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Third and Last Call.

We simply must have money from those who owe us. Our creditors want theirs and we must have what is due us so that we can pay them. This is the last call we shall make through the paper. If there is not a settlement in some way, very soon, we shall be compelled to place our accounts in the hands of an attorney for collection.

BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENT.

- The stock of hats at the White House store is the finest in Oregon.
- "Probabilities" are for rain to-day.
- A new lot of crockery to be seen at Bailey's.
- The Katata went to Portland for inspection on the 26th.
- See late specimens lightning process of photographs, at H. S. Shuster's Art Gallery.
- Oranges are cheaper than apples in Astoria. Call at Baileys and secure some.
- Best Salem flour is sold in this city at \$5.50 per barrel with Warren & McGuire.
- Warren & McGuire have the early rose potatoes for seed. Farmers, please remember this.
- "Man's Faithful Friend," the Dog; and "His Earnest Study," the Tortoise; is a picture greatly admired by visitors to our office.
- C. H. Bain & Co. will, from this date, discount ten per cent, for cash, on former prices on sales of mouldings, sash and doors.
- The lamp-lighters horse stuck in the mud of Main street night before last, and delayed the lighting of the whole city until after "bed-time."
- A fine lot of Whitaker hams to be found at Bailey's.
- "She is a woman after my own heart," remarked a citizen at the dinner table, the other day. "Not much," ejaculated the old lady, "she is a woman after your money."
- Remarking upon the failure of a prominent man in the cannery business, a friend remarked: "When a man begins to go down hill all nature seems greased for the occasion."
- The steamship Oregon made the run from New York to Astoria, via Valparaiso, in 64 days and nine hours. How much will the new State of California beat that time? Bets are in order.
- During the absence of Mr Carl Adler people are invited to call at his store and help themselves to whatever they choose, at bed-rock prices. His present stock will be reduced to make room for a large assortment in new lines of goods.
- Mrs. Capt. Gilman is preparing for a four months journey to the east, on a visit to friends in Chicago, St. Paul etc. The many friends of the lady will be pleased to wish her a safe and pleasant excursion.
- Mr. T. J. Dryer, the founder of the Oregonian, is lying at the point of death in Portland. His grand-son, Mr. Wm. Ogden of this city left for Portland yesterday, in consequence of the illness of Mr. Dryer.
- The Grays river mail carrier Mr. Martz, is missing. His boat, sail and oars were picked up near Foss' camp on Wednesday. Mr. H. B. Parker of this city, the contractor, sent a boat out yesterday to search for him.

No Tereedo at Astoria.
 Hon. H. Holbrook, the mayor of New Westminster, who has been sojourning at the Occident for a week past, and visiting places of interest in this vicinity, sailed for San Francisco by the Elder. We have enjoyed his visit very much, and he informs us that he has been delighted. He will return to his home with renewed interest in Astoria. He feels that the fact that that pest of sea-ports generally, the tereedo, does not affect our dock-pilings, etc., is of itself enough to invite the investment of millions at Astoria, and he thinks that our Chamber of Commerce should take special pains to impress this great fact upon the minds of all men pursuing commercial vocations.

Mr. J. G. Megler arrived down yesterday by the Elder, and intended to remain over for the up river boat to-day, but in consequence of illness of Mrs. Megler his steamer Edith was dispatched from Brookfield for him, and he returned home last evening.

The Standard says, Hon. I. W. Case, Grand Master Workman of the Ancient Order United Workmen, has appointed W. S. White, Esq., of East Portland, a Deputy Grand Master Workman, with full power to institute Lodges throughout the entire district. Mr. White is a worker, and will do much toward building up the Order in this state.

The Standard says: "Dr. Wm. Pfunder proprietor of the Oregon Blood purifier has just received letters patent on his compound and trade mark. Owing to the rapid increase of demand for this mixture his present laboratory will be doubled in size in a few weeks. The demand is so great that better and increased facilities are imperative."

