

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON:
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1884
THE QUESTION OF SILVER.

Secretary of the Treasury McCullough seems to have peculiar ideas on the question of silver coinage, and silver certificates. The Mining Record, commenting thereon, very justly says:
"Mr. McCullough has simply illustrated the inability of a man trained in the narrow groove of the banking business, to escape from the result of that training--an ever present itch for contraction, and the belief that it contraction is to be found the cure for all financial ills. He urges the stoppage of silver certificates, notwithstanding the fact of which he ought not to be ignorant, that between the 30th of September, 1883, and the 30th of September, 1884, silver certificates were issued to the extent of \$18,285,000 in exchange for gold paid in to sub-treasurer Acton, here in New York, the which certificates were issued to those who paid gold for them to move cotton and wheat from the south and west to exterior markets, and which sum by a rather odd coincidence, almost exactly corresponds with the contraction of the National Bank currency for the same twelve months."

"Mr. McCullough also overlooks the somewhat material fact that of the \$121,131,921 in silver certificates issued up to the 1st of September, 1884, not less than \$75,210,510 or 52 1/2 per cent of the amount had been issued not in exchange for standard dollars, but for gold turned in here in New York to the sub-treasurer, under circumstances of necessities described by Treasurer Gillilan in these pregnant words: 'Large amounts of silver certificates paid for with gold chiefly of the denominations of ten and twenty dollars, have been paid out of the sub-treasuries in New Orleans, St. Louis, Chicago and Cincinnati for the purpose of moving the cotton and other crops. * * * The volume of the United States notes is limited by law, while the national banks do not find it a sufficient profit in issuing circulation to induce them to supply the demand for additional circulation, caused by the increase of business. The issue of silver certificates by meeting this demand, has averted what might have proved to be a serious public inconvenience.'"

While the Washington monument has been building, there have been chronicled the history of nine political administrations, witnessed the birth and death of political parties, and passed through a terrible civil war, four financial straits and established the best banking system in the world. The great Republic in the meantime has grown from 23,000,000 to 55,000,000 people, and in material wealth from \$7,400,000,000, or \$320 per inhabitant, to \$71,000,000,000, or \$1,000 per inhabitant. When the national monument was begun Great Britain possessed five times the wealth owned by the United States, and while the wealth of the former country has only doubled within the last four decades, that of the latter has increased twelve-fold. As to the constituent factors of American progress in their aggregate in the four decades they are sufficient to buy up the whole Austrian empire several times over, or pay for the "effete" monarchies of Italy, Holland and Belgium almost three times over during that period. Our tilled acreage has increased from 50,000,000 to 170,000,000 acres; the crops have increased in value from \$415,000,000 to \$1,511,000,000 and the cattle have increased in value from \$390,000,000 to \$1,810,000,000. Our imports have increased from \$163,000,000 to \$623,000,000, and our exports from \$152,000,000, to \$333,000,000.

Country postmasters often write quiet, confidential letters to the department in explanation of little omissions of duty. Heretofore, just after a presidential election, many of them thought it the proper thing to congratulate the department upon the overwhelming victory of the grand old party. There has been a notable lack of political comment this year. The following, however, was received at Washington last week from an Arkansas postmaster: "Please excuse me for not making my remittance of funds on Saturday last. The truth is that there are twelve aspirants in this town for my place. All twelve of them have interviewed me this week, and I have to show them the ins and outs of the business, and tell them what they would have to do and how much they will get for doing it. The aspirants have been pleasant enough to me, and Uncle Sam's funds are all right."

It costs \$700,000 a week to run New York's city government.

The Christian at Work thinks it has cornered the wily Bob and goes for him thus: "R. Ingersoll denounces intemperance, and very properly so; but how could Mr. Ingersoll join upon his hearer--as he did the other day--to 'think of the wrecks on either side of the stream of death?' 'Either side'--'either side'--then there is another side to 'the stream of death?' We always understood that in Mr. Ingersoll's thought death was a stream with but one shore. Has the fog lifted, and does he catch a view of the other side?"

The Oregonian calls for a new city charter for Portland, and very justly says: "An honest and economical city government is of far more actual importance to the people of Portland than any question as to what party shall administer the national government."

The foreign telegrams of the London Times cost in one single day in October last \$10,000.

MARRIED.
In Astoria, December 20, 1884, at the residence of the bride's brother, by Rev. M. D. Wilson, Herman Ekstrom and Miss Charlotte Anderson, both of this city.

