

—Too fine.  
 —Ice cream.  
 —Straw hats.  
 —Flowers blossoming.  
 —Sixty-eight degrees in the shade.  
 —The shady side of the street in demand.

—The state crop of notaries public is unusually large this spring.

—Nathan Eaton, a pioneer of 1845, died at Elma, Chehalis county, W. T., last Friday.

—The Columbia is due this morning. She has 478 passengers and nearly 2,200 tons of freight.

—Ross Bros. are busy with the scenery of their new theater. They expect to be ready about April 1st.

—We were pleased to hear last evening that T. P. Powers was much better and in a fair way for recovery.

—The fine weather has started every one who is fortunate enough to own a piece of ground, to gardening and trimming bushes.

—Nearly every community in Oregon and Washington Territory, when voting upon school matters are in favor of good schoolhouses.

—The glass is being placed in the windows of the building opposite and the reflected rays of the afternoon sun gild our sanctum with a golden glory.

—A San Francisco dispatch says the ship Young America arrived in port Tuesday, from Oregon, with a rebellious crew. The men refused to wash down the decks, and the officers had a lively time keeping them at work.

—The appearance of small pox in Portland necessitates great care on the part of Astorians. To get vaccinated becomes a duty. As in a good many other respects this community has been extremely fortunate in this regard, but situated as we are, all precaution is necessary.

—Outside of Portland we know of no city in the northwest that will have a finer school building than Astoria. And we consider that this item, which will appear (as many others do from our columns) in eastern journals, will be a splendid advertisement for our enterprising community.

—Where is there a busier city for its size than Astoria? The time has gone by when our seaport with all its "pretensions" could be sneered at. Men who were jibing Astorians two years ago, are now coming here to get hold of property. And they are welcome, unless they try to hold on to it to the detriment of the city's growth.

—Craigie Sharp, Jr., representing *The West Shore*, is in the city. That publication is a credit to the state and territory it advocates. By the handsome engravings and descriptive articles it monthly lays before an ever widening circle of readers the resources of our great northwest are constantly made known to a large class of intelligent people.

—Seattle thinks it ought to have an immigration society. Our neighbors to the north have a fine country, almost as good a country to come to as ours in Western Oregon and Southwestern Washington Territory. This summer will see a large immigration to all parts of this great northwest, and the solitudes will hear the tread of pioneers, of nations yet to be; the first low rush of waves where soon shall roll the human sea.

—Some of the Portland papers are discussing the advisability of putting a tax on wheat shipped from that city to create a fund to keep the Willamette open. Well, Astoria won't object; it will simply hasten the inevitable. The wheat must get to the sea, and shippers will not stand much further toll when the wheat can be loaded at Astoria, dispensing with the present pull-dog-pull-devil style of transferring from the wheat fields of the northwest to our ocean docks.

—The increasing freight and passenger travel on the San Francisco steamship line is taxing the four now employed to their utmost. So great is the pressure upon the carrying capacity that it is likely another steamship will be required by the trade. Meanwhile the O. R. & N. Company are contemplating a change, by which the steamers shall make the round trip in twelve days. They will make the time between the sailing days only three days at each port, instead of three and four days, as it now is. —Standard.

Sound Sense.

"It appears to us that many of the newspapers commit a great error in their zeal to build up the town in which they are published and in whose interest they labor. At this time, when there is a general boom all over the northwest, many of them base their future upon their abilities to belittle other places and stake their all upon securing the support given more successful rivals. They seem to have no other merit but the prospective railroads, and what they anticipate when completed to their doors. Towns along railroads have relied exclusively upon this factor of wealth, and the citizens settled down to await its advent. They have realized, as a rule their disappointment, and it has taken, in many instances, years to recover the business activity which their respective places had before they began to look for railroads to build them up and make them rich. No town can be built upon the ruins of another unless it possesses superior advantages and business enterprise, and towns will grow in spite of the opposition of rivals which have no better claim than simply railroad terminal facilities or the abuse of successful neighbors. Of course we do not wish to be understood as placing too small a value upon the railroad as auxiliaries to the advancement of any town, but railroads alone cannot accomplish the building up of large cities where there is nothing to support the roads or the people who inhabit the towns. It takes business to support the towns and it requires commerce to sustain the railroads. If the former is the foundation of a town, the railroads will help its share in developing more business and add its mite to the progress of the place."

