The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON:

THURSDAY .....JANUARY 15, 1885

PROHIBITION THAT DOES NOT PROHIBIT.

DAVENPORT, Jan. 13.—The *Democrat* of this city this evening publishes reports from the mayors of eighteen of the principal cities of Iowa as to the working of the prohibitory law. Fifteen pronounce it a failure and three regard it as doubtful. In this city the total number of saloons has increased 39 over the previous six months, and drunkenness is now greatly increased.

Of all questions the drink question is the most irrepressible. We remember a farce in which the leading character was a Monsieur Touson, who was always turning up when least expected and least wanted, and the phrase "M Touson's come again" became a piece of illustrated slang. The drink question is the M. Touson of American life. Other excitements over, it comes in to fill the gap. It assumes all kinds of shapes, from the most severely moral to the broadly comic, but it will not be denied. Now it divides a municipality, and now it attempts to direct the policy of a party. It is equally at home in the police court and in the legislative assembly and in the newspaper column.

It is but a couple of weeks since, in reviewing the stringent liquor laws in Canada, was pointed out the well-established facts that prohibition does not prohibit; that Forbes Mackenzie in the olden time and Sir Wilfred Lawson in the present have only succeeded in Great Britain in suggesting subterfuges for evasion of statute law; that the Maine liquor law is a mockery as far as prevention of liquor traffic is concerned, and an intensification of the evils attending it by substituting villainous compounds for comparatively pure liquids; and that all this spasmodic zeal in the cause of sobriety under the Field code and other repressive laws has been marked by an increase of liquor consumption; the introduction of drinking habits to the family circle; a defiance of police supervision, and ultimately the defeat of the law to a dead letter.

A dispatch in the Cincinnati *Enquirer* from Bangor, Maine, giving details of the prohibitory operations and results in that state, corroborates formerly expressed views. The community there is one of contradiction. Priding themselves on their religious principles they are remarkable for reckless profanity; morality in maxim is illustrated by misdeeds in practice; and the liquor law of the state, which all over the world is accepted as synonomous for rigid observance, is habitually defied. The law is described as strict enough. Confiscations, fines, imprisonments and all the other penalties known to the code for any crime less than murder attend the sale of liquor; but the writer in the *Enquirer* tells us how, notwithstanding this vigor and rigor of pretense, the procuration of strong drink is made easy. In drug stores there never has been much difficulty in the compound of an agreeable prescription. Patent medicines and well-puffed bitters, whose bases for the most part are the most deleterious preparations of alcohol, had become favorite remedies for some distressing stomachic disease simply the euphemism for a craving for strong drinks. But now no such subterfuges are needed. According to the statement of the writer in our contemporary, the significant wink to the druggist round the corner is rendered unnecessary by the order of the bejeweled hotel clerk to the bell-boy: "John, show the gentleman to the elevator reading room." The word elevator is happily chosen as showing the results of close application in that department.

There is, as we have said, no escaping from the subject of the drink problem. It fastens upon us as the Ancient Mariner did upon the wedding guest and has a more frightful tale to tell. But on this point of the prohibition that does not prohibit. Concurrently with the exposures of the Maine mockery there comes to us facts from the other side of the Atlantic. The main assumption of the temperance men in support of prohibition is that the demand for stimulants would diminish in proportion to the decrease of drinking houses; but the *Alliance News* of London sets forth facts in distressing refutation of this comforting theory. We find that 2,000 fewer licenses were granted during the year ending at the period of returns than in the preceding year, but that the consumption of beer showed an increase of over 600,000 barrels. A large quantity of drink was consumed in a smaller number of houses—a result in direct antagonism to the prohibition theory.

We hope we shall not be suspected of neglecting the austerely ethical aspect of this question when we venture to remark that, after all, there is something to be said for "cakes and ale," and that as long as human nature remains what it is, a policy of simple exorcism is not likely to succeed. That alcohol in any quantity and under any circumstances is simple poison is a medical dictum which does not yet emerge from the rank of heresies, as, in like manner, it is not accepted as a fundamental axiom of morals that a glass of wine is a sin against self and society. Temperance has many victories to win before it passes over to the immoderation of total abstinence. But these victories will not be achieved by the enactment of penal repressive laws, nor by the agency of deleterious alcoholic compounds disguised as temperance beverages and patent medicines.

