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THE CITY.

THE DAILY ASTORIAN will be sent by mail at 75 cents a month, free of postage.

Readers who contemplate absence from the city can have THE ASTORIAN follow them, DAILY or WEEKLY editions to any post-office without additional expense.

Our Boarding House, to-night.

Bishop Morris will be here on the 15th.

You want to see Sheridan as "Fiorette."

The Alice towed the Strlingshire up stream yesterday.

The Columbia will leave Portland at twelve o'clock to-night.

A few more chances yet to be taken for that fine graphoscope at the City book store.

The Coloma, fifty-one days hence arrived at Hongkong on the 1st.

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

The Yaquina took on sixty tons of coal at Flavel's dock yesterday.

Another of those fine A. B. Chase organs at the City Book Store.

Old Jupiter Pluvius rose in wrath last evening and deluged the town.

Frank Fabre has oysters in every style. Stew and pan roasts a specialty.

It would seem as though all the boys wanted was a good example.

Fresh candy every day at the Astoria candy factory.

The line between here and Portland was down all day yesterday.

A large invoice of parlor, cook stoves and ranges at J. A. Montgomery's.

The American ship Levi P. Burgess and five other vessels are outside.

A new lot of fur trimming, all colors, below San Francisco prices, just received at the IXL Store.

You want to see Fiorette, Gillypod and Col. M. T. Elevator at Liberty hall to-night.

For lane Back, Side or Chest use Shiloh's Porous Plaster. Price 25 cents For sale by W. E. Dement.

The A. O. U. W. has 2,301 members in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia.

Hot, cold and shower baths at the Occident hair dressing saloon, twenty-five cents.

Notice. From this date James B. Booker is the only person authorized to contract debts or order goods in my name for use at the Knappton Cannery. Joseph Hume, Astoria, Jan. 3, 1882.

Week of Prayer. Union prayer meeting this evening at the Y. M. C. A. rooms. Subject, "Prayer for the Young and all Agencies for Christian training." Every body cordially invited.

The Ladies Guild of the Episcopal church will hold their social at the house of Mrs. C. Boelling, to-morrow evening.

Mrs. Twilight and Mrs. Hilsley have taken charge of the Pioneer Restaurant, which has been thoroughly renovated and refitted. Mrs. Hilsley has charge of the cuisine. Good coffee a specialty.

Sheridan is so well supported by the company he has with him that everything he plays is well done all through.

Shiloh's Vitalizer is what you need for Constipation, Loss of Appetite, Dizziness and all symptoms of Dyspepsia. Price 10 and 75 cents per bottle. Sold by W. E. Dement.

The oyster business is reviving on Shoalwater bay. The oysters are fat and plenty and are in great demand in Portland and San Francisco.

Those writing desks at the City book store are the best in the city. They are something nice and durable, and just what most young ladies would appreciate from the giver.

Regular convocation of Saints John R. A. Chapter No. 14, this (Thursday) evening at 7.30 sharp. Installation and important business.

For the genuine J. H. Cutler old Bourbon, and the best of wines, liquors and San Francisco beer, call at the Gem, opposite the bell tower, and see Campbell.

The union prayer meetings are being held in the Y. M. C. A. hall. Meeting begins each evening this week at 7 o'clock. All are cordially welcomed.

There are a few more chances left yet to win one of those lovely dolls which are to be raffled at Mrs. Derby's, New Years eve.

The court was trying some minor cases yesterday; the first being exhausted, a second venire of thirty jurors was issued and summons were served in an effort to impanel a jury.

Our up country exchanges in most eulogistic phrase praise "Our Boarding House," as played by Sheridan and his company. We hope to see a full house at Liberty hall to-night.

Shiloh's Cough and Consumption Cure is sold by us on guarantee. It cures consumption. Sold by W. E. Dement.

The British barks City Camp, 114 days from Buenos Ayres; Corsica, 69 days from same port; Parknook from Guaymas; Company of Argyle, and the British ship Ballochmyle, from Table Bay, arrived in yesterday.

An East India piano cover beautifully embroidered, will be raffled at the Occident next week. The cover is worth \$125 and the fortunate man can get it for one dollar. This is a rare opportunity.

The Walla Walla Statesman man is all mixed up on the Karo Siva Gaff stream, the Japan current, and the Gulf stream. The Gulf stream rises in the northeastern part of Connecticut and empties into the equator.

Chas. Stevens and Son have a stock of mouldings and moulders tools which can be bought cheap for cash to close out that branch of the business.

Major Page, who for eleven years has been one of our "solid men," has disposed of his interest in the late firm of Page & Allen, and goes to Portland to engage in trade there. The business will hereafter be conducted by Mr. A. V. Allen.

