

ENORMOUS PATENT FIGURES.

That there are a good many ways of doing the same thing is made very apparent by a little investigation of the list of patents granted by the government since its organization.

The total number of patents granted during that period aggregates nearly 300,000. Of these exclusive privileges 10,204 were for metal-working machines of various kinds. The people who desire to keep warm can take their choice of 8,238 stoves and furnaces. There have been 6,503 patents relating to railway cars and 3,504 improvements to the railways themselves. The boots and shoes we wear have given occasion for 5,000 patents; the evolution of the modern plow has required 6,686 exclusive rights and the modern harvester 6,606; 5,111 alleged improvements have been made in steam engines and 5,254 in lamps and gas fixtures, which probably explains to a great extent why gas bills are so high. The ladies can take their choice from 969 different kinds of corsets, sleep on 2,433 different kinds of beds and sit on 1,580 patented chairs.

This list covers only a small portion of the articles patented, but it gives a general idea of the fertility of the Yankee mind in the matter of making improvements in every conceivable utensil, machine, thing of use or ornament. It is a very small and needless article that hasn't furnished the occasion for several hundred patents. The important improvements among this immense number probably hold the relation of the two grains of wheat to two bushels of chaff, but they are numerous enough, however, to have furnished the basis for a great many fortunes.

The government owes the state of New Jersey seventy-three cents, and the interest thereon since 1861, that state having paid an excess of the amount assessed upon it for direct taxes to carry on the war in 1861. The interest amounts to ninety-seven cents and six mills, making a total of \$1.70.6 which stands to the credit of the state. The only way to get it out is by an act of congress, but it would cost \$15 or \$20 to print the usual number of the copies of the bill, if one was introduced for the purpose. At this session the senate talked two hours upon and finally passed a bill to pay \$15 from the treasury to a Chicago firm which overpaid that amount of taxes, and a bill has been pending in congress for several years to reimburse a private of the Twenty-third infantry, a colored man, for clothing destroyed.

EVERYBODY knows that Australia was settled mainly by English convicts, but now that a good proportion of honest emigrants have gone there and a few speculators, and among them have found gold and iron mines and built cities and become respectable, they are all dreadfully anxious that the French should not send their convicts down to the South Pacific Islands, lest their convicts might swim or sail over as far as Australia in search of old friends. This is the pith of the trouble about which Lord Lyons and Premier Ferry have been indulging in strong language. Probably the only solution is in Australian independence. When she belongs to herself she can drive the French away without asking the Empress of India. But convicts must be transported or converted, or both.

The new bill which the territorial committee of the house of representatives has agreed to, aiming at the overthrow of polygamy in Utah, should be passed before the close of the present session. It provides that every person who performs the marriage ceremony there shall make a return of the fact within a certain specified time, and that when a man with a wife who is living or a woman who has a husband above ground is again married, the celebrant shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. The Mormon saints are very wise in their generation and time only can tell whether they will not be able to drive "a coach and four" through this bill if it should become a law. At all events the experiment is worth trying.

MARRIED.

In Upper Astoria, May 6th, by Rev. J. J. Henke, John H. Simerson and Miss Geti Matson.

DR. HENLEY'S DANDELION TONIC
POST & HANSON
ASTORIA SODA WORKS, Agents, Astoria, Or.

BOAT SAILS
AT
Lowest Prices,

NOT GIVEN AWAY, but made at lowest LIVING PRICES. All work done at my mill. Lot GUARANTEED to give perfect satisfaction.

SAIL LOFT
On Chenamus Street, next door to Astoria Bakery.
J. HESS.

NEW TO-DAY
REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.



FOR CONGRESS,
BINGER HERMAN, of Douglas Co.
FOR JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT,
JUDGE L. LINN, of Lane Co.
FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS,
D. P. THOMPSON, of Multnomah,
J. C. LEASURE, of Umatilla,
WARREN TRUITT, of Polk.
FOR JUDGE, FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT,
F. J. TAYLOR, of Clatsop.
FOR PROS. ATT'Y, FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT,
T. A. MCBRIDE, of Clackamas.

Clatsop Co. Republican Ticket.

FOR JOINT REPRESENTATIVE,
(From Clatsop and Tillamook Counties)
J. H. D. GRAY.
FOR SHERIFF,
GEO. P. WHEELER.
FOR COUNTY CLERK,
J. O. SPENCER.
FOR COUNTY TREASURER,
A. W. BERRY.
FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
D. K. WARREN,
H. B. PARKER.
FOR ASSESSOR,
J. F. WARREN.
FOR SURVEYOR,
GEO. F. PARKER.
FOR SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT,
H. SLOOP.
FOR CORONER,
J. C. ROSS.
Astoria Precinct.
FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE,
N. C. GOODSELL.
FOR CONSTABLE,
J. C. CHRISTIE.
Shively Precinct.
FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE,
J. W. WELCH.
FOR CONSTABLE,
O. NELSON.