The above is from the *Portland Standard*, and is just about the truth. Railroads will not make a place; there must be other factors of prosperity. In the case of Astoria, our unrivaled location on a peninsula at the gateway of the Columbia, similar to the great metropolis New York, our fisheries, commerce, lumber and other resources are the elements of our prosperity. When a railroad comes here as an ocean terminus it will of course help, but the railroad needs Astoria, more than Astoria needs the railroad.

Canner's Meeting.

At a recent meeting of canners of Columbia river salmon held in this city, S. Elmore was elected chairman, and J. G. Megler, of Brookfield, W. T., secretary. About twenty-five canners were represented. The first matter discussed was the question of lacquer, a recent clause in insurance policies applying especially to lacquer made of products of petroleum. It was finally decided by vote that each canner send this season five cases, unacquainted, to Liverpool, as an experiment, upon which future action should be based. In reference to reclamation, etc., it was thought feasible to have a special agent in England whose sole duty it would be to look after the interests of Columbia river salmon packers, attend to claims for reclamation, etc., and be their accredited agent. A committee was appointed consisting of Messrs. Hanthorn, Dealey and Spexarth to canvass the proposition. A further topic of discussion was the idea of forming an association for mutual benefit and assistance, on which point pending definite action the meeting adjourned, to meet at the call of the chair.

—Capt. John C. White, 1st Artillery, stationed at Fort Stevens, has obtained a transfer from the Artillery to the 6th Cavalry.

—One of the pilots who came in from the offing yesterday afternoon informs us that thirty-five miles outside the bar at noon it was clear and cloudless. It is about time for the Imperial to be in sight. The Reaper is long overdue.

—General W. T. Sherman is expected to visit the department of the Columbia this summer, and make a general tour of all the military posts. We have his special assurance that he wants no band to play "Marching Through Georgia" upon his arrival.

—George Hill and John Stephens were again arrested last Wednesday night, and gave bonds in \$100 each for their appearance before the police court. Yesterday when the judge took his seat they were on hand; District Attorney Falton refused to make any complaint on the ground that a similar case was decided the day before by the judge discharging Stephens. His honor instructed policeman Hunter, who made the arrest, to report to the city council regarding the matter, and ordered that the bonds be continued.

How Candor Pays.

"We had better understand each other," he said deprecatingly, as he sauntered into the editorial room, "before we begin. I'm a book agent." Unmindful of the groans that met this statement, he went on: "I'm not a white-haired philanthropist from New Haven, who has come here through sympathy for your stricken people. I'm a fair, square, bald-headed book agent." Encouraged by the reception of this frank avowal he took a seat, and dropped his feet in a waste-basket and said: "I'm not a retired clergyman who seeks to scatter religious instruction while he builds up his worn out frame in your balmy clime. I'm not an apostle of art who has consented to seek your benighted region, and educate your people by parting with a few picture books in parts. I'm not a temperance lecturer from Bangor who pays expenses by dispensing of literature on commission while he regenerates the rum-sucker. I'm an unmodified book-agent, with none of the corners rounded, running on cheek in pursuit of tin."

"Here's candor at least," remarked the young man who writes the puffs on hardware stores.

"Yes; candor at best. I'm not a gilded sham. You don't pick me up for a prince in disguise or art or mortality going incog. I do not fly the skull and crossbones hid behind a holiday flag till I've grappled and boarded you. I've got the regular old death's-head nailed to the mast, and I'm a privateer from keel to center-board, and if you don't want that sort of company blow me out of the water."