DIED.
In Astoria, December 20th, 1884, Paul Dillingham Parker, third son of C. L. Parker, aged 18 years, 7 months and 25 days.

NEW TO-DAY.

Wood for Sale.
Good Dry Vine Maple and Fir.

Vine Maple, \$3 75 per cord; \$4 00 delivered.
Leave orders with D. L. Pick and Sons.

For Sale.
OFFER FOR SALE THE STOCK, GOOD WILL AND FUTURE OF THE CITY STORE OF Wm. Houseman, a soon meaning business can make a good bargain.

Grand Concert.
AT OCCIDENTAL HALL.
Monday, Dec. 22nd, 1884.

To be given by the Congressional Church Choir, assisted by some of the Leading Musical Talent of Astoria.
Reserved Seats at the City Book Store.

Picked Up.
A BREAST OF KNAPP'S A LAR E white skid about 12 feet long, 2 1/2 inches wide and two pairs of legs. Owner can find me in Kila pa.

Improving Mouth of the Columbia River, Oregon and W. T.

Proposals for Constructing Wharf and Barges.
U. S. ENGINEER OFFICE.
PORTLAND, OREGON, Dec 16, 1884.

WANTED.
TWO GOOD, SINGLE YOUNG MEN TO work on Klaskan. Farm, close to city by the river. Their habits: First, total abstinence from all intoxicating liquors, tobacco smoking, growing and using; not to use any weapons or instruments of any kind, or to handle them; second, to be equal to the work. Wages, \$1 a day, \$2 a week, \$5 a month, with board and lodging to suit.

For Rent.
TWO FRONT ROOMS; SUITABLE FOR OFFICES; centrally located; apply at Astorian office.

For Sale.
NINE NINE-ROOMED DWELLING HOUSES with two lots, corner Main and 7th streets. For further particulars apply at the ASTORIAN office.

Elegant Rooms.
NEAT AND CONVENIENT IN Wm. S. Hill's building.

School Tax Notice.
SCHOOL TAXES FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 2, to be due and payable to J. E. Hill, a. officer of taxing & c.

Public Auction.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO WHOM it may concern that the public goods of the late Parer House in Astoria, Oregon, on Saturday, the 27th day of December, 1884, the following articles of personal property to wit:

Forty Trunks and Fifteen Valises.
To satisfy my legal claims and I've agreed and upon the same. 80 id articles have been in my hands including 10 more than three or miles, and will be sold under and as they are to the highest bidder for cash in hand according to law.

Annual Meeting.
STOCKHOLDERS OF THE PACIFIC UNION PACKING COMPANY are hereby notified that the third annual meeting of the company will be held at their office, in the city of Astoria, Oregon, December 22, 1884, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M.

Notice.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WONG WAH, WONG FANG CHU and COY. have this day associated themselves to offer on postage under the firm name and of H. K. Kee Company, in view of a veto at merchant's meeting on the 11th inst. and in view of the fact that the said firm is now in the city of Astoria, Oregon, and their office is at 10 D. B. & Co.

Notice.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned Assignee of the Estate of J. E. THOMAS, OFFERS AT PRIVATE SALE ALL THE STOCK OF DRUGS, TOILET and Fancy Articles, Medicines, &c. BELONGING TO THE ESTATE. ALL ARTICLES AT COST PRICE.

Assignee's Sale.

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Important Notice.
Oregon Improvement Co.
Great Reduction in Price of Coal.

On and after December 1st until further notice the price at the business will be a 10% advance for SEATTLE COAL.

CUMBERLAND.
P. A. NOYES, Agent.

Dissolution of Co-partnership.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE partnership of H. D. Newbury and J. W. Griffen, known as the City Book Store, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All bills payable by or to the said firm, or in its name, are to be paid to or collected by the undersigned. The business has been pure and of Messrs. Griffen and Newbury shall have charge of it in the future.

The Northern Pacific Express Co.
The Shortest, Quickest and most Reliable Route between ASTORIA AND ALL PORTS.

H. B. PARKER
DEALER IN Hay, Oats, and Straw. LIME

Brick, Cement, Sand and Plaster.
Wood Delivered to Order.

HEADQUARTERS.
FOR Toys, Fancy Goods, Stationery, CUTLERY, ETC.

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 Warehouse on reasonable terms. Foot of Ben on street, Astoria, Oregon.

Fifty Dollars Reward.
THE ABOVE REWARD WILL BE PAID TO the person who will give information leading to the recovery of the stolen goods, which were taken from the Columbia river, Dec. 3rd, 1884.