For handsome holiday presents, such as toilet cases, cologne sets, perfume cases, fine soaps, etc., go to Conn's drug store, opposite Occident Hotel.

Jos. Paquet is ready with his men to begin work upon a barge for the Astoria Transportation company. Considerable trouble was experienced in finding room along the beach. A location above the I. S. N. Co's new steamer has been selected.

Sleepless Nights, made miserable by that terrible cough. Shiloh's Cure is the remedy for you. Sold by W. E. Dement.

The January term of the Circuit Court for this county began its session at four o'clock Tuesday afternoon, when his honor, Judge Raleigh Stott, arriving called the session and adjourned to seven o'clock; again adjourned to nine o'clock yesterday. The greater part of the day was spent in hearing demurrers, and as yet a jury has not been secured in the case of the State of Oregon vs. J. G. Robeson. Mulkey, Caples and Fulton are for the prosecution.

Mrs. Bob Ladd, from Portland, a test medium of great power and experience, is at the house of Mrs. Job Ross, where private sittings may be had daily. Public circle, for which 25 cents admission will be charged, every evening this week.

Attention! Attention! All those indebted to the Central Market will please call and pay their accounts before the 15th of January, 1882. By so doing they will oblige and save costs. Those that do not comply with this request, their accounts will be closed. J. ROGERS.

Transactions in Real Estate for the Month of December. Nov. 13.—Donald McKey and wife to John Davis, 1/2 of N E 1/4 and E 1/2 of N W 1/4 and S W 1/4 of N W 1/4 of Sec 12, T 8 N, R 1 W; 280 A. \$350.

Oct. 14.—Wm. Hume and wife to G. W. Hume, land and tenements in Astoria. \$60,000.

Dec. 2.—P. Johnson and wife to W. H. Blanchard, lot 8 in Sec. 2, T 8 N, R 7 W; 14 A. \$150.

Dec. 13.—Patrick G. Cason to Charles Wright, N W 1/4 Sec 2, T 8 N, R 8 W; 160 A. \$700.

Aug. 1, 1873.—United States to Joshua Elder, donation 320 A, parts of Sec 8, 16, 17, 20 and 21, T 8 N, R 10 W.

Nov. 3.—William Metzger and wife to trustees of first Presbyterian Church of Astoria, N 1/2 of lots 8 and 8 in block 43, McClure's Astoria. \$1,000.

Dec. 16.—R. D. Hume and wife to Dean Blanchard, tract of land on S bank of Columbia river in front of S. C. Smith donation claim. \$1,100.

Dec. 22.—Dean Blanchard to J. G. and A. J. Megler, tract of land on S bank of Columbia river in front of S. C. Smith donation claim. \$1,100.

Dec. 22.—Martha A. Brown to W. E. Dement, tide land in front of lot 4 in block 1, McClure's Astoria. \$800.

Ang. 16.—John M. Shively and wife to Mrs. Lavina Talton, N 100 feet of lot 2, block 17, Shively's Astoria. \$750.

Dec. 19.—North Pacific Transportation Co. to Hiram Brown and H. W. Corbett, land in front of block 63 and the E 1/2 of block 8 with improvements. \$1,000.

RELEASES IN DEC. Dec. 5.—Geo. Flavel to A. C. Fisher, lots 12 and 13 in block 65 and lot 8 in block 56 1/2, McClure's Astoria. \$1,200.

Dec. 2.—School commissioners to W. W. Parker and wife, lots in 1 and 8 in block 3, McClure's Astoria. \$250.61.

Catarth cured, health and sweet breath secured by Shiloh's Catarth Remedy. Price 50 cents, Nasal Injector free. For sale by W. E. Dement.

Meteorological Register. The following is from the meteorological register of Fort Canby for the month of December, 1881:

Average temperature, 45.00. Maximum temperature, 53.00, on the 23d and 24th of month.

Minimum temperature, 28.00, during night, from 1st to 2d of month.

Average cloudiness, 7. Number of days on which rain fell, 24.

Rainfall, 11 in. 27 1/2 c. c. WILLIAM S. BLACK

List of Letters. Remaining uncalled for in the Post-office at Astoria, Oregon, January 3, 1882.

Anderson, C. Hewett, R. Anderson, M. J. Homberg, F. Anderson, Mats. Henline, C. W. Arsenen, Mikkal A. Kelly, Wm H Black, Edward Pencillier, Victor Bennett, B. B. Perka, Samuel Binell, P. Patterson, O. Christiansen, N. Roger, Mrs. James Erikson, Marie Stephanson, Jens Goodrich, C. S. Thomasson, J. W. Howard, Thomas.

Persons calling for these letters must give the date they are advertised. W. CHANCE, P. M.

