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THE CITY.

The DAILY ASTORIAN will be sent by
 mail at 75 cents a month, free of postage. Read-
 ers who contemplate absence from the city can
 have THE ASTORIAN follow them, DAILY
 WEEKLY cuttings to any post-office with-
 out additional expense. Addresses may be
 changed as often as desired. Leave orders at
 the counting room.

BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENT.

A small house to let in a desirable
 locality for residence. Inquire at this
 office.
 We hope you will not neglect to
 attend the sale of real estate to-day at
 E. C. Holden's auction rooms.
 A stunningly beautiful selection
 of valentines were opened at the City
 Book store last week. Call around and
 see them.
 The services at Presbyterian hall to-
 morrow morning and evening, will be
 conducted by the Rev. R. S. Stubbs, of
 Portland. All are invited.
 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.
 Divine worship will be conducted in
 the Congregational church to-morrow
 morning and evening by the pastor Rev.
 J. T. Wolfe. Morning subject, "The
 Trinity." Evening subject, "The value
 of Truth."
 Quite a number of persons in the
 city received fine large clams.
 See Gearhart's new ad. He has
 got some of the finest chestnuts we
 ever saw.
 Chief Barry has got a pretty
 tough customer on his hands now, it
 is reported.

An elegant stock of the finest
 styles of valentines now open and for
 sale cheap at Adler's.
 The Hera arrived inside the bar
 last night, and came to anchor near
 the head of Clatsop spit.
 The h. b. p.'s., notorious at Astoria
 as the fore-runner of the fisher-
 men, have made their appearance on
 our streets.
 The Sandwich Islanders are build-
 ing a steamer on Puget-sound. The
 engines are being made at a San Fran-
 cisco foundry.
 Mr. D. L. Turpin, of the Turpin
 hotel, in this city is under the weather
 considerably, but still is able to be
 about the house.

A large number of masks will be
 received at Adler's Monday evening.
 Patrons intending to attend the mas-
 querade are invited to call.
 Cannermen 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.
 We learn from the Intelligencer
 that Mr. W. I. Wadleigh, son-in-law
 of our fellow citizen A. Van Dusen, is
 clearing considerable land in the vicinity
 of Seattle, which will be placed in
 cultivation this year.

Mr. Charley Rohr, who sailed
 from this city for Tokia last Novem-
 ber, reached his destination safely,
 and his friends will be glad to know
 that he is nicely fixed, and "at home."
 He was recently visited by Bismarck.
 We are greatly pleased with a
 surprise which awaits this public on
 Friday night. We would blow it now,
 but our great respect for Pike and
 Stockton keeps the secret hid in a tin
 box, soldered up by Jackins & Hawes,
 to be opened at auction on Friday, by
 E. S. Worsley, auctioneer.

Persons ordering plants of Mr.
 La Du, proprietor of the Columbia
 river fruit gardens, at Mount Coffin,
 can have the same sent through the
 mails with perfect safety, where the
 packages are not too bulky if so re-
 quested, at his expense, but when sent
 in any other manner it will be at the
 expense of the person ordering.

Our Portland Friends.

A friend in Portland writing to Hon.
 A. Van Dusen of Astoria, in the
 course of business says: "Please pay
 for THE ASTORIAN to my address, and
 tell the editor that if he does not call
 upon me, the next time he is in the
 city, I will stop taking his publica-
 tions." We were in Portland but few
 times all of last year. Passed through
 going and coming from northern Idaho
 and Washington; and back and forth
 from the capitol on business. Port-
 land has given us so many left-handed
 compliments the past seven years that
 we have not taken any extraordinary
 pains to swing around in circles there
 in which we were at one time con-
 sidered not only a good fellow, but of
 some benefit to the industrial classes
 of Oregon generally. Our coming to
 Astoria made a wonderful change in
 that sentiment; and yet, letters like
 the one from which the above is an
 extract, show that we still have a few
 friends in Portland, and we shall cer-
 tainly endeavor to make it convenient
 to call upon such, whenever it is pos-
 sible for us to do so. We fully appre-
 ciate the suggestion.

