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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.

Read J. STRAUSS' new "ad."

The Wonder arrived on Sunday with the Francis Thorpe half laden from the metropolis.

Everybody is rushing to J. STRAUSS' new grocery store.

Munson has a passion for making boats. But then, he always makes a good one.

Yesterday was the dulldest day we ever found in Astoria. It double-discounted the 5th of November, 1872.

J. STRAUSS sells the nicest, best, and cheapest goods in town.

The Ella will go to sea to-morrow perhaps, from Knappton. The Orient cleared out on Saturday.

Fully 25 per cent. saved by buying at J. STRAUSS' new grocery store.

Ero. Calender, (an old-time print, and a genial good fellow, as all old prints are), has the Ella, Tam O'Shanter, Whistler, and Modoc, to load at Knappton.

J. STRAUSS will pay the highest cash prices for fresh eggs and butter.

The Brenham did get back before Christmas, and we've lost the cigars. Well, we propose to charge it to A. M. Simpson & Bro.

\$2.40. You can buy the best coal oil in patent faucet cans, at J. STRAUSS'.

Something for laundries to look at. Chemical Olive soap, 80 cents a box, at J. STRAUSS'.

A private note from Rev. Dr. Atkins informs us that he expects to preach at the Congregational church, in Astoria on next Sabbath morning, 11 o'clock, and evening 7 o'clock. All are invited to attend.

Just received fresh Berlin, Wisconsin, cultivated cranberries, at J. STRAUSS'.

J. B. Stephenson was presented by Mrs. S., with a bouncing baby girl, at their Lewis and Clarke settlement on the 3d. This is J. B.'s first webfoot. Mother and little one are doing well.

Salem patent baker's flour, Imperial, Magnolia and Albany flour, very cheap for cash, at J. STRAUSS'.

Our affable friend J. B. Dexter, esq. has charge of the business of Messrs. Cardwell & Perkins, at the Parker House saloon. Call and see J. B., he is just the one to make your visits agreeable.

Sugar cured bacon at prices that defy competition; also, Chicago sugar cured hams and breakfast bacon, the best in the world, at J. STRAUSS'.

STRAUSS will give half a pound more sugar for one dollar than any other store in the city. All the same in coffee, beans, peas, and rice as with sugar, at J. STRAUSS'.

She was sitting in the corner resting her fair hand on a convenient door knob and he was sitting near. The stove was close at hand and doing its level best to make it hot for them. He perspired and suffered but demurred not for fear of incensing the maternal who dearly loved the champion heat producer of the age. She sighed wearily and said, "I'll fan you," proceeded to do so by gently wagging the door on its hinges. The refreshing draft caused him to exclaim: "Oh! at last you are something to a door." She gazed at him frantically, gasped and fainted.

LOCAL JOTTINGS.

The Halton Castle is loading at Burrard inlet for Melbourne.

Whoever ventured to brave the inclement weather Sunday and attend services at the Congregational church, were amply rewarded by listening to the sermons of Rev. C. W. Rigg, and we trust soon to have the pleasure of hearing him again.

They shove it down our teeth and we can chew on it, but it does no good. Portland runs the telegraphic dispatches in the interest of Portland. Is there a man in Astoria with vim enough in him to assert that Astoria has any legal existence on the maps? We want to see that man to-day from 9 A. M., till 4 P. M.

The firemen of Astoria have been trying hard for the past five years to get a good fire-alarm bell. It is well known that the fog-bell at Cape Hancock light is useless as a fog-bell, and inasmuch as the government has a vast amount of property at stake in Astoria, it seems to us that some effort might be made to transfer that bell to this city where it may be made useful.

They were playing sinch. Jim turned a queen. Jo remarked, "If I had that queen I'd like to play this hand as a poker-hand." Muggins, who held four kings says, "take it up and make your bets." No sooner said than done, and the antic was \$5.00 at least. When it came to showing down Jo. held four aces, and Muggins came around to us to inquire what Jo. wanted of that queen. We do not keep an intelligence office.

