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Around the City.

M. D. Kant discounts cash purchases. The Lithos is doing a good business between here and Knappa.

"Get" a fine display of game in front of his restaurant.

Mrs. J. Ferral, of Yekima City, is visiting friends and relatives in the city.

The Kate and Anco came down yesterday and sailed for Yaguma this morning.

The week of prayer at the Young Men's Christian Association rooms closes this evening.

C. A. May has opened a fine stock of fruits, toys, etc., next door to the Empire store, see ad.

The Oregon arrived in yesterday; the Willamette crossed on the Columbia suits today.

The Astoria Workmen's Protective Union will meet at Kinney's hall next Monday evening.

Carl Adler goes to San Francisco on today's steamer to purchase a large stock of holiday goods.

Charles Whitehead, of the News, is about to start a Republican daily paper at Los Angeles, Cal.

Chinese residents are organizing a theatrical association and propose starting in on the 1st prox.

The bill to establish a lighthouse at Gray's harbor has passed the Washington Territory legislature.

"Taken from Life" at Occidental Hall next Monday. Reserved seats at Strasse's New York Novelty store.

Leave your orders today at Frank Ebberson's for Boston brown bread (and baked beans) for Sunday's dinner.

E. C. Holden will have a auction sale of furniture and household goods at his rooms at 11 o'clock this morning.

P. J. McGowan is about to build a gunnery at Scarborough head. Four traps were in operation in that vicinity last season.

The political pot begins to simmer. Candidates decline getting into the hot water in the pot which gently simmers at a moderate heat.

A well selected stock of groceries and provisions, crockery and glassware will be found at Mrs. Rosa Quinn's, northwest corner Main and Squemoqua streets.

The cable on the military telegraph line extending from Nook bay to "Tad-ook-oo" Island was successfully laid last Thursday, under the supervision of Lieut. Allen, U. S. A.

The Portland papers are having their customary morning detouring to the Astorian building houses. The seal and front of their offending is that they are not located at Portland.

Would-be citizens are daily forwarding allegiance to any foreign prince or potentate, and declaring adherence to the laws of the United States. For its size Astoria furnishes about as many annual naturalizations as any city in the Union.

The Standard says that there is a "startled expression" on the faces of the Portland ladies as they gather their draperies around them and dive off the curbstone into the mud. Poor things; they should come to Astoria where there is no mud.

The O. R. & N. dock is about the liveliest Astoria locality at present. The laying off of hundreds of men all along the line does not seem to affect the numbers employed here. The frame is all up, and it is thought the roof will be completed next week.

The columns of a newspaper resemble in one sense a bill of fare. No man would care to eat all he finds named in the bill before him when he sits down to breakfast or dine, yet it would be strange indeed if he did not see something that suited him. We all have different tastes, fortunately for mankind, and the item or paragraph that you turn from and think uninteresting or unnecessary may be just what your neighbor at the next table wanted to see.

GEORGE RECOMMENDED.—At a called meeting of the Astoria Chamber of Commerce last evening, a resolution offered by Capt. J. H. D. Gray was unanimously adopted, which in substance requests Congress to place Hon. M. C. George on the Chamber of Commerce during the ensuing session of Congress.

FOR ONE YEAR.—In answer to inquiries concerning postage, THE ASTORIAN states that it will be sent for one year to any address in the United States, together with the San Francisco Chronicle for the same time, for \$3.50, and the postage will be prepaid on both newspapers. The offer is an unprecedented one.

HE WAS HEKLED.—It is now asserted, says the Standard, that the reason Chief Watkins did not arrest Besser the other night for pocketing that Chapman mortgage was that Besser had two navy revolvers on him and an Arkansas toothpick down his back, and had also four United States jurors in the room to see fair play.

RETIREMENT.—Ladies are being employed in the railroad offices in place of men who were recently discharged or resigned. A large number of clerks are being let out all along the line. The West Shore and Willamette Furner are also dropped as advertising mediums. The spirit of retrenchment in the company is pretty lively.—Standard.

ORASON NEXT.—"Well," said a lady on reading in yesterday morning's Astorian the news that Washington Territory has had the manliness to give women the right to vote. "It does seem to me that that is what should have been done in Oregon years ago." The time is coming, and that soon, when Oregonians will not be kept from voting because of sex.