Kittitas Valley.

A correspondent writes from Kittitas
 valley, W. T., saying: "The people
 of Kittitas have no part or parcel
 in, and no affinity for, any people who
 deny the rights of the many, in order
 that a few may fatten on the spoils of
 the oppressed tribe, kindred or
 tongue. The Kittitas is the most
 beautiful, most extensive, and most
 fertile valley of the Pacific coast
 country, and destined to be the mili-
 tary headquarters of the department
 of the Columbia, and the capital city
 site of the future state of Washington
 which will be in early times, the
 wealthiest and worthiest state in the
 American union. It is also the best
 known and most honored valley in
 Washington city, and by the presi-
 dent, cabinet, and congress of the
 United States - and no boast made of
 it, either!"

An Unaccountable Blunder.

We reproduce the following item
 from THE DAILY ASTORIAN of yester-
 day, for the purpose of correcting an
 unaccountable blunder. The cash
 assets of the company are \$24,000,000.
 Whether the Tilden cipher dispatches
 caused us to omit the full number of
 ciphers in this, they failed to appear
 yesterday:

The Aetna Life Insurance com-
 pany of Hartford, Connecticut, is one of
 the reliable companies of the United
 States. Its cash assets represent a
 value of \$24,000,000. Mr. Arthur Wil-
 son the manager for Oregon and Wash-
 ington, called upon us yesterday, and
 informs us that Mr. E. C. Holden has
 been appointed local agent at Astoria,
 and Dr. W. D. Baker examining physi-
 cian. Hon. I. W. Case has carried
 a policy in this company for nearly
 ten years.

Masonic Installation.

Saints John Chapter No. 14, R. A.
 M., installed officers for the present
 Masonic year Thursday evening, in
 this city, as follows:
 A. Van Dusen..... H. P.
 S. W. Dodd..... King
 W. D. Hare..... Scribe
 A. H. Sales..... C. of H.
 E. S. Larsen..... P. S.
 C. A. McGuire..... R. A. C.
 A. P. Anderson..... Sec.
 E. R. Hawes..... G. M. 3d V.
 Andrew Anderson..... G. M. 2d V.
 L. Hartwig..... G. M. 1st V. and guard.
 The usual festival followed the in-
 stallation, at which a large number sat
 down to overloaded tables, at the pleas-
 ant hospitality of Mrs. S. N. Arrigoni.

Not an Agent.

The following dispatch from Chas.
 DeYoung & Co. is self-explanatory:
 (SPECIAL TO THE ASTORIAN.)
 SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 7. - We do
 not know Sewell, and never have
 authorized him to represent us. If he
 has obtained any money this way, he
 should be prosecuted. Please answer
 these facts for us.
 CHAS. DE YOUNG & CO.

Officer Hudson arrived last evening
 and took into custody a whole
 sale drug thief lately acting as a porter
 at the store of Hodge Davis & Co.
 He was known by the name of C. M.
 McCrary. He was caught by Chief
 Barry at Astoria on Thursday. The
 goods recovered so far are valued at
 \$1,400. Officer Hudson was accom-
 panied to Astoria by Mr. Davis of the
 firm.

Report of the Corwin.

In the Seattle Intelligencer of the
 1st we find the following very flatter-
 ing notice of Oregon's favorite in the
 fleet of the United States revenue
 marine, the steam cutter Thomas
 Corwin:

