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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.

FROM CHINA.—The American ship *Pilgrim*, Capt. Fowle, and the bark *Bene-factor*, Capt. Hayden, are due this week at Astoria from Hongkong.

TREASURE.—By the *Ajax* on her last trip out from here, \$150,000 in treasure was shipped by Wells, Fargo & Co., and on the *Orizaba*, at the same date, \$100,000 was taken to San Francisco.

LATE PAPERS.—We are indebted to *Printer Hughes* of the *Ajax*, and to the officers of the *Orizaba* for late San Francisco papers, and will endeavor to return *quid pro quo*, besides our thanks to the gentlemen.

NEW STORE.—Messrs. A. C. Fisher and Louis Wilson have opened a fine stock of general hardware and outfitting supplies, for ships as well as families at the new store on the wharf, corner Hamilton and Chenamus streets.

GOING BELOW.—Our friend B. Alexander will be among the passengers by the *Elder* to-day for San Francisco, whether he goes for the purpose of laying in one of the finest late fall and winter stocks that can be purchased.

GOOD TIME.—The American ship *Springfield*, Capt. Peart, which arrived on Sunday, came over from Hongkong in 47 days, laden with 400 tons of ballast. She made a most excellent run from Cardiff to Hongkong, July 17th.

IN POOR HEALTH.—Mr. Howard of this city, who has been in very poor health for some time past, seeks the interior to-day for a time in the hope of recuperating. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Howard, and we hope will find the boon he seeks.

ON THE WAY.—Besides the ship *Pilgrim* and bark *Bene-factor* from China, we have to announce the coming of the British bark *Broughton*, Capt. Edkin, from Auckland; and the bark *Sierra Nevada*, Capt. Koerner, from Newcastle, N. S. W.

THE GRAIN FLEET.—Our last year's grain fleet have now all reported at their ports of destination except the *Jamaica*, and the *Dovenby*. The latter may not yet be considered due, and the former we do not ever expect to hear from again. The *Alumina* arrived at Cork on the 14th ult.

IN SHOALWATER-BAY.—A note from a lady at Oysterville to our daughter informs us that a vessel has arrived there to load with oysters for San Francisco. No name was given. The schooner *H. L. Tiernan* was due there we believe, and the *Enterprise* sailed for Shoalwater-bay on the 25th from San Francisco.

COAL CARGO.—The bark *Sierra Nevada*, owned by Mr. G. W. Hume of this city, and commanded by Capt. Wm. Koerner, sailed on the 7th of August for San Francisco from Newcastle, N. S. W. via Honolulu for orders. She is loaded with coal on owners account, and if the market justifies, will come to Astoria from Honolulu.

OIL RECOVERED.—On Saturday we received word from Capt. Narbett, at Bay View house, Ilwaco, and a note from Mr. John Behems at Fort Canby, informing us that several barrels of fish oil had come ashore there, and in that vicinity. We informed the owners of the oil, and they took steps to save the same. No advertisement was necessary in these cases.

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

The Nehalem Country.

Mr. S. W. Tallman, of this county, in company with Indian Dick, recently made an exploration of that part of the Nehalem country lying contiguous with Westport and Knappa, and he informs us with respect to his observations, writing as follows:

"I have just returned after an examination of the country along the summit at the head of West's creek and Gnat creek. That place is three miles south of the base line running east and west from there to the crossing of Gnat creek, where the township line crosses (three miles) between ranges 6 and 7 w. 8 n., near corner of sections 13 and 24 on said line; thence northerly to Ross' logging camp (sec. 15, 7 w. r. 8 n.) three miles, thence two miles east to the prairie and down the Fish-hawk, making by fourteen miles to the Nehalem river.

From the summit at the head of West's creek to Gnat creek, the country (six miles long by three miles wide) is a smooth region, with the finest fir timber in the world, well watered, and a good wagon road can be made the whole distance. From the summit at Fish-hawk to Astoria, and from Gnat creek to West's, is the prettiest country I ever saw.

From the prairie (Knappa) easterly to Ross' camp (two miles); thence two miles east and one mile south to the crossing of Gnat creek; thence east three miles and south two miles, to the south side of Sec. 34, T. 8, N. E. 6 w., thence bear south on the divide to the Fish-hawk, and from there down said stream to the Nehalem.

I will survey a road gratis, or cut a good trail for \$12 per mile (14 miles), and if it is not as represented when received no charges will be made. I will construct the trail to the summit of the Nehalem, and the settlers offer to put it down the Fish-hawk. The nearest point to Westport is four miles, but I think I can turn south one mile sooner on the base line (east and west) and save an elbow. Indian Dick and I want a lick at it, and if you will keep the hounds off, and encourage us a little, you will see a good road into Nehalem valley, the garden spot of the coast range, just so sure as you live. I am a poor man, my bottom dollar gone, or I would do the work alone.

