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THE CITY. THE DAILY ASTORIAN will be sent by mail at 15 cents a month, free of postage.

The Dovenby arrived in port last evening. The Greeks of Astoria enjoyed the Greek Christmas, night before last.

The steamer Geo. W. Elder sailed for Acapulco from San Francisco on the 2d.

One of the ballast ships left San Francisco for this port on Wednesday. Charters like everything else seeks the best market.

There was a young maid in Astoria, got into a terrible fury, when the sheriff dropped in, and, with a conical grin, took her bean off to sit on a jury.

The Knights of Pythias enjoyed a social evening at Roscoses night before last, after the close of the lodge.

The advertisement of Mr. B. W. Blood, of Clatskanie, appears in THE ASTORIAN to-day. Mr. Blood has made miles of floats, and his work has always given entire satisfaction to Columbia river fishermen.

Capt. Smith, with a party of four or five men, proceeds to point Adams to-day to make some efforts to prevent the destruction of property there by erosions of the sea. This is a matter that has been too long delayed.

It makes us happy to note the arrival at San Francisco on the 5th, of Capt. James Linkskill, in the British ship Prince Anadeo. He comes in from a long and no doubt a very tempestuous voyage from Hongkong.

The San Francisco News informs us that Mr. R. D. Humes new steamer has been launched at Rogue river. She was named in honor of Mary D. Hume. She is 200 tons burthen, and will run between Rogue river and San Francisco.

The Oregonian of yesterday presents a plan in a communication for improving the Columbia river bar. It says the letter is written by a person of wide observation and experience, who requests examination of his suggestions.

Want of time prevents us from making reports of the installation and complimentary ball given last evening in this city by Beaver lodge No. 35, I. O. O. F. It was most happily managed, and satisfactory to all. The attendance was very large. Following is a part of the officers installed:

- St. Clair Benner..... N. G. W. H. Barker..... V. G. T. S. Jewett..... R. S. John Hahn..... Treasurer Wm. Beck..... C. G. Reed..... R. S. N. G. C. E. Green..... L. S. V. G.

The Alta informs us that after the Valiant was loaded in San Francisco, and they began bending sails for the voyage, they found that the roping on the foot of the new topsails were cut in several places. This illustrates the material that now serves to make up crews of American ships, and it is to be regretted that the offenders cannot be reached and punished. We are sorry Capt. Dailey should be treated so in San Francisco, and await his reply through the New York Herald.

During the absence of Mr. Carl Adler from the city, Mr. Chas. Moffett will have the entire management of his business, and he will commence at once by reducing prices of everything suitable to dull times. Everybody can be assured of being treated well, and furthermore will find out by careful examination of goods and prices that Adlers store is the place to do your buying. You can always find what you ask for in large variety.

Charles P. Clinch, who for forty years had been in the New York custom house, died recently at the age of eighty-three. He was appointed in 1838, and resigned in 1876, on account of age and infirmity. He was regarded as the best authority in the United States on the custom laws, and during most of his long career was the acting head of the establishment.

A petrified woman has been discovered in Cascade lake, Nevada. The petrification is described as small, scrawny, brown, emaciated, shriveled and hideous. How mad the woman who was petrified would be to know that she had been preserved for posterity in such a shape. But then, you know, it is all hush to think of such impossible things as a petrified human body.

Commenting upon the Skibbe-Ferry nuptials at The Dalles on the 27th, the Mountaineer says: "After the marriage ceremony a large party of invited friends met at the Pioneer, where they celebrated the marriage by a dance and supper. The festivities were kept up until a late hour, and all went home delighted with the good time they had had. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Skibbe and wish them long life and happiness."

We are surprised to find a paper, as intelligently conducted as the Lafayette Courier is otherwise; advocating the improvement of rivers now well adapted to commerce, to the exclusion of needed aids elsewhere. Verily there is little use in talking. Listening to the arguments of the Courier would make a dog sick. What's the matter with you Snyder! Your "im-poverished farmers" can only make money by building the railroad to Astoria; they could thus redeem themselves from impoverishment, and command buyers here at San Francisco prices. Think of that.

