

If we were abundantly supplied with coin we should not ask patrons to remit, but one of the very hardest things to do in this world, is to run a printing office on "premiere." Our business is all in small amounts, and it is about as easy to pay one time as another, hence we trust that our patrons will freely respond to our calls for the same due us on account.

#### Dispatch from Senator Mitchell.

In response to a dispatch from the Astoria Chamber of Commerce to Senator Mitchell, inquiring particulars of his Astoria railroad bill, the honorable senator says Astoria interests will be guarded. We are not at liberty to publish the full dispatch this morning, as it is a long one, and must come before the Chamber of Commerce before publicity is given to it entire, but we confess that it strengthens our faith. The days are numbered (let us hope) when Astoria is to be fettered and hampered for want of more reliable and speedy communication with the interior.

#### Astoria Headquarters.

Messrs. Goodall, Perkins & Co., agents for the Pacific coast line of steamships, have canvassed Astoria. They know all about Gray's harbor, Shoalwater bay, Tillamook bay, Yaquina bay, and the Umpqua and Coos bay, and a line of steamers suitable for this entire trade will be put on next spring with headquarters at Astoria, Selah.

#### Auber—"Fra Diavolo."

Referring to "Fra Diavolo," the New York Sun of the 11th, says: It is a significant tribute to the genius of the great French master that two of his works should have been represented last evening in this city (and both in languages other than those in which the operas were written), "Massaniello" being given in Italian at Niblo's Garden, and "Fra Diavolo" in English at the Fifth Avenue Theatre.

And the tribute was no less deserved than significant, for if ever a man possessed the gift of melody, it was Auber. It stayed with him also to the last, for he presented the remarkable and, so far as we are aware, the only instance of a composer writing and producing a fresh and spontaneous work at an age when most men who live so long are in their dotage, for his "Premier Jour de Bonheur"—curious title for an octogenarian's work—he brought out in Paris when he was 86.

#### The Opera.

For a great many years past Astoria has been considered too far removed to be ever blessed with visits from great celebrities on the stage and when it was seriously proposed that such company as the Richings-Bernard English opera were coming for a short season the project was considered in the light of a doubtful venture. We had already been favored by the visit of a small company and they gave us much to admire, but this company, with its strength of about thirty artists, and a full chorus and grand orchestra have done as grandly. Considering the primitiveness of their surroundings in our only hall we may say that we have never seen an opera put upon the stage more successfully than *The Bohemian Girl* Monday night and *Il Trovatore* last night, which leads us to anticipate great pleasure this evening, when we are to have Flotow's brilliant opera of *Martha*, and to-morrow evening Auber's comic opera *Fra Diavolo*. The opera of *Martha* by this company will present a feast of music. Referring to their visit here we realize that they are giving us a series of operas in grand style, and we may have to wait many a day before a troupe of equal merit will appear in this city. We may have individual singers of equal merit, and in some instances superior, to visit us; but a full company will not risk their chances very often in this section.

Oregon has every advantage enjoyed in civilized countries. Liberal laws. Good schools. Moderate taxes. Only nominal State debt.

#### NEWS OF THE MORNING.

Stiles' trial began yesterday before Judge Deady.

Allen Francis has been appointed Consul at Victoria "from Oregon."

Oakey Hall is on the lecturer's roll for the coming winter. Boston takes the first dose.

The New York Sunday Mercury has traced a case of leprosy to a Chinese tenement in Baxter street.

And now the Reading, (Pa.), savings bank is busted. Only \$1,000,000 on deposit. "Shrinkage" the cause.

Cold weather is probable in New York. It was "delightful" for the first time this season on Monday. That's just our fix.

The Confederate monument, completed and ready to erect on Saturday, was defaced beyond repair, by some unknown person. That is meaner than cutting the Independent's cloth sign at Roseburg last week.

The Russians are in possession of Kars, and 10,000 more Turks for Thanksgiving. It was a hard fought battle, and at least 8,000 men were killed, 5,000 Turks. It is reported that a Russian assault on Plevna was repulsed.