S. W. TALLMAN.

HAIDEE.—This vessel was ready for sea last night, but had not cleared when we went to press.

COMING IN.—Two vessels were inside the bar last evening, coming up, when we went to press.

CANDIDA.—This vessel, with Capt. Snow as pilot, arrived yesterday, drawing 16 feet, from Portland, in tow of the *Alice*.

TUG EDITH.—The Oregonian mentions the fact that the steam tug *Edith*, Capt. Bohan, made the round trip to Portland and back from Astoria in 26 hours, towing the *Buenos Ayres* up.

READY FOR SEA.—The ships *British Peer* and *British Monarch* are both ready for sea to-day. They are about equally loaded, and sail for the same port. We shall watch their arrival out with interest. About one-half of each cargo, it will be seen, is from Astoria.

AT HONGKONG.—The American ship *Titan*, Capt. Berry, has arrived at Hongkong from Cardiff, on the 17th of August. Boston Jack was no doubt glad to meet Capt. Berry, but the letters of the latter from Astoria did not stop all the vessels at Hongkong from coming to Astoria. The *Springfield* has just arrived, and we have two more known to be on the way.

ROYALLY ENTERTAINED.—Right royally did *Resene* engine Co. No. 2, entertain their guests at the *Pioneer* on Saturday evening. It was a sort of a jubilee meeting all 'round. The *Hooks* and No. 1, and many a prominent citizen enjoyed the repast, and the utmost good feeling prevailed. We regret our inability to attend, but hope that the department, as a department, will always feel as happy.

CITY ITEMS.

Silver wrappers, free gratis to all the merchants of Astoria at Cornart's.

"The Dance of Death" and "The Dance of Life," an answer to the *Dance of Death*, by Mrs. J. M. Bowers. For sale at the City Book Store.

We have on hand 60 pair of Mission Woolen mills Blankets which we offer for less than factory prices. Warranted all wool at B. Hamburgers.

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; he received in a few days at Adler's, next to the White House.

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

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

Miss Brown intends opening a private school at Arrigon'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 Daviseourt, 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.

Have you seen the Bismare stove? No? Then call at once to-day, upon L. P. Richman & Co.

Fresh oysters in every style at Schmeerer's.

The "Sunny Hearth" is what you want for your private office. Call on L. P. Richman & Co. and see it. Beautiful stove.

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

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

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

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.

What is a dollar when you can get THE ASTORIAN for it four months, regularly, including a pamphlet telling you all about the great State of Oregon.

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 Squemoqua 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.

Who wants to know about the great State where the exports equal in value \$75 per head of the entire population, send \$1 00 to D. C. Ireland for THE ASTORIAN, the only Oregon paper, published wholly in the interest of Oregon.

SOMETHING NEW.

For Glassware, Crockery, Powder and Shot, Gun Wads, Perussion 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.

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

THE HUSBAND OF NONE.—I have received a few copies of this book, and am prepared to take orders for more at Geo. W. Cornart's News Depot.

TO THE LADIES OF ASTORIA.—Cornart has just received, direct from the publishers, the following new music: "I Love You Thee," song and chorus; "Come Along with Me," song and chorus; "Kisses all for Me"; "Neilson Grand March"; "Moonlight Schottische," introducing the melody "O, Yes, we will be dar'"; etc., at Cornart's Music Store.

PENMANSHIP.—Prof. Wells, formerly of the Sapa Collegiate Institute, California, one of the most popular and successful teachers of penmanship on the coast, will commence a class at the Public School-house on Thursday evening, at 7 o'clock. In afternoon class, for ladies and children, will commence the next day at 4 o'clock p. m., at the same place. Prof. Wells' last class in California, before coming to Astoria, numbered 120, which is said to be the largest number ever assembled at once in that state for the purpose of acquiring penmanship.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Cannibalism has become a frequent incident in Madras since the famine.

The National Library of France is the largest in the world; considerably larger than that in the British Museum.

The total number of persons supported by Government in Madras and Mysore both on relief works and gratuitously on account of the famine, is over a million and a half.

Seven years ago William O'Brien was murdered in St. Louis by Michael Ryan, who escaped arrest. O'Brien's widow recently recognized Ryan in the street, grabbed him, and held him until he was arrested.

The Grand Duke Nicholas allows no pilfering by the troops under his command. Any offender detected is tried by court martial and shot. So strictly is the order obeyed that Gen. Zotoff himself had to do without chickens for some days because the Bulgarians refused to sell him a fowl for his private table.

Many of the African kings boast of an unbroken succession in their families for thousands of years. They are absolute despots, except when controlled by custom and religion; but in general their government is liberal and kind. Mohammedanism is professed, but the fetish superstitions generally prevail, and belief in witchcraft is general.

