

Transcontinental Canal.

Sometime during the last session of the senate Senator Grover introduced a bill providing for preliminary surveys of a canal between the headwaters of the Columbia and Missouri rivers.

Old Probabilities.

According to the telegraphic announcements made some days ago, the first weather indications which, by order of the department, have been extended to the Pacific coast, have been received here.

FACTS AND SCRAPS.

A school teacher is like a razor strop—he uses himself up in sharpening other people's blades. It is only the fool who is rash enough to think himself a wise man; the really wise knows he is a fool.

The attempt to make a lie seem like the truth is very like trying to make a horse-shoe fit a goslin's foot.

One may be such a devotee in the worship of himself that he has no time to find out whether there be a God or no.

A preacher may get soaking wet on his way to church and yet be exceedingly dry the moment he mounts the pulpit.

There are some men who are so very shrewd that they would rather cheat themselves than not make a good bargain.

If we were only a grave-digger, there are some people of our acquaintance for whom we could work with great pleasure.

You will sooner succeed in the difficult task of swallowing yourself than in escaping the consequences of a dishonest act.

No one is so greatly to be feared as the man who is willing to tell you all he knows, because the chances are that he will tell you a great deal more.

Some men lay the flattering unction to their souls that they are very charitable, because they every morning clothe the naked and feed the hungry, which, being properly translated, means that they dress themselves and go down to breakfast.

While everything is going smoothly with us and good luck insists on having her own way in spite of our blunders, we put the comma in the right place when we quote the passage—

There's a divinity that shapes our ends, Rough hew them how we will.

But when everything goes wrong and ill luck intrudes itself in spite of our best endeavors, we still quote the passage, but with the comma in another place—

There's a divinity that shapes our ends, Rough hew them as we will.

A good point about advertising, in general, is that such announcements never offend. We never dislike that which appeals to us for our good opinion, for the very act seems to say to us that our good opinion is value-

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS KNOWING themselves indebted to me will please settle their accounts, as all accounts unpaid by February 1st will be placed in attorneys hands to enforce collection. We mean it.

B. HAMBURGER. Astoria, Jan. 20, 1879.

MAIL NOTICE.

SEALED PROPOSALS for carrying the United States mails between the Post-office at Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon, and the landing of the O. S. S. Co., one time a week each way, will be received by the Postmaster until January 27, 1879.

Fish Commissioners Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned, having been duly appointed deputy for Clatsop county, by C. Lieneweber, Fish Commissioner, under the laws of the State of Oregon, will be in readiness from and after this date, to issue licenses, at his office up stairs, corner of Cass and Squemoche streets, Astoria, Oregon.

JUST RECEIVED.

BOILED CIDER; PLUM PUDDING, IN CANS; CODFISH BALLS, IN CANS; PORK AND BEANS, IN CANS; EASTERN CRANBERRIES; ZANTE CURRANTS; FRESH CITRON; ORANGES AND LIMES, the finest ever bought in the market; CRYSTAL DRIPS, GALLON CANS; NEW ORLEANS MOLASSES; PICKLED HERRING IN KEGS. JUMBLES, ETC., ETC. MUSCATED RAISINS, 2-lb PACKAGES, VERY FINE; PIGS FEET, 1-lb AND 2-lb TINS; CHICKENS AND TURKEYS, IN TINS; EASTERN AND OREGON HAMS, best quality. Also, a fine assortment of BREAKFAST BACON AND OTHER MEATS, AT J. W. GEARHART'S.

CITY BOOK STORE, MAIN ST., ASTORIA.

CHAS. STEVENS & SON Invite the attention of purchasers to their stock, just laid in The Finest Selection! The Cheapest Prices! The Greatest Worth! RECEPTION POCKETS; LADIES' DIARIES AND PURSES COMBINED; COMB AND BRUSH POCKETS; CUTLERY, JEWELRY, CHARMS, ETC., ETC.; LADIES' FANCY BOARD, ETC.; GOLD PENS AND PENCILS; PAINT PENCILS, GUTTA PERCHA GOODS; EXCELSIOR DIARIES, BLANK BOOKS, STATIONERY, ETC.

BATHS, BATHS, Hot, Cold, Shower, Steam and SULPHUR BATHS

Occident Hotel Shaving Saloon. NIEDERAUER & UHLENHART, PROPRIETORS. Special attention given to ladies' and children's hair cutting. Private Entrance for Ladies.

CHARLES HEILBORN, MANUFACTURER OF And Dealer in

FURNITURE and BEDDING. ALSO IMPORTER OF CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS, WALL PAPER, SHADES, ETC.

All kinds of repairing promptly attended to, and furniture made to order. A full line of picture mouldings and frames, brackets, window cornices, etc. Full stock and lowest prices, corner of Squemoche and Main street, Astoria.

New System of Wagon Brakes.

Trullinger's Patent Brake. NO SHOES TO WEAR OUT TIRES! No Brake Bar used. Will hold a Wagon Anywhere from Backing or going Forward.

