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BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENT.

Read the ad of Nick's Restaurant opening. The Italian Band will be present.

A Public Party will be given at the O'Brien House on Saturday evening. See advertisement.

Mrs. Eliza Shepherd, agent for Stanley's book on Africa, has arrived in the city, and we comment her to kind receptions. This book is well worth the price asked for it, and no library will be complete without it. We have previously referred to it, and simply allude to it now, as ten minutes perusal of the prospectus and advance sheet in the hands of the agent is enough to satisfy any person as to the value and correctness of the work.

Dr. Aug. C. Kinney is in Portland on business.

The Costa Rican ship Herman has arrived at Port Townsend from Callao.

The barkentine Webfoot arrived at San Francisco on the 27th, from Knappaon.

The bark Garibaldi is loaded and ready for sea. Her cargo consists of lumber and spars for Australia.

You can get shaved by the month, week, day, or hour, at "Backensto's," Boot-black-always on hand.

The last lot of postage stamps received at Astoria are very badly mutilated. They won't stick equal to a tinkers-dam.

Mrs. Sadie Wright, formerly of this city, was married at the St. Charles in Albany New Years eve, to Mr. M. C. Cunningham.

Humes new cannery at Astoria will be made serviceable, as it is strongly built, as a grain depot after the fishing season is over next fall.

Cannerymen and business men in general will do well to examine Adler's new stock of Blank-books and Stationery which he bought in the East and offers at less than Portland prices.

When a stranger calls upon you and represents himself to be the agent of any newspaper, be certain that his credentials are good before you pay him any money. A word to the wise ought to be sufficient.

Wells, Fargo & Co. and other commercial banks of San Francisco have combined to oppose the state bank commissioners "inspection" which is only another name for smelling around to see what can be found out concerning the private affairs of individuals.

The revenue law requires a cigar dealer to totally destroy the revenue stamp on the cigar box when it is emptied of its contents, and a heavy penalty is imposed for willful neglect to do so. It is also the duty of a revenue officer to destroy any empty box on which the stamp has not been destroyed.

Judge Davidson has returned from Westport, where he has been engaged on the construction of a new residence for Capt. John West. The house was finished, furnished and occupied so quick after the beginning of it, that it was some surprise to us. It is 26 by 36 feet in size, two stories high, with a wing 22 by 24 feet, and wood shed and wash house 13 by 30. The main building is hard finished, grained and varnished throughout, and presents a very handsome appearance.

The Tax Payers of the City of Astoria.

On the 28th inst. papers were filed in the Circuit court in this county, in the case of the state of Oregon vs. W. W. Parker, Mayor, vs. John H. D. Gray, for intruding into and usurping the office of mayor of the city of Astoria. This action has grown out of the late proceedings of the common council against the mayor.

As the present status of the government of the city is unsettled in the minds of the people, and attorneys differ as to the legality of all proceedings of the council under the present condition of affairs, a decision at this term of court on the right of the council to depose and remove the mayor is demanded by many citizens and tax payers of Astoria.

If the council or Capt. J. H. D. Gray refuse to go into court at this term and have this question determined at once, all good citizens, and particularly the tax payers of this city, should inquire into the reason of their refusing, while at the same time they are holding special meetings and involving the reputation of the city, and endangering its material interests. A very proper question to ask is: Who is to pay all the expenses if these matters continue? CITIZEN.

How to Remit Money Orders.

Most of our readers will doubtless smile at the above caption, as if it were hardly possible among our numerous readers to find one who would need to be told what to do with a money order. A case lately came under our own observation, however, in which a party had kept a money order in his pocket for several months, under the impression that it was a receipt from the postmaster for his money, and that the postmaster would see that the money was forwarded. Such an incident on being repeated, led to comparison with the experience of others, and we heard of a case where a man was found holding several money orders in the same way for remittances, which he supposed he had properly made, and for which he was being, as he supposed, most unwarrantably damned. As most of our readers already know, the money order purchased is made out and given to the purchaser, whose duty it is to remit it himself. We presume the idea of its being a receipt for him to hold, originated through confounding money orders with registered letters.

Robert Burdette, snow bound in Utica, telegraphed as follows to Herkimer, where he was to have lectured: The Burlington man came out of the west in a swallow-tail coat and out-away vest. But he said, "I conjecture there's snow chance for a lecture." So his overworked chin had a rest.

The "statesman" from Yamhill, (Wm. Galloway), writes to inform Mr. James Walton, of Salem, that he "will gladly correct" any reflections made upon him in the smelling committee report. Gov. Thayer intimates, in his reply to Capt. Apperson of Oregon city, that the investigation was conducted on the grand jury system. The bottom will entirely fall out of the whole contemptible proceedings long before the prime mover in it gets to the United States senate.