The effects of the supreme court decision in the case of Welch v. Taylor, will make some sweeping changes in Astoria property. "Will this vexed question ever be settled. It is apparent to some that there is too much law in Oregon," says a correspondent. Will the curious lease the public school house (as we have no room for comments), and allow the disputants to discuss the matter *ad lib.*

Calvin B. McDonald, "the tripple thunderer," has entered the temperance field, and is said to be doing effective service. We know of none better qualified to speak of the evil effects of intemperance. Jim Reynolds, when editing a Boise paper some years ago, said to his readers "for the evils of intemperance see our inside;" Calvin can produce the evidences on his outside unmistakably.

A band of *hians cullus* Indians from east of the Cascade mountains, are on the Elder. They have been summoned to Washington to have a *reason* with his "accidency," and their success will develop a new batch of "Chiefs" to go on a similar mission perhaps. If a gang of white desperadoes were to act as these fellows have acted,—sit back as "friendly" red men and set their dogs upon defenseless settlers,—they would pay the penalty by having their necks stretched.

Quite a sensation occurred in Bergman & Berry's stable, night before last. In a stall next to that of the little mule a cow is kept. By some means the mule was placed in the cow stall, and *vice versa*. The man who does the milking unsuspectingly tackled the mule, as it was nearly dark and the mule is about the size of the cow. He was saved by the milk-pail, though he was slightly injured by a sudden exit through the roof. Berry says the d—mule has not got through kicking yet.

Prof. L. J. Powell, superintendent of public instruction, in reply to several letters, has stated that according to a decision of the Supreme court, indebtedness may be deducted from assessments for school purposes, or that taxable property within the meaning of the statute which authorizes the levy of taxes by school districts, is that property, which persons within the district own, exclusive of indebtedness within the state, and that clerks of school districts, in making assessments, must follow the general law governing assessors.

The best "poster" is that which is sent regularly into the family circle.

A False Witness.
 Certain parties in California who started the rumor that a certain cannery on the Columbia river was so badly ruptured by a direct shipment of fish to Europe last year, will be chagrined to hear that the rupture is only a small pimple. Why California cannerymen should circulate such reports is a mystery to us. They come here; they make money here; they splurge on their "ill-gotten gains;" for if it is such an outrageous business they are equally as guilty as the Web-feet, whom they so despise. If they do not like Oregon, if they believe Oregonians to be flats all together, we advise them, as sharps, to keep in tune and confine themselves to apples, and peaches, and strawberries, in the cannery line.

An Unexpected Reception.

There is a sparkle of humor about some of the Mormon girls. An old reprobate of the sect addressed a note to a young woman who does housework, asking her to become his second wife, as his first was growing old, and had ceased to be to him an object of admiration. The woman answered his note, informing him that she had a young lady friend in the kitchen, who would entertain his proposition with more favor, and fixing a time when he should call, to prefer his suit in person. He arrived at the appointed time. The two girls dressed a young man up in woman's clothes to receive him. During the interview the old fellow became suspicious that he had been "sold," on hearing a suppressed titter. He proceeded to make a retreat, when this is what happened, as described by the Salt Lake Tribune:

He proceeded slowly towards the door; but just then a pan of hot water fell over his bare head, and before he could realize the situation, a bucket of slops was soused into his face; turning in the direction from whence came the last dose, he received a rotten egg in the left ear. He now turned to run, but was met at the door by a pan of molasses and flour which settled over his face and neck, trickling down his back in dirty pale streaks that ate a passage through his endowment robes and ran around his toe-nails. At last he got the slops and molasses and ancient eggs and the buckwheat batter out of one eye just long enough to see which way the back alley lay, and he shot out into Main street the most despicable looking wretch on the continent.

Dr. J. Welch has arrived in Astoria for the purpose of filling his engagements here, in the practice of dentistry. See card elsewhere in this paper.

