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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.

ARRIVED BELOW.—The Webfoot, on September 19.

CHANGED OFF.—The California will make a trip to Frisco with wheat before returning to Alaska.

THE SANTA CLARA.—This ship is in command of Capt. Tobey, who brought up the Pactolus on her former voyage.

REPORTED SAFE.—The sloop Twilight, formerly of this port, which was supposed to be lost on the passage from Townsend to San Juan is reported to be safe in San Juan harbor.

BRISK TRADE.—Portland is just at present enjoying a very lively trade along shore. The Abeona arrived a few days ago with a cargo consisting of peanuts, etc., from Honolulu. The price of real estate seems to have advanced 37½ per cent. instantly.

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-ward and outward-bound shipping lists are kept on file. Call and see him.

COMPLIMENTARY.—The following compliment deservedly due to the editor of the THE ASTORIAN, is copied by permission from a letter of Messrs. Goodall, Perkins & Co., general agents of the Pacific Coast Steamship company to the Astoria agent, Capt. J. G. Hustler: "We notice that our steamers are not regularly advertised in the paper published in your city. We wish you would have it inserted, and have it changed from time to time as the movement of the steamers may require. We know of no gentleman more worthy of patronage than Mr. Ireland, the editor and publisher of THE ASTORIAN, for certainly he is a gentleman of energy and ability, and no one has done more to advance the prosperity of your good city, and the State of Oregon than he has done."

THE STEAM FIRE ENGINE.—The steam fire engine was landed at Astoria from the Ancon, free of expense from San Francisco to this city. This, we think, is really a courtesy on the part of the Pacific Coast line of steamships, Messrs. Goodall, Perkins & Co., worthy of public acknowledgment. In a letter to Capt. J. G. Hustler, agent at Astoria Messrs. Goodall, Perkins & Co. say: "We forward to-day by Ancon a steam fire engine which we understand is for the use of your city. If that is so we wish to make no charge for the freight from San Francisco to Astoria, but present it to the fire company with our compliments and the wish that the 'boys' may have lots of fun with the 'machine' and that its presence in your city will be sufficient to guard your good people from the ravages of the devouring element."

THE SCRAP BOOK.—Every one who takes a newspaper which he in the least degree appreciates, will often regret to see any one number thrown aside for waste paper which contains some interesting and important articles. A good way to preserve these is by the use of a scrap book. One who has never been accustomed thus to preserve short articles can hardly estimate the pleasure it affords to sit down and turn over the pleasant, familiar pages. Here a piece of poetry meets the eye, which you would long since have lost had it not been for your scrap book. There is a witty anecdote; it does you good to laugh over it yet, though for the twentieth time. Next is a valuable recipe you had almost forgotten, and which you found just in time to save much perplexity. There is a sweet little story, the memory of which has cheered and encouraged you when almost ready to despair under the pressure of life's cares. Indeed, you can hardly take up a single paper without re-perusing. Then hoard with care the precious gems and see at the end of the year what a rich treasure you will have accumulated.

## Compliment to Capt. Connor.

At a meeting of the passengers upon the steamship Geo. W. Elder, on her voyage reaching San Francisco, Sept. 21st, Capt. J. C. Ainsworth having been called to the chair, and Prof. G. H. Collier appointed secretary, Senator L. F. Grover, Representative R. Williams, Col. John M. Wilson, U. S. A., Mr. H. Thielson and Mr. J. E. Freeman were appointed a committee on resolutions.

The committee reported the following which were unanimously adopted: WHEREAS, During our recent voyage to San Francisco, we have received the utmost courtesy and attention from Capt. Francis Connor and the officers of his ship; we desire to bear testimony to the perfect discipline on board the steamer Elder, the comfort and cleanliness of the ship, the excellence of the table and the energy and faithful attention to duty of Capt. Connor, the distinguished and able officer who has so long and energetically commanded a ship upon this coast, and who, by such service has won the esteem and confidence of the traveling public, and the position of Commodore of the line, to which he is justly entitled by his capacity, integrity and high ability; therefore, Resolved, That we tender our sincere thanks to Capt. Connor and the officers of his ship for a delightful trip, and we recommend the Elder to the traveling public as a vessel that fulfills all the requirements for speed, comfort and safety. J. C. AINSWORTH, Chairman. G. H. COLLIER, Secretary.

TONTINE.—The word "tontine" is said to have been derived from the name of the inventor, Lorenzo Tonti, a native of Naples, who originated the scheme first adopted in 1653 in France. We presume that the system came to us from France along with various other customs and principles common to us and our "lively neighbors." The subscribers were divided into ten classes according to their ages, or were allowed to appoint nominees who were so divided, and a proportionate annuity being assigned to each class, those who lived the longest had the benefit of their survivorship, by the whole annuity being divided among the diminished number. Several remarkable cases of survival are on record, one in particular, in which the membership was less than ten individuals, all of whom, with a solitary exception, died within a few years from the commencement, leaving the survivor an enormous revenue.