Through the courtesy of the oblig-
 ing officers of the revenue cutter,
 Thomas Corwin, we are enabled to
 give our readers some interesting
 facts concerning this industrious little
 craft. Her keel was laid in 1875, on
 the banks of the Willamette river,
 opposite Portland, and she was finish-
 ed in 1876, first Lieutenant John
 Brann, her gentlemanly commander,
 superintended her construction, and
 for strength, durability and appear-
 ance, she has no superior in the re-
 venue service. She, like all the other
 cutters now in service, with one ex-
 ception, was named after a Secretary
 of the Treasury. The exception is
 the cutter Grant. As we have
 before stated, she is as trim a little
 craft as ever entered our harbor.
 Her length is one hundred and thirty-
 four feet; breadth of beam twenty-
 four feet, depth of hold, 11 1/2 feet, and
 her tonnage is about 227 tons. She
 is supplied with a large vertical engine,
 which drives her along at the rate
 of seven miles per hour, or four and
 one half tons of coal per day. She
 has often made ten miles and over,
 but a greater rate of speed requires
 more coal. She carries thirty men
 and seven officers, as follows: Leuten-
 ants, Brann, commanding, Good-
 ing and Rockwood; Chief Engineer,
 T. Wayson; assistant engineers, J.
 Ball and A. R. Wolf, who are to a
 man efficient, courteous, and up to
 the standard in their respective de-
 partments. The Corwin has rendered
 splendid service along the coast dur-
 ing the past season. She has fitted
 out life saving stations at Golden
 Gate Park, Humboldt, Cape Arrago,
 Shoalwater bay, Neah bay and an-
 other cape, the name of which we have
 forgotten; all of these she keeps sup-
 plied. She has also taken up and re-
 placed all the buoys on the Columbia
 bar and river, carried supplies to all
 the different light-houses in the thir-
 teenth district, besides doing consid-
 erable cruising for vessels in distress
 and judging from the reports of her,
 she is always ready when duty calls.
 She took on about forty tons of Seat-
 tle coal, and if her officers give a
 favorable report of it, as they surely
 must, the government will no doubt
 give American fuel the preference
 over foreign, and order her to take
 coal here whenever necessary, in
 which case we will have more frequent
 visits from the Corwin. She has re-
 cently rendered much valuable service
 to vessels in distress, and we hope she
 will always maintain the enviable re-
 putation for usefulness she now so
 deservedly bears. She will sail for
 Astoria this morning.

Uncle Remus Below Zero.

"It's mighty cole wedder" said
 Brer John Henry, evidently wishing
 to change the subject.
 "Cole!" exclaimed Uncle Remus:
 "Hit got pas' cole on de quarter
 stretch. You oughter come to my
 house night 'fo' las. Den you'd foun'
 me live an' kickin'."
 "How so?"
 "Well I tell you, Brer John Henry,
 de cole wuz so cole, an' de kiver wuz
 so light, dat I think I'd make a
 raid on Marse John's shingle
 pile, an' out I goes and totes
 in a whole armfull. Den I gits under
 de kiver an' tells my ole 'ounas fer ter
 lay 'em onto me like she was roofin' a
 nouse. Bimeby she craws in, an' de
 shingles w'at she put on her side fer
 ter kiver wid, dey all drop off on de
 floor. Den up I gits an' piles 'em on agin, an'
 w'en I gite in bed my shingles draps
 off, an' dat's de way it wuz de blessid
 night. Fus it was me up, an' den de
 ole 'oman, an' it kep' us pow'ful warm,
 too, dat kinder exercise. Oh, you
 oughter drapped roun' 'bout dat time,
 Brer John Henry. You'd a heered a
 sho' nuff cussin'!"

Around the City.

Trenchard & Upshur have at their
 store samples of cedar net floats made
 by Pixley at Westport, and which will
 be furnished in quantities to suit at
 \$3 00.
 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 fash-
 ionable style of gent and ladies boots,
 shoes, etc.
 Mr. J. Stewart, stone and marble
 cutter of Astoria will guarantee satis-
 faction 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 recom-
 mendation. Before you let your con-
 tracts for work of this kind it would be
 well to call upon Mr. Stewart.
 Fresh oysters in every style and
 at all hours at the Pioneer restaurant.
 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, Station-
 ery, Notions, Cigars, and Tobacco, at
 Hamburger's Variety Store.
 Fresh oysters in every style at
 Schmeers' Soc advertisement.
 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.
 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.

Real Estate at Auction.