Just as THE ASTORIAN expected, and so stated, Col. Bob Ingersoll don't propose to be sent off to Germany. On Monday last in company with Senator Oglesby he visited the Secretary of state and requested that his name be not used.

#### LETTER LIST.

Following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the Astoria Post-office, Nov. 17, 1877:

Anderson, N P	Mann, Emanuel
Anderson, H O	McBride, G W
Boeson, A O	Montandon, F
Brown, Ernest	Molson, J D
Bergman, V	Metz, James
Barclay, S	McCaskill, M
Courtney, C C	Munro, R R
Cordril, M	McKay, Miss C
Campbell, T	Neill, R G
DeAlma, Col H C	Olsen, Peter
Duffey, P	Rowan, John
Deetz, Wm	Reynolds, F
Erikson, Fred	Schlin, Wm
Erigson, Samuel	Stephens, Wm
Elliott, Kev F	Shively, P M
Forbes, A	Sutherland, J
Gillette, Frank	Scott, Henry
Gillett, F	Shipan, A
Harris, M H	Sankfaeth, J H
Hanson, John	Salmi, John
Harest, Mrs S	Summers, John
Jacobs, J W	Svensson, C R
Justine, Mrs L	Willis, C A
King, Master J W	Wallis, George
King, James	White, H C
McEwan, Miss M	Wells, W E
Young, Miss Mary	

Persons calling for any of the above letters must give the date on which they were advertised. Wm. CHANGE, P. M.

#### DIED.

At the residence of Dr. Hays, near Riverside, Pacific county, W. T., of consumption, Joseph Halstead, a native of Santa Island, Australia, aged 24 years.

#### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Advertising. The Astorian has a larger circulation on the Columbia river than all other state papers combined.

**NOT FAIL TO** send for our New Catalogue. It contains valuable information for every person concerned in the purchase of any article of personal or family use. Free to all. **MONTGOMERY WARD & CO.** Original Grange Supply House, 225 225 Webster Ave., CHICAGO, ILL.

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#### NOTICE.

Whereas the city of Astoria has by ordinance directed and authorized the issuance of \$5,717 50 in bonds payable on or before three years after date, with interest at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, payable quarterly, and payable in U. S. gold coin, which bonds are to be receivable for all special taxes, and are issued in payment of the contract for the building of the City Hall and Jail, and at the times as follows: One third of even date herewith, one third when the building is enclosed and the remaining one third when the building is finished and accepted. Now, therefore we the undersigned, Trustees appointed for the purpose, hereby give public notice that we will receive proposals for said bonds, from and on Thursday, November 22, 1877, at the store of either one of the following named persons, in Astoria, Oregon, "Prepaid" all bonds received for bonds from \$50 up to the full amount and must state the highest sum on the dollar parties will take the same. No proposals will be entertained at less than 92 cents. Bonds to be paid for and delivered as issued by the city.

Bids should be sealed, and indorsed "Proposals for City Bonds." **A. VAN DUSEN,** Trustees, **I. W. CASE,** Astoria, Nov. 8, 1877. 134-td

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#### NOTICE.

We the undersigned Commissioners appointed by Ordinance No. 224 and 225 to assess the benefits and damages caused by the widening of Chenamus and Chinook 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 HOBSON,** C. A. MCGUIRE, **ALMARIN MONTGOMERY.** Astoria, Oct. 12, 1877. 111-td

The Board stands adjourned to meet at the same place on Wednesday, the 31st day of October, 1877, at ten o'clock a. m.

**JOHN HOBSON,** C. A. MCGUIRE, **A. MONTGOMERY.** Astoria, Oct. 24, 1877.

The Board stands adjourned to meet at the same place on Wednesday, the 7th day of November, 1877, at ten o'clock a. m.

**JOHN HOBSON,** C. A. MCGUIRE, **A. MONTGOMERY.** Astoria, Nov. 7, 1877.

**WANTED.—At The Astoria Laundry,** CONCOMLY ST., ASTORIA, OREGON.

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