

Do or Die.

A few days ago, in the course of a conversation with one of the most prominent gentlemen identified with the business of Portland, we were informed that he and his associates had tried repeatedly, for a full quarter of a century, to get a hold and become identified with Astoria interests...

Texas Society.

The governor of Texas has withdrawn all rewards offered by him, and has established a state police, whereby the law-abiding citizens may be protected, and the out-law brought to justice.

Cincinnati Police Qualification.

An ambitious young man from a back country village in Indiana, recently wrote to the Cincinnati chief of police for a place on the force. In answer to this the American detective says: "It requires schooling in ward politics, and ability to marshal a squad or two of voters at the polls, and the willingness and patience to bear disappointment after disappointment..."

A Modern Eden.

There is a town in Connecticut which has no debt, but has quite a sum of money drawing interest, which helps to lighten the taxes. Such at least is the report which might be believed if it did not go on to say that in this modern Eden there is no distillery, no place where liquor is sold, no court house, no jail, neither doctor, lawyer, constable, or policeman, and only three paupers.

There are indications that sentimentalism is dying out in the land of Byron, Tennyson and Dickens. The British house of commons shows as little regard for the finer emotions as might be expected of a committee of Yorkshire farmers. It has passed a bill declaring in favor of the abolition of actions for breach of promise of marriage, except where actual pecuniary loss has resulted from such breach.

Joaquin Miller comes home a broken man—but just "think of the fun" he has had traveling in England, Jerusalem, and wandering up the Nile, registering himself "Joaquin Miller, Oregon." He has supreme contempt and hatred for the press of this state. It is too bad.

"Rev." Joseph T. Inman.

Something told us to say: "Not for Joseph;" when we were solicited and urged by J. H. Bates, 41 Park Row, New York, to insert an advertisement for Rev. Joseph T. Inman. Joseph was so sweet on the "errors of youth," "early indiscretion," "loss of manhood," etc., that we put him down at once for a fraud, and now we are rewarded by a detailed exposure of the fellow, in the knaves column of the American Detective for April, from which we quote:

We are surprised to find at this late day, in a journal edited by a clergyman, who would not knowingly help a swindle of any kind, an advertisement, displayed in the leaded type, in which this man "Rev." Joseph T. Inman proposes to send this recipe of course free to those answering the advertisement. The "recipe," accompanied by four pages of fiddle-faddle, setting forth all about it, is as follows:

Ex tract of Corassa Apimicis... 8 Drs. Extract of Selarino Umbellifera... 4 " Powdered Alkermes Latifolia... 3 " Extract of Carsadoc Herbalis... 6 "

Then follow directions for fixing and mixing and taking the stuff, which he calls the "corassa compound." The Rev. Joe tells the story of the errors of his youth, which we can readily believe, considering how he goes on now that he is no longer young; tells how he went as a missionary to South America (poor savages!); how he discovered the "corassa compound;" how bad he was before he took it, how he got well, and how he was "convinced that it was his sacred duty to make known the discovery of this remedy for the benefit of suffering humanity."

As the drug stores cannot be relied upon to procure new remedies of quality, I can forward the corassa compound, etc.

And that accounts for the milk in Joe's cocoanut. Send only \$3 50—and you are all right. Try to get it at the drug stores, and you are all wrong. "Sacred duty" is a big thing at \$3 50 a time. Now Inman knows that this "recipe" is all stuff and nonsense. He knows that those names, "corassa apimicis," and all the rest, have their origin only in what we will, as a convenient word, call his brain, and he knows as we do, that every so-called "new remedy" in his "recipe" is like himself—a miserable fraud, a humbug—that the things named in this "recipe" are not known in medicine, in pharmacy, or in botany; they are bunglingly made up, and have not the semblance of probability, and are so far unlike the real names of real things that they advertise his ignorance and stupidity.

A curious thing connected with Joe's circular is that a Frenchman in Canada, in his singleness of heart, should find it "disgraceful that a 'Reverend' should be in such business." "Reverend," bless you, that title is no more true than the names to his drugs. Joe is no reverend, or he would not lie so. Our French correspondent, who is perfectly familiar with Paris, referring to one of the "Rev." Joe's certificates, of a doctor in Paris, says there is no such person there. Of course not.

