

The Daily Astorian.
ASTORIA, OREGON:
FRIDAY, JULY 18, 1884
ONE HUNDRED MILLIONS.

The government's fiscal year, 1883-84, ended on the 30th ult. with a total debt reduction of about \$101,000,000. The national interest-bearing obligations now amount to only \$1,226,000,000, and at last year's rate will be wholly canceled by 1896. But this rate can not be kept up. After the discussions of the last three years it ought not to be necessary to say that the public scores are being wiped off faster than is prudent. Congress has persistently refused on one hand to reduce taxes and on the other to increase expenditures to the full limit of federal income. There is nothing for it now but to pay off the bonds at the rate of a hundred millions annually. This achievement, however, is not altogether a thing to be proud of, and a change of policy can not be long delayed.

Secretary Folger's estimate of the debt reduction of the year, submitted in December, appears to have been exceeded by \$16,000,000. It will take some time yet to figure up the revenue and expenditures of the twelve-month. But last winter the receipts were estimated at \$943,000,000 and expenditures at \$258,000,000, and these amounts, if realized, would have left the surplus only \$685,000,000. The sinking-fund payment—little more than a book-keeping fiction—has been \$45,800,000. Assuming, as we may justly, that this amount was enough to apply to the debt, the surplus, which should have been left in the pockets of the taxpayers, amounts to \$55,200,000.

As between the respective policies of devoting the annual surpluses to the debt and spending them on "jobs," the public mind was long ago made up. The national debt was once regarded as a menace of evil, and at all times, and by every party, it has been deemed wise to pay it as rapidly as might be consistent with other interests. The amount of interest-bearing obligations has been reduced since the close of the war no less than \$1,155,000,000, or almost one-half, the highest amount ever outstanding having been \$2,381,530,294, in 1865. The cancellation of \$1,155,000,000 of indebtedness in the fourteen years next following such a struggle as that of 1861-65 has been marvelous. Foreign statesmen never cease to wonder at what we do in this line. Mr. Gladstone especially is fond of pointing to our example as one for Great Britain to follow.

Aside from the desirability of tax reduction, the future of the monetary system of the country is so closely bound up in the public debt that a halt in the annual payments may well be called. The people do not propose to have the debt perpetuated for the sake of the national banks. But sound policy demands the careful establishment of some new scheme of note issuing (if we are to continue to have paper money) before the government bonds get entirely beyond the reach of banking associations. This is one of the numerous matters which the present do-nothing congress ought to have attended to, but has utterly neglected. The country, however, has not suffered thus far. The amount of paper in circulation is gradually diminishing, but more of this kind of contraction will do no harm.

The N. Y. Times, referring to the new arrangement by the Central Pacific surrendering the Mojave division of the Southern Pacific, says: This negotiation relieved the Central Pacific of its most pressing pecuniary wants, but at an immense cost. It gives the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe the right to enter San Francisco over the Southern Pacific lines on equal terms with that company, and this gives the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy the same privilege. The Central Pacific, therefore, loses its monopoly of the California trade. Hard necessity has forced it not only to admit rivals to its territory, but to make its own lines their route of entry. The Chicago, Burlington and Quincy now can run from Chicago to San Francisco. It has already cut the Union Pacific road to pieces and is in a position now to fight the Central Pacific. It is a noteworthy fact that in every case where the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy has gone into the contest it has worsted its opponents.

The serious riots lately reported from Panama will have the effect of calling attention to Count de Lesseps and his work there in a way that will be far from flattering. The leading powers of the world have acquired a way of looking after the general interests of a defenceless people, and if Count de Lesseps and the canal company find themselves unable to keep order at Panama, somebody will readily undertake the contract for them, charging for the job only in case of success. It would not be pleasant for the canal company to be placed under the supervision of English, German or French men-of-war, but the general sentiment of civilized men is so strongly opposed to disorder of any kind that the private preferences of the stockholders would not go very far in preventing such a control if it seemed to be necessary.

The inflationists have been caught napping for once. While the enemies of the national banks have persistently refused to strengthen them, by authorizing some basis for note circulation other than Government bonds, these same banks have steadily reduced their issues. A year ago there were outstanding \$355,000,000 of bank notes. The amount is now only \$338,000,000. The reduction is convincing evidence that the banks are not reaping the magnificent profits from circulation which some have credited them with.

The report of the superintendent of public instruction in New York for 1883 shows the number of school-houses in that state to be 11,914, with an attendance of 1,041,089 pupils, a number greater than the total population of any one of nineteen states in the Union. There were 31,579 teachers, 24,849 of them being women; the average annual salary of the teachers was \$391.

