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Mr. M. C. Moore, of Walla Walla, returned to Astoria yesterday.

The bark Rival sailed from San Francisco for this port on the 11th.

The bark Edward James is on the berth in San Francisco for Honolulu.

The steamship Geo. W. Elder yesterday brought a very large mail.

It was thought that boats would connect from Portland and The Dalles yesterday.

The steamship Idaho will leave this city perhaps to-morrow, for San Francisco direct.

The schooner Enterprise sailed from San Francisco for Shoalwater bay on the 16th.

Mr. A. F. Stream, Fish Commissioner for Washington territory, was in the city yesterday.

The Oregon City Enterprise has added much to its appearance, by adopting a patent outside.

The schooner Honora is now loading for Tillamook, and will have quick dispatch. See advertisement.

Hon. W. D. Hare, Collector of customs at Astoria, is on a visit to his old home in Washington county, and on business in Portland.

The British ship Nairnshire, which went up to Portland last October from this port, returned on Sunday partly laden for sea.

The pagan descendants of Joss will celebrate their New Year to-day. Look out for bombs and China clackers—all same Mellican man's fourth July.

The steamer Rip Van Winkle made a trip up John Days yesterday with a cargo of hay, etc., for the stock in a logging camp at the head of the slough.

The boiler in the steamer Oneatta sprung a leak yesterday morning, and she was compelled to postpone her trip to Skipanon. The damage was soon repaired.

The schooner Honora received considerable freight yesterday from Portland, by the Westport. The schooner is now loading here for points on Tillamook bay.

Dr. D. S. Baker, of Walla Walla, who has been ice bound at Portland for several weeks past, expects to be able to reach Celilo to-morrow evening en route homeward.

A quantity of giant powder was landed at Astoria and stored in a safe place a few days ago. When our reporter asked for what purpose? The answer was, briefly: "To blow up gossips."

Mr. C. J. Trenchard "had a night of it" with burglars, at the store of Trenchard & Upshur, recently. He succeeded in shooting one of the fellows while they were working to open the safe, and with the exclamation: "My God I'm shot!" the thieves broke for the front door. Mr. Trenchard then put another shot into the gang, from an up-stairs window, and brought them to a halt; when he awoke, and found that he had been wrestling with a night-mare.

Letter From New Hampshire.

THE WEATHER TROPICS, EAST AND WEST.

THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS IN NEW ENGLAND.

THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD.

A LATE IDEA CONCERNING LAND GRANTS.

WEST SWANZEY, N. H., Jan. 6.—I have spent the past two months rusticated among the mountains of New Hampshire and Vermont, and hence have very little news of interest for Astorians. About a foot of snow covers the ground. Yesterday was a beautiful, clear day, so is to-day also. The weather for the past month has been cloudy and squally. The thermometer averages about 5 deg. above zero. It is said this winter so far has been much colder in the west than in the east. I have stood the cold pretty well, I have only had three bad colds, with which I was confined to bed and was under the doctors care. Thank God, I am well now, but how long I will keep so it is impossible to tell. It is a terrible country for colds, and scarcely a man, woman or child is without one, during the winter.

I have seen a Thanksgiving and Christmas in New England. The former is not observed as I thought it was. So far as I could see, Thanksgiving in this section simply means a good dinner. The churches are slimly attended. But Christmas is a great day everywhere; Santa Claus is as heartily welcomed in New England as on the Pacific slope. A wonderful change in this respect has come over the descendants of the Puritans in the past twenty-five years.

I am pleased to see the Northern Pacific Railroad company have contracted for 100 miles of road from Bismarck west. The papers say it is to be completed by the 1st of March, but this can hardly be possible. It must mean March, 1880. The contractors have agreed to build it for \$7,100 a mile. This price is said to be the lowest at which any road has been built in this or any other country. This is a favorable time for building railroads, as labor is low and iron is cheaper than ever before. You know the Northern Pacific Railroad company now claim that a railroad grant never lapses, so long as congress does not repeal the grant. If this theory proves correct then the Astoria and McMinville grant is in force yet. But grant or no grant, Astoria will have a railroad to the heart of the Wallamet valley before many years.

The schooner Hera, Capt. Monson, of G. W. Hume's line, is now on the berth in San Francisco for Astoria, and will sail on Saturday next. She will not go above Astoria, but will load here for her outward voyage.

Buchtel & Stolte, the photographers of Oregon have dissolved partnership, and the business is conducted by Joe himself, who has been engaged thereat in Portland a quarter of a century. Fred Gere has accepted the place as operator.

The last will and testament of the late Ferdinand Ferrell has been admitted to probate, and Capt. Geo. Flavel appointed executor. The will of J. S. Chambers, deceased, has also been admitted to probate, and C. S. Wright appointed executor.