SAN FRANCISCO FREIGHTS.—To show the anomalous condition of the wheat export movement, it is only necessary to say that though we are in the midst of an active season of the year, there have been only two ship charters written for a full week. These were written for vessels which accepted the equivalent of 22 1/2 cents to Liverpool. Five iron ships have come in during the week that were chartered months ago at 55, 57 1/2 and 60, three of them at the last named figure. One of these was subsequently rechartered before arrival at 40, which is as much as any vessel now in port could get today. Many thousands of dollars have been lost in the past four or five months on charters made prior to arrival. Of the forty-five vessels now in port under engagement for wheat, 16 were chartered before arrival at 15c to 20c more than they could get today. This proportion of vessels engaged prior to arrival has been about the same all through the season. One of the vessels now in port has a charter of 62 1/2. The bitter experience this year will reflect on the tonnage market next year.—Bulletin.

OUR FOREIGN MAILS.

How They Are Handled in New York.

A New York newspaper man recently sauntered down the wharf of the Cunard Line. The big steamer had been reported early on the previous evening, and her mail had been distributed throughout the city. The reporter expected to find the ship snugly docked and the passengers disembarking at the hour of 10 A. M., but such was not the case. Instead of the wharf was lying a ubiquitous steamboat met at steambath arrivals, departures, regattas, excursions, fires, wrecks, etc. In the pilchouse that he had filled for nearly fourteen years sat Capt. J. G. Emmons, and him the reporter accosted: "Where is the steamer?"

"Where is she not?" "Why is she not in?" "The tide was too low when she arrived there, and when it rose the fog shut her out."

"But her mail is up?" "Oh, yes; we brought it from near the light-house and landed it here at 9 o'clock last evening."

"And the captain explained that the European mail was brought to town and placed in the hands of readers while yet the steamer that brought it was far out at sea."

"When a steamer is due," said the captain, "we are ordered to be at the wharf of the company, to which the telegraph boats come from the coast, and if they do not immediately start, we must have steam up and the crew on board when lying for a steamer at night, as the competition is so great between the fast mail lines that they will brook no delay. So you see that I am virtually a prisoner here much of my time."

"Do you start immediately, no matter what the weather—ice, snow, gales, fog—we must at least make an attempt. But we seldom fail to get the mail up ahead of the steamer if the telegraph gives us prompt notice of arrival. They do not always do this, however."

"Our first stop is at the baggage office, where we take on board all offices of custom to see that nothing but mail is taken from the ship. Then we make all haste toward the ship, leaving her at quarantine or the coast guard office, as may be. If a gale is blowing we take the windward shore for smooth water. If the ice is running we try to avoid it if we cannot get around it we crash through it. I was once about two hours getting from the battery to the Cunard dock with the mail on board. If it is foggy we proceed at half speed, in course, sounding the whistle frequently, listening for bells, horns and whistles, occasionally using the lead. I had queer experience once in the Isthmian when I was ordered to sea safely and left her off the lights."

"We then groped our way back to the dock, and secured for a steamer's anchor-bell in the lower bay. It proved to be the Parthia, for which we were to wait that night. The officers thought we came down to look for them and congratulated us on our skill in finding our way to the city before the fog lifted. But sometimes we go to quarantine or to the fore yard, and occasionally we find the steamer aground or disabled when we reach her, and so are able to render immediate assistance. Yes, we frequently take the mail onto an express boat. I never lost a bag of mail matter."

"After the mail is all on board and safely stowed away out of the wet, we take an express boat to the wharf, and make all haste for the city. The mails are taken ashore and loaded in large trucks and rattled away to the post office. We have had as many as 800 bags at once. The ordinary number now is 200 or 400 bags. When I first went into the mail business in the George Bright, twenty years ago, we had only so large a number. Then the steamer would anchor in the stream, fire a gun, and we would go for her. We would take a horse-drawn cart, and in the old large office, throw them into an express wagon, and, if no horses were ready, run them to the post office ourselves."

"Occasional mail usually double the quantity of bags. Sometimes we take these mails out to a steamer bound for Europe."