No matter what may come, some one is continually growling about hard times, but, from what can be gleaned from the journals of the state, they are even fair at this writing. There has been a quickening of trade for a month in nearly all branches of business, and consequently, a need for more hands. Railroad repair and construction is necessitating the employment of extra men, and the farmers will soon be in need of much help. Comparatively speaking, the times never have been hard in Oregon.

To Whom it May Concern.

If any person wishes to contract with me for a first class, or a medium priced piano, or wishes me to do tuning for them, will find me by calling at the Occident. I guarantee to fill their orders in the best style for the money paid, and as I am a practical piano maker myself I am able to give perfect satisfaction at all times. ALBERT BARTSCH.

A newspaper is a window through which men look out upon the world. Without a newspaper a man is shut up in a small room, and knows little or nothing of what is happening outside of himself. In our day the newspaper will keep a sensible man in sympathy with the world's current history. It is an unfolding encyclopedia and handbook, forever issuing and never finished.

Illinois Correspondence.

THE GREAT HOG AND CORN REGION.

THE SNOW, MERCURY, AND BLOCKADED RAILWAYS.

PRICES OF PRODUCE--TAXES, AND DULL PROSPECTS AHEAD.

SHRINKAGES IN REAL ESTATE, AND DULL SALES.

CLING TO YOUR HOMES IN OREGON AND WASHINGTON.

[SPECIAL TO THE ASTORIAN.]

WYOMING, ILL., Jan. 15.—Here I am in the great hog and corn country, and such grunting and squeeling, it is fearful. The pigs squeal with the cold winter weather, mercury standing most of the time at 12° below zero, and part of the time at 26° below since my arrival, with about eighteen inches of snow, and to-day it is snowing at a most fearful rate. The snow commenced to fall about midnight last night, and at this time, 12 o'clock m., some of the railroads are reported blocked.

People are complaining at the prices of produce; corn 23 cents per bushel, hogs at \$2 50 per hundred pounds, and taxes fully one dollar per acre. Surely the prospects are not flattering. Farming lands which were ready sale five years ago at \$60 per acre will not bring \$40 now, and will have to go still lower. The appearance is that the railroad companies are the only parties that are making money. I am sure that the people of the Mississippi valley have to perform at least one third more labor to obtain a livelihood than the people of the Pacific coast. I would say, by way of advice to those who are dissatisfied with their homes in Oregon and Washington territory: "Cling to them," at least do not return to this rigid climate, the Mississippi valley. Hoping this may find you enjoying health and happiness, I am yours, etc., T. B.

The Good Ship T. M. Reed.

Messrs. Gregg & Co. advertise that the good ship T. M. Reed would follow the Tabor on the berth at Philadelphia for Astoria. The Reed has been lost, and the New York Herald furnishes us with the following particulars:

The American ship Thomas M. Reed, Capt. Small, from San Francisco for Liverpool, went ashore in the breakers in Freshwater bay, near Linnhygd, January 12th. The sea was running very high at the time, and although the rocket apparatus was soon on the spot, great difficulty was experienced in getting a line on board. The crew were in a very dangerous position, but by means of the line twenty of the men were saved. Three men had unfortunately been washed overboard and drowned. Lloyds' agent proceeded to the scene of the wreck, and is saving all the cargo that comes ashore. This consists mainly of boxes of canned meat and fish. The sands for more than a mile are strewn with parts of the cargo and broken spars. The amount of salvage will be large. The ship has already become a total wreck. A yacht in the service of Trinity house has been sent for, and was hourly expected at the time our dispatch left Milford.

The Thomas M. Reed left San Francisco September 25th, and made the voyage in safety to within about one hundred miles of her port. She was built at Bath, Maine, in 1877, where she was owned. She registered 1507 tons.

WHAT WE LIKE.—To hear a man try to borrow his neighbors paper. And the neighbor have courage enough to reply: "I would as soon lose you my tooth brush;" to have a party imagine that he can do as much business without advertising as he can with it; to look at the blank astonishment that settles on a man's face when, after down on that man's face when, after trying a month, he finds that it cannot be done; to see a man refuse to take his local paper and all the time sponge on his neighbor for the use of his; to hear a man complain when we ask him to subscribe for his home paper, that he takes more papers now than he can read, and then go around and borrow his neighbor's or loaf about him until he gets the news from it; to see a man run down his home paper as not worth taking, and every now and then beg the editor for a favor in the editorial line; to see a man refuse to advertise in a home paper, and then try and get a share of trade that the paper is instrumental in bringing to his door; to see a man who is able to pay for his local paper, always manage to be around in time to read it at the expense of a friend not worth the tenth part of what he himself is, it looks so economical, thrifty, and progressive, you know.

