

IN A FOG.

Warm up a Little and Forever Dispel the Mists.

What the People of Oregon should do.

The Pacific Coast Steamship Company's steamer arrived at her berth in this city night before last, and expected to start on the trip to Portland at dawn yesterday morning, but the Portland Colonial Assembly had neglected its duty and permitted a dense fog to settle over the land (and water) which persistently refused to lift until one o'clock p. m., which prevented the Ancon from proceeding on her voyage. Some of the passengers were indiscreet enough to wax warm in condemnation of the pilot, Capt. Hoyt, but their comments were entirely uncalled for, and as Mr. Hoyt as a resident of Portland cannot consistently (nor inconsistently) be accused of detaining the steamer at Astoria purposely, but this is the place she ought to stop at nevertheless, for the purpose of transferring freight and passengers. The Elder was from 10 a. m. Monday until 8 a. m. Thursday coming from Portland on her last voyage. Why not essentially damn Capt. B. own for that? It is all very nice to cuss and froth at the pilots, but gentlemen; we assure you all that you are mistaken. The only correct way to remedy this evil is to make Congress grant as many favors to Astoria as are asked for in behalf of Portland, and decide at once with us that what Oregon wants, and what Oregon must have, is a terminus of the trans-continental railroad at Astoria, and not a station at Portland. We honestly believe that if people who have the interest of Oregon at heart, (not selfish, personal interests, but the good of the whole state), would go to work here in Astoria and incorporate a company to build a railroad from Astoria to Salem, Albany, or Eugene City, and act bona fide in earnest about the matter, that Congress would give such company the grant of lands given to the Astoria and McMinnville branch railroad, and this company could in a reasonable length of time succeed in enlisting aid from the Central Pacific, or the Northern Pacific to build the road. We say we honestly believe this to be the fact; we say further that we are firmly of opinion that such work would be accomplished inside of three years. The effort is worthy of a trial. That grant of lands made for the benefit of Oregon, Portland's selfish interest has deprived the State from receiving any benefit from. It has been lost to the original projectors, and will never be revived so long as the brains, influence and money of Portland can find no better employment than to be continually growling at a few pilots (bar and river), who chance to live in Astoria. If "common talk" could be sold at the maximum value placed upon it by members of the wheat ring in Portland, who are engaged in smuggling American vessels out of their just employment, while this coasting trade is carried on between Portland and Astoria in British bottoms, enough has been waisted already to complete 100 miles of railroad from Astoria to Salem. It is quite time that Astorians, and citizens of Oregon and eastern Washington territory generally, shook off the fetters that bind them to Portland, quit listening to the cursing of honest men like these pilots, and went about their business in a systematic manner to open up the interior to communication with the only seaport the State has, where vessels of the deepest draft can and do safely enter and find anchorage room for as many as ever visit any one port at one time, and thus silence the grabbers who are speculating off the products of our local and domestic industries by paying 80 to 90 cents a bushel for wheat, when it is known to be worth \$1.49 to \$1.59 per bushel. We are sick and tired of such d—foolishness as Portland plays upon the people. It is time that the people done something for themselves. Send in your petition to Congress, organize your company, and go to work.

THE NEWS.

Flint & Co., bankers in New York have failed. Liabilities, \$115,000. The New York Herald has paid \$1,000 damages for inserting a personal advertisement. Gen. O. O. Howard was on the field in person when Joseph passed in his checks. The steamer towing the Gleopatra obelisk was compelled to abandon the same off Cape Finisterre, in a gale last Sunday night. The crew on the raft were transferred to the steamer, but five men were lost.

Respectable Thieves.

It is reported that the losers by the forgeries of Gilman in New York city, are listening to the propositions for a compromise made by his relatives. The fact indicates that the forger is in some safe place of refuge, and is trying to purchase exemption from the punishment he deserves by offering to pay back to his victims a part of their losses.

It is not surprising that the men desire to get some of their money back; and they think the only way they can do it is to yield to the terms of the criminal. But if they so compound this felony, they will really damage their own interests in the long run, and inexcusably offend the public morals. The banks and other moneyed institutions have often been too ready to do this sort of thing—letting off defaulters in return for a part of their stealings. As a consequence, the business of forgery and embezzlement, especially when followed by men who hold what are called highly respectable positions, has been comparatively safe and very lucrative. All they have to do when caught is to compromise the unpleasant matter with their victims, by making them good for a percentage of their losses, and then retire from public notice for a time.

What must be the feelings of the smaller thieves, the criminals the police hound, when they have stolen a little money, when they see the escape of Gilman, the respectable thief, who taught in Sunday school, and passed around the contribution box in the church, while he was engaged in his enormous forgeries? It is men like him who most deserve the punishment of the law, and it is weak sentimentality to grant them pity, and sell them immunity because they wear good clothes and have polite associations and tender susceptibilities. Enjoying so great privileges, they have less excuse for committing crime, and their abuse of their reputation for probity makes their offence the more flagrant.