FORTY DOLLARS.—The daily Oregonian of September 14th, has the following: "Just prior to the departure of the steamers Ajax and Orizaba from Astoria for San Francisco last Tuesday, a very slight collision occurred. As the Orizaba was swinging out from the wharf she bruised the Ajax. Fortunately, the damage was not worth mentioning, although it was a case of 'it might have been.'" Referring to the above item, it may be interesting to mention, for the purpose of showing the good feeling manifested by the Oregon Steamship company toward our Home Coast Steamship company, that the Captain of the Ajax presented a bill for \$15,000. The board of surveyors appointed by the two companies awarded \$4,000, which allowance paid for double time in repairing the supposed injury. Comment is unnecessary.

The above from the Alta California of the 21st, is correct except as to the item of damages awarded, which it has placed four thousand three hundred and sixty dollars too steep. The sum of damages awarded came within fourteen thousand nine hundred and sixty dollars of Capt. Mackie's estimate, to-wit: that is to say, FORTY DOLLARS, exactly.

—The anniversary of the capture of a cannon from the British frigate Nymph in 1814 was celebrated at Rockport, Massachusetts, on the 8th, and the identical gun exhibited in front of the town hall.

—The Treasury Department have decided that, in invoices of merchandise presented to the United States Consuls in China, the American trade dollar and the Hongkong silver dollar are to be considered as of the same value as the gold dollar of the United States.

—The olive tree, like the orange and lemon, is readily grown in California. Heretofore it has been cultivated more for its foliage than anything else, and its fruit has been allowed to wither and go to waste. Within a year parties have been utilizing the fruit by manufacturing it into oil. Some of this oil has been put into the market and it has found a ready sale. It is of a bright, rich color, and, if not equal to the pure imported Lucca oil, it is superior to most of the olive oil sold.

## CITY ITEMS.

....Large assortment of Autograph and Photograph albums, as well as a fine assortment of Papeterie, just received at Adler's book store.

...."Another Humbug." "The Dance of Life," "That Wife of Mine," and "That Husband of Mine," now in press; to be received in a few days at Adler's, next to the White House.

....The latest styles of men's hats can be found at Hamburger's.

....Cashmere, silks, enpress cloths, Tamise cloths, alpaca; all latest shades, with fringes and buttons to match, at Hamburger's.

....The largest and latest styles of dress goods and waterproofs can only be found at B. Hamburger's. Don't fail to inspect them and depend upon it, prices extremely low. See advertisement.

....We have received an immense and nice assortment of ladies' and child's knit cloaks, saques, nubias, hoods, nice goods and cheap at Hamburger's, Main street, above Chenamus. See advertisement.

....Persons requiring furnished rooms can be accommodated at Mrs. Munson's new lodging house.

....Mrs. H. A. Derby has just received some new trimmed hats by the last steamer.

....Miss Brown intends opening a private school at Arrigoni's hotel 1st of October. Will also give lessons in music. Terms, 50 cents per week, music \$5 per month.

....A full stock of the finest Parlor Stoves and Heaters, for wood or coal, will be sold cheaper than the cheapest by Jackins & Hawes.

....Board and lodging by the day or week at the Astoria Beer Hall, Main street, Astoria. Peter Davis court, proprietor.

....Persons wishing the services of Dr. J. Welch, Dentist, will bear in mind that business will necessitate his temporary absence from the city for a time after a few days.

....White wire goods in every style, at L. P. Richman & Co's.

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

....Single men feel like marrying when they see the Diamond range at L. P. Richman & Co's.

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

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

....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.

....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.

....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 Squemochea street, Wm. Appleby proprietor, is one of the snuggest and most quiet places in the city, where the public can get the finest quality of wines, liquors and cigars.

## SOMETHING NEW.

For Glassware, Crockery, Powder and Shot, Gun Wads, Percussion Caps,—in fact everything that is useful as well as ornamental, go to J. W. Gearhart, who sells cheap for cash. Goods delivered free of charge.

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. Caulfield's Drug Store.

....The Salem Statesman expresses our views "to the point" in the following extract: "We have published birth, marriage and death notices, free of charge, and shall continue to do so, provided they are furnished us for publication. When such notices are not furnished, we take it for granted that their publication is not desired. It seems enough for us to give the space in our columns without being compelled to wear out boot leather in search of the items. We frequently hear of marriages, deaths, etc., but as the particulars are not furnished us, we cannot publish the same, and in some instances parties take offense because of their non-appearance."

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

It is estimated that the total harvest of wheat in Minnesota this year will measure 31,000,000 bushels, and that 25,000,000 bushels, will be spared for exportation to consumers outside of the state. The total yield last year did not exceed 18,000,000 bushels.

—Fifty young barbers recently left Copenhagen for Russia, where they are appointed medical assistants. Every barber in Denmark has to pass an examination in the elements of surgery. They were accompanied by a score of working butchers who are also to be attached to the Russian army.

—In France, not long ago, a man was tried for murder. He was found guilty and condemned, and in the usual course the jurors were applied to to sign the petition for a commutation of his sentence. One of them did so, with this postscript, "on condition that he hangs himself."

