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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. Other wise we shall not be responsible for failures of the carrier to deliver the paper promptly and regularly to them.

Read J. STRAUSS' new "ad."

A little work on West eight street would go a great ways, just south of the roadway.

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

The Tam O'Shanter and Whistler, loading at Knappa, will get off early next week.

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

The fellow who stole Capt. Wert's boat, cannot stay out of the penitentiary very much longer.

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

If you want a good krount cutter go to Henry Gallon's wagon shop and have one made to order.

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

The Modoc came up to Grays wharf yesterday, and will discharge ballast prior to loading at Knappa for San Francisco.

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

Mr. J. R. Sheppard of this city, late of Corvallis, has returned to his old stamping grounds on a visit, and will remain away until the 16th, when he expects to be in attendance at the masquerade there.

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

The young ladies of Astoria will give a splendid entertainment at Liberty Hall on next Thursday evening, for the benefit of the Congregational church. A fine programme of select vocal and instrumental music will be given.

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

The ladies especially interested in the entertainment that is given at Liberty Hall next Thursday are working assiduously with every prospect of flattering success. All the young bachelors of Astoria will aid the fair ones who have undertaken to cancel a debt of honor.

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

The Good Templars vouch for some first class amateur theatricals at an early date. Having some idea of the amount of natural talent some of the members possess we can safely predict we will be favored with something worth seeing, and superior to many entertainments we have attended at the same place.

## Cooperation for Life Hours.

I am composed of 16 letters: My 13, 3, 7, 3, 16, 3, is my paternal progenitor.

My 3, 10, 1, 12, 13, was a great and energetic man.

My 13, 5, 11, 10, are plentiful in Astoria.

My 11, 12, 4, 15, 8, will never come again.

My 2, 15, 14, 7, 10, 1, 12, 16, 3, often does great damage.

My 11, 9, 14, 7, 12, 13, often makes the best part of a man.

My 2, 3, 16, 4, is often given without my 2, 5, 15, 13, 1.

My 13, 12, 16, 4, 3, 13, means over there.

My 10, 1, 12, 13, 8, is but another name for my 7, 14, 3.

My whole is what everybody should have daily.

The answer will be given on Sunday next.

## LOCAL JOTTINGS.

—The Ancon always makes a pretty landing at Astoria.

—The opera troupe will perform but one evening in Astoria.

—The Mattie Macleay will complete cargo at Astoria for Honolulu.

—The Blengfell, River Nith, and Englewood, all partly laden from Portland, are completing cargo at Astoria.

—We are pleased to learn that Wm. Koerner is recovering in Honolulu. When the Sierra Nevada is discharged there she will sail for this port. This information comes by way of Port Townsend in a letter to Mr. Charles Stevens.

—The thieves who entered Justice Peter H. Fox's residence in this city night before last, and relieved him of \$175.00, took a 50 cent shin plaster at par. There are a lot of unprincipled thieves in Astoria at present, which will bear the closest watching.

—We were both surprised and gratified yesterday at receiving a large basketful of luxuries from the Central market, when we observed that it was a remembrance of the printer on the occasion of a late arrival in Bro. Wilson's family, note of which is made under the appropriate heading in another column. We extend our congratulations to the happy household.

—The boiler for the steamer Katata arrived by the Ancon yesterday. The steamer charges were only \$10.50 from San Francisco and landed it at Badollet & Co's wharf. A cannery near here paid over \$100.00 a year ago for the freight on a similar boiler for the same place, yet some persons claim that the opposition is a damage to Oregon. Certainly B. & Co. are the gainers by it of over \$50.00.

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

—Capt. Lahmeyer of the Alma has our best wishes for a quick run to Queens-town. His unbounded hospitality and gentlemanly conduct has made him many friends here and we hope to see him back again at an early date. Several of his countrymen here, among whom may be mentioned Messrs. Wieman, Bock and Niederauer, have endeavored to show Capt. L. how well a gentleman of his kind is appreciated here, and no doubt he will leave with pleasant recollections of our city. The Alma is a trim barque and has 1250 tons of wheat aboard. We venture to predict a good voyage and hope to see her soon again.

—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.

—Saturday evening's soiree, under the auspices of Cornart, was well patronized. All the young folks and many of their parents were there; also, several passengers from the Elber. Several army officers just returned from the recent war attended, and once more we were treated to some graceful waltzing that can only be executed by those who have practiced at West Point. But the fair partners were equal to the occasion, and were it not dangerous to be too personal we would specify a few who were the personification of grace. We congratulate Mr. Cornart on his success and trust all future soirees will meet deserving patronage, as no doubt they will.

—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.