THIS NEW BRAKE now being introduced by the inventor, J. C. Trullinger, is a combination of friction gear applied to the hub of a wagon. It is simple and light, yet has more strength and durability than any other wagon brake now in use.

These brakes are now being put upon wagons in Portland, Oregon city, Albany, and are fast coming into general use. Parties wanting Brakes put on their wagons can also apply to L. M. DYER, blacksmith, Portland, Oregon. For Shop, County, or State rights, apply to J. C. TRULLINGER, Astoria, Oregon.

BUSINESS CARDS.

DR. J. W. OLIVER, HOMEOPATHIST. Having permanently located in Astoria, tenders his services to the citizens of this place. OFFICE.—For the present at his residence in Col. Taylor's house, Cedar street.

O. F. BELL, A. MEACHEN. BELL & MEACHEN. Attorneys at Law and Notaries Public. Commissioner of Deeds for California and Washington Territory. Astoria, Oregon.

J. W. ROBB, C. W. FULTON. ROBB & FULTON. Attorneys-at-Law, Collecting and Real Estate Agents. Rooms Nos. 1 and 2, Dr. Welch's new building, Squemoche street, Astoria.

F. D. WINTON, ATTORNEY AT LAW. Office in City Hall Building. ASTORIA, OREGON.

DR. W. D. BAKER. (Late Surgeon U. S. Army.) Office—Corner Chenamus and Main sts., over White House store, Brown's building.

DR. I. M. SEVERN. Graduate University of Pennsylvania. PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. EXAMINING SURGEON OF PENSIONS. Office—Larsen's building. Office Hours—8 A. M. to 10 A. M. and 6 P. M. to 8 P. M. At night can be found at Turpin House. ASTORIA, OREGON.

DR. F. CRANG, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, ASTORIA, OREGON. Office—Room No. 7 over C. L. Parker's store, Opposite Dement's drug store.

D. F. DENNISON, F. J. TAYLOR. DENNISON & TAYLOR, ATTORNEYS AT LAW. ASTORIA, OREGON. Office—Up stairs in Parker's building, corner Chenamus and Benton streets.

OTTO DUFNER, WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER. HAS REMOVED TO Main street, Parker's building. ASTORIA, OREGON.

J. STEWART. Stone and Marble Cutter, ASTORIA, OREGON. All kinds of building work, and monumental work attended to promptly and to order. Satisfaction guaranteed.

FROM A SUFFERER. Do not fall, if bad health you're afraid of, or knowing exactly what you're bread is made of. Now allow me to tell you, for experience I've had I'm sure, Nothing worse for the stomach than when you're yeast powder's not pure. Oh, then be careful in future, you know what's at stake. Let me advise you (for I know now) what brand to take. Let your grocer give you no other kind for this is guaranteed. You use Donnelly's Yeast Powder and of good health pure and light bread you're sure.

Washington Market, Main Street, Astoria Oregon, BERGMAN & BERRY. RESPECTFULLY CALL THE ATTENTION of the public to the fact that the above Market will always be supplied with a FULL VARIETY BEST QUALITY

FRESH AND CURED MEATS! Which will be sold at lowest rates, wholesale and retail. Special attention given to supplying ships.

D. K. WARREN, C. A. MCGUIRE. Astoria Market! Corner of Chenamus and Cass streets. ASTORIA, OREGON.

WARREN & MCGUIRE, Proprietors. (Successors to Hobson & Warren.) Wholesale and Retail Dealers in all kinds of Fresh and Cured Meats! A full line of Family Groceries, CANNED FRUIT, VEGETABLES, ETC. Butter, Eggs, Cheese, etc. constantly on hand. Ships supplied at the lowest rates.

IT IS A POSITIVE TRUTH that housekeepers can do better by dealing with J. K. WIRT, on Main street, as he keeps the best of

FRUITS, CANDIES, NUTS, LIQUORS AND CIGARS, SMOKED SALMON, BOLOGNE SAUSAGE, JERKED ELK MEAT, And also from Clatsop every other day FRESH BUTTER, EGGS, CHEESE, CLAMS, DUCKS, CHICKENS, And everything that is needed in the cooking line at the lowest living prices. Call and examine before purchasing elsewhere. J. K. WIRT.

W. E. DEMENT, DRUGGIST. ASTORIA, OREGON. Carries a full Assortment of

Drugs, Patent Medicines, PAINTS, OIL AND GLASS. Prescriptions filled with care Day or Night.

Manufacturer of Fishermen's Relief. A sure preventative of Chapped Hands, and cure for Fish Wounds.

Astoria Steam Laundry. J. T. BORCHERS, Proprietor. Astoria, Oregon. No rubbing or scrubbing, and no thrashing your clothes too pieces. Buttons sewed on and clothes mended. Neat work at reasonable prices. Give us a call.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

I. W. CASE

IMPORTER AND WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN

GENERAL MERCHANDISE,

Corner Chenamus and Cass streets. ASTORIA, OREGON.