"The tide occasionally prevents mail steamers awaiting the arrival of the overland train from San Francisco. The post office officials are anxious to make the connection and the fast time, so it is not unusual for the captain that he will wait outside the bar for the mail boat. I remember putting the mail on board the Germania off the Sandy Hook light-ship once in a northwesterly gale blowing great guns and the sea rolling even with the steamship's deck. We accomplished it safely, with only the pouring of some rum. Capt. Kennedy put the ship head to sea and moved ahead slowly, and the mails were piled into rope cheese slugs six at a time, and whipped up from the fore yard. Sometimes the steamer will start for the city as soon as we do, but we can cut across lots where she cannot float, and so we bent her up. Yes, the modern "sea-bug" can beat us on any other boat in the harbor. We must watch for every advantage to get up ahead of them, and we generally succeed."

NO FATHEE CALD THIN TIME.—When C. H. Bailey absconded sometime ago he told his creditors and his employer where his money had been stolen that he had \$1,000 in Stockton, Cal., and that his father and brother in San Francisco would make everything all right. His father and brother now say, each for himself, that enough has been already done for the young man. A requisition for his arrest was received from Salem last evening, and the probabilities are that if all the charges against him are true he will try in Oregon at the public expense.

ALL DISTRIBUTED.—The young carp sent out by the fish commission have all been distributed. A regular run on the car was organized yesterday and so great was the demand that Mr. Moore was obliged to reduce the number of fish each applicant to twenty-five. This forms an illustration of the benefits of the fish commission, which, by furnishing young fish free of stock every five frog pond in the country, whereas if the fish were required to pay for the carp the ponds might long continue to produce an annual crop of tadpoles and mosquitos.

OSTER BUSINESS.—Over at Shoalwater Bay the oyster business, at which little has been done during the past seven years, is again assuming a business-like appearance. About seven or eight years ago the oysters began dying, owing to the fresh water being backed up too high. Before that the oysters were splendid and there were schooners plying between Shoalwater Bay and San Francisco carrying thousands of sacks of oysters in a very short time, as they only were to be tonged and sorted, sacked and shipped. But for some time past they have been taken from the natural beds, culled and transplanted. After a little time they fatten, and are tonged again, culled and shipped. There is not as much profit in oysters now as when they could be taken so easily, but the business bids fair to revive. The Miles has brought over an immense quantity this season, most of which were shipped to Portland and San Francisco.

Are You Insured? If you want insurance in reliable companies go to Whisler & Robb. They represent the Norwich Union, the Lancashire Royal, and the Union Ins. Co. of San Francisco, with a combined capital of \$36,000,000. They are also agents for the well-known Travelers' Accident Insurance Company of Hartford.

VIA N. P. R. R. Fresh Baltimore oysters packed in ice at Jeff's.

Furnished or unfurnished front rooms at Mr. Campbell's, over the Gem saloon.

An Oriental Fable.

A prominent citizen of Bagdad who was a candidate for a certain political office, was badly beaten at the polls by one whom we will designate as Brown. The next day the defeated candidate strolled into a saloon where he owed a considerable bill, and with an air of deep dejection, called for a toddy. After drinking it he remarked to the barkeeper, "Don't you feel sorry that I was defeated yesterday?" "Not a blamed bit," replied the vicious saloon-keeper. "But, don't you see, if I had been elected I could have paid you my bar bill, but now you will have to wait on me a spell."

"Yes, that's all right enough," said the saloon-keeper, "but if you had been elected Brown would have been defeated, and Brown owes me twice as big a bar bill as yours."

"Great heavens! Can this be true? Alas, too late I have discovered the secret of Brown's popularity! He probably owes all the saloons and everybody in town, and they were all anxious to get their pay. Give me another toddy. I'll try and make up for lost time, and when the next election comes off I'll be neck and neck with him, if not a little ahead."

Portland Society Item. Mike Powers, brother of Pat and Jack, has returned from Harrisburg, Alaska, and is stopping at the Holton house. He cleared up \$6000 in the mines during the summer.—Standard.

Fine Dress Goods. A splendid line of ladies dress goods is being displayed at the Empire store.

Hosiery, Hosiery, Hosiery! The latest novelties in ladies and childrens hosiery at Praed Bros.

Best Custom Work, Boots and Shoes. Can be had at L. J. Arnold's, next to City Book Store. Ladies and gentlemen call there for the finest fitting boots and shoes at the lowest prices. Perfect fit guaranteed.