The play of "Our Boarding House" at Liberty hall to-night, gives Sheridan an opportunity of appearing in the character of "Fiorette," an impersonation that has won him enduring fame wherever presented.

The plot of the play forms a series of contempts of the most ludicrous nature, and the versatility of the hero is taxed to give life to such an embodiment of rascality. The play has been repeated at special request of the audience in every place where it has been rendered, and those of our readers who have never seen Sheridan comedy should take this opportunity. Of course those who have seen Sheridan in this, one of his happiest efforts will go again. The seats were being sold rapidly yesterday afternoon, indicating a full house for the talented company who will appear to-night.

Hotel Arrivals. PARKER HOUSE. A F Bailey Agt Sheridan combination; S Stoodley N Weisner Cathlamet; G W Day, G F Parker city; R Neilson Portland; Capt G Battlear, R Alexander Adelaide; Wm Austin Calderon; F Krosel, Geo B McEwan, J E Higgins city; J Edgar Wallaski; P Callender Clatsop; O M Little & W Woodards Landing; H Huxley Portland; J McGee. Chas Dupree Knappa.

I have just received the finest assortment of fancy goods in my line ever brought to Astoria, consisting of perfume cases, toilet sets, toilet cases, fine perfumeries, fancy soaps, combs, brushes, hand glasses, and toilet articles of all kinds—splendid presents for the holidays. Call and examine goods and prices before purchasing elsewhere, at J. W. Conn's drug store, opposite Occident Hotel, Astoria, Oregon.

Court Proceedings. FIRST DAY. Court opened at 4 P. M. and adjourned until 7 P. M.

J. O. Bozorth and Jas. P. Christie were appointed bailiffs and sworn in. On meeting at 7 P. M. the Grand Jury were drawn and charged by the Court, after which the jury retired.

Grand Jury are B. Young, Phil Callendar, Chas. Bruce, Frank Byrd, M. A. Riddle, S. B. Barrows and Chas. Gratka.

The following cases were disposed of: John M. Shively vs. Nancy Welch et al; equity. Strong for plaintiff, Dolph & Co. for defendant.

Dismissed on motion of plaintiff at plaintiff's cost and without prejudice. A. Van Dusen et al. vs. City of Astoria et al; equity. Dolph & Co. for plaintiffs, Fulton for defendants.

Dismissed on motion of plaintiff. D. G. Ross vs. L. F. Benzer et al; law. Fulton for plaintiff, Bowby for defendants.

Dismissed and settled. Julia Bohart vs. B. Bohart; divorce. Winton and Chapman for plaintiff, Fulton for defendant.

Time to file motion until Wednesday morning. Stephen Butts vs. Henrietta Butts; divorce. Fulton for plaintiffs. Default.

SECOND DAY—JAN. 4. J. D. Higgins sworn as bailiff. Venire for thirty jurors issued returnable at 2 o'clock P. M.

State of Oregon vs. J. G. Robeson; indictment for murder. Caples for State, Hill, Dunham and Thompson for defendant.

Twenty-two jurors have been examined in Robeson's case, out of which one has been accepted.

Phillip Condit vs. Mary E. Condit; divorce. Fulton for plaintiff. Default and referred to S. B. Smith to take testimony.

Butts vs. Butt. Referred to S. B. Smith to take testimony. H. Powell, juror, excused until Saturday.

B. B. Bennett vs. Ida A. Bennett; divorce. Fulton for plaintiff. Default.

A. E. Honston vs. Wm. Houston; divorce. Fulton for plaintiff. Default.

Wm. Young vs. C. G. Ross et al. Motion to vacate order requiring garnishes to answer. Argued and submitted.

Wm. F. Slaughter vs. C. G. Ross et al. Same motion and same proceedings. J. H. Rinearson vs. Wesley Jackson et al; law. Fulton for plaintiff, Winton for defendants.

Demurrer to complaint argued and submitted. William Lloyd vs. Wesley Jackson et al; law. Fulton for plaintiff, Winton for defendants.

Demurrer to complaint argued and submitted. Adjournd till 7 P. M.

Court met pursuant to adjournment and continued examining jurors in Robeson case.

Address From the Mayor. At the last meeting of the city council John Hahn, the newly elected Mayor, read the following address:

To the Hon. Common Council of the City of Astoria: GENTS:—As it is a duty devolved on the Mayor by the city charter, to read a message to the city council annually, and as it has been the custom and the precedent set by my predecessors in office to do so, I will not deviate from this custom, although in my opinion it is not the Mayor who takes his seat that could be reasonably expected to have a knowledge of the state of the city finance and the condition of city affairs generally.

Having applied to the city treasurer for an abstract of his annual report I was informed that Mr. Dement will not have the same ready until after the first meeting of the city council fixed by charter. Section 50 of the city charter gives the treasurer five days time to complete his report.