NEW TO-DAY.

Notice.

THE ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE year 1884 is now in my hands for collection. All who are delinquent on said roll will save sheriff's costs by calling at my office in Cathlamet and settling the same, or sending by registered letter.

S. F. ALBERT,
Sheriff of Wahkiakum Co., W. T.
Dated at Cathlamet, Jan. 13th, 1885.

WHO WINS THE PRIZE?

POTATO MATCH.

There will be a Potato Match at the Skating Rink, next

Saturday Evening, Jan. 17th.

Competitors will please enter by THURSDAY, the 15th.

Boys under sixteen not allowed to compete.

Admission:

For Gents with Skates, the usual price.
Ladies with or without Skates - 25cts

There will be Music if available.
Prize on exhibition at New York Novelty Store.

G. W. & A. E. ROSS,
Proprietors and Managers.

Special Auction Sale

For Account of Whom it May Concern

Friday' Jan, 16th, at 11 A. M.

On the O. R. & N. Co.'s Dock,

I will sell at Public Auction, for Cash, to the Highest Bidders,

One Thousand Sacks of Wheat

More or Less.

This wheat is slightly damaged by water, but much of it can be rendered as serviceable as ever.

It will be sold in lots to accommodate purchasers.

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ASTORIA, OREGON.

This House has been newly furnished, refitted and renovated throughout, and is

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RATES: From **$1 50** to **$2 50**, per day, according to room.

Special Rates for Steady Boarders

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JAS. W. WELCH,
Sup't.

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NINE ROOMS: GOOD LOCATION. Inquire of W. B. HEADINGTON.

Dissolution of Partnership.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE partnership heretofore existing between Bergman & Berry is this day dissolved by mutual consent, A. W. Berry retiring from the firm, who will collect all bills due and settle all accounts of the late firm.

ISAAC BERGMAN,
A. W. BERRY.
Astoria, Oregon, December 31st, 1884.

Elegant Rooms.

SUNNY AND CONVENIENT. IN WM. Hume's building.
Apply to SAMUEL ELMORE.

For Rent.

A LARGE, FINE STORE ROOM; ALSO the second and third floors in the corner building on Olney and Squemoqua streets.
Inquire of RUDOLPH BARTH.

Stockholders' Meeting.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE British America Packing Co., Skeena, will be held on the 19th day of January, 1885, at the residence of Gust Holmes, at 9 A. M., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and transacting any other business that may come before the meeting.

By order of the president.

A. YOUNG,
Secretary.

Stockholders' Meeting.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the British America Packing Co. will be held at the residence of Gust Holmes, Upper Astoria, Oregon, on the 18th of January, 1885, at 9 A. M., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year and to transact such other business as may come before the meeting.

By order of the president.

A. YOUNG,
Secretary.

Notice.

THE PARTY WHO BOUGHT THE BAGgage belonging to Thomas Boland, at the auction sale at the Parker House, will please call at the Bay City Exchange.

C. EVENSON.

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The Beautiful and Favorably Located

BAY VIEW RESTAURANT

Is for sale at a bargain, on account of the proprietor's desire to go east to see her parents. Inquire at the restaurant or at this office.

1885.

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S. ELMORE,
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Our Selling and Collecting Agent at Astoria.

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Clean Domestic per ton, 2240 lbs	$7.00
Average Steam " " "	6.00
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On hand a constant supply, at market rates, of first-class

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Jobbing promptly attended to.

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TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY ACRES on Gray's River: fine timber and bottom land: three miles from steamboat landing. Fifty acres improved; stables, outhouses, etc., fruit. A splendid chance for a man with a little money.

Apply to FERDINAND HANSEL on the premises.

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They list all goods at their New York store **prices** which are acknowledged **lower than those of any other house in the United States.**

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DEALERS should send for their Special Discount List to the Trade.

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FINE NINE-ROOMED DWELLING-house with two lots, corner Main and Seventh streets. For further particulars apply at THE ASTORIAN office.