Court Proceedings.

CIRCUIT COURT—Bellinger, J.

SECOND DAY, Jan. 29, 1878.
A. Nicolai et al vs. B. Hamburger; writ of review. Bell for plaintiff; Robb and Fulton for defendant.

Writ dismissed.
M. E. Tracy, et al vs. Luke Taylor, et al; equity. Dolph for plaintiff; Robb and Fulton for defendant.

Continued by agreement for term.
Dinkelspiel & Co. vs. J. Olsen; law. Dolph for plaintiff.

Default and judgment furnished.
Jacob Kamm vs. M. M. Shively, supervisor; injunction. Dolph for plaintiff; Stott for defendant.

Perpetual injunction against the supervisor.
G. W. Hume vs. A. Clontrie; foreclosure of lien. Bowby for plaintiff.

Judgment for foreclosure of lien.
State of Oregon vs. Joe Yackerino and Thos. Jackson; held to answer.

Plea of not guilty on indictment of larceny.
Frances E. Warren vs. E. D. Curtis; law. Bell and Meachen for plaintiff; Robb and Fulton for defendant.

Motion for continuance allowed.
State of Oregon vs. Henry Carroll; held to answer.

Defendant arraigned on indictment for assault with a deadly weapon. Time for pleading waived, enters a plea of not guilty.

P. J. Martin vs. W. H. Twilight; law. Robb and Fulton for plaintiff; Elliott for defendant.

Motion to strike out part of complaint allowed.
Wm. Blackmore and Gust Smith were admitted to citizenship.

John Ewry, et al vs. W. H. Twilight; law. Bell and Meachen for plaintiff; Robb and Fulton and Page for defendant.

Demurrer to complaint sustained, leave given to file amended complaint to-morrow.

J. M. Shively and wife vs. G. W. Hume, et al; injunction. Strong for plaintiff; Hare and Bowby for defendant.

Motion to strike out part of complaint sustained.
Johnson vs. Oregon Steam Navigation company; appeal. Robb and Fulton for plaintiff; Strong for defendant.

Motion for new trial overruled.
Charlotte Dodge vs. Chas. R. Dodge; divorce. Smith, Rebb and Fulton for plaintiff.

Suit for divorce, on trial.

A contemporary says: A newspaper and a newspaper editor that people don't talk about and sometimes abuse are rather poor concerns. The men and business that an editor sometimes feels it a duty to defend at a risk of making enemies of another class, are often the very first to show ingratitude. The editor who expects to receive much charity or gratitude will soon find out his mistake; but he should go ahead and say and do what he conscientiously thinks right without regard to frowns or smiles.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HOUSE TO LET.—A nice residence, new, containing six rooms, will be ready for a tenant any time on short notice. For particulars inquire at 5317 THIS OFFICE.

SPILES.

The undersigned is prepared to furnish a large number of Spiles and Spars at this place on short notice, at reasonable rates. Apply to C. G. CAPLES, Columbia City.

COAL LAND FOR SALE.

160 ACRES of iron and coal lands for sale, situated near Columbia city, Oregon. Price \$900 cash down. For particulars inquire at 17-18 THE ASTORIAN OFFICE.

Three Schooners for Sale.

Three schooners, with center boards, 12 tons each, and one without center board, five tons, all fully equipped and in good order, will be sold cheap for cash. Apply to WATSON BROS., Astoria, Oregon.

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, 1878.

Fish Commissioners Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned, having been duly appointed deputy for Clatsop county, by C. Liecnrecher, 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. J. B. FERGUSON, Deputy Fish Commissioner, January, 14, 1878.

JUST RECEIVED BY G. W. PARKER.

AT THE I. X. L. STORE!
Corner Main and Concomly streets.
GROCERIES, FLOUR, FRESH, WOODEN ware, Coal Oils, Tobaccos, and Gents Furnishing Goods, which will be sold at lowest rates.

T. S. JEWETT. B. S. KIMBALL.

Draying & Trucking.

ASTORIA TRUCK & DRAY CO.,
Squamocque st., between Cass and Main.
Contracts for draying made and satisfaction guaranteed. Orders left at the Occident depot or received by mail promptly filled. JEWETT & KIMBALL.

AROUND THE CITY.

A stunningly beautiful selection of valentines were opened at the City Book store yesterday. Call around and see them.