The inscription on the army and navy monument in Boston, recently dedicated was written by President Elliot of Harvard, and is as follows: "To the men of Boston who died for their country on land and sea in the war which kept the Union whole, and maintained the Constitution, the grateful city has built this monument, that their example may speak to coming generations."

The English railroad companies took years to discover that it is the third-class passengers who pay. At the outset of railroads, everything was done to win the custom of the first, and no change has been so great in the management of English railroads as that which has taken place in the policy and behavior of railroad companies toward the third-class passengers. In 1870 the receipts from the third class were £186 to every £100 from the first class. By 1875 £283 from the third against £100 from the first.

Clearing Out Sale.

We have on hand about \$500 worth of books, pamphlets, maps, papers, etc., etc., which we were foolish enough to print at our own expense for the benefit of Oregon. If these documents were judiciously sent abroad, to people in the Atlantic states, they would be productive of some good. We are tired of giving them away and paying the postage on them besides gratuitously, and have decided to sell them for what the paper cost upon which they are printed. If you have any friend in Oregon, or out of it, who wishes to hear about this immense state, call at our office and secure copies of these books and papers, and send them where they will do the most good.

WALLA WALLA COUNTY.—From returns of the assessor it appears that the property valuation of Walla Walla county is as follows for the current year:

Real estate, farms, etc.	\$616,355
City and town lots.	40,845
Personal property.	1,275,820
Total valuation.	\$2,333,020
Value in 1876.	2,294,740
Increase in one year.	\$38,280
There were in the county of certain property enumerated the following:	
Horses.	6,463
Mules.	198
Cattle.	10,990
Sheep.	17,318
Hogs.	7,387
No. of Acres of Timothy.	1,861
Wheat.	28,225
Oats.	2,142
Barley.	6,533
Corn.	623-39,294
Population—Males.	2,921
Females.	4,133-5,054

LOCAL AND DOMESTIC.

Gen. Sherman expects to be present at the opening of the state fair on Monday.

T. L. Davidson, near Salem, raised potatoes this year on the vines, like tomatoes. They were of the savage variety.

Mr. A. G. Walling, who left here about five weeks ago to attend the grand lodge, I. O. F., of the United States, in Baltimore, as grand representative from Oregon, writes that that body had completed its labors on the 17th, and he would start home in a few days.

A singular fatality seems to hover over the bark *Emerald*, now loading at Port Gamble, and whose captain recently attempted suicide, for although she is but 25 years old, five of her captains have lost their lives within that time—three being washed overboard and drowned and two having been killed at the wheel.

Col. H. C. Hodges, now in charge of the quartermaster's department at Washington, now on a visit to Oregon may be called an old Oregonian. He came here a lieutenant in the fourth infantry in 1852, and married the daughter of Gov. Abernethy. He takes the same interest in the development of the state as of old. All who knew him in the olden time are glad to meet him and wish him abundant prosperity. He is here only on a brief visit with his excellent wife, and will return east by the *Elder*. Gov. Curry informs us that time deals kindly with the Colonel, and that he is the same good fellow without the least apparent change, as of other days.

D. C. Ireland, mayor of Astoria, offers a reward of \$20 for evidence that will convict any one in that municipality of giving or selling liquors of any kind to minors. A vigorous application of the law in this respect would be potential in abating this great evil. No use to clamor for temperance legislation when the plainest statutes already enacted upon the subject are openly and flagrantly violated and that not infrequently, with impunity. Selling or furnishing liquor to Indians, minors, and habitual drunkards, keeping saloons open on Sunday, gambling in all its forms, keeping of brothels, these, at least, there are stringent laws against, and, while they remain inoperative for want of moral strength to enforce them, it is worse than useless to encumber the statutes with others that look to the suppression of vice.—*New Northwest*.

LINX COUNTY.—The Democrat refers with pride to the fact that Linn county is out of debt, its warrants at par, and this year's tax levy is only 14 mills on the dollar—a reduction of half a mill over any previous year. No other county in the state, with the same amount of costly public buildings, can make such a showing.

DESERVED.—Referring to the new city attorney of Portland, Mr. J. C. Moreland, the *Corvallis Gazette* says: "Having been personally acquainted with Mr. Moreland for many years, we have no hesitancy in recommending him to those desiring professional services in Portland. The mere fact of his holding the responsible office, of city attorney, is evidence that he stands at the head of his profession in the metropolis of Oregon. All business entrusted to him will be promptly and faithfully attended to."

The atmosphere of Oregon is pure and cheerful, warm and balmy; life is longer, health is better and more enjoyable, when the ordinary laws of such are attended to, than in any state in the Union, or in any country in Europe.

There is a good market in Oregon for agricultural products, owing to short transportation to the Pacific Ocean, and direct exportation to all parts of the world. Railroad facilities. Navigable rivers, including the great Columbia.