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BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENT.

Read the advertisement of Holden's auction sale for next Saturday.

An elegant stock of the finest styles of valentines now open and for sale cheap at Adler's.

The bar was never in better condition for vessels to pass out deeply laden, than it was yesterday.

The Parker House hotel register shows an increasing travel. Mine host Parker will soon be compelled to get a new hotel register.

The steamer Idaho came in last evening from San Francisco, loaded to the guards with freight. The passenger list was published on Sunday.

A large number of masquerades will be received at Adler's Monday evening. Patrons intending to attend the masquerade are invited to call.

Our friend Ben Worsley does not feel like one who treads alone any longer, Mrs. W. having returned to cheer the recently deserted halls about his habitation.

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 West and offers at less than Portland prices.

Capt. J. G. Hustler's wharf has been fixed up in a very strong and workmanlike manner, and is now again ready for the steamship Great Republic or any other steamship or sailing vessel which may come along.

The Astoria Chamber of Commerce have completed arrangements for receiving commercial dispatches in advance of the mail. They have also purchased a large number of the recent charts of the Columbia river bar for distribution.

On Friday evening the 14th, a grand masquerade will be given at Worsley's hall in this city under the auspices of a committee of young men. One hundred invitations will be issued to the public. Visitors will be permitted to take part in the dance after the masks are removed.

This evening the Astoria fire department will have an active drill. The boys are all proud of their machines, and would give a conflagration a lively time if one happened to come along this way. We hope it may be a long time, however, before their services will be demanded in this particular.

We can count on very dull times in the shipping line for the present, and a few months to come, at least. When the City of York and Cadzow Forest are cleared and away, they are now nearly loaded, there will be nothing in sight for sea except the lumber laden coaster and San Francisco steamers.

Jack Frost has not been backward about coming to the front about this vicinity the past few nights, and every morning of late people have been confronted with a whole region covered by a white rigid coldness, quite repulsive to sensitive natures. But as each day is one of bright beautiful sunshine, perhaps the frost is preferable to rain—though a great many think that rainy weather is a necessary adjunct to brisk business in and about Astoria.

Astoria Chamber of Commerce.

The Astoria Chamber of Commerce have done and are still doing effective work for Oregon's best interests commercially, but there is still a deal of work to be accomplished. We have said so much concerning the efforts that are being made by so-called "disinterested" lobbyists to have this collections district reduced to a port of delivery, that we shall say but little more upon that subject. We feel that what we have said has not been received with that degree of confidence from persons interested most vitally which the facts justify. We are not at liberty to divulge the name of our informant in such cases as this, and it would not add to the truth for us to do so, but we know that the efforts of Astoria's enemies in that direction have not ceased in the least, and there is more danger to-day of such an act being accomplished than there was twelve months ago. If the Astoria public can stand it, perhaps we ought not to complain. We can stand it also. But when the thing is done it will be a harder job to right the wrong than it would be now to prevent its being done. We have said all that we shall have to say upon the subject. "Do not postpone until to-morrow the things that should be done to-day."

A Gang of Plunderers.

Yackireno and Jackson were safely housed within the walls of the Oregon penitentiary by Sheriff Twilight last evening. As the smelling committees work prevented the Sheriff from taking guards with him to insure the safe delivery of these convicts to superintendent Bush, he was obliged to take one at a time from Portland. In reviewing the case of these convicts a blind man ought to see that they belonged to an organized gang of plunderers in Astoria. A gang which probably got away with many a net from the Columbia river last year, which they stole and sent to their countrymen in California. The conviction of Yackireno and Jackson has probably put a damper upon them, and there may be greater security in the future, but at the same time cannerymen will be obliged to more closely watch a certain class of fishermen this year. It is true that Yackireno and Jackson are convicted of stealing beef hides, but this was only a side business, just conducted for the purpose of filling up the time intervening between the closing and the opening of the fishing season.

Births at Sea.

Three infants were born at sea during the passage of the steamship Idaho to this port. One has since died. The twins were born to the wife of Mr. J. Taylor, one a boy and one a girl. The mother and babes are both doing well. One of the little strangers, the girl, will be christened Idaho in honor of the ship, and the boy Alexander, in honor of the gallant commander. The lady was kindly attended by Dr. O'Rourke, of the first cavalry.