He had the whole force on deck at this point.

"I've got no off-hand preamble to my bloody work. I do not lead you through the flowery paths of ease to where I've got the trap sprung. I do not beguile with anecdote, inspire with eloquence, soothe with persuasion or pique with local gossip. I was not directed to you as a leader of culture or a person who'd be likely to buy. I won't show you a list of high-toned deceptions who have put their names down to get rid of me and draw you in. I don't show the work I'm selling, and I've never been able to learn the idiot's soliloquy that explains the pictures."

Here he paused while the manager called for the cash-boy.

"That's about the size of me and my business. The book's right here—fifty parts, fifty cents a part, plenty of pictures and big type for the reading, written by somebody or other and means \$10 clear money to me every time I work one off. Do you take or do I go?"

By this time eleven copies of the first part were ordered, and the "eleven able" resumed their work, while the office boy indites this tribute to a man who ain't ashamed of his little racket. —*Atlanta Constitution*.

Boy Shanghai.

A boy, by the name of Woods, whose father drives an express wagon in this city, went to Astoria a few days ago to visit friends, and while there he fell into the hands of sailor merchants who prevailed on him to put his name to a certain document and then invited him to take a boat ride. He unwittingly got in and before long was lifted on board the ship Henry Villard, which is lying at Sand Island waiting for the high tide on the 17th to go out, as she is drawing too much water to be safe now in crossing the bar. The boy found himself shipped without any clothing except what he had on and \$80 advance money paid out of his wages, if he is compelled to go with the ship. —*Standard*, 15.

"IN A DECLINE."

Dr. R. V. Pierce: Dear Sir—Last fall my daughter was in a decline and every body thought she was going in to the consumption. I got her a bottle of your "Favorite Prescription," and it cured her. Mrs. MARY HINSON, Of all druggists. Montrose, Kan.

For Sale.

A Mason & Hamlin organ in good condition has been used but a short time. Has ten stops; original cost \$100; can be bought for \$110. Inquire at this office. 1 wk

Furnished Rooms to Rent

At Mrs. Denny Curran's. On Cass street near Congregational church.

New Millinery Spring Stock.

Mrs. Malcom has just received a splendid new stock of spring millinery, which she is selling at prices so low that ladies will find it to their interest to give her a call before going elsewhere.

Ice Cream, Sunday.

Frank Fabre will have ice cream of several exquisite flavors, next Sunday.

—Furnished rooms to rent at Mrs. P. J. Goodman's, corner Concomly and Madison streets.

Sheriff O'Neil's!

Unprecedented Success!!

Such an immense quantity of Goods disposed of in so short a space of time.

Never before known in the annals of the Pacific Coast.

Goods and Prices speak for themselves when once seen and handled.

Crowded from Morn till Night!

Arrival of new goods daily

We Defy Competition!

SHERIFF O'NEILS Bankrupt Store.

Corner Concomly and Main Streets, ASTORIA, OREGON.

LOOK OUT FOR OUR NEW PRICE LIST.

The Whitman Monument.

Everything in relation to construction, location, price, etc., having now been arranged, Mr. Wm. H. Gray, the prime mover in the matter of a monument to Dr. Whitman has now taken the matter of subscriptions actively in hand. The Pioneer and Historical society of which he is the honored secretary desire that the contributors to the monument fund shall be as widespread in its receipt as the fame and memory of the man whose deeds the monument shall perpetuate. For this purpose contributions from one dollar upward will be received by the secretary of the society, or his accredited agents, and upon the payment of that sum the subscriber will receive a handsomely engraved certificate of membership in the association. It has been deemed advisable to adopt this system that all may have an opportunity of contributing to the work. Mr. Gray leaves for Portland this morning where he will exert himself in behalf of the fund.

New Rich Blood.