It seems, according to a correspondent of the Graphic, that the forger, Gilman, expended his stolen money "in pleasant, artistic, and beautiful family life." It was better for him to do that, we allow, than to squander it in debauchery, but it makes very little difference to a man who has lost his money how the thief spends it. Moreover, it rather aggravates the man's grief when the reason the thief was able to steal the money was because his family life was so beautiful and artistic. The proper place for thieves, whether refined or unrefined, is in a state prison.

The annual exports from Oregon represent an average of three hundred and eighteen dollars, gold, to every voter. Abundance of good and cheap government, railroad, and private lands in Oregon. No land monopolies, as in California. Variety of timber in Oregon of exceptional excellence for industrial purposes. Oregon has great mineral resources, especially coal, iron, lead, gold and silver. Fine natural water system, vast water power. Oregon waters abound with fish.

BORN.

In Astoria, Oct. 13th, to the wife of T. S. Jewett, a daughter.

DIED.

In Astoria, October 13th, of typhoid fever, Thomas J. son of Patrick and Kate Duffy, aged 11 years, 2 months and 22 days.

The funeral will take place to-day at 2 o'clock p. m., from the residence of Mr. Hugh Shoop, corner of Main and Seventh streets.

SITUATION WANTED.

A young woman wishes a situation in the country with a farmer, capable man or widower, refer to his usual mode of making and making butter, and cheese. For particulars, address MISS CARIE WOOD, 117-119 Astoria, Oregon.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE New Grocery House OF J. STRAUSS, SOUTH SIDE OF CHENAMUS STREET, ASTORIA, OREGON.

IS NOW FULLY OPEN FOR BUSINESS. The finest assortment of

Coffees, Teas, Sugars, Flours.

And all other staple goods of the best quality and at the cheapest CASH prices.

All the various Foreign and Domestic fancy line of

Preserves, Fruits, Jellies, Wines and Liquors.

CIGARS AND TOBACCOS.

Also, a nice stock of

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Give me a call and inspect my stock of goods.

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MACKIE, Commander.

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SUNDAY, October 21, 1877.

At 6 o'clock, A. M.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the office of the W. T. & L. Co's company.

C. P. UPSHUR, Agent.

NOTICE.

We the undersigned Commissioners appointed by Ordinance No. 224 and 225 to assess the benefits and damages caused by the widening of Concomly and Chenamus streets, do hereby give public notice, that we shall proceed to view said proposed widening and to assess said damages and benefits on the 24th day of October, A. D. 1877; and that we shall meet at the office of the City Attorney at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, when and where all parties interested will appear and attend.

JOHN HOESON, C. A. MCGUIRE, ALMARIN MONTGOMERY. Astoria, Oct. 12, 1877.

"NIL DESPERANDUM."

Lime, Brick, Sand

And LATH, ALSO

Plaster and Marble Dust

AS CHEAP AS CAN BE

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Can be had in any quantity at my wharf.

Agent for sale of San Juan Lime. PETER RUNEY, Astoria.

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FLOUR, FEED, OATS, HAY, STRAW, WOOD, etc., Also wholesale dealer in

Shoalwater Bay OYSTERS, Received fresh from the bed four times a week. On the wharf foot of Benton street, Astoria, Oregon.

Wagon and Carriage Shop. Squemoqua street, between Washington and Polk streets.

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Repairing promptly attended to none, but the best material used. All work warranted.

Blacksmithing and ship work promptly attended to.

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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. First Class Baker employed, and perfect satisfaction guaranteed. All orders, large or small, promptly filled on short notice. Patronage of the public respectfully solicited. MRS. CHAS. BINDER.

MISCELLANEOUS.

BUY NONE BUT THE NEW IMPROVED

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The Best Quality Lager Beer, FIVE CENTS A GLASS.

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At a considerable reduction from previous prices, many kinds AT COST!

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Horse-shoeing, repairing, and all kinds of blacksmithing promptly attended to at reasonable rates.

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All work in our line, heavy or light, done with neatness and dispatch. HORSESHOEING, WAGON, AND Farm Work a Specialty.

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Regular Sales Day, Saturday.

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Steamers and sail boats leave the wharves and slips near the Hotel, daily for Fort Stevens, Fort Canby, Skipanon, Fort Clatsop, Sea Side, Ocean Beach, Knappaon, Chinook, Unity, Oysterville and other places of resort in this vicinity.

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THIS HOUSE HAVING BEEN newly re-painted and furnished throughout is now open to the accommodation of the public.

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