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METROPOLITAN ENTERPRISE.

SAN FRANCISCO, in common with smaller cities, complains of hard times. How to mitigate or overcome the existing dullness is the problem given a joint committee in that city composed from various business associations. The report is interesting. It suggests that a European steamship line for freight and immigrant traffic be established. Some of the reasons advanced are most cogent. Following is a portion of the report: It applies in a slight degree to Astoria: "To secure for the future the position which San Francisco has occupied in the past, and to which her geographical position clearly entitles her, some prompt and decisive action on the part of her citizens is necessary. In our judgment, cheap, rapid and reliable water communication will do more to restore prosperity to this city than anything else, and to the consideration of this matter we invite your attention. It is idle to look for relief or to hope to better our condition by a multiplicity of railroads. If there were fifty crossing the continent the result, so far as we are concerned, would be the same. They could give us no advantage that they would not be compelled to extend to other localities. A reduction of the freight tariff to San Francisco would be met immediately by a corresponding one on the part of the roads leading into Portland and other competing points. But we possess advantages which if we choose to avail ourselves of them and use them aright, will make us "masters of the situation," and which the railroads and competing points on this coast would be powerless to checkmate. Freight can be transported by water to this city at a very much lower rate than it is possible to carry it overland, so that in the establishment of a line of steamers—which we shall recommend—the competition of the railroads need not be very seriously considered. They would, no doubt attempt to compete for a time, but when satisfied that the business to them was a losing one, they would abandon it and accept the inevitable. But it is a question whether the railroads having their termini in San Francisco would not derive more benefit from freights hence to local points throughout the state, than by the pro rata rates allowed them on through freight westward. The era of sailing vessels is rapidly passing away, and steam with the propeller is rapidly crowding them out, just as iron and steel are superseding wood in the construction of hulls. A wooden ship can no longer compete with an iron one, except at great disadvantage, the difference in insurance, cost of repairs, the better condition in which the iron ship delivers her cargo and the higher rate of freight obtained in consequence, all tend to the ultimate substitution of the metal bottom. The moment the tree is felled decay commences and continues irresistibly, whereas, with iron or steel, so long as the surface is protected it will last for generations. And so with steam; the speed, the certainty and regularity of arrival and departure, the lesser liability to disaster and damage to cargo, and the inconvenience arising therefrom, even if there is no actual loss, all tend irresistibly and inevitably to its substitution for the sail. One steamer can do the work of from three to four sailing vessels of the same tonnage, and do it much better. We have taken some pains to try to ascertain what the approximate cost would be of steamers suitable for this trade, say of 5,000 tons burr with good accommodations for cabin and steerage passengers, and find it to be in the neighborhood of \$550,000 each. The time required to construct vessels enough to compose the line would be about one year. To be the most money-making the trips should be "triangular," so to speak; that is to say, taking cargoes of grain, canned goods and other products of this coast direct to Europe, loading up there for New York, and from thence direct here. Such a line, properly and economically conducted, would pay handsomely at a low rate of freight, and there is in this city alone unemployed capital enough to build it several times. The time required to make the round trip through the straits would be, perhaps, 121 sailing days, at a moderate rate of speed, say eleven and a half knots; and allowing from seven to ten days in each port to discharge and take in cargo, and two days for coaling on the passage, would make in all 144 days. So that to keep up the line and start a steamer every two weeks, with one extra

steamer, would require twelve vessels. The line, if not entirely owned in this city, should be largely controlled here. The entire amount required to build and equip the vessels with the necessary terminal facilities would be in the neighborhood of \$8,000,000.

With a canal at the isthmus the distance would be reduced over one-half, and the line could then be a weekly one. It could, of course, be started with fewer steamers and with much less outlay than we have named, if it is not possible to secure the amount necessary to build and equip the entire number at once. With the advantages that such a line of steamships would give us, aided by our local railroads and other facilities for distribution, San Francisco could not only recover all that she has lost in the way of trade, but extend it both north and south, and far into the interior of the continent."

