

ASTORIA, OREGON:

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 3, 1877

A Trade Conundrum.

A whimsical problem has been propounded. But under its absurdity lies the key to many a question where the assets of a firm have disappeared. Two men, on the way to a race-course, conveyed a demijohn of whiskey, which they held in partnership, and proposed to vend on the grounds. A condition was made and kept in a good faith, that neither should drink on the way without paying. One soon drank, and paid the other the stipulated dime. The other grew thirsty and drank, paying his partner the same dime. And so they drove a prosperous trade till, when they reached the race course, they found themselves in possession only of the one dime, and the empty demijohn. Like many other absurd jokes, this has the germ of truth in it, and expresses one of the causes of "hard times" better than many a laborer's financial treatise. The astonished firm had no more need to be astonished than many a bankrupt. The sales were matters of fact; and the payment for each drink no less certain. But the assets were nowhere. "Liquidation" began with the beginning of the trade; and profits and capital ran away together. So many an apparently active business is only the consumption of capital stock, or, more commonly, the disappearance of merchandise obtained on credit. The dealer swallows his own capital (if he has any), and wonders what has become of it.

Our English visitors at Creedmoor were not permitted to go away without a display of the quality of the model police of New York. An extra force had been detailed for service at the shooting match, and it is said they enlivened the way home by getting drunk, singing obscene songs, knocking down quiet citizens, and otherwise illustrating the beauties of reform. This must have been a novel spectacle for the British teams; they have no such police in Europe.

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.

FOREIGN POSTAGE.

Table with columns for destination (Australia, Brazil, Canada, etc.) and postage cost in cents.

The Great American Family.

The admission of Colorado made the twenty-fifth new state added to the union since the war of national independence. The original family who united July 4th, 1776, to form a nation of one people, were: Free States: 1 New Hampshire, 2 Massachusetts, 3 Rhode Island, 4 Connecticut, 5 New York, 6 New Jersey, 7 Pennsylvania, 8 Delaware, 9 Maryland, 10 Virginia, 11 North Carolina, 12 South Carolina, 13 Georgia. Slave States: 14 Vermont, 15 Kentucky, 16 Tennessee, 17 Ohio, 18 Louisiana, 19 Indiana, 20 Mississippi, 21 Illinois, 22 Alabama, 23 Maine, 24 Missouri, 25 Arkansas, 26 Michigan, 27 Florida, 28 Texas, 29 Iowa, 30 Wisconsin, 31 California, 32 Minnesota, 33 Oregon, 34 Kansas, 35 West Virginia, 36 Nevada, 37 Nebraska, 38 Colorado, 39 Alaska, 40 District of Columbia.

FOREIGN EXPORTS.

Table of foreign exports for September, listing items like Wheat, Flour, Case Goods, etc., with values.

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Domestic Exports.

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Congregational Church Notice. The members are requested to meet at the Church on Wednesday evening, at seven o'clock, for the transaction of important business.

BORN.

In this city, October 2d, 1877, to the wife of apt. J. W. Zabidge, a son.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

PACIFIC MUTUAL Life Insurance Company OF CALIFORNIA. Capital \$1,300,000. Total death claims paid, over 700,000.

BEACH OFFICE ASTORIA, OREGON. OFFICERS: I. W. CASE, President; C. S. WRIGHT, Vice President; C. BROWN, Secretary; J. Q. A. BOWLBY, Attorney; M. D. JENNINGS, Medical Examiner.

BEACH OFFICE ASTORIA, OREGON. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: R. R. SPEDDEN, C. J. TRENCHARD, D. K. WARREN, J. W. GEARHART, R. ALEXANDER.

BEACH OFFICE ASTORIA, OREGON. DIRECTORS: I. W. CASE, C. S. WRIGHT, C. BROWN, J. W. GEARHART, R. ALEXANDER, R. R. SPEDDEN, C. J. TRENCHARD, M. D. JENNINGS, C. P. UPSHUR, W. H. TWILIGHT, D. K. WARREN, J. Q. A. BOWLBY, F. D. WINTON, H. P. GEARHART, C. A. MCGUIRE.

Applications for Insurance may be made to any member of the Board. All receipts of this office loaned in Astoria. No provision for our heirs is adequate that is not immediate, for death may be immediate. Life Insurance tends to reduce taxation by its reduction of pauperism and possibility of crime. It is a national blessing and will at no distant day be universally adopted.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ATTENTION FIREMEN. A regular meeting of Resene Engine Company No. 2, will be held at the Recorder's office on Thursday, October 4, 1877, at 7 1/2 o'clock P.M.

MESS BEER. A Really Fine Article for Sale Low. G. J. PARKER, Sec. Astoria, October 2, 1877.

For Tillamook. THE STEAMER GEN. CANNY. Will be dispatched from Astoria to Tillamook in a few days. For freight or passage apply at Astoria to W. S. KINSEY.

Pacific Coast Steamship Co. For San Francisco Direct. STEAMSHIP ORIZABA, JOHNSON, Commander. Will leave Astoria for San Francisco, on Wednesday Morning, Oct. 3, at 6 o'clock A. M.