Capt. and Engineer S. S. Douglas is making a decided success of the steamer Westport. He arrived at Astoria at three o'clock a. m. yesterday from Portland with a large and valuable cargo for Trenchard & Upshur, E. S. Larsen and others, and returned at one o'clock p. m.

Some few days ago it was reported in this city that Mr. Duncan, of the firm of R. D. Hume & Co. was dead. The report is confirmed by a private letter to Mr. Morgan from Mr. G. W. Hume, but no particulars are given. Mr. Duncan will be remembered as one of the most energetic men in business here, and this report of his death will cause many pangs of regret.

That Wharf Matter.

EDITOR ASTORIAN :

The Kilkenny-cat quarrel, referred to in THE ASTORIAN of the 19th, is about this, according to one party, to-wit: The State law gives owners of land abutting on tide water the right to build wharves in front thereof to ship channel. That is one section of the law. The next section says: On application of the party having the right, and desiring to build such wharves in incorporated towns, to the city council, said council shall, by ordinance or other like mode, prescribe the mode and extent to which such wharves may be constructed beyond low water mark, so as not to unnecessarily interfere with the navigation of such tide water. The wharf party in this fight have asked the city council to prescribe the mode and extent to which they might build their wharf; and the council refuse to take action, or prescribe the mode, and give no legitimate or decent reason for their refusal; and moreover, a previous city council did prescribe the mode and extent to which the said wharf might be built, and said two years is hereby given to do the same. The two years from that time are expired.

How to Tan a Lamb Skin.

If you will follow these directions you can tan a lamb skin and not lose a hair of the fleece: "Make a strong soapuds, using hot water; when it is cold wash the skin in it, carefully squeezing it between the hands to get the dirt out of the wool; then wash the soap out with clean, cold water; next dissolve alum and salt, of each half a pound, in a little hot water, which put in a tub of cold water sufficient to cover the skin, and let it soak in it over night, or twelve hours; now hang the skin over a pole to drain; when well drained spread or stretch carefully on a board to dry. It need not be tacked, if drawn out several times with the hand while drying. When a little damp, sprinkle pulverized saltpetre and slum, an ounce each mixed together, on the flesh side, rubbing it in well. It is now to hang in the shade two or three days, the flesh side in, until perfectly dry, and when entirely dry, scrape the flesh side with a blunt knife to remove any scraps of flesh. Trim off all projecting points, and rub the flesh side with pumice or rotten stone, and with the hands. Prepared in this way it is white and beautiful, suitable for a door-mat, and also nice for the feet in a sleigh or wagon in cold weather."

The San Francisco Guide reports that the steamship Great Republic will sail from San Francisco for Astoria on the first of February.

The proposed change in the mail route between Astoria and Portland, will allow passengers leaving Astoria in the morning to reach Tacoma, on Puget sound, and Albany in the Wallamet valley, the same day, evening. It will also give the Puget sound people their mails from San Francisco one day earlier than heretofore.

We see it stated that a colony for California, with the special view to fruit growing, was organizing, to start out from Buffalo soon. It is strange that more persons do not come from the eastern states to settle in Oregon, for we have extraordinary advantages to offer to farmers. What an opportunity to purchase land and enter into the cultivation of fruit, as is suggested.

We received a very pleasant call yesterday afternoon from Hon. John Briscoe, probate judge of Pacific county. The Judge is a resident of this part of the country of 25 years standing; has passed through the thickest as well as the thinnest of prosperity, but still is active, and healthy, and holds his own first rate. He is in hopes that better times will prevail on the bay, within the near future.

Yesterday we received a pleasant call from Mr. H. C. Owen, of Eugene, the celebrated swamp-land grabber. He is returning from a business trip to California. He assures us that our interest in the grab of the state fair grounds, as "swamp and overflowed lands," during the late annual meeting of the State Agricultural Society will hold water. He is in a most excellent state of preservation, and as happy as any one of the Saints.

Mr. G. Neimeyer, the prince of merchant tailors in Oregon, arrived at Astoria yesterday, and will remain for a few days to take orders for suits of clothing. As Mr. Neimeyer's work recommends itself, it is not necessary for us to speak with respect to the quality. He may be seen at the Occident.

AROUND THE CITY.

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Mr. A. H. Sale authorizes us to offer a reward of \$10 00 for evidence which will lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who took his boat "Josephine" from the old mill landing on Youngs bay and left it on the tide land above Richardson's place. The act was committed on or about January 11th, or 12th, 1879.

The City Book Store stock is elegantly stocked with a superb lot of goods purchased by Capt. B. F. Stevens while in San Francisco. Call and see these goods.

P. J. Goodman, on Main street, has just received the latest and most fashionable style of gent and ladies boots, shoes, etc.

Call and see stereoscopic view of Cascade canal, and photographic copy of 1878 chart of the Columbia river bar, at H. S. Shuster's art gallery. Photography is truly a science.

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Office.—Corner Chenamus and Main sts., over White House store, Brown's building.

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Astoria, July 15, 1878.

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