—The eruption of Cotopaxi, which occurred June 26th, was terrible in its destructiveness. Floods of water and showers of cinders poured from the craters, submerging the country around and darkening the sky. The loss of life is reported at 1,000, but the damage to property has not been estimated.

—Two boys recently attempted to climb to the top of a cliff on which the Point Lobos Telegraph is stationed, near San Francisco, and found themselves in a position from which they dared neither ascend nor descend. They remained on their lofty perch all night, and in the morning were rescued by rope ladders let down from above.

—The little kingdom of Corea in Asia, is afflicted with a terrible famine similar to that in India, and like it, is attributable to a failure of crops. In addition to the horrors of starvation, the plague has broken out and the people are dying off rapidly. And as if this wasn't enough, the people have rebelled against the authorities because relief was not furnished them, and the unhappy country is now suffering from the combined horrors of plague, famine and civil war.

—A Sacramento paper in noticing the circumstance that greenbacks are but three per cent. below gold, asks very pertinently, "Why not bring them to par by accepting them for customs?" The affairs of the country are now in such a state that paper could be made equal in value to gold, with but little difficulty. There is but one disturbing element, and that is the unsettled question relative to silver coin. If silver coin were made equal in value to gold coin, resumption would take place almost without further effort.

—They had a show in the City Hall Park, New York, recently. It was the coach that bore Tweed from Ludlow street jail down to the City Hall, to be examined in the Alderman's chamber. The coach was surrounded by a gaping multitude of idlers who contemplated it for hours; and when Tweed reappeared, after his examination before the Aldermen, and the vehicle had the additional attraction of the old ring inside, the multitude sent up a shout. The favored few who were admitted to the chamber enjoyed a more entertaining treat, being carried back by Tweed's reminiscences of the time in which Isaac V. Fowler was lured on to his ruin, the time when republicans and democrats joined hands to rob the public and make division of the spoils. Mr. Tweed's testimony reads like a romance.

## LOCAL AND DOMESTIC.

John Jack's troupe will play at the Dalles, to night and to morrow.

An Indian at Muckilteo is said to have caught 7,000 salmon last week.

Sheep-raisers in Douglass county are losing numbers from their bands by the leach.

Lane county has between 300 and 400 acres of land devoted to the cultivation of hops.

—An ox is to be taken from The Dalles to the State Fair that measures nineteen hands high and weighs 3,500 pounds.

Major M. P. Berry is still lying seriously ill in the Sisters hospital at Victoria with little probability of his recovery.

We understand that Major Berry has been superseded as Collector of Internal Revenue at Sitka, but are unable to say who has been appointed.

We regret to announce the serious illness of Dr. A. M. Belt, of Salem. He is suffering from congestion of the liver, but is reported better.

One hundred and fifty Warm Spring Indians arrived in Eugene City the first of last week, and were soon engaged by the different owners of the hop yard.

Mrs. Holton, of Marshfield, Coos county, gave birth to triplets, all girls, on the 14th inst. They weighed respectively, 8, 7 and 6½.

—The stallion, Black Prince, owned by Joseph Beezley of Hay creek, Wasco county, died a few days since. He was valued at \$1,000.

—Hon. John Kelley has resigned his position as member of the Republican State Central committee for Lane county, and Mr. C. W. Washburne has been appointed to fill the vacancy caused by such resignation.

—It is said that California capitalists are negotiating for the purchase of 50,000 acres of land on the lower Frazer to plant a colony of Californians thereon. The ground is very rich and taxation very light.

—There are now stored, says the Roseburg Plaindealer, in the warehouses at the depot about 150,000 bushels of grain, and a large quantity has been shipped, and more coming in. The warehouses have not room for it all, and cars cannot be had to ship it below.

—Jackson & Myers are meeting with flattering success in their new enterprise at Muckilteo, having caught 11,000 fish in two days, and the run continues immense. The fish taken now are known as silversides, beautiful in appearance, and of the finest flavor. They are all taken by hook, and none seine, and catchers are Indians alone.

## The Man Who Stops His Paper.

Philip Gilbert Hamerton, in his admirable paper on "Intellectual Life," thus talks to the man who "stopped his paper:" "Newspapers are to the civilized world what the daily house talk is to the members of the family—they keep our daily interest in each other, they save us from the evil of isolation. To live as a member of the great white race that has filled Europe and America and colonized or conquered whatever territory it has been pleased to occupy; to share from day to day its thoughts, its cares, its inspirations, it is necessary that every man should read his paper. Why are the French peasants so bewildered at sea? It is because they never read a newspaper. And why are the inhabitants of the United States, though scattered over a territory fourteen times the area of France, so much more capable of concerted action, so much more alive and modern, so much more interested in new discoveries of all kinds, and capable of selecting and utilizing the best of them? It is because the newspapers penetrate everywhere, and even the lonely dweller on the prairie or in the forest is not intellectually isolated from the great currents of public life which flow through the telegraph and press."

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