Dr. Aug. C. Kinney has returned to the city from his visit to Salem.

The Falkenburg arrived at Honolulu December 4th, the Alden Bescoe at Hongkong on the 17th.

Mr. Ben Smith, purser of the Idaho, has placed us in possession of full files of San Francisco papers, for which we extend particular thanks.

A man stepped into the Astoria Market yesterday morning and called for a steak. The affable clerk inquired what sort of a steak would suit him. What kind have you? asked the customer. "All kinds," was the response. "Then give me a steak to get home on!" was the retort. "By George," Eat-on, replied, "I can't see it in that light, you're wanted at the Occident." This reminds us of the story told of The Dalles butcher, who was called upon for 15 cents worth of steak. It was duly cut off for him; then he called for liver; "what's the price of liver," said the patron. Oh we ask nothing for liver, take it along; then I will leave the steak, said the fellow, and he walked off to make a meal of the liver. The Dalles butcher yielded.

AROUND THE CITY.

A small house to let in a desirable locality for residence. Inquire at this office.

Capt. J. G. Hustler wishes to give everybody timely notice that if that school tax is not paid within a few days costs will certainly follow.

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

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

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

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 will be well to call upon Mr. Stewart.

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

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

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

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

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 Seameer's. 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.

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 brick at his warehouse, foot of Benton street.

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.

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

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 clearances 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 Liverpool, per Oban Bay, Feb. 26.	Value.
Flour from Astoria..... 1,778 bbls.....	\$-8,821 00
Wheat " "..... 7,760 cts.....	15,500 00
Total Astoria.....	\$22,321 00
Flour from Portland..... 9,032 bbls.....	41,980 00
Wheat " "..... 6,000 cts.....	10,500 00
Total value.....	\$77,941 00
To Queenstown, per Caitlock, Jan. 31.	
Wheat from Astoria..... 9,972 cts.....	\$16,910 00
Portland..... 26,888 "	50,514 00
Totals.....	\$67,424 00
To Queenstown, per Hannah Landle, Jan. 25.	
Wheat from Astoria..... 44,243 cts.....	\$75,214 00
To Queenstown, per Lutterworth, Jan. 27th:	
Wheat from Astoria..... 970 cts.....	\$ 1,800 00
Portland..... 25,770 "	46,641 00
Totals.....	\$67,655 00
To Liverpool, per Sabrina, Jan. 27th:	
Flour from Portland..... 9,421 bbls.....	\$48,500 00
Astoria..... 818 "	4,080 01
Total flour.....	\$52,580 01
Wheat from Portland..... 703 "	\$2,300 00
Total value.....	\$54,880 01
To Queenstown, per Europa:	
Wheat from Astoria..... 10,616 cts.....	\$18,717 00
Portland..... 27,856 "	48,694 00
Totals.....	\$67,411 00
To Queenstown, per Alice B. Cooper:	
Wheat from Astoria..... 39,834 cts.....	\$69,358 80
To Queenstown, per Westwater:	
Wheat from Astoria..... 2,912 cts.....	\$ 5,100 00
Portland..... 25,785 "	41,425 00
Totals.....	\$115,783 80
To Liverpool, per Robert Lee:	
Flour from Astoria..... 5,231 hf sks.....	\$12,555 00
Portland..... 14,749 "	\$5,445 00
Total flour.....	\$18,000 00
Wheat from Astoria..... 6,835 cts.....	\$11,900 00
Portland..... 9,657 "	16,500 00
Total.....	\$29,900 00
To Queenstown, per Brodeck Bay:	
Wheat from Portland..... 25,348 cts.....	\$44,500 00
To Liverpool, per Shenier:	
Flour from Astoria..... 3,616 hf sks.....	\$10,785 00
Portland..... 24,596 "	\$9,100 00
Totals flour.....	\$20,885 00
Wheat from Portland..... 6,160 "	\$10,300 00
Total.....	\$31,185 00
To Queenstown, per Strathearn:	
Wheat from Astoria..... 5,807 cts.....	\$10,284 60
Portland..... 30,832 "	\$54,010 00
Totals.....	\$64,294 60
To Queenstown, per Neimshire:	
Wheat from Astoria..... 4,077 cts.....	\$ 7,607 00
Portland..... 26,881 "	\$48,758 00
Totals.....	\$56,365 00

A merchant on Chenamus street has adopted the device of advertising by placing his card on the blanket covering his canine friend.

