

The Daily Astorian.

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"An Address."

We are in receipt of a pamphlet of statistics, chiefly relative to the pleasant inland city of Portland, which has for its title "An address from the people of Oregon and Washington Territory to the Congress of the United States, for the improvement of the navigation of the Columbia and Willamette rivers." Just when or where "the people of Oregon and Washington Territory issued this address is not made clear, but as it bears the authoritative announcement that it was "adopted by the Portland Board of Trade" on the 12th day of December, 1881, the strength of such local endorsement must of course, silence any desire on the part of outsiders to question by what power of attorney out-pastoral neighbors acted for the common weal. However it is not well to look a gift horse in the mouth, and if the brochure before us does no good it assuredly can do no harm.

The grandeur and the glory of Portland is fittingly set forth, and the style of the language but adds to the charm of the subject. On page five the geographical statement is made that "Portland is for all practical purposes a seaport town." Though this will be news to many, yet it must be remembered that there are many things in nature not manifest to those not gifted with the requisite powers of discernment.

On page eight further information is vouchsafed, to the effect that Astoria is situated "immediately within the bar," and that "the situation as a commercial entrepot is in many respects a fine one." On page nine occurs this kindly notice concerning Astoria: "It might be observed that the inhabitants of this town are very anxious, immediate and liberal measures should be taken to make the Columbia river more accessible to shipping." Yea, verily it "might," and must, could, would and should, be said; the observation preceding the assertion. Between pages "10" and "11" are neatly posted some instructive statistics in relation to work done in attempts to equalize the beds of water ways east of us. From this we learn that the "Willamette Barrier" has had \$141,394 of Government money expended in smoothing it off up to 1874-75. What it has cost Uncle Sam in the last seven years is not so clear to the initiated. On page twelve due prominence is given by "the people of Oregon and Washington Territory" to the fact that by reason of the present deplorable condition of the rivers the merchants of Portland lose considerably; but why the inhabitants of this State and adjoining territory should thus specially call the attention of Congress to the fact that Portland merchants suffer, and leave out all mention of others' woes, is another of those little matters that must be left unsolved. Were it not too presumptuous to even suggest, it might not be wholly out of place to inquire if "the people of Oregon and Washington Territory" couldn't get up something that had a little broader scope to it the next time they send an address to Congress.

A Naval Policy Demanded.

YEAR after year Congress and the press spend much time discussing the question of the remodeling of our naval system. Some upon scheme is presented, and commission after commission make their reports, but nothing is done. The government ships rot away and become useless. Each succeeding Secretary endeavors to keep within the pale of the law, in the application of such scanty appropriations as are grudgingly doled out to him by Congress, and thus his reward for attempting to do his duty, in torrents of abuse

and ridicule from the partisan press in all sections of the country. The main trouble is that the United States has no fixed naval policy. Congress has not in a practical manner given the attention to this subject which its importance demands, and until some common sense legislation in this direction is enacted, the past action will be repeated until the country is left without the semblance of a navy. Entirely too much reliance is placed upon national ability to meet any sudden emergency that may arise, in which armed vessels would be required to defend the nation's honor, and if care is not exercised the government will some day be taken at a disadvantage, and before important points can be put in proper condition of defense, untold damage can be inflicted which hundreds of millions of dollars will not make good. The increasing activity of foreign powers in strengthening their naval armaments points clearly to the fact that the peace millennium is not in the near future, and that we owe it to ourselves, as a nation, to be prepared for any sudden complication that may arise. Though the world is virtually at peace, no one can predict how long such a desirable state of affairs may obtain. The wars of these days are not presaged by years of muttering and rising clouds betokening the coming storm, but are precipitated with the suddenness of the tornado and pass away almost as quickly. What is needed is a wise, generous and comprehensive naval policy, one which shall be framed by men who can look beyond the confines of one administration, and who can sink politics, personal considerations, and aggrandizement of friends in carrying out a plan designed for the honor and protection of the nation by this arm of its defence. The government can learn by observation and experience, enough to guard against making such grievous and costly mistakes as foreign powers have fallen into; and it is not egotism nor overweening confidence, to assert that the ability is in this country to perfect a class of naval vessels which shall have no superior among the navies of the world, at far less cost than the cumbersome craft of Europe, whenever Congress shall have completed its plans of a national navy. It is time that the nation realized the necessity of prompt action in this respect, and that a maritime power with a census of fifty-two millions should show to the world that it has the pride and principle to take its place in the front rank of duty, as well as power, and that it is ready to use force, should necessity demand, to secure freedom to the oppressed of the world, and to protect its people, its commerce and its soil.

