

Coast Telegraph Line.

At a regular meeting of the Portland Board of Trade last Monday night says the Oregonian.

The committee to whom was referred the matter of establishing a telegraph line from Astoria to the coast made a verbal report, asking further time. Mr. Dodd, chairman, said that every pilot, every steamship commander and every master of sailing vessels to whom they had applied for information, favored Cape Hancock, above Tillamook rock.

To us it seems better for many reasons that the line should run from Astoria to Tillamook Rock via Point Adams. It was the original intent; any change of the programme now would delay the appropriation. The intent of the service would be better served by having the station at Tillamook, out on the extreme coast, where the force and direction of the wind, etc., could be accurately determined than at the comparatively sheltered point of Cape Hancock.

Volcanoes.

The Bulletin furnishes the following review of an interesting book recently published, entitled "Volcanoes; what they are, and what they teach." The careful reading of the book will serve to dispel some popular errors touching the phenomena of volcanoes. The author begins by citing answers usually given in school-books to the question "What is a volcano?" "A volcano is a burning mountain, from the summit of which issues smoke and flames."

garded not as the cause but as the consequence of volcanic activity. Neither does this action always take place at the 'summits' of volcanic mountains, when such exist, for eruptions occur quite frequently on their sides or at their base.

After exploding popular theories concerning earthquakes, the author describes, in the order of their importance, all the most notable volcanoes of the world. The more famous ones are illustrated with drawings and engravings; the latter, in many instances, are made from photographs taken on the spot. Lava streams, mountain configurations, and even dissected volcanic mountains are figured.

The author points out the fact that although scientists are able to assign the cause for volcanoes, they have not so far mastered the laws which govern volcanic action, as to be able to predict the periods of their manifestations. There can be no doubt that these operations are governed by some great natural laws which have not been fully discovered. The following summary is in point:

The author notes that the number of volcanic vents now believed to be in active condition, is between 300 and 350, but the number which are now for the most part dormant exceeds 1,000. The smaller temporary openings of a subordinate character, which have at some time been active as vents, number tens of thousands. The feebler manifestations of volcanic forces such as are exhibited in 'stufas' or steam jets, geysers or intermittent hot springs, thermal and mineral waters, fumaroles emitting various gases, sauses or spouting saline, and muddy springs and mud volcanoes—may be reckoned by thousands.

The colossal statue of Liberty the gift of the French Republic to the United States, is now ready, and as soon as the country raises \$200,000 to build a pedestal for it on Bedloe's island, at the entrance to New York harbor, the statue will be sent over as a gift from France to America.

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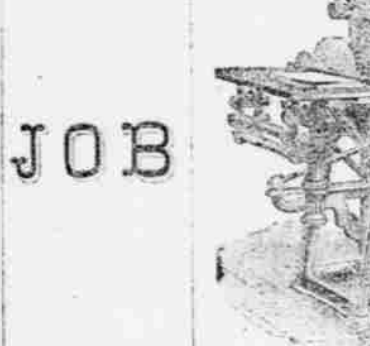
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Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN annual meeting of the stockholders of the Fishermen Packing Company will be held at their office in Upper Astoria, on the 24th day of December, 1881, at 9 o'clock A. M. for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, and such other business as may come before the meeting.

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Notice. THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing between C. E. Jackins and John A. Montgomery under the firm name of Jackins & Montgomery, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent. John A. Montgomery will collect and settle all accounts of said firm.

Masonic Land and Building Association Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Messico Land and Building Association of Astoria, will be held at the office of George Flavel, in Astoria, on Wednesday, the 21st of December, 1881, at 2 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year, (consisting of seven members) and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

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