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ABOARD TOWN.—Considerable building going on in Upper Astoria. An itinerant tent on the vacant lot corner Main and Chenamus streets.

A POINT FOR IMPORTERS.—Among today's overland freight was included a carload of tin, billed to Everding & Farrell, Astoria.

ANOTHER PAPER GONE.—After a hard tussle against fate for a few months, the Democratic Era of East Portland was sold on a chattel mortgage held by James Johnson for \$21.

EXTENSIVE PROGRAMME.—Col. Hogg, president of the Oregon Pacific, stopped off at Astoria a little while upon the arrival of the Columbia.

NEW SALVE.—The new salve ordered by the county some time ago arrived on the last steamer and was put in place in the office of the county clerk yesterday.

CROOKED RAILROAD.—The California and Oregon railroad will be one of the most crooked roads in existence.

FISH AND MOLLUSKS.—The gentle tomcod is no longer lured from the muddy Columbia, and has ceased to be, but its absence is unnoticed.

SUDDEN DEATH.—C. S. Wright received a telegram yesterday morning conveying the sad news that his sister, Mrs. Emeline L. Smith, of Boston, Mass., was dead.

CARELESS SHOOTING.—Parties living in the vicinity of the Catholic church complain of careless shooting, bullets whizzing through panes of glass, etc.

OUT OF LOCK.—The new American ship Rainier, Morrison, commander, which sailed from Norfolk Nov. 27, for Blago, has been lost.

AUCTION SALES.—At half-past ten tomorrow morning E. C. Holden will sell some bedroom furniture, and household goods, at eleven and at two and seven p. m. he will sell a limited number of lots in the north addition to Ocean Park.

NOT COMMUNISTIC. A Specious Plea from Bradstreet's.

"Bradstreet's" is about as good authority on the subjects of finance as is in the United States.

This action is based upon the theory that the contract between the land grant roads and the government is, in fact, not a contract, but a donation upon the part of the government.

The editor of Bradstreet's well knows that the action of the house committee can be based on no such theory as is alleged, but, rather, recognizing the fact that there was a contract, unfiled by one party, declares the stipulations of the contract void by reason of non-fulfillment.

It must be remembered that under the law the grant of lands to aid in the construction of this road is a grant in present, and the conditions in the act are conditions subsequent.

The election to waive the forfeiture or to enforce it rests with congress. It is a question of intention, and neither the executive nor judicial department of the government can know what the pleasure of congress may be, and cannot, therefore, act to revert the title until congress has declared its intention in that regard.

As to the grant, then, as an entirety, as a whole, the counsel insists that there is no power whatever in congress to deal with it, and that we not only cannot but ought not to forfeit it.

And here it may be well to call the attention of the house especially to the position of this company. It not only never began the construction of the road for which the grant was given, viz., to Astoria; it simply built out from Portland toward and up the Willamette valley for purposes of its own, to meet the California system, as is agreed by the commission, and for ten years has utterly failed and refused to move a spade of earth toward Astoria.

This follows from the nature of the estate granted; the estate is one on condition subsequent, that is, an estate limited on a condition, and no estate on the happening or non-happening of some event in the future.

Here the legal title to the grant as an entirety rests in the company by the act of congress, and it is not until the conditions are complied with that the title is conveyed to the grantee.

Attention! Attention!! There will be a meeting of the Astoria Longshoremen and Riggers' Union this evening, at half past seven o'clock at the hall.

FROM THE OCCIDENT TO THE ORIENT. Notes of News as Told by the Telegraph.

Newspaper postage will probably be reduced to half the present rates. Should Manitoba rebel it is thought that Dakota would help the row along.

The California state Democratic convention will be held in Stockton, June 16. Eight feet of snow throughout Canada slightly interferes with railroad and other traffic.

The howl concerning Bismarck's snub to the American government still goes on from every quarter. A malignant cattle plague is devastating Kansas herds, and all efforts to stay the disease seem powerless.