BUSINESS CARDS.

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

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

Astoria, Oregon.
 OFFICE—Corner of Squemoqua and Cass streets, up stairs, over E. S. Larsen's store.

J. W. ROEB, C. W. FULTON.
ROEB & FULTON.
 Attorneys-at-Law, Collecting and Real Estate Agents.

Rooms Nos. 1 and 2, Dr. Welch's new building, Squemoqua street, Astoria.

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

D. R. 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.

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

D. E. J. W. OLIVER,
HOMOEOPATHIST.
 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.

OTTO DUFNEE,
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.

GEO. LOVETT,
TAILOR.
 CLEANING and REPAIRING PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO.
 Benton street, opposite Post-office, Astoria.

S. GRAY,
 Manufacturer of
HARNESS, SADDLES, BRIDLES,
WHIPS, ETC.
 Oars, leathered, and leather for sale.

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.

J. H. D. GRAY,
 Wholesale and retail dealer in
OYSTERS, by the SACK,
Hay, Oats, Straw, Wood, Etc.
 General storage and Wharfage on reasonable terms.

Arndt & Ferchen.
THE BEST
BLACKSMITH
 AND
Machine Shop
 In the city.
 All kinds of
Engine, Cannery and Steamboat
 Work promptly attended to.

GEORGE MACLEAN,
BLACKSMITH.
 Water Street Roadway,
 Near Hume's Cannery, Astoria, Oregon.
 Horseshoeing and all kinds of Blacksmithing done to order. Satisfaction guaranteed.
ALL SHIP AND ENGINE WORK A SPECIALTY.

E. S. MERRILL & CO.,
Blacksmiths and Machinists.
 Capt. ROEB'S OLD STAND Near Express Office
 ASTORIA, - OREGON.
 All work in our line, heavy or light, done with neatness and dispatch.
Horseshoeing, Waggon and Farm
WORK A SPECIALTY.

HAVING SECURED THE SERVICES OF Mr. S. A. Gaines of Ky., an experienced farrier of 25 years in the business, and well known to Astoria horsemen, we are prepared to do shoeing in a manner to ensure lameness or prevent it in horses entrusted to our care.
 All work warranted and at reasonable rates.

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 17-15 THE ASTORIAN OFFICE.

MISCELLANEOUS.

STEVENS & JOPLIN,
 ASTORIA, OREGON.
Trucking, Draying, and General Team Work
 Done to order, and satisfaction guaranteed.
 Wood for sale, and delivered to order.

G. T. REID,
CALEDONIA SALOON.
 Corner of Front and A streets.
 PORTLAND - OREGON
 Late butcher in the Central Market.

CHAS. A. MAY,
 DEALER IN
Foreign and Domestic Fruits,
 Nuts, Caudles, Yankee Notions, Toys.
 Finest brands of
CIGARS AND TOBACCO.
 Chenamus street, - - - ASTORIA.

WILLIAM TURNER.
 BOOT BLACK,
 OCCIDENT SHAVING SALOON,
 ASTORIA, OREGON.

Astoria Liquor Store,
 AUG. DANIELSON, Proprietor.
 Water st. Roadway, - ASTORIA, OREGON.
 Importer and dealer in
WINES, LIQUORS,
 FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC CIGARS.

Sole agent for the celebrated
STONEWALL WHISKEY.
 Branch of MARX & JORGENSEN, Portland.

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. E. 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.

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.
 All goods sold at lowest cash prices.
CHAS. STEVENS & SON.
 City Book Store to Main street, two doors from the Pioneer Restaurant, opposite the bakery of Mrs. C. Binder.

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 Squemoqua and Main streets, Astoria.

A RARE CHANCE.
 I WILL SELL ANY OR ALL OF THE following described property, viz:
 100 Acres, Sec. 27, T. 8, N. of R. 3 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 7 and 8, in Block 120; and Lot 5, in Block 121;
 North half of Block 3.—2 1/2 acres.
DAVID INGALLS,
 Astoria, Oregon, Dec. 10, 1878.