Our Nasby (Postmaster Chance), interviewed Moses and the chiefs on the Elder yesterday. Old Winapsnoot and Nasby were "familiar friends" years long gone by, and the old chief remembered the incidents of those early days with pleasure.

The card of the Norton House, Portland, will be seen in another column. This is one of the best hotels in Portland. We acknowledge a very pleasant call from Mr. Thos. F. Norton yesterday. He came down by the Elder, and will return by the Ancon.

It is something astonishing what great results follow little causes. An item a few days ago predicting that Mr. C. S. Wright would himself occupy (not alone), the new residence he was preparing to build, calls forth the fact that the house is already engaged, and so is Capt. A. W. Berry, it is presumed that the house is for him. The name of the young lady who is to become mistress of the place has not yet transpired.

Referring to the remarkable journey of Hon. John Whiteaker to Washington, the Seattle Independent, (Hon. Beriah Brown,) says: "Mr. Whiteaker emigrated from Missouri across the plains more than a quarter of a century ago, and never saw a railroad or an ocean steamer outside of Oregon before this trip. He is a man of indomitable energy, and nothing which could be overcome by human efforts would deter him from meeting a personal obligation or performing a public duty. If his party had been defeated in the organization of the house by his neglect he would have regarded himself as deeply dishonored."

Miss E. C. Benedict wishes to inform the Ladies, that she will still continue instructing all those who wish to learn Mrs. C. K. Rinker's system of Dress-cutting, having taken rooms with Miss M. J. Kelley.

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

The Sea-Port Question.
Olympia Daily Experiment.
 The ice gorge in the Columbia during the past winter has demonstrated a fact fraught with a grave consideration. Portland may consider herself the entrepot of this part of the coast; but thinking and wishing, though bolstered with buoyant hope, often ends in bitter disappointment. Heavy shippers are not going to allow their freight to be diverted twelve miles from its direct course to the open sea for the flimsy pleasure of sustaining a monopoly. Astoria is to-day head and shoulders above Portland in its situation and facilities as an entrepot for the Columbia river trade.

Brick Pomeroy now prints a paper in the old Opera House block which he built in La Crosse with such a grand flourish many years ago. He rents the building from his first wife from whom he was divorced and to whom the decree of divorce gave the block. He now lives with Mrs. Pomeroy No. 3.

AROUND THE CITY.

- Fresh oysters in every style at Schmeers'. See advertisement.
- The cheapest ever offered is Hamburger's Embroidery.
- 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.
- Fresh oysters in every style and at all hours at the Pioneer restaurant.
- Parties in want of good Cedar Shingles will do well to apply to H. C. Conneys, Kalama, W. T.
- You can get Pomerick bread at Mrs. S. Binder's bakery in Astoria, where it is baked regularly and kept on hand for sale, the same as other bread.
- 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.
- I. C. Johnson may be found at the Occident in Astoria every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evening, ready to attend to messenger duty in Portland or to points along the river in a satisfactory manner.
- Five thousand yards Embroideries from 5 cents upwards, at Hamburger's.
- Get your baskets filled for a little money at Bailey's.
- Buy your domestic goods at Hamburger's. You can do better than at any other house.
- Fresh fruits and vegetables at Bailey's.
- Oysters served in every style at the Walla Walla Restaurant.
- P. J. Goodman, on Main street, has just received the latest and most fashionable style of gent and ladies boots, shoes, etc.
- New invoice of those Medallion Ranges at Magnus C. Crosby's.
- Twelve yards Chinese Grass Cloth, 36 inches wide, for one dollar at Hamburger's.
- A new lot of full bound blank, and receipt books, specially for use in canneries, at the City Book store.
- 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.

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Fashionable Dress-Making.

Miss M. J. KELLEY having made arrangements with Miss E. C. Benedict to do cutting and fitting in her shop, and feeling fully competent to offer herself as a first-class trimmer, would be pleased to have the ladies of Astoria give her a call, as she will hold herself responsible for all work done. Terms reasonable. Next door to THE ASTORIAN office.