## Thanksgiving Proclamation.

To the People of the State of Oregon:

In compliance with an honored custom, and in accordance with the proclamation of the President of the United States, I, S. F. Chadwick, Governor of Oregon, do hereby appoint Thursday, the 29th day of November, A. D. 1877, to be observed by the people of the Commonwealth as a day of thanksgiving and praise to Almighty God for the manifold blessings which he has bestowed upon our favored state during the year, for the abundant harvests that our fields have borne, for the plenty that fills our homes, for the general prosperity and health that we enjoy, and for the beneficent Providence that has preserved our borders from the threatened desolation of a savage war.

And do earnestly recommend that the people of the State on that day by aside their usual employments and assemble themselves together in their accustomed place of public worship, to give fitting testimony of their gratitude to the Father of all for the tender mercy with which he has overspread us.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed at the Executive office, in the city of Salem, this 1st day of November, A. D. 1877.

S. F. CHADWICK, Secretary of State.

## The Fish Subject.

ASTORIA, Nov. 12th, 1877.

EDITOR ASTORIAN:

If you and the reading public will pardon me for this second (and I hope the last) time, in life that I have attempted to write an article for a newspaper, as I was almost driven to write the first one, on account: 1st, of being a citizen of Astoria; and 2d, under my circumstances as much interested in the perpetuation of fish in the Columbia river as any man; for all that I have nearly, in worldly goods, are invested here, and I intend to make this my home the balance of my life. My interest in the fish business on the lower Columbia is the same as the man who takes the boat and net and goes out in the river to catch the fish; the same as the man who can them; for their prosperity is mine, (I am not now hunting for office.) All I wish to do is to answer the questions that "W. W. P." in his article asked me to answer, and by permission some others.

Mr. "W. W. P." states in starting out as a clincher, that my article was full of incongruities and absurdities (which means lies.) That being the case on the face of the whole article, any person living about Astoria would see if no one in other parts of the world could, that this was so.

Now for answering "W. W. P.'s" questions. I do not believe that he nor any other living man, ever heard of a young salmon above the falls of the Willamette, for salmon never pass above the falls of the Willamette at Oregon city in hatching season. Nor have there ever been a salmon seen in the Willamette river above the falls, unless since the locks have been built, or when the Willamette was high in the winter. And as for the Tualatin, a salmon was never seen by any one in that river, as it is above the Willamette falls, and if there had been, there is not a saw mill on the Tualatin river to make sawdust. Now a line drawn east and west, crossing at the falls of the Willamette river, south of that line in the Willamette valley and the tributaries there never was a salmon spawned. Shall I that great leather, wool, lumber and all other great manufacturing interest be shut off, where salmon never was nor never will be spawned, to the reproduction of the salmon in the Columbia river? From the Oregon city falls to the mouth of the 24 miles. In all that stretch there are but three streams entering the river, one is the Clackamas and the other two are small streams, emptying in at the town of Milwaukie, in which salmon run. The salmon that run into the Clackamas scarcely amount to anything, the amount that run into those two small creeks at Milwaukie, in ratio to the salmon that run in the Columbia, is as a pins head (compared to Mt. Hood), and as for Mr. "W. W. P.'s" statement in regard to saw dust: in a river below a mill, I would like if some one will step to the front and tell when and where they ever beheld such a terrible sight as a river milky white for three miles with saw dust. So much for the saw dust and one of the great tributaries of the Columbia river on the salmon question. I would like for Mr. "W. W. P." to tell of the mill in Oregon away from a water course that has one of those peculiar screws in a box for the removal of saw dust to some swamp or mud hole, to fill it with, and be kind enough to tell who invented it, and I will ever remain yours fraternally.

Sec. 5th of that masterly piece of statesmanship asks Congress to enact a law not only for Oregon, Idaho and Washington territory, but it asks Congress to make a law to make John Bull shut up his mining and milling interests in about one half of British Columbia. I wonder if it would not be a good plan to call another meeting and have the center of gigantic wisdom concentrated within the body of some of those masterly minds and petition president Hayes to command Queen Victoria to come over and bow on her humbled knees and ask him for a post-mistress-ship up in Alaska (please turn to the maps and then to article 5th.)

Now for the fish in what is known as upper Oregon, Washington and Idaho on the Snake river. There are innumerable large as well as small streams that put out into the mountains that reaches mining, as well as lumbering districts. These streams have falls either into Snake river or very closely, that it is impossible for a salmon to pass. Look at the vast country above the American falls on Snake river. Eighty or one hundred miles of steamboat navigation, watering a vast mountain as well as valley country, susceptible of supporting a vast population. Did a salmon ever hatch above these

fall. Is not the main Columbia valley situated the same?

My first article was written in all good feeling toward fishermen, as well as all cannery people, as well as with the people of Astoria, and if I have stirred up a bees-nest and waked up an old newspaper editor, you may soon expect to see me coming out at the other end of that long box, in which that peculiar screw goes through, that runs the saw dust into the said mud hole, if you will find the other end. I hope something good of this question will come to all of us, but I don't wish to have it individualized (unless it can all come to me). Please pardon this long digression.