The Greenbackers in Washington are puzzled over the fact that in Butler's letter replying to the Indianapolis National nomination, he does not formally accept the same.

BEN BUTLER begins to fear that he was not born to be president. He may be consoled with the reflection that many other great men are in the same boat.

If the letters of acceptance of Blaine and Logan are anything like wine they will begin to ferment if kept corked much longer.

MARRIED.
At Cathlamet, W. T., July 13, 1884, by John Clemens, Judge of Probate, Samuel F. Albert, Sheriff of Wahkiakum Co., W. T., and Miss Lida Sackett, of McMinnville, Oregon.

DIED.
At Skamokawa, W. T., July 8, 1884, Johnny, infant son of Henry M. and Minnie Bowman, aged 3 months and 1 day.

NEW TO-DAY.

Net Lost.
A BREAST KNAPPTON ON WEDNESDAY night, 200 fathoms 46-mesh, marked S. P. Co. and F. P. Co. Corks marked J. P. Fosse leave at Scandinavian Packing Company's cannery.

City Treasurer's Notice.
THE Tax-list of the City of Astoria, Clatsop County, Oregon, is now in my hands for collection, and will remain with me for thirty days. All parties interested please take notice.
J. G. HUSTLER,
City Treasurer.
Astoria, July 17, 1884.

GRAND ART AUCTION SALE

A Beautiful Collection of Italian Marble and Alabaster Statuary
Roman Urns, Grecian and Florentine Vases, Card Receivers, Fruit Stands, Ornaments, and Works of Art.

Will be sold positively Without Reserve
THIS DAY AT 2 P. M.
AT HOLDEN'S AUCTION ROOMS.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS THE PLEASURE to announce to the ladies and gentlemen of this city, who can appreciate RARE AND BEAUTIFUL WORKS OF ART, that Messrs. Gennart and Gori, importers of Italian Statuary, who are now in this city on route to San Francisco, and waiting the arrival of Monday's steamer, have instructed him to close out the above collection of Marble and Alabaster Statuary. A rare opportunity is here presented to the ladies to decorate their homes.
Sale continued two days only.
E. C. HOLDEN,
Auctioneer.

Occidental Hall.
L. E. SELIG, Lessee and Manager.

BEN. COTTON'S COMBINATION.

Only Two Nights,
Friday, July 25th and Saturday, July 26th.

GRAND FAMILY MATINEE
Saturday Afternoon.

Friday, "TRUE DEVOTION."
Saturday, "IRMA, the Wolf."
Matinee, "TRUE DEVOTION."
Reserved seats at the New York Novelty Store.

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Mental and Physical Evolution
Of the Human Race.

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Friday Evening, July 18th.
Admission 50 cents.

Friday Afternoon, at 2 o'clock
Dr. Hunt Will Lecture to Ladies Only on
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Admission Free.

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Excursion Tickets from Astoria to Portland and return

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THE FAST ELEGANT STEAMER
WIDE WEST

Will make regular trips during the season leaving Astoria as follows:
Leave Astoria Wednesday and Friday at 6 A. M., arrive in Portland at 2 P. M.
Leave Astoria Sunday Afternoon at 4:15 P. M., arrive in Portland at 12 Midnight.
Passengers leaving Astoria Sunday P. M. can secure rooms and remain on steamer all night.

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Leave Portland Tuesday and Thursday at 6 A. M., arrive at Astoria at Noon.
Leave Portland Saturday at 3 P. M., arrive in Astoria at 8 P. M.
A. L. STOKES,
General Passenger Agent.

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MRS. A. MALCOLM'S.
I WILL SELL FOR THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS all Trimmed Hats and SUMMER STOCK and make room for a Large Invoice of FALL GOODS. NOW is the time for

BARGAINS!
Come and See and Be Convinced.

To be Let.
CHOICE ROOMS IN WM. HOWE'S block, with all conveniences.
Apply to
GEO. P. WHEELER.
July 7, 1884

Notice of Assignment.
CIRCUIT COURT, CLATSOP COUNTY Oregon

In the matter of the Estate of McCurtie and Holt, insolvent debtors:—Assignee's notice of appointment.—To whom it may concern: The undersigned hereto gives notice of his appointment as assignee of the estate of McCurtie and Holt, insolvent debtors of Astoria, Clatsop County, Oregon.

All claims against said estate must be presented to me at my place of business in said city, duly verified as by law required, within three months from the date of this notice.

J. E. THOMAS,
Assignee of the Estate of McCurtie & Holt, insolvent debtors.
July 7, 1884.

Reduction! FOR THE NEXT SIXTY DAYS,
MRS. A. B. JEWETT will sell her stock of MILLINERY and FANCY GOODS at a Reduction of

Twenty per Cent.
On Former Prices. This is a rare chance for the ladies to secure bargains.
Astoria, June 21st, 1884.

