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THE CITY.

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Capt. Flavel is registered at the Clarendon, in Portland.

The Seattle press want the next assembly to pass a law to prevent ships from discharging ballast into water on the Sound less than fifty fathom at minimum depth.

To-morrow will be recognized in Washington city, and in various states of the continent, as a National Holiday, it being the anniversary of the birth of GEORGE WASHINGTON.

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.

Mr. Robert Habersham, assistant U. S. engineer arrived in the city last evening. Mr. Higgins is also in the city, en route to Point Adams to make a survey of the ship City of Dublin.

Eight persons were registered at the St. Charles from Astoria yesterday. Hon. H. B. Parker, Capt. Johnson and wife, Ben. B. Turley, Esq., Messrs. D. Hamburger, Wm. Oliver, J. E. Higgins and S. H. Litcher.

The wind was up stream all day yesterday, and blew at a fearful rate. If this wind will only melt the snow in regions beyond the Cascade range of mountains we can well afford to put up with the inconveniences which was caused to the river traffic by the gales. The temperature here was mild.

Wm. West is not only an expert clog dancer and actor, but is an artist of no mean pretensions. He is employed at Bloom's late stand in painting the drop curtain, etc., for Hill's new theatre. The drop curtain represents a view of Maximilian's castle in Mexico, and is a very creditable piece of work.

The Standard of yesterday is informed from letters received from eastern Oregon it seems that the heavy snow storm was mostly north of the Columbia reaching into the British possessions. The stack south of the snow line is in very good condition, yet many will die.

Several very neat little dailies now greet us from the interior by every mail. prominent among which are the Experiment from Olympia, and the Plaindealer from Roseburg. The people of towns in which all such journals are published cannot confer a greater favor upon the community at large than by sustaining the press which so faithfully represents them.

The Oregonian of to-morrow will probably tell that the hull of the British ship City of Dublin has been sold as she lays to Mr. A. Y. Hamilton, of Portland. The Standard of yesterday says she was sold at private sale for \$1,000, and Mr. H. will proceed at once to look after the welfare of the new purchase.

An editor has been promoted. Bro. Merry of the Inland Empire says: "We are pained to announce that we are no longer a private citizen. In an evil hour we have been appointed a deputy fish commissioner for Wasco county, and have serious thoughts of writing to Noltner to ascertain if this will disqualify us for United States Senator in 1884."

Teach Honesty Only.

Remarking upon the condition of affairs in Astoria, and the effort of the few to bring order out of chaos in the government of the city, a gentleman remarked in our hearing a few days since that such things could not occur if the same effort was made by the better classes of the community to "keep the devil out of men" that were used to "keep men out of the devil." True enough, we thought. It was the devil's own who got us into this fix, as a community. The legislatures may keep on passing laws to secure honest elections until the crack of doom and they will do no good, until the people become honest themselves. No law can be enforced without a public sentiment to back it, and so long as "respectable" members of both parties wink at all sorts of political scoundrelism, so long will means be devised to evade the strictest law. It is not worth while to amend constitutions, until public morals are amended.

To W. B. Sewell.

A correspondent at Seaton, one of the guards of the Washington territory penitentiary, referring to THE ASTORIAN'S remarks concerning W. B. Sewell, the pretended agent of the San Francisco Chronicle who recently "came to grief" before the grand jury in this county, says:

I was not in the least surprised when I read that article, for I am very well acquainted with Sewell. I had one of the keys to the Olympia jail where he was an inmate for eighteen months for grand larceny. He was sentenced for two years, but with the assistance of a minister, and a few other persons, he was pardoned after serving about eighteen months of his term. He claimed to be a doctor, also a jeweler. After his pardon he went to the Puyallup valley and played himself off as a very pious person, but fell from grace when he was caught trying to rob some one at the house where he was boarding. He is a bad man, and ought to be showed up. I am certain that he is the same person from your description of him. W. C. Hawk.

Salmon Contracts.

There is not a cannery-man on the Columbia river, nor yet a purchaser of canned salmon in the market, but who can be benefitted by using the blank contract paper prepared for sale and printed at the ASTORIAN office. Call and leave us your orders for them, gentlemen, and prevent those embarrassing results incident to sales without the use of them.

A senator in Indiana has offered a bill to provide against "unjust charges by surgeons and physicians for services rendered." This may be a joke. Who ever saw a doctor that got rich administering pills or cutting off legs? There is no profession, as a rule, except the Printer, poorer paid than the physician, who by the patient labor of years has fitted himself for his labor of charity, and receives so little thanks.

For many years parties have been experimenting to devise some means to prevent the toredo, a worm which perforates and destroys piles and other wooden material placed in salt water. The Intelligencer says such a discovery is worth over forty thousand dollars a year to Seattle alone. At Tacoma piles for the railroad wharf were coppered, at an enormous expense. Astoria is never troubled with the worms, and in this particular at least has a very decided advantage over San Francisco, and sister cities to the north of us.

