and vicinity that he has opened his store with a nice assorted stock of goods, which he proposes to sell at bed-rock prices for cash. Remember the place, opposite R. F. Caufield's Drug Store.

### CLEARING OUT SALE.

The entire stock of B. Hamburger will be sold at immensely reduced rates in order to clear out balance on hand prior to the arrival of new goods selected personally by Mr. Hamburger. The goods must be sold; prices no object. Call and be convinced. Especial attention is called to the immensely reduced prices in our dress goods. B. HAMBURGER, Main street, Astoria.

## Notes and Comments.

—Recently mosquitoes drove a Pilatka (Florida) preacher out of his pulpit while he was delivering a sermon.

—A farm hand for harvesting is paid in central Italy seven cents a day, and considers himself a lucky man to find employment at that rate.

—The Washington monument is still sinking. If twenty centuries should ever look down from its summit their chief wonder will be what has become of its base.

—Mr. Ruskin is about to organize a number of excursions of working people to places of interest throughout England, and will accompany them in the capacity of instructor.

—A Chicago minister went into bankruptcy last week. His assets were \$250 of real estate, but in charity he was rich. The Chicago university holds his note for \$10,000 and a Baptist church one for \$7,000.

—Tobacco cultivation in Germany occupies about 54,000 acres, according to a recent consular report, two-thirds of which are in the southern states, and the remainder in Brandenburg and Pomerania. The average crop is worth about \$45,000,000, and the German empire, in spite of its enormous consumption of the weed, exports far more than it receives.

—Those classic quotations which abound in speeches of a bygone day are now but rarely heard in Parliament. Greek quotations have almost entirely disappeared, and sentences from the Latin authors seem rapidly going out of fashion. As regards quotations from British authors, they may now, it is said, be heard more frequently in the Capitol at Washington than at Westminster.

—One of the old landmarks of Baltimore, the city hall, on Holiday street, is soon to be torn down. It was built by Rembrandt Peale in 1831, as a museum, and was a popular place of resort for nearly seventeen years, when it was purchased by the common council. It was the first building in the city that was lighted with gas—Mr. Peale charging a small fee in 1816 for the exhibition of carburetted hydrogen gas.

—Paradise valley is a farming section of Humboldt county, Nev., reached from Winnemucca over a stretch of desert and sage brush country such as Nevada in the main consists of. A traveler visiting the valley a short time since stopped at a farm house, and his host pointing out the country, said: "This is Paradise, and the next valley beyond here is Eden." "Yes," returned the traveler, "and it's hell between here and Winnemucca."

—Prof. Philbrick, superintendent of the Boston public schools, in his semi-annual report, depreciates very strongly the custom of bringing forward little children from the primary schools to speak pieces and sing at grammar school exhibitions. He supposes the idea is borrowed from the Sunday school anniversaries, and claims that in both instances, in the interest of religion, morals and sound education, the practice should be at once suppressed.

—Mosenthal, the recently deceased poet and dramatist, and the author of the popular play, *Leah, the Forsaken* or, as it is called in the original, *Deborah*, requested in his will that his medals and other decorations of honor be hung up in the synagogue at Cassel, Germany, but a conference of the rabbis of that province, called to deliberate upon the propriety of complying with this request, decided against

it, on the ground that it would not be in conformity with their religious teaching and observances.

—The emigration of carpenters and other classes of mechanics from this country to England is not very extensive. Twenty-five more carpenters, engaged under a three years' contract at good wages and short hours, left Saturday. The American consul at Liverpool reports that many American mechanics are arriving there, besides those under contract; and he desires that the workmen of this country be warned against going there unless they have secured employment in advance.

—The waiters, porters, and guides of Switzerland, an avaricious lot, spoiled by the extravagant fees of tourists, are not satisfied with Dom Pedro. They awaited his arrival with joy, and are disgusted that he did not shower gold upon them. The Emperor is well acquainted with the various coins and currencies of Europe, and does not permit himself to be swindled. In point of economy he is said to resemble Louis Philippe, of whom he is a relative. He even does not hesitate to reduce his traveling expenses by purchasing excursion tickets when a good opportunity offers.

—The Chicago Inter-ocean says: "No person ever had in Washington a handsomer turnout than Gen. Grant used to drive. He had a pair of horses which went before his carriage that could not be surpassed in any country. They cost \$3,000, and were selected by their owner himself, who has as good an eye for the fine points of an animal as any jockey that ever handled a whip. When he left the White House, President Grant sent them as a present to George W. Childs, A. M., of Philadelphia, and they are now pointed out as the finest team in Pennsylvania. But President Hayes has introduced into their stalls a pair of horses that look as if they came from a country livery stable, as they did. Mr. Rogers, the President's private secretary, paid \$300 for them in Alexandria." What has the Inter-ocean to find fault about! Can't Hayes economize with such comparison! The country needs reform. Don't it!

### Local and Domestic.

—A building association in Pendleton would be a public blessing.

—The town of Walla Walla is recovering rapidly from the shock it received during the Indian war and new brick buildings are going up all along Main street.

—The Seattle Intelligencer thinks that if the Puyallup hop growers would take as much pains to pack and bale their hops as those of California do, our hops would stand at the head of all.

—The boats of the Oregon Steam Navigation company will not be able to get away more than 28,000 tons of grain from Wallula this season, and that will leave at least 9,000 tons to be stored for the opening of navigation in February next. The river is falling rapidly.

—The independent steamer Northwest, Captain Stump's boat, is trying to get out the grain from points above Wallula, but it is exceedingly doubtful if she can get above Tucanon or Penawawa; and forty tons are about all she can bring down till she strikes Umatilla.

—The East Oregonian has a sample of the Australian white wheat yielding fifty bushels to the acre. In that section of Umatilla it can be planted either in the fall or spring with entire success. The ground upon which the sample was grown was sown with wheat for five successive years, and is producing more than the first.