A subscriber says: We got up at 4 o'clock yesterday morning, prepared the children's clothing, and wife's back-hair for a move, looked at the underpinning of our domicile, and quietly proceeded to fail the cow, as the storm passed over without moving our residence, but it was a close call. Whew! didn't it blow, though! The master of the Hazard thought so; Capt. A. L. Harris thought so; we thought so; and so did many others about Astoria.

The hurricane which passed over Astoria between three and four o'clock yesterday morning struck the brig Hazard, lying at anchor off Clatsop spit, and nearly throwing her on her beam ends. Capt. Walker cut away his mainmast to right the vessel, and prevent her from stranding. She came up to port yesterday all right. Capt. Walker says the damages will not amount to more than \$1,000. It was very thick and dark, at the time, and the wind blew a perfect hurricane.

A very large stock of can goods, such as table and pie fruit, jelly, jam, honey, tomatoes, corn, beans, sugar peas, oysters, corn beef, condensed milk, etc., at prices to suit the times at J. STRAUSS'.

The Brenham could not wait till she got to Astoria for business, but hooked on to a vessel for Knappton yesterday as soon as she reached the Columbia river bar.

J. STRAUSS has just received a large lot of Alden dried apples, pears, plums, blackberries, raspberries and pitless cherries, which he will sell very low, to make room for more which will arrive on the steamer Chester.

Who is this infuriated fellow who thinks that 10 p. m. is not too late to make a call? We have heard of his being about and are anxious to make his acquaintance and post him up in regard to the proper social etiquette of the day.

For 20 days only, I will sell crockery, lamps, glassware, table and pocket cutlery at San Francisco wholesale prices, in order to make room for one of the largest and best selected stocks of the same kind of goods now on the way from New York, for J. STRAUSS, South side of Chenamus street, Astoria, Oregon.

The Independent says there was another oil agent in Forest Grove not long since. He sold 1,000 gallons in the place but the oil failed to come in consequence of the "demand being in excess of the supply." Such California swindlers should not be patronized. Had oil declined in the meantime it would have been shipped of course. That is one sided way of doing business, but it is not quite so bad as paying in advance, nevertheless it will entail a loss to the dealers.

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.

CITY ITEMS.

Just received at Cornart's, "My Mother-in-law," the latest book out.

Just received at Cornart's another lot of that "black ink," used by Hayes' private secretary.

Choice Havana cigars, \$18.00 per 1,000 at R. Alexander & Co's.

Crocker sold at R. Alexander & Co's for the next 30 days at San Francisco cost.

The best cooking and eating apples and pears in the city are to be found at Bozorth's, who also keeps a full stock of fresh vegetables constantly on hand at the lowest prices. Call and be convinced.

Kinney's compressed corned beef and Tillamook claims at retail at E. S. Larsen's and Hickmott & Bailey's.

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

Choice new sets of crockery, very unique and novel; also the self-righting "spittoon," that always keeps upright just received and selling at prices to suit the times, at I. W. Case's.

Board and lodging can be had at Mrs. Munson's at reasonable rates.

You can always get fresh oysters in every style and at all hours, day or night, at the Central Coffee Saloon, Concomly street, between Benton and Lafayette. Thos. McFarland, proprietor.

Dry goods, millinery and notions cheap for thirty days at the Bee Hive.

The Dance of Life, an answer to the Dance of Death, at the Circulating Library.

Dr. F. P. Hicks, dentist, rooms in Dr. Welch's building, on Squemoqua street, offers his services to the public of Astoria.

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.

Stoves and fall goods for housekeepers in great variety at L. P. Richman & Co's.

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

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

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

Fresh oysters in every style at Schmeer's.

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

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.

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

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

ANOTHER VICTORY GAINED IN FAVOR OF SPECIE PAYMENTS.

After this date, coin will be used for change, and tickets dispensed with; all drinks and cigars five and ten cents, at the Chicago House, Main street, Astoria. N. WEIMAN.

