

Temple Lodge, No. 7, A. F. A. M. Regular Communications first and third Saturdays in each month, at 7 o'clock, P. M., at the Hall in Astoria.

Beaver Lodge No. 35, I. O. O. F. Meet every Friday evening, at 7 o'clock, in the Odd Fellow's Hall, cor. of Cass and Chenamus streets, Astoria. Members of the Order are invited to attend. By order, W. M.

Astoria Lodge No. 40, I. O. G. T. Regular Meeting every Tuesday Evening at 7 o'clock, at Good Templar's Hall, Chenamus Street, Astoria, over C. L. Parker's Store. Members of the Order, in good standing, are invited to attend. Degree meeting 1st Monday each month. By order W. C. T.

Common Council. Regular meetings first and third Monday evenings of each month, at 7 o'clock. Persons desiring to have matters acted upon by the Council, at any regular meeting must present the same to the Auditor and Clerk on or before the Friday evening prior to the Monday on which the Council holds its regular meetings. By order of the Council. F. J. TAYLOR, Auditor.

Astoria Engine Co. No. 1. Regular monthly meeting will be held at the hall of the Company, on the second Tuesday of each month, at 7 o'clock P. M. Members are expected to attend promptly, if not the usual fines will be imposed upon them, unless legal excuse is offered. By order of the Company. A. VAN DUSEN, President. E. N. CARNAHAN, Secretary.

Rescue Engine Co. No. 2. Regular meetings will be held at the House of the company on the 1st Thursday of each month, at 7 o'clock P. M. J. D. MERYMAN, Pres. E. F. PARKER, Sec.

Cemetery Notice. The undersigned Sexton of the Astoria Cemetery, in view of the fact that the cemetery grounds are now permanently located, wishes all persons owning lots in the grounds to report the number and block to him; also, all persons who have buried friends in the grounds at any time, are requested to address him through the Post-office, or call upon him at his office, and furnish him with a list, embracing the name of deceased, age, when buried, the lot or block upon which the burial was made, and such other information as will enable him to bring order out of chaos. F. FERRELL, City Sexton. Astoria, Oregon, Sept. 20, 1877.

NOTICE TO SHIP MASTERS. The undersigned, respectfully desires to inform Masters of vessels entering the port of Astoria that there actually exist, such as real live stevedores right here in Astoria, without their being obliged to travel a hundred miles up the river to find one, and in the end be compelled to take the man particularly pointed out to them by the Portland ring whether agreeable to the Captain or not, take him he must. I remarked they were compelled to take the man pointed out to them and repeat it: for, the shipmasters once in the sanctum of the Portland ring has no choice but patiently to submit to the man chosen by the ring. It is a well known fact that stevedore bills constitute one of the principal items of ships bills in all commercial ports; but under the present systematic arrangement of the Portland ring managers, the Captains opinion on that subject, there is never called into question or consulted, every precaution being judiciously taken, and every avenue to approach the Captain on that subject by outsiders being zealously guarded by the toilers and wire-pullers of the ring, leaving no alternative, but for the Captain submissively to accept the conditions held out by them. But I will here take the liberty to state, for the special benefit of ship Masters, and I am able to prove my assertion, that I can save to any ship Captain or owner the round sum of three hundred and four dollars in U. S. gold coin, on every 100 tons of wheat or flour that may go into their ships here at Astoria, and if ship Masters choose to accept my proposition, I'll guarantee the best satisfaction at figures proportionally nominal compared to Portland rates. Under the present system of employing stevedores at Portland the Master of a ship is completely at the mercy of the consignee agent or charter-party, who makes it their business to point out their man Jack, and the Captain is of necessity compelled to accept the conditions held out by them, the utmost care being taken, and tender solicitude exhibited towards the Captain, in order to guard and protect him from all danger of approach or contact with outside parties, for fear of opposition, as from an epidemic, he is never for a moment lost sight of by the toilers and button-liners of the ring, from the moment he sets foot on terra firma, until he's got his clearance in his pocket and on his way out. But three hundred and four dollars on every 100 tons can be deducted from any ship's expenses in the port of Astoria by my system of stevedoring, which otherwise goes into the consignee pockets of the so-called Portland boss-rigger and stevedore. But I'll here trespass on your patience and venture to remark, and I'll back my opinion at any time or place, that neither of the parties, deprecating themselves rigger, and adm themselves off as such, possess the ability to even rig a plunger or cut a load rope, for a royal yard, far less rig a ship. I make this assertion because I am positive of what I say or speak, having been both in ports on the Atlantic states, on the Pacific coast and for a matter of ten years on the Columbia river engaged as stevedore myself, and consequently am pretty well posted as to the abilities of most men in that particular branch of business around here, having had ample opportunities to test them all; the parties referred to may be able to cross top-galant yards with pipe-steps, but never did nor never will know how to cut a set of rigging for, or rig a ship. As regards the loading of ships, I can here state, and defy any one to contradict it, that after deducting the labor bill from the sum total charges every line tons at Portland rates, and charges; three hundred and four dollars pass into the hand of the boss-rigger and stevedore as a consideration for the use of six schute, ten dollars worth of lumber, which may be brought into requisition for fifty ships without deteriorating a particle of their original value. Three hundred and four dollars for every twenty hours work or use of their hands to slide some sacks on, is pretty good interest on ten dollars of capital invested, why, it knocks spots off all your oceanic values and stock-raising speculations in America. But what surprises our good men here ship Captains will permit themselves to be bamboozled and fleeced by a set of only toughed and unscrupulous humbugs rather than deal with square matters of fact men, I can prove my ability and competence of being thoroughly conversant with the business I refer to, and prepared to prove to any ship Captain here and in what manner I can reduce their stevedore bills to the amount of the above mentioned figures, and load their ships with equal dispatch, promptness and precision as any Portland stevedore, provided Captains choose to consult us on the subject. G. L. GILES YOUNG. For reference, Post-office box 30, Astoria, Oregon.

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