Skates, Skates, Skates! Club skates, elliper skates, all sizes; lowest prices. New York Novelty Store.

Notice to the Ladies. Switches made from combings or cut hair; new switches made to order from the best imported hair, in any shade desired. Old switches repaired. All work warranted. Rates reasonable. Call or address. UHLENHART & SCHROEDER, Occident hair dressing saloon, Astoria, Oregon.

Notice. Dinner at JEFF'S CHOP HOUSE every day at 5 o'clock. The best 25 cent meal in town; soup, hash, seven kinds of meats, vegetables, pie, pudding, etc. A glass of S. F. Beer, French Claret, tea or coffee included. All who have tried him say Jeff is the "BOSS."

Dr. Dimmitt's Cough Balsam. W. W. Batterton, Columbia, Mo., says: "I cannot say too much for Dimmitt's Cough Balsam, for it always cures my children of croup and myself and family of coughs and colds." At W. E. Dement & Co's.

E. F. Stevens & Co. Are offering extra inducements to any one in need of a Piano or Organ.

Corsets and Underwear. All the latest makes and styles of corsets and ladies underwear at Praed Bros' Empire store.

A Juicy Beefsteak cooked to perfection is what you can get at Frank Fabre's.

At the Empire Store. You will find the finest laces and embroideries, of richest quality.

For a Neat Fitting Boot Or Shoe, go to P. J. Goodman's, on Commercial street, next door to L. W. Case. All goods of the best make and guaranteed quality. A full stock; new goods constantly arriving. Custom work.

Dr. Dimmitt's Cough Balsam. J. M. Yanis, Sweet Springs, Mo., writes: "My mother has had bronchial and pulmonary affection for forty years, and in that time has tried almost everything, but never found anything to give her the relief Dimmitt's Cough Balsam has." At W. E. Dement & Co's.

Oysters in Every Style. And coffee at Mrs. Lovett's.

Oysters, Oysters, Oysters, at the Astoria Oyster depot; a stew, fry, pan roast, or raw at Frank Fabre's.

Have Wistar's balsam of wild cherry always at hand. It cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, whooping cough, croup, influenza, consumption, and all throat and lung complaints. 50 cents and \$1 a bottle.

—Why will you cough when Shiloh's Cure will give immediate relief. Price 10c to 25c and \$1. Sold by W. E. Dement.

—Hackmatack.—A tasting and fragrant perfume. Price 25 and 50 cents. Sold by W. E. Dement.

—Rosee Dix's new eating house is now open. Everything has been fitted up in first-class style, and his well known reputation as a caterer assures all who like good things to eat, that at his place they can be accommodated.

HALE'S HONEY OF HOREHOUND AND TAR charms away a cough, cold, or influenza without any bad effect. PIKE'S TOOTHACHE DROPS cure in one minute.

—SHILOH'S CURE will immediately relieve Croup, whooping cough and Bronchitis. Sold by W. E. Dement.

—Are you made miserable by Indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness, Loss of Appetite, Yellow Skin? For Shiloh's Vitalizer is a positive cure. For sale by W. E. Dement.

—For Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint, Shiloh's Vitalizer is a positive cure. It never fails to cure. Sold by W. E. Dement.

GOLDEN'S LIQUID BEEF TONIC imparts strength to body and mind. No other. Of druggists.

—Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy—a positive cure for Catarrh, Diphtheria and Canker Mouth. Sold by W. E. Dement.

—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. Coun's drug store, opposite Occident hotel, Astoria.

—For the genuine J. H. Carter old Bourbon, and the best of wines, liquor and San Francisco beer, call at the Gem opposite the best tower, and see Campbell.

—A Nasal Injector free with each bottle of Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy. Price 50 cents. Sold by W. E. Dement.

Guard and protect your health, make use of that true and efficient tonic medicine, Brown's Iron Bitters.

And Don't You Forget It.

A baptism in hudo depth. As hot as boiling tar. Awaits the men who quits the room. And leaves the door ajar. And he who softly shuts the door. Shall dwell among the blest. Where the wicked cease from troubling. And the weary are at rest.

For The Masquerade. Masquerade suits rented at reasonable rates in largest variety by M. D. KANT.

Fragrant Coffee. To cheer and comfort, at Frank Fabre's, at his old stand.

When You Come to Astoria. And want a nice pan roast, go to Frank Fabre's, at his old stand.