Astoria, Oct. 3, 1877.

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.

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

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. Telegraph office next door.

J. STRAUSS is fully prepared to sell you the best of teas cheaper than you have ever bought on this coast.

A Card.

To the Public of Astoria.

Heeding that there is some feeling existing among the young men of Astoria, in regard to not receiving an invitation to the call I gave at the opening of my Dancing Academy, in justice to myself I will say: That no young man who has received an invitation, and who has not made it in so doing, was that those who received invitations, and children send to school, and it would make the party more sociable than they have been heretofore.

Hoping this explanation and apology will be accepted by each and every young man in the city.

Your obedient servant,
GEO. W. CORNART.

EASTERN OREGON.—The Astorian is doing more for the interests of Eastern Oregon than any other paper in the State. If you have a friend or a relative in that section of this country, send him the paper on trial. Only one dollar for four months.

Morality on the Subject of Salmon.

EDITOR ASTORIAN:

Since there has been so much interest exhibited on the fish question of the Columbia river, we, as fishermen and residents of Astoria, conclude we have a right to give our opinion on the subject.

It appears that the members of the Portland board of trade take upon themselves the right to represent, not only all the fishermen of the Columbia river, but the whole population of the state. They quite unceremoniously step in, draw up a bill, wherein they specify and summarily execute and dictate laws, rules, regulations, restrictions, etc., in violation of which they have a code of penalties attached. It is quite refreshing to contemplate with what zeal and energy those gentry jumped at the conclusion that they could constitute themselves rulers and dictators over a class of men, and a branch of industry, over whom and which they have no jurisdiction, and not the remotest right to dictate terms or exercise their authority.

Selfishness is the prime motive power which actuated them in this matter, not a desire to benefit the people or the future of the state, (as they would have us believe), not much. But from a sheer desire to eventually monopolize the whole business to themselves, and by false representation, induce Congress to assist them in the accomplishment of their deep laid schemes; help them to build up fortunes at the shortest possible notice at the sacrifice of the interests of the hardy toiling fishermen, who simply aim to carve out a sustenance for himself and family, by a lawful and legitimate avocation.

With reference to drifts on the river. The Portland board of trade and their "committee of investigation" must be sadly deficient in judgment or information on that point alone, which goes far to prove how precious little they know of anything connected with fish or the fishing business, unless it be to speculate in it, in the same manner as with any other article of merchandise. Outside of that they absolutely know nothing. They have a plank in their platform which advocates the limits of drifts, designating two prominent points on the river which should constitute the terminus of the drifts, viz: Smith's point and Scarborough hill, east and west. Neither one of the points mentioned extend over one mile and a half below Astoria, in which immediate vicinity several of the most extensive canning and fishing establishments on the river are located, and where hundreds of the hardy and industrious fishermen follow their legitimate avocations. Should an act be passed to that effect, prohibiting fishing below the points mentioned, it would virtually abolish the only means of support for fishermen here forever, for the following reasons:

First. With a freshet in the months of May and June, and a current of ten miles an hour, a fisherman would scarce have time enough to get his net out of the boat, to say nothing about taking it in again, before he would be swept past the limits.

Secondly. If he happened to get a half dozen of drift snags into his net, which would be apt to carry him ten or fifteen miles down the river, (in spite of all his exertions of trying to clear himself), it would be a great consolation to a man after narrowly escaping with his life, in trying to save the property of his own or that of his employers, to come back and be compelled to pay a fine of one thousand dollars and imprisonment at the discretion of the courts.

The Portland salmon committee must evidently be under the impression that drifting with three hundred fathom of net on the river, is something like driving a horse and buggy over the macadamized road, from the turnpike gate to the White house, and a pull up at the door.

I beg leave to inform those gentlemen that it is something of an entirely different nature, and I would recommend to the honorable board and their "committee" before presuming to frame laws and rules and regulations for fishermen to come down here to Astoria and stay and fish with us for a couple of seasons, and we'll instruct them in the art of fishing and never charge them one cent. The hundred and one obstacles and obstructions that we have to contend with on the river, I have neither the inclination nor the space here to write about.