Notice to Pilots.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT there will be a meeting of the W. T. Board of Pilot Commissioners for the Columbia River and Bar, at Ilwaco, W. T., on Jan. 23rd, 1885, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

By order of the Board

Attest:
C. A. REED,
dw Secretary.

Notice.

NEITHER THE UNDERSIGNED CONsignees nor Capt. Curlett, of the British bark *Wm. D. Seed*, from Iquiqui, will be responsible for any debts contracted by the crew at this port, unless duly authorized.

MEYER, WILSON & CO.
December 22nd, 1884.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned has been appointed the assignee of the estate of Banger & Johnson, and all persons having claims against said firm are hereby notified to present the same duly certified to the undersigned, at his office, in Astoria, Oregon, within three months from this date, Dec. 27th, 1884.

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SISTERS OF CHARITY.

Notice.

THE PROGRESSIVE LAND AND Building Association will hold its regular annual meeting on the second Saturday, the 14th day of February, 1885, at 7 o'clock P. M., in Liberty Hall.

WM. L. M'EWAN,
Secretary.
Astoria, Clatsop Co., Oregon, January 12th, 1885.

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FOR

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THE HENLEY CLUB SKATE

Nickle Plated, Spring Steel Bottom and Steel Clamp.

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The best and only practically scientific skates. Elegant in finish. Will turn a three foot circle and all the wheels rest square on the floor. Wheels with babbit metal boxes. The leading skates in all the principal Rinks. **Bicycles and Tricycles.**

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Good Dry Vine Maple and Fir.

Vine Maple, $3 75 per cord: $4 00 delivered
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Leave orders with Dan Murray, at D. L. BECK & SONS.

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WE BEG LEAVE TO ANNOUNCE A great reduction in rates over the above well known line. Parties desiring to go to Europe, or wishing to send for friends in the old country will find it to their advantage to purchase tickets over the Cunard line. Tickets issued by us good from any part of Europe to Astoria.

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Astoria Dec. 31st, 1884.

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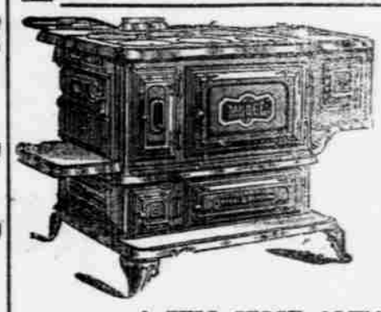

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Assignee's Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned has been appointed assignee of the estate of D. Hart, an insolvent debtor. All creditors of said estate are notified to present their claims against said estate, under oath, to me, within three months at the office of F. D. Winton, in the city of Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon.

ISAAC BERGMAN,
Assignee.
Dec. 27th, 1884.

Special Sale.

THE FINE STOCK OF D. HART IS NOW offered at private sale at cost price. It comprises ladies' and gents' furnishing goods, clothing, etc. A good chance for bargains.

I. BERGMAN,
Assignee.

Assignee's Notice.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE of Oregon, for Clatsop County, in the matter of the assignment of Wm. Houseman, insolvent:

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed assignee of the estate of said Wm. Houseman, an insolvent person, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to the undersigned at his place of business, in Astoria, Oregon, duly verified as required by law, within three months from the first publishing of this notice.

ISAAC BERGMAN,
Assignee of the estate of
Wm. Houseman.
Astoria, Or., Dec. 18, 1884.

Notice of Application.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned intends to apply to the common council of the city of Astoria at its next regular meeting, for a license to sell wine, malt and spirituous liquors in less quantities than one quart, for a period of one year, in the building fronting on Chenamus street and situated on Lot No. 6, Block No. 58, in the City of Astoria as laid out and recorded by John McClure.

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Pure Oil, Bright Varnish,
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Cotton Sail Twine,
Lard Oil,
Wrought Iron Spikes,
Galvanized Cut Nails,
Agricultural Implements,
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Paints and Oils, Groceries, etc.

For Sale.

I OFFER FOR SALE, THE STOCK, GOOD will, and fixtures of the Cigar and Fancy Goods Store of Wm. Houseman. A man meaning business can make a good bargain.

ISAAC BERGMAN.
Assignee.