One more opportunity will be afforded our citizens to hear the justly celebrated professors, Mr. Worsley having prevailed on them at a large expense to himself to remain in the city until next Friday evening, when they will play for his popular soiree, giving the choicest musical selections during the intermission.

Valentines, all kinds. C. A. May's Parties in want of good Cedar Shingles will do well to apply to H. C. Comegys, Kalama, W. T.

Newspapers, Periodicals, Stationery, Notions, Cigars, and Tobacco, at Hamburger's Variety Store.

If you want anything in the line of Cigars, Tobacco, Notions, Fruits, etc., call at Fosters, on the Roadway.

Photographic Back-grounds, Park and Parlor scenes, the cheapest and best Pictures in Oregon, at H. S. Shuster's new Art Gallery, Astoria.

Fresh oysters in every style at Schmeers'. See advertisement.

Your complexion is sallow, and skin yellow, your liver is affected. Obtain from your druggist a bottle of Pfunder's Oregon Blood Purifier.

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.

Keep your blood pure and your health must be good, the great purifier is Pfunder's Oregon Blood Purifier. All Astoria druggists have it now.

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.

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

Get your baskets filled for a little money at Bailey's.

Wood of all kinds, and a splendid lot of pitch wood, at Gray's wharf, for sale in lots to suit purchasers.

Fresh fruits and vegetables at Bailey's.

Mr. J. Stewart, stone and marble cutter of Astoria will guarantee satisfaction to all ordering work of him, and will do a better job for less money than any outside workman. His work in the cemetery here should be sufficient recommendation. Before you let your contracts for work of this kind it would be well to call upon Mr. Stewart.

New invoice of those Medallion Ranges at Magnus C. Crosby's.

Call at Mrs. Derby's when you wish any article in the millinery line. Trimmed hats selling at cost.

Fresh oysters in every style and at all hours at the Pioneer restaurant.

Shipmasters wishing to secure seamen can have their wants supplied by calling at the Chicago house, Main street.

Foreign Exports.

Since the last report of clearance from the Astoria custom house was made for publication in THE ASTORIAN, the following vessels have cleared for European ports with cargoes and values as specified. Shipments from Portland are noted as they occur:

To Queenstown, per Hamath Landles, Jan. 22.		Value.
Wheat from Astoria	44,243 cts.	\$75,214 00
To Queenstown, per Lutterworth, Jan. 27th:		
Wheat from Astoria	90 cts.	\$ 1,800 00
Portland	25,770 "	41,541 00
Totals	26,700	\$48,381 00
To Liverpool, per Sabrina, Jan. 27th:		
Flour from Portland	9,421 bbls.	\$48,500 00
Astoria	816 "	4,080 00
Total flour	10,237 "	\$52,580 00
Wheat from Portland	703 "	12,300 00
Total value		\$64,880 00
To Queenstown, per Europa:		
Wheat from Astoria	10,616 cts.	\$18,717 00
Portland	27,824 "	48,464 00
Totals	38,440	\$67,181 00
To Queenstown, per Alice B. Cooper:		
Wheat from Astoria	30,624 cts.	\$60,828 00
To Queenstown, per Wauwater:		
Wheat from Astoria	2,912 cts.	\$ 5,160 00
Portland	25,785 "	41,625 00
Totals	28,698	\$46,785 00
To Liverpool, per Robert Lee:		
Flour from Astoria	5,231 bbls.	\$24,555 00
Portland	14,739 "	35,415 00
Total flour	20,000	\$60,000 00
Wheat from Astoria	6,805 cts.	11,960 00
Portland	9,957 "	16,900 00
Totals	16,762	\$28,860 00
To Queenstown, per Broad Bay:		
Wheat from Portland	25,348 cts.	\$44,350 00
To Liverpool, per Shenier:		
Flour from Astoria	8,614 bbls.	\$43,065 00
Portland	21,395 "	50,100 00
Totals flour	30,009	\$93,165 00
Wheat from Portland	6,163	10,300 00
Total		\$103,465 00
To Queenstown, per Strathairn:		
Wheat from Astoria	5,887 cts.	\$10,294 00
Portland	80,822 "	161,644 00
Totals	86,709	\$171,938 00
To Queenstown, per Nairnshire:		
Wheat from Astoria	4,077 cts.	\$ 7,601 00
Portland	28,981 "	48,728 00
Totals	33,058	\$56,329 00

LODGING HOUSE.—Persons requiring furnished or unfurnished rooms can be accommodated at reasonable rates at Mrs. Munson's Chenamus st., Astoria.