When a local politician in Walla Walla asks Parker, of the Statesman, "What on the state this year?" he replies, "About \$900,000 for political boozing two years ago."

A New York dispatch of the 12th, says that heavy consignments of Columbia river salmon are arriving here. Ten thousand pounds within three days, by express, eight days from Portland.

"It's all in the cooking," said the restaurant man in response to a question: "There is perhaps no other article of food that is so easily and so completely ruined by ignorance on the part of the cook as fish."

The annual meeting of the Astoria Young Men's Christian Association, and election of officers for the ensuing year, will be held this evening at 7 o'clock, in the association room.

Sound Phonograph.—Seattle and Tacoma are to be made Puget Sound district ports of delivery. Each city is to have a resident collector of customs, who shall receive a salary not to exceed \$1,800 a year.

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

Children all like Dimmitt's Cough Balm. Mrs. C. F. Colter, of N. Y. City will give instruction in the New York system of dress cutting and basting.

Modern Dentistry.

"Not the slightest pain," exclaimed the dentist, adjusting the hard wood gag that held the jaws of his victim apart to their widest limit.

"Yes, you have guessed the name. This is 'the daa.' So called by its inventor, who, poor cuss, never made a cent out of his idea. Lack of inventors, you know, it is a marvelously useful affair."

"It takes a little time to dry out the tooth. Everything takes time. But the luxury of it! Now I can work rapidly. There, steady, hold? True enough."

"Do not be alarmed; the drill did not ring. This is a beautiful bit of work. I am so close to the nerve that I can see the pink-colored fibers through the bandage."

A common sense medical work for ladies only. Fully answers all questions which modesty prevents asking a male physician. Gives causes and symptoms of all diseases of the sex.

For Next Fitting Boot. Mr. Carr, the one armed map man is now in the city and will exhibit his maps of the U. S. and World. Every family should have one.

At enormous expense has just secured the services of Professor Ellis, one of the best white cooks in the state; and he proposes to excel any of his former efforts in the culinary art. Italian and French dishes a specialty.

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.

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SCIENCE SIMPLIFIED.

"Tell us what is butterine?" Said the Senate Com-mit-tee; "I'll white, or gold, or green? Pray unfold the mystery."

Up arose a merchant, then, With an oily, unctuous grace; King was he amongst butter men, Boomed a smile upon his face.

Hotel Arrivals. C A McGuire, Clat C W Frush, Port H Ehlers & wf R W Dui koon, do S S Sida, do Jas Strong, do I Rosenthal, S F S J Allen, do Mrs Sealey & wf, J H Harrington & wf, C Y Pullar hook

Notice. Dinner at "JEFF'S" CHOP HOUSE every day from 4:30 to 6 o'clock. The best 25-cent meal in town; soup, fish, seven kinds of meats, vegetables, pie, pudding, etc.

Blacksmith Wanted. A blacksmith capable of doing general work is wanted at Skidmore. Apply to E. M. Grimes, or C. A. Maguire, Skidmore.

What! do you think that JEFF OF THE CHOP HOUSE gives you a meal for nothing and a glass of something to drink? Not much! but he gives a better meal and more of it than any place in town for 25 cents.

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

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1760 yards of Embroideries from 3c to 12 1/2c per yard. 2137 " " " " " 15c to 40c per yard. 1275 " " " " " 50c to \$1.00 per yard.

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SOLID GOLD JEWELRY BRACELETS, Scarf Pins, Chains, Watches, SILVERWARE, GUSTAV HANSEN, JEWELER.

NEW STOCK OF WHITE METALS. Canners' Solder a Specialty, Strp Lead, for Leading Lines, Plate Zinc, for Cutting Acid, Bar Copper, Pig Lead and Pig Tin.

B. F. STEVENS & CO., CITY BOOK STORE. Have just received a mammoth stock of Books, The young and old, rich and poor can all be accommodated.

LOEB & CO. PERUVIAN BITTERS! WILMERDING & CO., San Francisco. Loeb & Co., Agents, Astoria.