Reference was made on the same bill (Sec. 2), respecting the size of meshes. It is as clear as day-light, that the board of trade, nor its committee, understood the first principles of the subject they took under their sublime consideration. Any man con-

versant with the business knows that a seine, built of eight and one quarter inch, diagonally, could never catch a salmon. Most likely the propagating committee never seen a gill net nor a seine, nor a salmon ever caught in either of them. From the tone of their whole bill, it strikes me very forcibly that they are talking through a mouth piece and I value their sublime authority for just what it is worth. The Portland board of trade and their committee had better confine themselves their own atmosphere, and their own natural element, loaning money, instead of interfering with our business, as they don't seem to know what they are speaking about.

The Columbia river fishermen require neither the Portland board of trade nor Prof. Stone's instructions on the protection or propagation of salmon or any other fish. Every fishery on the river can construct a hatching pond on their own premises if they chose, without the assistance of any professor. And neither the fish committee nor any scientific fish commissioner need flatter themselves of ever extorting any revenue from fishermen in order to create a fat salaried position for some favorite friend who is of no earthly use to any one, except to produce an odd curiosity to amuse his patrons and in turn trumpet his fame over the country as a wonderful and scientific man.

The gentleman who signed himself an old fisher was evidently ashamed to see his name in print. He, with his superannuated ideas, reminds me of the Arkansas man who went home and told his wife they would have to pull up stakes and go west, because there were neighbors within fifty miles of them. Had "old fisher" been obliged to contend against twelve hundred boats and nets in '47, with his thirty fathom seine, his chances would have been equally as slim then as at the present time; and if no one was to fish next year but himself, with his little thirty fathom seine, his chances would be as good as they were thirty years ago.

All the restrictions "old fisher" recommends in his article will not tend to increase the number of fish on this river in one single respect, nor will gill net fishing decrease them. But as the population of the country increases, so will fish on a river decrease, not by catching them, for "there are as many fish in the sea as ever were caught," but the sewage and drainage from towns, cities, factories and foundries, will eventually disturb the natural state and condition of the spawning grounds of the river bottoms, which is unquestionably bound to act upon the natural instincts of a fish in the water, as does the settling and populating of new territory upon game and the wild beasts of the forest. Artificial hatching of fish is very plausible in theory, but falls wide of the mark in practice.

An ex-member of the Fishermen's Beneficial Aid Society. C. Y. No. 242.

Spend Your Money at Home.

The following are the most forcible reasons why you should spend your money at home:

- 1st. It is your home; you cannot improve it much by taking it away to spend or invest.
- 2d. There is no way of improving a place so much as by encouraging good merchants, good schools and good people to settle among you, and this cannot be done unless you spend your money at home.
- 3d. Spend your money at home, for there is where you generally get it. It is your duty.
4. Spend your money at home because when it is necessary for you to get credit, it is of your town merchants you have to get it, and they must wait for the money. Therefore, when you have the cash, spend it at home.
- 5th. Spend your money at home. It will make better merchants of your merchants; they can and will keep better assortments and sell at lower rates than if the only business they can do is what is credited out, while the money goes to other places.
- 6th. Spend your money at home. Set the example now. Buy your dry goods, groceries, meats, and everything at home, and you will see a wonderful change in a short time in the business outlook of the place; therefore, deal with your home merchants.
- 7th. Spend your money at home. What do you gain by going off? Count the cost; see what you could have done at home by letting your merchants have the cash. Strike a balance and see if you would not have been just as well off, besides helping your merchants.
- 8th. Spend your money at home. Your merchants are your neighbors, your friends; they stand by you in sickness—are your associates. Without your trade they cannot keep your business. No stores, then no banks, no one wanting to buy property to settle on and build up your place.

Any friend who feels an interest in the prosperity of this region, is authorized to act as Agent for this paper, in procuring subscribers.