Notice.
THE TAX ROLL OF COUNTY OF OREGON, for the year 1884 is now in my hands for collection. All persons are hereby notified to pay the taxes. Du-lieu will be given unless paid at once.

How to Rent.
NINE ROOMS; GOOD LOCATION.
NORTH OF W. B. HERRING ST., ASTORIA.

CAUTION.
ALL PERSONS ARE HEREBY CAUTIONED against purchasing or using any goods or articles of any kind, or to handle them, which are the property of the firm named and of H. K. Kee Company, in view of a veto at merchant's meeting on the 11th inst. and in view of the fact that the said firm is now in the city of Astoria, Oregon, and their office is at 10 D. B. & Co.

Furnished Rooms to Let.
WITH COTTAGE AND BATH.
Inquire of Mrs. F. C. HOLDEN.

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MERRY XMAS!

CHRISTMAS PRESENT!!
YOU WILL FIND AT

ADLER'S
My Headquarters are

There never has been in Astoria such a wonderful assortment of Holiday Goods of all description as I have. No matter where you purchase look through my stock before deciding.

Happy New Year!
Buy where the goods are the newest and Cheapest! Buy where the assortment is the largest and most varied! Buy where the attention is polite and you can look without being pestered to buy!

Adler's Crystal Palace Book Store.
Carl Adler, Sole Agent, Astoria.

ROCKFORD Gold and Silver JEWELRY. Quick-Train WATCHES WARE, LADIES' WATCHES, DIAMONDS, Jewels Rich AND MORE. Remember CARL ADLER'S Crystal Palace.

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.

Furniture and House Furnishing Line
At Greatly Reduced Prices, ASTORIA FURNITURE CO., Cor. Chenamus and Hamilton Sts.

CHAS. HEILBORN.
New Establishment! NEW PRICES!!

FURNITURE, FURNISHING GOODS, Carpets, Matting, Pictures, Mirrors, PICTURE FRAMES MOULDINGS, ETC., ETC.

Builders & Carpenters
SASH DOOR AND MOULDING
First Class Work at Prices to Suit the Times.

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Best BREAD in the City, Best CAKES and PASTRY, Best ICE CREAM.

C. H. Bain & Co.'s
Steam Planing Mill and Sash Factory
Boat Building a Specialty.

ED. JACKSON.
Boat Building a Specialty.
Notice to Stockholders of Fishermen's Packing Co.

Boat Building.
THE BEST STOCK AND WORKMANSHIP GUARANTEED.

Hardware and Ship Chandlery
VAN DUSEN & CO.
Pure Oil, Bright Varnish, Binacle Oil, Cotton Canvas, Hemp Sail Twine, Cotton Sail Twine, Lard Oil, Wrought Iron Spikes, Galvanized Cut Nails, Agricultural Implements, Sewing Machines, Paints and Oils, Groceries, etc.

For The Finest Groceries, For The Freshest Vegetables, For The Most Complete Assortment, For Absolute Satisfaction.

FRANK L. PARKER'S Family Grocery and Provision Store,

Corner Benton and Chenamus Streets, Opposite Custom House Square.

STEAMER CLARA PARKER
Even P. Parker, Master.
FOR TOWING, FREIGHT OR CHARTER.

Everybody Made Happy!

Present for the Holidays Purchased at the EMPIRE STORE.

Having just received from Eastern markets a most magnificent line of staple and fancy articles comprising anything and everything that is stylish and beautiful in our line, we invite a call from all our friends and the public generally.

Ladies' and Child's FINE SHOES we lead the Market.
Cal. Early and Secure a Good Selection.

John A. Montgomery, DEALER IN

Fin, Sheet Iron and Copper Ware.
A General Assortment of HOUSEHOLD GOODS.

Range Stoves and Ranges
The Best in the market.
Plumbing, GAS FITTING, AND CANNERY WORK

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THE NEW MODEL

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DEALERS IN FURNITURE AND BEDDING

Corner Main and Squemoqua Streets, Astoria, Oregon.

WIDOW SHADES AND TRIMMING; WALL PAPER, ETC.
A Complete Stock.

PRICES AS CHEAP AS QUALITY WILL AFFORD.
ALL KINDS OF FURNITURE REPAIRED AND VARNISHED.

FOR Finest Groceries, GO TO FOARD & STOKES.

HARDWARE AND Ship Chandlery.

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Just Finished in Rear of Store.