Now I wish to ask Mr. W. W. P. a few questions: first why in section 5 he did not incorporate the twenty-eight canneries on the Columbia river that throw all their garbage and waste into the Columbia river in the shape of tin, fish, offal, acids, and all other waste, just the same as a woolen mill is compelled to do? Also, would ask why not require by penalty, every fisherman who kills a sturgeon or a seal in the Columbia river to take him ashore and bury him (at least as good as he would a Chinaman) so that he will not come on the beach and lay there all summer to stink the people into typhoid or other terrible diseases, as well as being a general nuisance to every body living in the vicinity of the river? I subscribed fifty dollars to the fish hatching that is going on now in the Clackamas river at this time, and have money invested in it at this time. Will Mr. W. W. P. please step to the front and tell us how much he subscribed, as well as how much the Columbia river fishermen's association have subscribed, and also how many canneries subscribed and have paid their coin into that institution? If these questions are properly and honestly answered then I have no more to say on this subject. But I don't want any man to dispute my statements to the public unless he is prepared with facts to disprove mere assertions as to saw dust or young salmon in the Tualatin river. That long screw that runs to the mudhole, conclusively proves every word that I stated in my first article as to the ignorance and over-reaching stupidity with which this whole fish question has been handled from the start. What I hope is that if no one that is used to writing up such questions will take my place in that fish matter that echo in this is all that is necessary. I have said all that I have to say to Mr. W. W. P. in friendship, as he is my neighbor and fellow citizen.

A friend to the general interests of Oregon. J. C. T.

## Is Chinese Labor Beneficial to the Columbia River Canning Interests.

EDITOR ASTORIAN:

In discussing this question, if you will let well enough alone, I say no! And these are my reasons: It gives every man that can represent that he understands the business, to parties having money to invest, to go into it. They say, "here I can get Chinamen cheap and we can make some money," and they try and fail. Now these same parties that branch off are getting from \$1,000 to \$3,000 per annum as a salary for their services, which I think is well enough. At any rate, it is a bird in hand worth two in the bush. These branches have to have boats and these boats increase the price of fish caught from 25 to 50 cents and the fishermen makes 25 dollars per day at 25 cents per fish; and now they make five dollars per day at 50 cents. The canneries have to contract their fish in order to go ahead, and often at a low figure, which reduces the price of can fish, and makes the business hardly profitable.

I don't blame the Chinamen for being employed, but I do blame the people for employing them, and I think it would have been to their advantage not to have done so. If they had not there would not have been so many Chinamen on the river and those that were here would be doing well, white labor would be doing well, and the fishermen would be doing well, and it would require less gear to run each factory. When people are getting from \$1,000 to \$3,000 per annum they should be content. Fishermen compose a large portion of the population of Astoria. When they can make nothing for their years work they can not spend much, and some of them cannot pay their bills, and it leaves us with but little money in circulation and consequently makes times dull. And if it was not for Chinamen white labor could find employment, their bills, if honest, would be paid and that would make business lively in all branches of trade. But as it is they bring up fishermen from California. They earn a few dollars and go back.

They hire Chinamen and they send about 50 per cent. of their earnings home to China, which is as good as gone forever.

Twelve canneries running with white labor and all doing well, would be better than thirty with a portion of them busted and all hiring Chinamen. R.

## CITY ITEMS.

....J. Olsen will receive for the holidays the finest lot of jewelry ever offered in Astoria and at San Francisco prices. Don't forget the place, Caulfield's Drug store, Chenamus street.

....Wm. McCormick, dealer in fruits from the farms of Lewis river, has a choice lot of apples to-day. Corner of main and Chenamus streets.

....Eating apples 75 cents to \$1.00; cooking 50 cents; pears 75 cents; eggs 50 cents, and everything in proportion at Bozorth's. Call and satisfy yourself.

....Splendid lamps, and the best of oil at R. Alexander & Co's.

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

....Kinney's compressed corned beef and Tillamook clams 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 L. W. Case's.

....You can always get fresh oysters in every style and at all hours, day or night, at the Central Coffee Saloon, Concomby 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.

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

....Single men feel like marrying when they see the Medallion range at Magnus C. Crosby's.

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

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

....White wire goods in every style, at Magnus C. Crosby'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.

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

## 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. Gerhart, 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 Gen saloon in Astoria. The latest shipping papers and home-ward and outward bound shipping lists are kept on file. Telegraph office next door.

....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.

Most expeditious route to Oregon is by rail to San Francisco, California, and thence to Portland, Oregon, by the direct steamer line sailing every Saturday morning.

....J. STRAUSS has just received a large lot of Alder 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.