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AMUSEMENTS.
Metropolitan Hall.
TWO NIGHTS
 —AND—
SATURDAY MATINEE,
 Commencing Friday 28th.

First Appearance of
BARLOW, WILSON, PRIEBOSE,
 AND WESTS
MINSTRELS!
 Universally acknowledged to be the most Brilliant and Artistic Combination now before the public.
 Under the Management of Mr. Job Maguire, Manager of New Market Theatre, Portland.

The company is precisely the same as during the successful engagement just closed at Baldwin's, and after a brief tour of the State, we shall again return to that beautiful Theatre for another four weeks engagement. This is the only minstrel company that has ever had the honor of appearing in Baldwin's Theatre, San Francisco.

It is a Chaste, Elegant and Refined Performance.
Every Act and Song is New.
 Admission - - - 50c and \$1.00
 No extra charge for reserved seats. They are now ready at Caulfield's drug store.
H. J. CLAPHAM,
 Business Manager.

GRAND OPENING
 —OF—
Hill's New Variety Theatre,
 Containing six
NEW AND ELEGANT BOXES,
SITTING ROOMS, ETC.
 The Decorations of the New Theatre were executed by Mr. F. Holt.
NEW AND ELABORATE SCENERY.
 Painted by Mr. Wm. West, Architect and Builder Mr. Kemble.
 On and after this date will be given a
First Class Entertainment,
 Which for Refinement and Novelty cannot be equaled on this coast. Our Performance Commences with our
First Part of Male and Female
MINSTRELS.
GRAND OLIO,
 Consisting of
Singing, Dancing, Acrobatic Feats,
Negro Sketches, Trapeze Performers,
Pantomimists and Jugglers.
HOUSE CROWDED NIGHTLY
 To see our Refined and Unequaled entertainment. New Acts, New Song's and complete change of Programme twice a week.
GEO. HILL, Proprietor.
 Entrance to Boxes and Circle on Chenamus Street. Performance to commence at eight o'clock precise.

Hotels and Restaurants.

PARKER HOUSE,
 ASTORIA, OREGON.
 H. B. PARKER, Proprietor.

THIS HOTEL is the largest, most comfortable and best kept hotel in the city. It is supplied with the best of spring water, hot and cold baths, barber shop, and a first-class saloon with best of liquors and cigars, and fine billiard table. Free coach to and from the house; charges reasonable, \$1.00 to \$2.50 per day, according to room occupied.

Private Boarding House,
 MRS. QUINN, PROPRIETOR.

Will accommodate day boarders or accommodate any with board and lodging. Prices reasonable. In Ingalls' building, Jefferson street, opposite Wells, Fargo & Co's Express office.

CENTENNIAL HOTEL,
 Water street, near the O. S. N. Co.'s Wharf, ASTORIA, OREGON.

HENRY ROTHE, PROPRIETOR.
 THIS IS A NEW HOTEL BUILDING, newly furnished, is conveniently situated to business, and will be conducted so as make it a first class stopping place for the public generally, and will be open from this day.

A. J. MEGLER, C. S. WRIGHT,
OCCIDENT HOTEL.
 MEGLER & WRIGHT, Proprietors.
 Astoria, Oregon.

THE PROPRIETORS ARE HAPPY TO announce that the above hotel has been repaired and refurnished, adding greatly to the comfort of its guests and is now the best hotel north of San Francisco.

TURPIN HOUSE,
 D. L. TURPIN - PROPRIETOR
 MAIN STREET.
 Between Squemoche and Jefferson, ASTORIA, OREGON.

Board and lodging per week.....\$6.00
 Board per day.....1.00
 Single Meal......50
 The table will be supplied at all times with the best market affords.

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THEO. BROEMSEL, PROPRIETOR.
 Fresh oysters and other delicacies of the season, served in every style.
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MEALS AT ALL HOURS.