THE London Times published lately a letter from a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons in which he narrated the substance of a conversation between himself and two eminent physicians on the subject of what he terms "domestic poisoning." Each of the three was able to refer to a case of the kind that had come under his individual notice and the writer seems to share the opinion of the great toxicologist, the late Dr. Taylor, whose works are text books on forensic medicine, that domestic poisoning is of far more frequent occurrence than is usually supposed, a conclusion which, having regard to the large number of persons in the world whose death would in some way bring pleasure or profit to others, is not extraordinary. It is too probable that a large proportion of mankind has little conscience about committing crime if "what's basely done can be done safely too."

Information Wanted.

THE New York World of the 15th asks: Have the telegraphic messages sent to Prescott in Chili by Frelinghuysen been included in the documents laid before Congress by the State department?

The whole of this miserable tale of American official incapacity and imbecility at Washington, playing fast and loose with American interests and the honor of the United States in South America, must be told before the judgment of the country on the public servants implicated can be righteously made up.

THE work of fortifying dockyards is proceeding rapidly on the continent. Not only are the defenses of the German ports and coasts being pushed on with energy and the roads of Toulon secured against attack and generally improved, but the Austrians are now adding to the fortifications of Pola. That empire having a near neighbor of certainly superior naval strength, the resolve of the Austrians to trust rather to their batteries than to their fleet is presumably wise. In the estimates for the current year the Legislature voted a portion of the sum necessary to complete the fortifications which have already been begun.

SPEAKER Keifer has snubbed the great aesthete, Oscar Wilde. That artistic grasper after the almighty dollar sent in his card to Mr. Speaker, who, instead of rushing forth to clasp the poet in his arms and commune under the shade of his big sunflower, returned word that the card should be left at his hotel. But Keifer is nothing but a coarse person from Ohio, and probably never wore a pair of knee breeches in his life.

BORN.

In Astoria, Feb. 15, 1882, to L. Hartwig a son. Portland and San Francisco papers please copy.

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THE PIONEER AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY of Oregon will hold the annual meeting on Wednesday next, the 22d inst., at the Library of Resolutions, at 11 A. M. By order of the President, S. T. MCKEAN, Secretary.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned Committee on Ways and Means of the Common Council of the City of Astoria, Oregon, will receive sealed proposals at the office of the auditor and Clerk of said city, until 12 o'clock noon, of Tuesday, the 28th day of February, 1882, for city bonds, not exceeding in number, of the denomination of fifty dollars each and bearing interest not exceeding eight per cent, annually, provided for in ordinance No. 447 of said city. Proposals must state the number of bonds bid for, the amount they represent, and the interest to be paid. No bond will be sold under the right to reject any and all bids is hereby reserved. FRANK J. TAYLOR, A. G. SPEAKER, I. W. CASE, Committee on Ways and Means. Astoria, Feb. 17, 1882.

For Sale.

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Sheriff's Notice.

THE STATE, COUNTY, AND STATE School Taxes for the year 1881, are now due and can be paid at my office at the Court House. A. M. TWOMBLY, Sheriff and Tax Collector.

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF THE Columbia, Vancouver Barracks, W. T. Nov. 20, 1881.

Written proposals will be received by the undersigned, at Vancouver Barracks, W. T., until March 1st, 1882, for the right of exclusive seining on the Fort Stevens (Point Adams) Military Reservation, during the next fishing season. The right to reject any or all bids, as may be deemed best, is reserved by the undersigned. O. D. GREEN, Maj. and Asst. Agt. General, Brevet Brigadier General U. S. Army.

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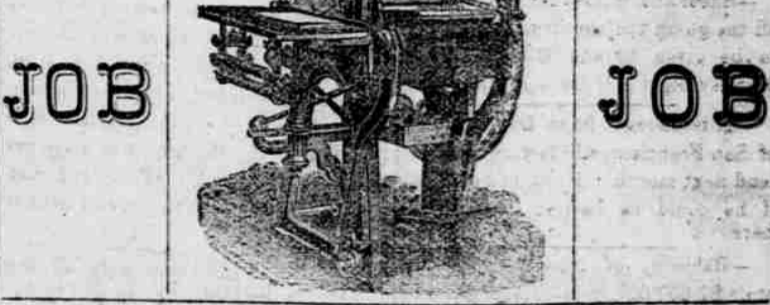
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