Notice of Sale.
THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE THAT I have this day transferred all my right and interest in the establishment known as the City Book Store, to H. D. Newbury and Irving Stevens, who will conduct the business of the firm in the future.

All accounts due, are to be paid to Newbury and Stevens.
D. F. STEVENS.
Astoria, July 1st, 1884.

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Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Tropical, Domestic, Green and Dried FRUITS, NUTS, CANDIES, DRIED MEATS, ETC. Fine Cigars and Tobacco.

Next door to L. J. Arnold's, Squemoqua St. Fishermen's Headquarters.

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OVERALLS, COATS, HATS, SHIRTS, GUM BOOTS, ETC.

And a complete outfit of Best Quality, and at the LOWEST PRICE of any Establishment in the city.

P. A. STOKES & CO.

Have opened a New Stock of All goods in the store next door to Ford & Stokes, and GUARANTEE SATISFACTION To all Customers.

Private School

FOR SMALL CHILDREN WILL BE opened in the Lecture Room of the Presbyterian church on Monday, June 30th, at 9 o'clock.
MISS LUCY J. POWELL.

Solid Gold Jewelry,

BRACELETS, Scarf Pins, Chains, Watches, SILVERWARE,

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The finest stock of Jewelry in Astoria.

All goods warranted as represented
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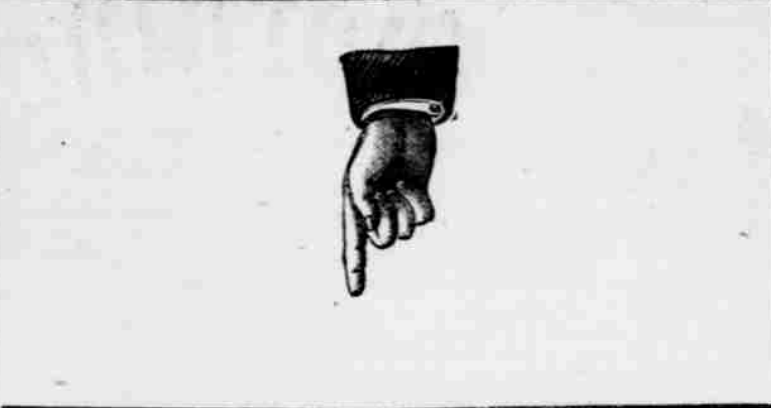
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Jobbing Promptly Attended to.

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Good Milk Cow for Sale.
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Something of Importance to Everyone that Lives in the City of Astoria.

Wm. HOWE,

The WELL-KNOWN BUILDER, has bought from W. W. PARKER, the large Sash and Door Factory known as

"Hansen Bros.' Mill,"
And makes public the announcement of the fact.

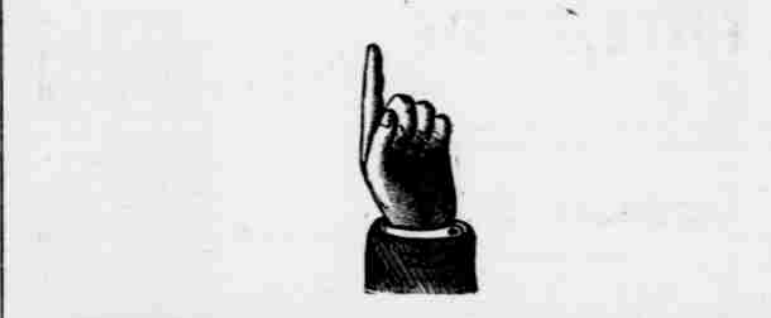
His well-known reputation as a Successful Builder and Contractor, and the Quality of the Stock he furnishes, is his guarantee that any one ordering material at his place will be able to GET JUST WHAT THEY WANT, promptly on time, and

AT LOWEST FIGURES.
A Full Stock of Sash and Door Work, Mouldings, etc., on Hand or Made to Order.

Bids and Estimates Furnished, and Orders Solicited.
BUILDERS, CARPENTERS and CONTRACTORS invited to call, examine stock and give a trial order.

WILLIAM HOWE,
PROPRIETOR.

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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 Undersold by any of our Competitors.

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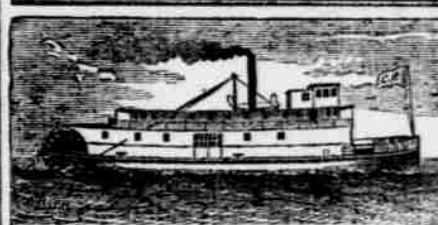
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