Overlooking the general state of the city finances I find the city has a debt of \$19,900, of which there is \$12,500 in bonds, payable in 1889, or at the option of the city council, and a floating debts of \$7,400 consisting of unpaid warrants.

As the interest on the city warrants is the same as on the bonds, and as men having a contract or doing work for the city will naturally expect a higher price for their work, receiving city warrants which they are compelled to sell at a discount, than if they were paid in cash, therefore I would recommend that the city council will take the necessary steps to convert this floating indebtedness into bonds; this would not only be to the interest of the city but would give satisfaction all around.

As it is left to the discretion of the city council to reduce the debt, consisting of said bonds, any time before 1889, I would recommend that they pay off every year a portion of said debt, say about \$2,000, so that when they come due it will not bear too heavy on the tax payers of the city. To accomplish this I think a general tax of 3 mill for general municipal

purposes and a special tax of three (3) mills to pay off a portion of said bonds, will be sufficient for the current year.

Our police force consists of a chief of police and two night watchmen, which number at present I think is sufficient at least for the next two months; but should the state of affairs demand it the council may appoint another policeman on the recommendation of the committee on health and police.

It shall be my duty to exercise a careful supervision not only over the police force but also over the general state of municipal affairs and all other subordinate officers. It shall be my aim to have an efficient and well-disciplined police force who will do their duty well as a police force, who will treat everyone alike, not being required to lend their aid to influence men in politics neither one way on the other.

I therefore do recommend and instruct the committee on health and police, along with the city attorney, to draft a suitable ordinance defining the duties of the police force, and I especially call their attention to section 135, § 4, which section heretofore has been sadly neglected.

As there is an ordinance before the City Council, which ordinance has passed the second reading, defining the duty of the Auditor and Clerk, and fixing his salary, I hope the Council will take the same under consideration and pass it.

The streets in general are in as good a condition as could reasonably be expected. Water and Skemockawa streets, after a long struggle, have at last been repaired. The roadway leading to upper town made some repairs, but as the property owners adjacent to it are objecting to make those repairs, the only thing left to the committee to do, is to go strict according to the charter and give the required notice in the DAILY ASTORIAN for such improvement. Other streets need some minor repairs, such as Chenamus, Concomly and Washington streets. The Street Superintendent will no doubt look after this.

Heretofore the lamps were under the immediate supervision of the committee on public property, which, in some cases, worked a hardship on the city. I call the Council's attention to section 54 of the charter, which, amongst other things, says: The Street Superintendent shall keep himself informed of the condition of street lamps, etc.

As there is hardly any more lots available in the city cemetery for interments I hope the committee on public property will not delay the matter any longer, but will take such steps as to procure a suitable place for a city cemetery at their earliest convenience.

The city ordinance being in such a state as to make it utterly impossible, not only for an outsider, but even for the police force, and the City Council not excepted, to tell what ordinance is in force and which of them has been repealed. I therefore ask the committee on rules and regulation to try and get the same in some shape, to enable the Council to take some action in regard to them.

I cannot understand why this has been neglected all along, the city charter being very explicit in pointing out the duty of the Council in regard to having the city ordinance printed. Section 159 says: "The Council, as soon as practicable after act taking effect (1876) must provide by ordinance for the codifying and publishing in book or pamphlet form of all ordinance or parts thereof, then in full force and for the publishing in like form annually thereafter the city ordinance for the current year."

As all our road tax is now, by act of the Legislature of the State of Oregon on the petition of some citizens, applied to the improvement of county roads, and as we have no road leading out of town, I think it would be advisable, and to be our duty, to use all our influence to aid those living and doing business along the line, to get a road to and around Smith's Point.

The fire department of our city is in a flourishing condition, both companies having a full membership, also Hook and Ladder company. The boys deserve great credit for their efficiency and prompt attention to their duty. The trust and confidence we placed in them as guardians not only over our fire engines, but over all our property, has not been misplaced.

It is with pride that I can state that our city is and has been prosperous this last year more so than in any preceding one; buildings going up on all sides, many buildings being not only useful but ornamental at the same time. The coming year will see many changes, if not more, at least one brick building will be erected, which ultimately will break the ice and others will follow.

There is some minor recommendation to be made, but I will defer this to the proper time when it shall be my duty to call your attention to it.

I hope that we will work harmoniously together, never forgetting that if we transact the business of the city the same as we would our own, we will not only gratify the wish of a majority of the taxpayers and citizens of the town, but also that our meetings will not be a burden but a pleasure to us individually. To accomplish all this you will find me always ready and willing to lend a helping hand.

JOHN HAHN, Mayor.

C. H. COOPER, GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

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