

The Daily Astorian. ASTORIA, OREGON. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1882. J. F. HALLORAN, Editor.

COMMENTING on the miserable lack of mail facilities between here and Olympia, the Transcript says: The postal department at Washington has done nothing yet toward having the mails carried on the Olympia and Astoria mail route, although over a week has passed and everything connected with it has been telegraphed to Washington. Unfortunately the star route scare is having its effect and the department is going to the other extreme. The contract for carrying temporarily, made by Postmaster Gale with Mr. Loomis, the department refuses to allow, and it does not even offer as much as it allowed the Mormon contractor, Campbell, for carrying it. It is nearly 200 miles in length, supplies 14 post-offices and about 3,000 people with their mails. It passes through two counties, and is the only means of communication from those county seats and the outside world; it is the only means of communication with the sawmills of Gray's Harbor and Shoalwater Bay, the Quinalt reservation, and with all the business men of Pacific and Chehalis counties. Of late, three steamers and three stage lines, connecting various points have been employed, and the amount allowed by contract was not sufficient to carry the mail. For this reason it is likely the department believes it to be a star route. Such is not the case; but it is one of the hardest and most dangerous routes on the American continent, and those who carry it should be sufficiently remunerated for doing so.

The United States coast survey steamer Hassler arrived in San Francisco last Thursday from a seven months' cruise in northern latitudes, principally about the southern shores of Alaska. Important surveys of channels and harbors were made. Several excellent harbors were discovered and quite a number of rocks and reefs heretofore unknown were laid down in the charts. The whole coast is a network of islands. There are no fresh water streams in that part of the country that can be navigated by deep-water ships. The officers speak in glowing terms of the wonderful forests of the country which cover the islands and mainland. Yellow cedar, spruce and cypress trees grow in abundance, and for quality cannot be surpassed in other localities. No trouble was experienced with the Indians, and the supply of provisions was frequently replenished by venison, ducks, trout and salmon, all of which abound in great numbers.

Chief Engineer Wright recently testified before the Mississippi river improvement committee that the works for lessening the width of the river and for protecting its banks were accomplishing their objects as far as they have progressed. He had the fullest faith in them, and did not doubt the correctness of the theory upon which they were being built. No money had been wasted in the purchase of plants. It was practicable to confine the river within a bed 3,500 feet in width, from Cairo down, but he could not at present estimate the expense. So far as navigation is concerned, the narrowing of the river bed is needed only in a low water stage. If the works now building are successful, it will show the feasibility of erecting the same works at different points.

HENRY CAREY BAIRD, a leading protectionist, in a recent interview concerning the tariff, thinks that the actions of the tariff commission are likely to be extremely disastrous to the protective industries of the country, as well as to every other legitimate business interest. "The defeat of the Republican party last fall, and its prospective loss of power in the next congress, followed up by the report of a commission which was supposed to be formed in the interest of protection, have demoralized the protectionists in and out of congress; and unless public interest is made manifest, and that immediately, in opposition to the report of this commission, those who have hitherto been ranked as protectionists in congress are likely to concede the whole fight."

NEW TO-DAY. LOST. A SHIP'S BOAT, WHITE OUTSIDE with green inside painting, cutter rigged, about 22 feet long. A suitable reward will be paid to the finder, at Foard & Stokes.

Meeting of Washington Territory Board of Pilot Commissioners. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE W. T. Board of Pilot Commissioners for the Columbia River and Bar, will meet at Kalama, W. T., on Wednesday, January 10th 1883, for the purpose of receiving and granting applications for licenses, and the transaction of such other business as may be thought necessary.

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