Liverpool Post: The workhouse is not a place where over indulgence in beer bibbing, or even in tobacco smoking, should be permitted, nor is either permitted in the Walton workhouse. But who would grudge a poor pauper in declining health the gentle stimulant of an occasional glass of beer under the surveillance of the medical officer, or the soothing influence of half an ounce of tobacco a week to the old men, or even the old women, who have been accustomed to it in the days when they were able to toil, and to whom it is now one of the last fleeting solaces!

Since the people of Seattle have received three hundred pounds average weight of gold twenties for their railroad, says the Mail, the people of La Conner are almost tempted to organize a railroad company to build through the Skagit pass, and then draw on Villard or Jay Gould for a hundred pounds of gold twenties, for they would greatly relieve the stringency of the local money market. But seriously speaking, the Skagit pass is the most practicable pass for a railroad across the Cascade range of mountains, and we verily believe the Northern Pacific made a great mistake when they abandoned the original intention to build over this route. The Skagit river, navigable into the interior for a distance of eighty miles or more, would be an important aid for a railroad across the continent on this latitude.

The following from the Standard of the 4th, is certainly uncalled for: "The last legislature passed an act to prevent unfair discrimination on the part of tugs and pilots. An opposition steam tug and pilot's association has just been organized at Columbia bar, and we have reason to hope that the discreditable and inefficient monopoly that has so long placed our commerce at disadvantage will be at an end." The act referred to was intended solely for Coca bay. The "opposition" tug Mary Taylor is scarcely worth the name, in point of fact; and were it possible for the charges of "discreditable and inefficient monopoly" to be sustained, we scarcely think the present "newly organized tug and pilots association" capable of doing any better, if as well. We believe in fair play, but it is neither fair nor sensible to class this subject as the Standard classes it.

Magnus C. Crosby has a first-class workman, and is prepared to do all kinds of jobbing in tin, sheet iron and copper, plumbing and steam fitting. Full satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded.

Frank Faber has removed into Dr. Kinsey's building on Water street. On the road to the steamer dock from down town, before breakfast, it will now be handy to drop in and get a cup of coffee.

Dresses cut, fit and made to order, by Mrs. Denny Curran, Cass street, near the Congregational church, in Mr. Thomas Logan's house, Astoria.

Horse Education.

In something we have written says the editor of the Farmer, "we have an indistinct recollection of having made reference to a general disposition among boys in their teens, as well as boys of maturer years, to enlighten and bless the world with their profound knowledge of the horse and his history. Our books and newspapers are full of this kind of literature, and it varies in style from the production of the child at school, commencing with: The horse has four legs and a tail; up to the eloquent tribute of the scholar when he quotes from Job: That his neck is clothed with thunder and the glory of his nostrils is terrible. He smelleth the battle afar off, the thunder of the captains and the shouting. Between these two extremes of the child at his first school composition, and the professional literature, we have every grade of pretension, and each professing to have mastered the whole subject. As we approach the close of this nineteenth century, we begin to look for something better in this department of knowledge from those who assume to instruct." And it is to be found in Kendall's Treatise on the horse, sent by mail to any person for twenty-five cents, postage paid. Apply to THE ASTORIAN office, or address D. C. Ireland, Astoria, Oregon.

The Week of Prayer. The following themes for services during the week of prayer have been suggested by the Evangelical alliance and adopted by the Protestant churches of Astoria. A union prayer meeting will be had each evening, to which all are invited.

Friday, 7.—Prayer for the prevalence of justice, humanity and peace among all nations; for the suppression of intemperance and Sabbath desecration.

Saturday, 8.—Prayer for the Christian missions and the conversion of the world to Christ.

Sunday, 9.—Theme: On the ministration of the Holy spirit.