OREGON STEAMSHIP COMPANY. For San Francisco Direct. Carrying the United States Mails and Wells, Fargo & Co's Express. Passage, Cabin, \$7.50; Steerage, \$3. Freight, per Ton, \$2.

Geo. W. Elder, The Most Convenient SCRAP BOOK. Paste and Mucilage no longer necessary. J. K. GILL & CO., 75 FIRST STREET.

Mark Twain's Last Work. The Most Convenient SCRAP BOOK. Paste and Mucilage no longer necessary. J. K. GILL & CO., 75 FIRST STREET.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

BUY NONE BUT THE NEW IMPROVED FLORENCE SEWING MACHINE, THE BEST in the WORLD. For sale at the CITY BOOK STORE.

J. H. D. GRAY, Wholesale and retail dealer in FLOUR, FEED, OATS, HAY, STRAW, WOOD, etc., Also wholesale dealer in Shoalwater Bay OYSTERS.

OREGON BAKERY, Holladay's Wharf, Main Street, Astoria, Ogn. BREAD, CAKES, PIES, PASTRY, CRACKERS, ETC. WILL BE SERVED TO PATRONS of the Oregon Bakery of which C. Binder deceased, was proprietor, the same as usual, by Mrs. CHARLES BINDER.

BATHS, BATHS, Hot, Cold, Shower, Steam and SULPHUR BATHS. Occident Hotel Shaving Saloon. NIDDERAUER & UBLENHART, PROPRIETORS.

BUILDING MATERIALS. JUST ARRIVED: 40,000 BRICK; 100 WINDOWS; 200 DOORS; WHICH WILL BE SOLD AS LOW AS ANY HOUSE IN OREGON.

Wagon and Carriage Shop. Squemoqua street, between Washington and Folk streets. ASTORIA, OREGON. HENRY GALLOU, Proprietor.

CLARENDON HOTEL, PORTLAND, OREGON. Zieber & Knowles, Prop'rs. Situated opposite all the Railroad and Steamship Offices.

PORTLAND CANDY FACTORY. THE UNDERSIGNED TAKE PLEASURE TO ANNOUNCE TO THEIR PATRONS AND DEALERS IN GENERAL THAT THEY HAVE LATELY LARGELY INCREASED THEIR FACTORY AND ARE NOW PREPARED TO FURNISH AS GOOD AN ASSORTMENT IN THEIR LINE AS ANY HOUSE ON THE COAST.

GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICES!! THE PIONEER BOOT & SHOE STORE. Corner of Cass and Squemoqua streets, ASTORIA, OREGON.

FOR THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS I WILL SELL ALL MY LARGE STOCK OF Mens', Boys', Ladies', Misses and Children's BOOTS AND SHOES AT A considerable reduction from previous prices, many kinds AT COST!

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AUCTION SALES.

E. C. HOLDEN, AUCTIONEER and COMMISSION AGENT CHENAMUS ST. ASTORIA, OREGON. Consignments respectfully solicited, bills collected and returns promptly made.

B. S. WORSLEY, AUCTION & COMMISSION MERCHANT. Office, on Main street opposite Washington Market. SALES DAILY From 7 to 9 o'clock P. M.

UNION HOUSE, Cor. Squemoqua and Lafayette Streets, ASTORIA, OREGON. THIS HOUSE HAVING BEEN newly re-painted and furnished throughout is now open to the accommodation of the public.

Private Lodging House, Mrs. J. W. MUNSON, Proprietress. CHENAMUS ST., ASTORIA. Choice Rooms (furnished) to let by the Month, Day or Week, at reasonable prices.

Occident Hotel, A. J. MEGLER, C. S. WRIGHT, Proprietors, Astoria, Oregon. The Proprietors are happy to announce that the above Hotel has been Repainted and Refurnished, Adding greatly to the comfort of its guests.

Parker House Hotel, Corner Main and Concomly streets, ASTORIA, OREGON. Cardwell & Perkins, Proprietors. THIS IS THE LARGEST HOTEL IN ASTORIA, new and new furniture, furnished in first class style.

OYSTERS! OYSTERS! SERVED IN EVERY STYLE AT SCHMEERS CONFECTIONERY AND REFRESHMENT SALOON. All kinds of French, German and American Candies constantly on hand, wholesale and retail at the lowest cash price.

CENTRAL COFFEE SALOON, Concomly st., between Benton and Lafayette, ASTORIA, OREGON. THOMAS McFARLAND, Prop.

CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT, WATER STREET ROADWAY. Opposite Oregon Steam Navigation Company's Wharf. ASTORIA, OREGON. The above new Restaurant will be open from and after to-morrow, Sunday, January 7th, 1877.

HOLDEN & LAUGHERY, UPHOLSTERS AND FURNITURE DEALERS. At the old stand—HOLDEN'S AUCTION ROOMS on Chenamus street. All kinds of upholstery and cabinet work done to order. Manufacturers of Lounges, Spring Beds, MATTRESSES.

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