Who has not heard of rich distillers sending their products around the world in the holds of vessels for the purpose of improving its quality? The system is a great deal older than any whisky that can be found in the land at this day. An enterprising dealer on Chenamus street in this city, Mr. J. Strauss, has just received a fine lot of whiskies which were subjected to the same sort of a test, in a smaller way, however, and even if it was accidental the liquor seems to have improved by travel, or else it was a pretty good article before it was shipped in the first place. Both Strauss and I. S. Jones, of Oysterville shipped the same day, Strauss' whisky went to Oysterville and back by the land and water route, and it was found to be "way up" when it got to its final destination.

Important Decision.

The supreme court, in session at Salem have announced their decision in the case of B. F. Burch vs. R. P. Earhart, secretary of state, reversing the decision of the lower court. This case involves the question as to whether or not the secretary of state was authorized to draw warrants on the state treasury for the deficiency accounts for the last two years, the legislature having made an appropriation without levying a tax to meet the same as provided by the constitution. Desirous of being on the safe side the secretary refused to issue the warrants without first being sanctioned in so doing by a mandamus issued by the courts. The case was first tried before Judge Harding, of the third judicial district, who decided in favor of the state. An appeal was then taken to the supreme court, which reversed the judgment of the court below. Chief Justice Kelly, in rendering his decision, took the ground "that whether the sources of income were sufficient for that purpose or not was a question for the legislative assembly, and it alone, to determine. Owing to the increase of taxable property and the probable decrease in the expenditures of the state administration, it doubtless concluded that no further taxation was required to meet all demands specified in the act making appropriations for the current fiscal term of two years. As the legislature failed to impose an additional tax to pay deficiencies, the fair presumption is that none was needed." He held that it was the duty of the respondent to audit the account and draw his warrant on the treasury for the amount found due. This will carry with it claims against the state amounting to about \$40,000 in the aggregate, held by parties in various sections thereof.

All the Fairweather that there was at Astoria night before last appears to have returned up the river yesterday by the Bonita. It rained, it blowed, and it was very disagreeable throughout the city, compelling people to remain in-doors. Stores and shops were a deserted and discouraged look,—except in Holden's auction rooms, where the remnants of the stock of the skeddaddler J. Olsen was sold on execution, consisting of clocks, watches, jewelry, a safe, etc. Some very amusing scenes occurred at this sale, but the goods brought handsome prices, as indeed most things do when Holden "cries" over them.

Norway is the smallest nation of Europe in most respects, but its commerce is such that its fleet is the third largest in the world, and why? Because the congress of America has made Norway a nation of "preferred citizens of the United States;" and how? By passing acts admitting vessels of other nationalities into our ports upon the same basis as ships of this nation, while prohibiting vessels from sailing under the American flag to other ports of the world unless they were built at home. Norway purchases her vessels wherever she pleases.

Sight is Priceless.

A. M. Kline, manufacturing optician, from San Francisco has opened a branch store on Chenamus street, next door to Demen's drug store, for a short time only, where he will suit all weak, near, far-sighted and cataract eyes with his improved Parabola Spectacles and Eye Glasses, mounted in steel, shell, and gold frames. All persons wishing to improve their sight should call at once and secure a pair of the celebrated Parabola glasses.

Closing out Sale.

Mr. Maurice H. Black, who recently came to Portland from the east for the purpose of establishing a Ladies' underwear manufactory, has concluded to discontinue his business, and is now in the city, selling off the balance of his stock consisting of Ladies' underwear and embroideries at low prices. Ladies call and be convinced. Chenamus street, next door to Demen's drug store.

Dr. Oliver has located his office up stairs in same building with Shuster's daguerrean room. Dr. Oliver claims a record of over twelve years successful practice in Washington City and Southern California, and may be justly considered as entitled to the confidence of those of our citizens favorable to the homeopathic practice of medicine.

An advertisement in a newspaper is worth forty "directory" cards and other foolish imitations. The paper is seen every day by hundreds, while the book is noticed by only a very few.

AROUND THE CITY.

Miss E. C. Benedict having completed the teaching of Mrs. Rinker's system of cutting and fitting ladies dresses, and having test fits in Astoria, takes pleasure in referring to Mrs. T. S. Jewett, Mrs. S. T. McKean, Mrs. Eric Johnson, and Miss Annie Jentis, they each having learned the art. Miss Benedict will remain in the city for a short time, and may be found at Mrs. S. T. McKean's, where she will continue to give instructions as set forth in previous card.

A new lot of full bound blank, and receipt books, specially for use in canneries, at the City Book store.

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

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

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.

Parties in want of good Cedar Shingles will do well to apply to H. C. Comegys, Kalama, W. T.

Nick Squivalence has concluded that there is no millions in shipping sailors, and he has given up that business, and is attending closely to keeping a hotel. Call at the Chicago House and see for yourself.

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.

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

Peter Runey is still in the market with all kinds of building materials in his line. Has just received 100,000 lath, 2500 bushels of sand, and a large stock of first quality of brick at his warehouse foot of Benton street.

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

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

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

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.

Fresh fruits and vegetables at Bailey's.

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

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Mrs. A. Ginder, next door to THE ASTORIAN office, takes pleasure in informing the ladies of Astoria and vicinity that she has just opened a well selected stock of Ladies underwear, and Children's and Infants goods, to which she invites the attention of purchasers.

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