Whooop 'em Up. On taxes for School District No. 1, says the clerk. Capt. Hostler will be glad to accommodate you with receipts, gentlemen. Do not be backward in coming forward.

If you want a good big oyster stew in style, call around to Tom Smiths, next door to P. H. Fox, Main street Astoria, Oregon. Open at all hours.

Adler is selling school books very low.

P. Wilhelm, Boss saloon, opposite the Clarendon hotel, Portland, Oregon.

All ye who want hay of the best kind, No. 1, find it at Grays wharf.

When you want a dish of nice Eastern Oysters done up a la mode, or a good steak, or a fragrant cup of coffee, call at Frank Fabers on the roadway, and he will accommodate you. Open at all hours.

Fresh leaf lard at Warren and Eaton's.

Save money by buying your school books at Adlers.

John Rogers has just received at the Central market a large invoice of coal oil, assorted brand, and for sale at reduced rates. He also keeps a general assortment of groceries, liquors, tobaccos, cigars, fruits and vegetables of best quality, which he offers at small profit for cash.

Handsome wedding presents at the City Book store.

A nice lot of eastern oysters at Roscoses, arrived yesterday by steamer Columbia. Call around. You will find them first class.

Since the Chinese started to brew "cheap San Francisco beer" there is little or no demand for that article any more. Call for the Columbia brewery beer, if you want something good.

J. W. Gearhart has some A No. 1 apples, and a general assortment of dried fruits.

Cannermen would gain much by leaving us their orders for incidental printing now to be done leisurely during the winter months—saving time and money, and avoiding the risks of a spring rush of work.

Mr. Wm. Loebl is agent at Astoria for the Germania Life Insurance company of New York. This is one of the soundest companies doing business in the United States. Its total assets, all equal to cash, amount to \$8,552,877 11.

The reading room of the Astoria Young Mens Christian Association is now kept warm and lighted evenings and the latest newspapers and periodicals on file, free to everyone who wish to come and read.

McCormick's almanacs for 1881. At the City Book Store, Charles Stevens & Son, opposite the Bell-tower.

Mr. John Rogers, of the Central Market, has made arrangements to keep all the finest fresh fish, etc., in their season.

Max Wagner's San Francisco National brewery beer can't be beat.

Bath tubs, water closets, sinks and hot water apparatus, furnished hotels and private residences, at lowest rates and shortest notice, by Magnus C. Crosby, at the little tin shop "round the corner."

Gray's wood yard is now fitted up on the wharf foot of Benton street, and prepared to deliver wood to any part of the city sawed to any length, and full measure.

AROUND THE CITY.

A full assortment of counter and grocers scales can be found at M. C. Crosby's, at bottom prices.

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

For a first-class oyster stew, fry, pan-roast or fancy roast, go to Roscoses, on Main street, opposite N. Loebl's. Families supplied by the hundred or the sack, opened or in the shell.

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 contractors work of this kind it would be well to call upon Mr. Stewart.

AMUSEMENTS. HILL'S VARIETIES.—Geo. Hill, proprietor, Fred Gere, manager.—The company at present consists of the following talented artists. Comedians: Mr. Chas. Nickerson, one of the oldest and best performers in America; Mr. John Hallet, one of the favorites of the Pacific coast; Mr. A. J. Markey, the celebrated Irish delineator; Mr. Fred Gere, in delineations; Mr. Dean and Mr. Morice balladists; Mr. Ostrander, violin soloist, and baritone; Mr. Charles Barnes, pianist and ball cop; Mr. Geo. Skelton, leader of brass band; Mr. Richard Bruce, snare drummer and vocalist. This evening the ever popular first part with Mr. Nickerson and his tambourine, Mr. Hallet and his bones, Mr. Geo. Skelton, and all the World a Stage, and Men and Women merely Actors. Entire change of programme this evening. A new olio of specialties, consisting of songs and dances, Irish, Dutch and negro eccentricities, and the Christmas play entitled, "Work for All," by Nickerson, Markey and Gere. 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