Frank Fabre's Hotel. Frank Fabre has the finest accommodations for lodgers to be found in Astoria, over his restaurant in Kinsey's building. Everything is neat and clean and the beds are new, soft and comfortable. If you want good board and lodging go to Frank Fabre's.

If you don't want to freeze when it's cold; suffer from excessive perspiration when it's warm—use Brown's Iron Bitters.

Mrs. T. W. Eaton. Miss Florence Carnahan.

EATON & CARNAHAN. DEALERS IN Fine Millinery

Fancy Goods. Cass Street, next door to Old Fellows Building.

L. I. Johson. Has re-opened his CIGAR AND TOBACCO STORE.

On the Broadway, near his old location. He will keep the stock of the choicest Cigars, and Tobacco, and a full line of smokers' articles, including the finest meerschaum pipes. He will be pleased to see his old friends at his new stand.

TAILORING. Cleaning, Repairing.

NEAT, CHEAP AND QUICK, BY GEORGE LOVETT. Main Street, opposite N. Loeb's.

Drugs and Chemicals. J. E. THOMAS, DRUGGIST AND Pharmacist, ASTORIA, OREGON.

Plumbers, Gas and Steam Fitting. DONEBY RUDDOCK & WHEELER, AT fair rates. Also a complete stock of goods in our line. Estimates given and work guaranteed. For freight and insurance apply to Messrs. BALFOUR, GUTHRIE & Co., Portland.

ASTORIA Brewery Beer Saloon. The Best Beer 5 cts a Glass. Hot Lamb every Day from 10 to 12 A. M. The best of Liquors and Cigars on hand. A desirable popular place of social resort. GEO. HILLER.

FOR LIVERPOOL DIRECT. The splendid A 1 British Iron Ship. KILLOCHAN

Will be shortly on the berth for SALMON in lots to suit shippers. Freight and insurance apply to Messrs. BALFOUR, GUTHRIE & Co., Portland. Or to P. L. CHERRY, Astoria.

G. A. STINSON & CO. BLACKSMITHING. At Capt. Rogers old stand, corner of Cass and Court Streets.

Ship and Cannery work, Horseshoeing. Wagons made and repaired, good work guaranteed.

Delinquent City Taxes. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I, the undersigned, Chief of Police, have been furnished with a warrant from the City Council, requiring me to collect the tax assessed for the year 1883, and now delinquent upon the list and make return of the same within sixty days. All parties so indebted will therefore please take notice and govern themselves accordingly. C. W. LOUGHERY, Chief of Police. Astoria, Oregon, October 25th, 1883.

I AM OVERSTOCKED IN CLOTHING! AND Furnishing Goods! And will therefore try and reduce it by offering Men's, Youth's, and Boy's CLOTHING, Furnishing Goods, Boots and Shoes, Rubber and Oil Clothing At a Large Discount. Any party buying goods of me from this date forth will be allowed ten per cent. on purchases of over \$10. Embrace the opportunity and buy your clothing of M. D. KANT.

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For Sale. FIVE HUNDRED CORDS DRY HEMLOCK WOOD, which I will deliver at the houses of customers for \$4 a cord. Draying or all kinds done at reasonable rates. R. R. MARION.

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Magnus C. Crosby Dealer in

HARDWARE, IRON, STEEL, Iron Pipe and Fittings,

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SHEET LEAD STRIP LEAD SHEET IRON.

Tin AND Copper.

Cannery and Fishermen's Supplies

Stoves, Tin Ware and House Furnishing Goods.

JOBING IN SHEET IRON, TIN, COP PER PLUMBING and STEAM FITTING

Done with neatness and dispatch. None but first class workmen employed. A large assortment of

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L. K. G. SMITH, Importer and wholesale dealer in Cigars and Tobacco, Snokers' Articles, Playing Cards, Cutlery, Stationery, Etc.

The largest and finest stock of MERRILL'S CLAM and AMBER GOODS in the city. Particular attention paid to orders from the country. THEO. BRACKER, Manager. Christian Street, Astoria, Oregon.

NOTICE. To Hunters, Fishermen, Ranchers.

IF YOU WANT THE HIGHEST MARKET price for your produce, go to JEFF'S.

Steamer TOM MORRIS. THIS NEW and Favorite Boat