We call attention to E. C. Holden's
 auction sale of city lots on Saturday.
 These lots will all be valuable in the
 near future, though the chances are
 they will be sold cheap enough now.
 Lot 5, block 37, adjoins upper town
 and Finn town; lot 5, block 49 is in
 close proximity to Mr. Devlin's resi-
 dence; lots 2 and 9, block 91, are close
 to the cemetery lot, and one block
 north from Mr. Williamson's block,
 all favorable locations.

Notice.

A special meeting of the A. G. H.
 is hereby called for Sunday, the 9th of
 February, 1879, at the Chamber of
 Commerce, at 2 o'clock P. M. by re-
 quest of several members. Business
 of importance.
 P. H. Fox,
 President.

Report on Alaska.

Major Morris' report on Alaska
 has at last reached the senate. A dis-
 patch of the 5th informs us that it is
 a lengthy document, comprising at
 least a thousand pages of manuscript,
 is copiously illustrated with maps and
 sketches of the country. The report
 is very comprehensive, and presents
 a great number of details regarding
 the resources of the country, tending
 to show that it is very far from a
 worthless country. Major Morris re-
 ports that there is ample evidence of
 the existence of rich mines of gold,
 silver and copper in Alaska, although
 their precise location is not given.
 He furnishes an extended descrip-
 tion of valuable fisheries and timber
 resources of the territory. Consider-
 able space is devoted to the subject
 of the disputed boundary line between
 Alaska and British Columbia, and
 after reporting a mass of information
 on the subject the suggestion is made
 that congress should take necessary
 steps to settle the dispute with Great
 Britain by means of a joint commis-
 sion. The present chaotic condition of
 affairs is fully set forth, and the es-
 tablishment of some sort of civil gov-
 ernment for the territory is earnestly
 advocated.

Silver Shining Moon.

It is not possible that there is any
 country on the face of the globe can
 surpass the moonlight nights now en-
 joyed in Oregon. The Standard says:
 The sovereign mistress of true mel-
 ancholy floated through vaulted dome
 as a molten silver globe gliding through
 realms of space. The gentle beams
 washed all the air and bathed the fir
 fringed vallies with a flood of soft and
 mellow light, and brought to mind the
 happy scenes of dreamland where all
 is passing fair and clothed in shrouds
 of mystic grandeur. While the pale
 governess of the tides looked down
 upon the earth, a gentle zephyr sang
 a sweet refrain that was bully, and
 every way equal to the sob of a broken
 heart.

Lurline is all the go. We have
 heard of the legend of Lurline; Sam
 Simpson's last poem is called Lurline;
 Jacob Kamm's new Vancouver steam-
 er, recently built, was called Lurline;
 Mrs. Hill personated the character of
 Lurline at the masquerade in Olym-
 pia. Webster don't tell us what it is;
 but a friend at our elbow says it is a
 song to the daises, and signifies about
 the same as: "Shoo-fly, don't bedder
 me." It certainly belongs to the class-
 ics.

A sharp, thirsty man now walks
 into a bar-room and asks if he can
 "put up" his silk umbrella for a
 drink. The bartender acquiesces,
 the chap gets a drink, raises his
 umbrella, and walks out. That's a
 dry game.

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

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, Candies, 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 ATTEN-
 tion 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 supply-
 ing 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 B.L.K. MEAT,
 And also from Clatsop every other day
FRESH BUTTER, EGGS, CHEESE,
CLAMS, DUCKS, CHICKENS,
 And everything that is needed in the cook-
 ing line at the lowest living prices.
 Call and examine before purchasing else-
 where.
 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 at-
 tended 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
 Suemogha and Main street, Astoria.

A RARE CHANCE.
 I WILL SELL ANY OR ALL OF THE
 following described property, viz:
 160 Acres, Sec. 22, T. 8, N. of R. 9 west,
 southeast quarter.
 Also, in Olney's Astoria
 Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, in Block 75;
 Lots 3, 4, 5, and 6, in Block 100;
 Lots 2 and 4, in Block 120; and Lot 5,
 in Block 133;
 North half of Block 5, - 2 1/2 acres.
DAVID INGALLS
 Astoria, Oregon, Dec. 10, 1878.