The use of Oregon Blood Purifier. Nitrous Oxide Gas. Painless extraction of teeth at Dr. LaFore's dental rooms over J. W. Case's store.

Oysters! Oysters!!

At Frank Fabre's; in every style Fresh from the beds every day.

The Old Veteran.

Joe Charters, Astoria's tonorial artist is fitting up a fine new establishment next to Frank Fabre's. Past reputation a guarantee of good work. "Come and see me."

For Sale.

A sleep which will carry five or six tons—is in good order. Also one Bain spring wagon, with two seats; is as good as new, would make an excellent farm wagon. For particulars enquire of N. JOHANNSEN, Astoria, March 3, 1883. 2wk

My Premises being too Small

For my increasing trade, I am having them enlarged. In the meantime if you want a good article, selected from the largest and choicest stock in Astoria, you can have it at reduced prices, for I must make room for still more stock which is now on the way. CARL ADLER.

Good for Babies.

With a baby at breast nothing is so useful for quieting my own and baby's nerves as Parker's Ginger Tonic. It prevents bowel complaints, and is better than any stimulant to give strength and appetite. —A Newark Mother.

—Jeff—

The enterprising proprietor of the Variety Chop House, is doing a rushing business. He has just completed the best ice house north of San Francisco, and intends selling ice and ice cream as soon as his apparatus arrives from Chicago.

If health and beauty you'd maintain, And keep your breath a perfect charm, Use SOZODONT with might and main; For it alone prevents the harm; That mars a woman's teeth and breath And leaves her mouth as dark as death.

—All the patent medicines advertised in this paper, together with the choicest perfumery, and toilet articles, etc., can be bought at the lowest prices, at J. W. Conn's drug store, opposite Occident hotel, Astoria.

A Competent Watchmaker

And engraver at Carl Adler's. All work warranted. Repairing a specialty.

Wood Choppers Wanted.

Men who want to contract for cutting timber into cord-wood can get a chance for a contract by calling on JAS. BELL, Upper Astoria.

A Happy Thought.

It was a happy thought that led to the production of a concentrated fruit syrup, so harmless in its nature that it may be given either to the mother or her babe, relished alike by both, and of such wonderful efficacy that all who take it feel brighter and happier. W. E. Dement & Co. will furnish anyone wishing Syrup of Figs a trial bottle free of charge, or sell 50 cent and \$1 bottles. Hodge Davis & Co., Wholesale Agents, Portland Oregon.

Useful in the Family.

We usually leave it to Doctors to recommend medicines, but Parker's Ginger Tonic has been so useful in our family in relieving sickness and suffering that we cannot say too much in its praise. —*Salmon Argus*.

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

Composed of the best known tonics, iron and quinine, with well known aromatics, is Brown's Iron Bitters. It cures indigestion, and all kindred troubles.

—Have you tried a stew or pan roast as Frank Fabre cooks it? Order one and you'll thank us for the advice.

—Easter cards in beautiful variety at Carl Adler's.

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

—Physicians' prescriptions carefully compounded day or night at J. W. Conn's drug store, opposite Occident Hotel.

—Cold boiled ham, brown bread and Boston baked beans at "Jeff's" Variety Chop House every night, —near Stephens Theatre—sign of the red and green light. Open all night.

—Boston Baked Beans at "Jeff's" Variety Chop House every night.

—Baby carriages, twenty-five different styles, at Carl Adler's.

—Halle! Where are you going? Why to Frank Fabre's for a pan roast.

—P. J. Goodman, on Chenamus street has just received the latest and most fashionable style of gent's and ladies' boots, shoes, etc. Agent in Astoria for the famous Morrow shoes.

—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.

—Rawling's fruit stand has been removed from the old location to the building next E. A. Quinn's, on Main street.

—At Carl Adler's may be found all the latest sheet music, the most popular waltzes, dance music, etc.

—Shoalwater bay oysters: fresh every day, at Frank Fabre's.