REGULAR Democratic Ticket

FOR CONGRESS,
JOHN MYERS, of Clackamas.
JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT,
W. W. THAYER, of Multnomah.
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS,
L. E. ISON, of Baker,
W. D. FENTON, of Yamhill,
A. C. JONES, of Douglas.
FOR JOINT REPRESENTATIVE,
(From Clatsop and Tillamook.)
C. LEINENWEBER.
FOR SHERIFF,
W. G. ROSS.
FOR COUNTY CLERK,
C. J. TRENCHARD.
FOR TREASURER,
ISAAC BERGMAN.
FOR ASSESSOR,
C. W. SHIVELY.
FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
JOHN HOBSON,
F. BATHOLDE.
FOR SURVEYOR,
N. D. RAYMOND.
FOR SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT,
J. E. HIGGINS.
FOR CORONER,
B. B. FRANKLIN.
Astoria Precinct.
FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE,
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THOS. DEALY.

ASTORIA LIQUOR STORE,

AUG. DANIELSON, Proprietor.
Rebuilt and Refitted Throughout.
The Best of
WINES, LIQUORS, AND CIGARS
For a Good Cigar, call for one of
"Danielson's Best."
Corner West 9th and Water Streets, Astoria.

FURNISHED ROOMS TO LET

By the Night, Day, Week or Month
WITH OR WITHOUT BOARD.
With use of Parlor, Library and all the comforts of a home. Terms reasonable.
Apply to
MRS. E. C. HOLDEN.
Cor. Main and Jefferson Sts.

NOTICE.

Boat Sails to be Given Away
Three Private Fishermen
Can get NEW MAINSAILS for next to nothing by calling on
A. M. JOHNSON.

Business for Sale.
A WELL KNOWN AND LONG ESTABLISHED Grocery Store on the principal street in the city, with a good cash trade, and constantly increasing. Location made known on application at this office.
This is a rare chance.

Ladies of Astoria!

Your attention is directed to the fact that at
Mrs. T. S. Jewett's
GOODS EMPORIUM, is a large and complete stock of FINE GOODS, comprising every variety of
Fancy Wear, Millinery, Hats, Bonnets, Laces, Embroideries, Ties, Collars, Piques, Ladies' Underwear, Children's Clothes, Hosiery, Gloves, Zephyrs, Worsted, Etc.,
Of the Newest Styles,
AND GUARANTEED to be FIRST QUALITY,
Stamping Done at Reasonable Rates.

Dressmaking a Specialty.
None but First-class Assistants Employed.
Squemoqua Street, two doors west of Cass.

J. H. D. GRAY.

Wholesale and retail dealer in.

GROCERIES, FLOUR, AND FEED

Hay, Oats, Straw, Wood, Etc.
LIME, SAND, AND CEMENT.

General Storage and Wharfage on reasonable terms. Foot of Benton Street, Astoria, Oregon.

REMOVAL.

The Astoria Passenger Line
WILL AFTER THIS DATE HAVE ITS headquarters at its Stables next to E. H. Franklin's, two doors below THE ASTORIA office. First-class Livery service. Cabs with horse furnished, for one dollar per hour. Carriages on application. The Astoria Passenger Line Buses will leave for Upper Astoria from the stables. Horses taken to board.
MRS. T. O'BRIEN.

The Gem Saloon.

The Popular Resort for Astorians.

FOR THE

Finest of Wines and Liquors

Go to the GEM SALOON.

ALEX. CAMPBELL, PROPRIETOR.

FOR RENT,

Newly Finished Rooms in Salles
OF THREE ROOMS: SUITABLE FOR families; the best rooms and best location in the city. Plenty of good fresh water in the building. The name and style of the building. Inquire of J. W. & D. H. WELCH, Office in room 1, West's block, corner West Eighth and Water streets.

House to Let.

A FIVE ROOMED HOUSE, COMFORT-able and richly situated. Apply to Mrs. A. E. JEWETT. Also two unfurnished rooms.

County Orders Wanted.

APPLY TO BOZORTH AND JOHNS.

FURNISHED ROOMS TO LET.

AT MRS. GEO. HILLER'S, NEXT DOOR to Weston Hotel.

Notice.

ALL PERSONS ARE HEREBY NOTI-fied not to purchase L. W. Casey's cer-tificates of deposit No. 1820, my order for \$100. As same was lost or stolen, and payment has been stopped.
JAMES MURPHY.
Astoria, April 20, 1884.

NOTICE.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES ARE NOW due and payable at my office.
A. T. COMBLY.
Sheriff Clatsop Co.

Partnership Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE have sold an interest in our business to Mr. H. M. Hathaway, of Portland, Oregon. All parties indebted to us are requested to settle promptly, as we wish to close our out-standing accounts. The firm will henceforth consist of H. M. Hathaway, Ed. D. Curtis and F. Noel, under the name and style of Hathaway, Curtis & Co., and our business will continue as before at corner of Chenamus and Hamilton streets.
Ed. D. CURTIS & CO.
Astoria, April 22, 1884.