We may be excused for again referring to the status of THE ASTORIAN upon this matter of advertising for knaves. The press of Oregon is overrun with all kinds of the most contemptible swindles, from patent milking machines to pianos; of patent medicines and quack doctors; and whenever any person takes the trouble to inquire into these matters they find that the readers of the papers are not only swindled, but the publishers themselves are, about nine times in ten defrauded out of the payments promised. And until publishers resolve, and stick to their resolution, never to deviate from the rule of cash to accompany the order and at the usual rates, will they secure a better class of advertisers, because bona fide honorable men only do pay for advertising, and they will advertise only in those papers which exclude the bogus class. People in legitimate business cannot compete with scamps, and if the press do not expose the rascals, but continue advertising for them, where can reformation begin?

There is no better index of the general condition of our industries than the iron business. When blast furnaces, rolling mills, foundries and machine shops are prosperous, nearly all other branches of business are sure to be doing well. Just now there is genuine revival in the iron interests all over the country.

The Wickedest Book Agent.

From the Boston Journal.

A clever fellow, an expert in the calling, rang the door bell and soon the lady of the house was before him. Said he, "Will you be kind enough to take this book and give it—?" "I guess not, today sir," said she, closing the door. "But, madam, you do not understand, I only wish you to give it—!" "I cannot possibly to-day, I am very busy." "Why, my dear madam, the folks in the next house are away; won't you please hand it to them when they return? It's a valuable work, and you will save me many steps and also oblige the lady very much." "Oh! oh! sir; excuse—I thought—you see we have so many—?" "I see, madam; don't fret yourself, but can I further trouble you for a pencil to write the address on the book?" "Most certainly, sir," said she, throwing the door open, "walk in. I hope, sir, you will excuse my mistake." "I will, but I can't help feeling hurt," said he huskily; "but the lady is anxious to get it, and no wonder; just see the engravings—only \$7. Shall I not add your name to the list?" She was powerless; he got it.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Keep Your Money Safe.

Ex-claimship Oregon I have received another consignment of:

TUCKER'S PATENT ALARM MONEY TILLS.

This matchless Counter Alarm Money Drawer is proof against Pick-Pockets. PRICE \$5 00.

NEW BAKERY.

Main street, opposite the Parker House. C. CAROW, PROPRIETOR. Of the above named New Bakery, Respectfully invites a share of the public patronage, confident of his ability to please his patrons.

Mrs. H. A. DERBY.

Has just returned from San Francisco with the finest selected stock of

MILLINERY GOODS.

Ever offered in Astoria. Embracing every novelty in the line.

Dr. Warner's Health Corset

Can only be purchased in Astoria at Mrs. Derby's, Main street, between Squemoque and Jefferson.

WILSON & FISHER

DEALERS IN HARDWARE. LUBRICATING OILS, COAL OIL, PAINTS AND OILS.

Sheet, Round, and Square Prepared Rubber Packing.

PROVISIONS, MILL FEED, GARDEN SEED, GRASS SEED.

Which will be exchanged for country produce or sold at lowest prices. Corner Chenamus and Hamilton Streets ASTORIA, OREGON.

GUNS, LOCKS, AND SEWING MACHINES REPAIRED.

KEYS FITTED AND LOCKS REPAIRED. SAWS FILED, ETC. BY F. W. WASS. Main street, next door to Geo. Eoss.

GEO. LOVETT, TAILOR.

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

G. W. PARKER, DEALER IN GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

WHITE LEAD, PAINTS and COAL OILS, Brushes, Brooms and Wooden-ware, Tobacco, Cigars and Stationery, Gent's Furnishing Goods, Etc. Near the Corner Main and Concomly Sts., Astoria

T. F. VOSS, BRICK LAYER.

Cement, Plasterer and Builder of any kind of Brick Furnaces.

Please leave orders at Wilson & Fisher's store, Chenamus street, Astoria. 7-1m

I. W. CASE, IMPORTER AND WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

Corner Chenamus and Cass streets, ASTORIA - - - OREGON.

HUGH STOOP, CARPENTER AND JOINER, AND GENERAL JOBBER.

ASTORIA, OREGON. Houses built to order, and satisfaction guaranteed. Shop on Squemoque street next door to the Episcopal church.

BANKRUPT SALE

LADIES' LINEN SUITS! LADIES' LINEN SUITS! One hundred suits purchased at an immense discount of manufacturers cost at BANKRUPT SALE.

THE CHEAPEST EVER OFFERED \$3 00 FULL SUIT. PURE LINEN. Extraordinary Inducements. SILK PARASOLS.

We defy to be excelled in stock and prices. Call on us, it will be money in your pocket.

B. HAMBURGER.

MAIN STREET. ASTORIA, OREGON.

NEW SPRING and SUMMER STOCK JUST OPENED.