THE IXL THE LEADING Dry Goods & Clothing House OF ASTORIA.

Received a consignment of Ladies Cloaks, Dolmans, Circulars and Ulsters from a manufacturer that must be closed out in the the next 20 days at half price,

- SEAL PLUSH CLOAKS REDUCED!
- RHADAME SATIN DOLMANS REDUCED!
- BLACK DIAGONAL DOLMANS REDUCED!
- SATEEN SURRAH DOLMANS REDUCED!
- CIRCULARS, ULSTERS & WRAPS REDUCED!

This sale is genuine and bona fide and to satisfy the public we would wish an inspection of these goods as to price and quality.

I X L STORE. C. H. COOPER! KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS BUILDING, ASTORIA.



D. A. McINTOSH, THE LEADING MERCHANT TAILOR

New stock of Foreign and American CASSIMERES, TWEEDS, Etc., of the NEWEST PATTERNS. HATS!

Special attention is directed to the latest shapes in soft and stiff Hats. Nobby Young Men's Hats.

Gent's Furnishing Goods! A full line of Men's Underwear. A fine assortment of Neck wear; Hosiery, Dress Shirts, Gloves, etc., etc.

Men's and Boy's Dress Suits, Business Suits and Overcoats. OCCIDENT BLOCK, ASTORIA, OREGON.

Domestic Exports.	Columbia River Exports.
The receipts of certain articles of Oregon produce, at San Francisco, from January 1st, 1883, to March 8th, inclusive, have been as follows:	SHIPMENTS FOREIGN.
Flour, qr sks..... 59,691	RECAPITULATION JANUARY '83
Wheat, etc..... 5,294	294,878 bus. wheat..... \$ 306,310
Oats, etc..... 20,452	26,257 bbls flour..... 237,175
Salmon, lbs..... 344	Total, 5 cargoes..... \$ 543,485
Butter, pkgs..... 12,910	RECAPITULATION FEBRUARY.
Cheese, etc..... 34	Wheat, 100,906 bus., value..... \$ 173,136
Apples, ripe, bxs..... 6,591	Flour, 29,420 bbls., "..... 144,465
Potatoes, etc..... 58	Total, 5 cargoes..... \$ 323,981
Wool, bales..... 9,544	MARCH.
Hops, bales..... 654	3—To Queenstown per Mary Hogarth.
Tallow, pkgs..... 9,084	From Portland 32,161 bus wheat..... \$37,000
Beef, bbls..... 6	3—To Queenstown per Berwick Lau.
Hay, bales..... 23	From Portland 65,406 bus wheat..... \$73,950
Quicksilver, flasks..... 4,623	" Astoria 7,820 " "..... 8,957
Leather, pkgs..... 219	Totals..... 74,226..... \$82,957
Hams, pkgs..... 227	7—To Valparaiso per Kloto.
Cheese, cs..... 14	From Portland 500,528 ft lumber..... \$6,910
Flax Seed, etc..... 11	7—To Queenstown per Trevelyan.
Corn, etc..... 466	From Portland 14,133 bbls flour..... \$70,215
Canned Goods, cs..... 561	Astoria 1,252 " "..... 7,362
Lard, pkgs..... 9	Totals..... 15,755..... \$78,777

The proprietor will furnish plans and designs when required for all cemetery work, curbing, walls, coping, etc. Slate can seamers for canneries.

Those wishing a nice plate of Eastern or Shoalwater bay oysters cooked in any style, or an early breakfast before going aboard the boat, should call and see him. Fresh Eastern and Shoalwater bay oysters received by every steamer.

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

The youthful color, beauty and lustre are gradually restored to gray hair by Parker's Hair Balsam.

—Two splendid front rooms, suitable for gentlemen only, or for office use. Apply to Alex. Campbell at Gem Saloon.

—Will you suffer with Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint? Shiloh's Vitalizer is guaranteed to cure you. Sold by W. E. Dement.

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