## The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON:

JULY 26, 1884 SATURDAY ..... THE FISH TRAPS ACROSS THE RIVER

In another column are presented in its work. The report says that the ing the rights of fish trap owners. made before.

The question is one that depends at a price far beyond its proper for its presentation entirely on the value." Passing from butterine, point of view taken by the party dis. lard, cheese and watered milk, the recussing it. The fishermen think that port names as among the principal they are in the right; the trap owners adulterations imposed upon the maintain that they are in the right. public, the following: Sugar is Let us see. The loss of life is the adulterated and reduced in value greatest objection. No one will deny with glucose. Coffee, when ground, that during the season now closing often contains little of the pure several good, steady men have berry, but is made up of a mixture lost their lives by reason of these of chiccory, beans, dandelion roots traps. This is something that is con. rye or other cheap material. When ceded by the most resolute defender green, it is often artificially colored. of the traps. It is claimed without frequently with substances which are successful contradiction that the deleterious in their effects. Lard is men who lost their lives in these traps adulterated in the process of refining would have been able to make shore by the introduction of terra alba (a in safety had it not been for unavoid. white clay), vegetable oils and water. ably running into those traps, cap. Candy is mostly made from glucose sizing, and thus perishing miserably. and the cheap candies entirely so

life, in spite of every effort on the adulterated. In some cases the part of the drowning man to save package contains no part of the himself, is, in the minds of many, suf. condiment named, but only foreign ficient reason for calling for the re- material, flavored with the esmoval of the traps.

Self-interest also plays an important part in this discussion. It is a grades brought down to increase the well-known fact that the traps hurt profits and foreign substances somethe fishermen's business; what hurts times introduced, though in the latthem hurts Astoria, and the existence of those fish-traps are believed by many to be of great detriment to this place. Without going into details it sis is animal gelatine or apple jelly amounts to this. The fishermen toil with very scant return through April and May. They take big chances; they lose their gear and all for very few fish. The first of June finds them still in debt. About the time that a man can make decent wages, the traps begin to come into competition with him. The trap owner goes to an Astoria canneryman and makes a contract that the canner will take all his fish (the fish. erman has no such contract and has to take his chances.) Along in

July comes a big run; the man in his boat who in May lived on Faith and in June lived on Hope until he was afraid that in July he would think of Seashore Excursion Charity, goes out to eatch the big run; he has been under big expense and here is his chance to get a few dollars. But the traps are catching them by the thousand, the canner, -who must keep up to his contract has all he wants and more too, and when the exhausted fisherman, weary with the toil of the night, but yet hopeful with the idea that he has made a good night's work. comes alongside to sell his fish in the early morning, the canneryd to say, "I have all I ty

## FOOD ADULTERATION.

CHICAGO has a Citizens' Association, an organization of business and professional men, whose aim is to promote the general public good. It has recently given consideration to the subject of food adulterations, and its report must convince the trade that the committee is, at least, earnest

the views of a correspondent concern- "adulteration of butter has been car ried so far that the genuine article Their side of the question as therein cannot be procured from the ordinary stated brings up no statements not merchants in the commodity, nor Friday, July 25th and Saturday, from private manufacturers, except

Life is sweet, and the loss of one Ground spices are almost universally

sential oil of the genuine article. Teas are mixed, and the ter case generally before they reach this country. Jellies of all kinds are commercial frauds. Their main baflavored with extracts. "These conditions are not peculiar to Chicago, but are universal in the trade through out the country," says the Farmers' Review. Those conditions are not general on the Pacific Coast, Trade in oleomargarine has been totally suppressed. Our sugar is pure, and the use of terra alba as an adultera tion in the refining of lard is yet an unknown art. Our teas are generally straight, and jellies generally, are exactly as they are represented.

NEW TO-DAY. GRAND Str. GEN. MILES Will make two trips to-morrow, Sunday, July 27th. FOR Forts Stevens, Canby and Ilwaco, Leaving Gray's Dock at 7:45 A M. (Asto-ria time). Beturning, will leave liwaco at 2 P. M. on first trip. Will leave Astoria, immediately after ar-rival, for liwaco, leaving there at 5:15. ar-riving at Astoria at 6:30 P. M. This gives everyone a splendid opportuni-ty and more time than heretofose.



want. And the fisherman has to nery." throw his fish away. This is no fancy sketch. Hundreds can testify that it is not at all overdrawn or exaggerated. Here is where the direct antagon-

ism comes in, and here is where the interests of this community come in direct conflict with the fish traps and the system they represent.

IT does not surprise the majority of persons to learn that one of the delegates to the Chicago convention was rendered crazy by enthusiasm and excitement. Enthusiasm carried to too great an extent will unhinge the strongest mind; so will indigestion caused by eating crow or other uninevitably have broken down. Even now he is said to be gloomy. His bright smile does not haunt Tammany still.

And now crops out a number o names of gentlemen who are each willing that the Oregon Legislature should send him to the United States senate for six years. It is pretty generally conceded that Portland will furnish the coming senator as she did Charlotte the last one, but all sorts of trades and combinations in and out of the capital city must first be made before the winning man is announced.

THE Walla Walla Union charges the Journal of that city with having a pass. That is a serious charge to bring against a newspaper, but one that can be easily proved or disproved.

THE Central Pacific Bailroad Company has sensibly resolved to sell no more land to anybody who will not guarantee to cultivate and improve

THE British government would have made Commander Schley a baron and Lieutenants Emory and Sly Knights Commanders of the Bawth.

SEATTLE papers now concede that there was too much "boom" there last season, and that matters have now reached their level.

GOVERNOR CLEVELAND'S worldly possessions consists of \$5,000 worth of personal property. He has no real

ASTORIA is the healthiest city in the state, physically and financially.