JUST OPENED

A FULL AND COMPLETE LINE OF GOODS, IN EVERY DEPARTMENT OF TRADE SUITABLE TO THE WANTS OF THE PEOPLE ALL OF WHICH WILL BE SOLD LOW FOR CASH.

Purchasers are requested to call and inspect my goods before purchasing elsewhere, as I am confident of my ability to please one and all.

I. W. CASE,

Corner Chenamus and Cass Streets, ASTORIA, OREGON.

Notice to All Concerned.

Men and Boys Must be CLOTHED!

As well as to have toys for Christmas. Christmas is Over!

N. LOEB HAS Surrendered!

And now invites the attention of everybody to his

Full and Complete Stock, Consisting in part of A FULL LINE OF CLOTHING FOR MEN AND BOYS.

Gents Furnishing Goods; Large Stock of Family Groceries; Canned Fruits, Etc.; Watches, Jewelry, Marine and Opera Glasses, etc.; Besides a choice lot of

TOBACCO AND CIGARS, Wholesale and Retail. Call and see.

N. LOEB, MAIN ST., ASTORIA, OGN.

JUST RECEIVED BY G. W. PARKER, AT THE

I. X. L. STORE!

Corner Main and Concomly streets. GROCERIES, FLOUR, FEED, WOODEN Ware, Coal Oils, Tobaccos, and Gents Furnishing Goods, which will be sold at lowest market rates, and delivered promptly in any part of the city and upper Astoria, free of charge. The public are respectfully invited to call, or send in their orders.

CASH STORE!

T. BAILEY Have just received a new invoice of

Graceries, Queensware, Lamps and Fixtures,

Which I offer at a bargain for CASH FLOUR AND FEED.

Corner of main and Squemoche sts., ASTORIA, OREGON.

C. J. SMITH, (IN THE ASTORIAN BUILDING)

HAS JUST RECEIVED A LOT OF NEW goods, consisting of

MEN'S AND BOYS' CALE AND KIP BOOTS

Buckle and Congress Gaiters, Women, Misses and Children's BUTTON BOOTS, Which will be sold at the very lowest prices.

BANKING AND INSURANCE.

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I. W. CASE,

BROKER, BANKER,

—AND—

INSURANCE AGENT.

ASTORIA, OREGON.

Exchange bought and sold on all parts of the United States and Europe.

OFFICE HOURS—From 8 o'clock A. M. until 4 o'clock P. M.

Fire and Marine Insurance.

AGGREGATE CAPITAL

\$40,000.

IMPERIAL OF LONDON.

NORTHERN OF LONDON.

QUEEN OF LIVERPOOL.

FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANIES.

I. W. CASE,

AGENT.

ASTORIA, OREGON.

Home Mutual Insurance Co.,

OF CALIFORNIA,

J. F. HOUGHTON, President CHAS. R. STORV, Secretary HAMILTON BOYD, Agents for Oregon GEO. L. STORV.

OFFICE—North-east corner of Stark and First streets, PORTLAND, OREGON.

Net Cash received for Fire Premiums in 1877. \$335,511 04

Assets, Jan. 1, 1878. \$578,065 85

Liabilities—Losses unpaid. \$3,638 37 Dividends. 1,957 00 Surplus for Property Holders. \$572,470 47 Losses paid in Oregon in six years. \$114,516 72

I. W. CASE, Agent. Astoria, Oregon.

\$67,000,000 CAPITAL.

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE OF LONDON AND EDINBURGH.

OLD CONNECTICUT OF HARTFORD, AND COMMERCIAL OF CALIFORNIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Representing a capital of \$67,000,000. A. VAN DUSEN, Agent.

A RARE CHANCE.

I WILL SELL ANY OR ALL OF THE following described property, viz:

160 Acres, Sec. 23, T. 8, S. of R. 9 west, southeast quarter. Also, in Olney's Astoria Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, in Block 79; Lots 3, 4, 5, and 6, in Block 100; Lots 2 and 4, in Block 132; and Lot 8, in Block 132; North half of Block 8.—2 1/2 acres.

DAVID INGALLS, Astoria, Oregon, Dec. 10, 1878. \$5-6m

DRUNK UP.—A skiff was picked up on or about January 11, 1879, in Astoria by the undersigned. The owner is requested to call, prove property, pay charges and take the same away. S. SCHMEER, 1w-daw Opposite the bell tower, Astoria.

GEORGE ROSS' Billiard Room. The only Billiard Room in the city where no liquors are sold.

NEW TABLE JUST PUT UP. GEORGE ROSS has a new place and keeps on hand the best brand of Cigars. Also, soda, candy, nuts, etc. Opposite Altoma Chop House. 25-11 GEO. ROSS, Proprietor.

T. S. JEWETT, B. S. KIMBALL. Draying & Trucking. ASTORIA TRUCK & DRAY CO., Squemoche st., between Cass and Main. Contracts for draying made and satisfaction guaranteed. Orders left at the Occident hotel or received by mail promptly filled. JEWETT & KIMBALL.