A. VAN DUSEN & CO.

Have just received a full line of Spring and Summer goods of the very finest quality, which were bought during the recent tumble in stock, when each merchant's a premium, and are therefore prepared to sell the same at less rates than the same quality of goods can be purchased elsewhere. These goods consist in part of

Clothing, Gent's Furnishing Goods.

Hats and Caps, Ladies Dress Goods, Muslins, Prints, Hosiery, Boots and Shoes, Rubber Boots, Oil Clothing.

In addition to the above have laid in a full stock of BUILDERS MATERIALS, NAILS, PAINTS, OILS, ETC.

CROCKERY AND GLASSWARE, LAMPS, ETC.

Cannot be excelled and our prices defy competition. Family Groceries and Provision a Specialty. Oregon City Imperial Extra Flour at \$5 50 per Barrel.

WARDS CLATSOP BUTTER ALWAYS IN STORE.

Agency for Singer and White Sewing Machines. Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express office, corner of Cass and Jefferson street.

STILL THEY COME!

COHEN & COOPER'S

I X L

STORE THE BOSS OF THE TOWN

IN SELLING GOODS THE CHEAPEST.

We have since replaced our Ladies'

SHOES, CLOAKS.

And all goods that were lost on the Republic.

ALSO, A FULL LINE OF LADIES'

LINEN UNDERWEAR.

Come, give us a trial, and satisfy yourself that we sell cheaper than any other house in town. We do not give any price list, as we have but one price, and sell

FOR CASH ONLY.

COHEN & COOPER.

I X L STORE.

P. S. The mostest goods for the leastest money.

BUSINESS CARDS.

DR. I. M. SEVERN, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. ASTORIA, OREGON. Office Hours.—From 9 to 12 A. M., and from 3 to 5 P. M.

C. W. FULTON, ATTORNEY AT LAW. Office.—Pages new building, Squemoque street, Astoria, Oregon.

DR. J. W. OLIVER, HOMEOPATHIST.

OFFICE.—In Shadler's Drugstore building. Entrance—second door above that of the DAILY ASTORIAN, Cass street. Residence on Jefferson street, corner of Main.

DOCTOR HATCH, Successfully treats all Chronic Diseases, AND DISEASES OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN. Cancer cured by a new and painless method. Office—Chenamus street, corner of Main street, Astoria.

DR. J. O'BRIEN, CURES BILLIOUS AND INTERMITTENT FEVERS.

With from one to three doses of his harmless medicine. Also, Private diseases successfully treated. OFFICE—O'Brien's hotel, Astoria, Oregon.

G. T. DUFNER, WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER. HAS REMOVED TO Main street, Parker's building, ASTORIA, - - - OREGON.

W. M. BECK, Manufacturer of Boots and Shoes. All kinds of repairing neatly and promptly attended to. MAIN ST., - ASTORIA, OREGON.

Astoria Wood Yard. Foot of Lafayette street, Astoria, Oregon.

DUSHARM & CO., - PROPRIETORS. All kinds of wood delivered to any part of the city, sawed or unsawed.

AUCTION SALES.

E. C. HOLDEN, Notary Public for the State of Oregon. Real Estate Agent and Conveyancer. Agent for the FIREMEN'S FUND INSURANCE COMPANY of San Francisco. COMMISSION AGENT and AUCTIONEER. Rents and Accounts Collected, and returns promptly made.

Regular sales day, SATURDAYS at 2 P. M. N. B. Parties having real estate, furniture or any other goods to dispose of either at auction or private sale should notify me as soon as convenient before the day of sale. No storage charged on goods sold at Auction. E. C. HOLDEN, Auctioneer.

MISCELLANEOUS.

WILLIAM EDGAR, Corner Main and Chenamus Streets, ASTORIA, - - - OREGON.

CIGARS AND TOBACCO, AND THE GENUINE WOSTENHOLM and other English Cutlery.

STATIONERY! FAIRCHILD'S GOLD PENS Genuine Meershaum Pipes, etc.

A fine stock of Watches and Jewelry, Huzzle and Breech Loading Shot Guns, Revolvers, Pistols, Parlor Rifles, and Ammunition.

THE ASTORIA BREWERY DEPOT.

RUDOLPH BARTH & MICHAEL MEYER, PROPRIETORS. Corner of Olney and Water streets, ASTORIA, OREGON.

Best quality of LAGER BEER etc. per glass. Choice Wines, Liquors, and Cigars always on hand. The patronage of the public is respectfully solicited. Orders for Lager or Bottled Beer in any quantity promptly filled. The best lunch the season will afford furnished day and night FREE.