

AN HOUR IN POMPEII. Damascus, Jerusalem, Tyre, Rome, Carthage, Pompeii and Athens are cities that to the student of history and the imaginative of every clime are rich in story, remembrance and absorbing interest.

Around the City.

Allen & Peterson are building a fish trap at Fort Canby. T. Albright forfeited \$10 in the police court yesterday on a charge of abusive language.

Rev. Donald Ross will preach in the Presbyterian church at half-past seven this evening.

A caucus is defined to be a place where thirty or forty men get together and vote as one man—tells the tale.

The Gen. Banning arrived in Sunday afternoon with cedar from Cosmopolis. She is now loading at Portland.

The British bark City of Carlisle, 83, Couche, master, 269 days from Greenock, is reported outside with pilot on board.

The case of Capt. Flavel et al vs the Queen of the Pacific has been set for trial in Judge Deady's court on the 12th of April.

The Scandinavian congregation have their new church building nearly completed, making the eighth church in Astoria.

A little more life is being infused into the logging business, more particularly across the river where several new camps are being started on the upper Nason and Willapa.

A burning chimney at Capt. Hustler's residence last evening lit up the landscape and called out the fire department and a large crowd of spectators. No damage to the premises.

An aquil from the south at two o'clock yesterday morning broke a boom of logs at the West Shore mills, scattering along the beach. Fortunately no greater portion of them can be recovered.

Eugene Griffin, whose resemblance to a party who is supposed of having stolen some property at Willamette sometime ago caused his arrest last Saturday evening, was honorably discharged yesterday. It being evident that it was a case of mistaken identity, and that Griffin knew nothing about it.

New Bank.—From Samuel Elmore, Astoria agent for Wm. T. Coleman & Co., it is learned that a general banking and commercial business will in future be carried on by that well known house in this city.

SALMON POISONING DOGS.—It has been frequently stated that the magnificent, finely favored Chinook salmon, which so tickles the palate of every true Oregonian, would poison dogs and cause their death in a few hours.

HISTORY REPEATED.—The telegraph tips in this paper a few days ago, in regard to the Great Eastern, calls to mind the object for which this great "fooly" was built.

The situation wanted. A young man of considerable experience wants a situation as clerk or book-keeper. Satisfaction guaranteed. Address F. H. Elliott, Astoria Postoffice.

Notice.—Now is your opportunity to buy goods at extreme low figures. Call and see me. C. P. MOFFIT.

Maps! Maps! Maps!!! Mr. Carr, the one armed map man is now in the city and will canvass the place for Carr's unrivalled family maps of the U. S. and World.

Extra Quality of Coal Oil By the gallon, five gallon can or case, to be found at the Crocker store of Jordan & Booth.

HERE, THERE AND ELSEWHERE. Floods in Louisiana and Mississippi report on a smaller scale the disasters of the Ohio valley.

About \$30,000,000 of Boston capital are invested in the Mexican Central railway, the last rail of the main line of which was laid on the 8th inst., thus making a continuous line, 12,2 miles long, from the United States border at El Paso to the City of Mexico.

Concerning the Lasler affair the New York Times of the 9th says: "It is expected in Berlin, apparently, that the German capital will be made too hot to hold Charles, and that he will be withdrawn under a ruse."

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STONE AND TERRITORIAL NEWS. An \$8,000 hotel will be built at Woodard's landing this spring.

According to the Port Townsend Times the barkentine kitap drifted "stern first through two large boulders."

Blom, convicted in Portland of the murder of Wm. Fisher, was last Saturday sentenced to imprisonment for life.

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Assessment and Taxation. We venture finally before our readers with a plan for assessment and taxation that we present as the combined views of many who have written for the Farmer, and which we believe is entitled to the respect of all who have studied the important question of public finance.

The law has always been perfect in the general idea but was lacking in particularity. The assessor is generally instructed to assess all property at its full cash value.

The assessor then puts the valuation of all property prescribed by the board of equalization for that county. When the tax collector comes round he has only to receipt according to the assessment.

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