Notice of Final Settlement.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned administrator of the estate of John Gustaf Farnon, deceased, has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Clatsop, his final account as such administrator, and that Thursday, the 15th day of May, 1884, at the court room of said court at Astoria, Oregon, at one o'clock P. M. of said day is the time and place designated by said court for hearing objections to said account and the final settlement thereof.
P. F. JOHNSON.
Administrator.

For Sale.

ONE SECOND HAND ENGINE AND boiler, two-horse power, in good order. Inquire of Cutting Packing Co.
E. W. TALLANT.

Assessment Notice.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF Directors of the Astoria and Coast Transportation Co. held at their office May 2nd, an assessment of 25 per cent on the capital stock of the company, was levied, payable immediately at the office of the Secretary. All stock on which said assessment is not paid on or before the 12th day of May, 1884, will be declared in delinquency and sold according to law as provided by the By Laws.
C. W. STONE.
Secretary.

To the Voters of Astoria Precinct.

I HEREBY ANNOUNCE MYSELF AN independent candidate for Constable of Astoria precinct at the coming election.
S. G. INGALLS.

Rooms to Rent.

ROOMS 10, 12, AND 14, IN OLD A. Fellows Building, for rent. Inquire at Cass's Bank, or of A. J. MEGLER, Occident Hotel.

Proposals for Building a Bridge.

I WILL RECEIVE SEALED PROPOSALS for the building of a Bridge across Mill Creek, in Road District No. 1, until May 15th, 1884, P. M. I reserve the right to reject any or all bids. Plans and Specifications can be seen at my house in Upper Astoria.
JAMES REIL.
Bridge Supt.

FIRST CLASS SHAVING AND

Hair Dressing Saloon.

FITTED UP IN A NEW AND ARTISTIC manner. Every attention paid patrons. Have fitted up and opened a first-class Barber shop at Carl Adler's old stand on Chenamus street, and am ready for business.
LEX. ORLER.

SOMETHING YOU WANT.

A NEAT MAP OF ASTORIA.
Warranted Correct; Lithographed and Mounted; showing Streets, Situated and Accurately Marked. Price but 25. Also, a MAP OF THE BAY, from Government Survey, and endorsed as officially correct. Price 50.
Both Maps for 80.
But a limited supply, so call early, at the office of
SUBBIE & JOHNS.

REMOVAL!

That at

J. PILGER'S

BRANCH OF THE

LEADING SUIT, CLOAK

AND

DRESS GOODS HOUSE

OF PORTLAND,

Has removed to the store formerly occupied by A. M. Johnson & Co., second door from Cooper's.

We have, now, an entire store, with more elbow room. The encouragement we have received from the Ladies of Astoria so far, warrants us in becoming a PERMANENT FIXTURE.

We will carry a Large and Complete Stock of Ladies' and Children's ready-made

Suits, Dresses, Cloaks, Wraps, Dolmans, Ulsters, Pellises, Etc.

Our Styles will Lead; our facilities for manufacturing and importing New Style Garments being unsurpassed.

OUR PRICES are DETERMINED will be LOWER than Portland or San Francisco; our expenses being much lower. We come to ESTABLISH A BUSINESS and retain your confidence.

ORDER DEPARTMENT.

In the order department a complete line of samples of OUR ENTIRE STOCK, OF PORTLAND, will be shown, to select from; in Silks, Velvets, Dress Goods, Satins, Cloths, of late importation. Orders will be taken and Made to Measure by MRS. PILGER. For SUITS, CLOAKS, WRAPS or any GARMENT desired, FIT IN ALL CASES GUARANTEED.

Our stock, in Portland, of fine French DRESS GOODS, SILKS, VELVETS, CLOTHS, is unequalled and unsurpassed. You will have a selection equal to any leading San Francisco House. Late novelties as they arrive will be immediately added to our stock; and an equal chance given to the LADIES OF ASTORIA, to purchase new and FASHIONABLE GOODS at a low and proper price.

An Inspection Solicited.

Courteous and Polite Attention.

Goods Cheerfully Shown.

J. PILGER.

153 First and 25 Morrison St., Portland.

Next to Empire Store, Astoria, 1st Door Below Rescue Engine House.

LEO. I. STOCK, Manager Astoria Branch.

Carpets! Carpets! Carpets!

We beg to call the attention of the public to our latest importation, direct from Eastern manufacturers, of the

LARGEST INVOICE OF

CARPETS

Ever offered for sale in this city, comprising all grades, from the

FINEST BODY BRUSSELS

In the Newest Tints and Shades.

To the lowest priced article in this line. We are determined to dispose of our stock of Carpets within the next four weeks, and to that end offer special inducements, precluding the possibility of Being Underbid by any of our Competitors.

—IN THE—

Furniture and House Furnishing Line

We can show you the very BEST GOODS at BOTTOM FIGURES, and shall be pleased to receive a call for inspection whether you purchase or not.

CHAS. HEILBORN.

Ed. D. CURTIS & CO.

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A COMPLETE STOCK.

OUR OWN MANUFACTURE. EVERY

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