A New York special says: It is now explained that the default on the January interest of the Oregon and California bonds, mainly held in Germany and Great Britain, was due to the difficulty of putting in a prior claim of \$3,000,000 agreed to by the bondholders, which had been raised in Europe by Henry Villard. The claim could not be arranged equitably, owing to the desire of leading bankers to stamp the bonds when they should be paid. The Oregon Transcontinental needed the money, and default on the first mortgage bonds has naturally rendered the second mortgage bonds unsaleable at any price. The Oregon Transcontinental is not, it is said, in any strait, however, having virtually got a \$10,000,000 loan from the stockholders, and is seeing its way to meet its future obligations. The default of the January interest will doubtless defer indefinitely the completion of the Oregon and California to the California state line.

The secretary of the interior has affirmed the decision of the commissioner of the land office, rejecting the claim of the state of Oregon to 48,000 acres of swamp land, and has ordered re-examination of the land in controversy, with a view of determination of its nature beyond question.

INSTEAD of spending \$15,000 for a picture of the electoral commission, which commemorates a piece of history that might better be forgotten, congress ought to spend fifteen minutes in passing an electoral count law, making such a commission unnecessary hereafter.

At the recent municipal election, in Belleville, Canada, a large number of women voted, and the Toronto Mail speaks of the respect with which they were uniformly treated at the polls.

To reduce the number of applications for divorce a Providence paper suggests that prizes be given married couples who live together a stipulated term of years.

NEW TO-DAY. OCCIDENTAL HALL TWO NIGHTS ONLY, Monday and Tuesday, February 2nd and 3rd. Engagement of the Popular Artists, JOS. R. GRISMER, and PHEBE DAVIES Supported by their own POWERFUL COMPANY, when will be presented, MONDAY, FEB. 2nd, The Reigning Sensation of the day, from Alex. Dumas' great novel, MONTE CRISTO, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3rd, The dramatization of Verne's great story of Russian Life, MICHAEL STROGOFF. New Scenery, Elegant Costumes, Novel Mechanical Effects, Powerful Casts. Admission - - - \$1 00 Gallery - - - - - 50c Reserved Seats without extra charge at the usual place, The New York Novelty Store.

Dance at Knappa. The Steamer LILIAN Will leave WYATT & THOMPSON'S Dock, At 6 o'clock, Thursday Ev'ng. For the accommodation of those wishing to attend the dance at Knappa that night, F. GROUND'S.

FURNITURE AUCTION SALE Wednesday, Jan. 28, 11 A. M. Sold on Account of Departure. By order of Capt. Babbidge, I will sell at my Auction rooms an assortment of well kept Household Furniture, including one, nearly new, Occident No. 8 Cooking Stove, Also, One Ash Bedroom Set, complete, with Spring Mattress. Also, One second-hand Piano, and an assortment of Sundries. E. C. HOLDEN, Auctioneer.

1885. INTEREST Will be allowed On Time Deposits. Drafts on all the Leading Cities. Wm. T. Coleman & Co. S. ELMORE, Manager Banking Department, Astoria, Oregon.

Important Notice! Oregon Improvement Co. Great Reduction in Price of Coal. On and after December 1st until further notice the price at the bunkers will be as follows for SEATTLE COAL. Clean Domestic per ton, 2240 lbs. \$7.60 Average Steam " " " " " 6.80 Screenings " " " " " 4.80 On hand a constant supply, at market rates, of first-class CUMBERLAND. E. A. NOYES, Agent.

The Northern Pacific Express Co. FURNISHES The Shortest, Quickest and most Reliable Route between ASTORIA AND ALL PORTS. If you have Anything to Send by Express, Send it by the Northern Pacific Express Co. Order your Express packages sent to you by the NORTHERN PACIFIC EXPRESS CO. Prompt Delivery, Low Rates, Satisfaction guaranteed. S. ELMORE, Astoria Agent.

For Sale. 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 his parents. Inquire at the restaurant or at this office. 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. McEWAN, Secretary. Astoria, Clatsop Co., Oregon, January 12th, 1885.

HAS RETURNED. J. P. LEATHERS HAS RETURNED and is ready to turn out some fine fishing boats for the river. Shop on the beach between Kinney's and Elmore's canneries.

CAUTION. ALL PERSONS ARE HEREBY CAUTIONED against purchasing a note and mortgage on personal property, given by M. Alexander Corneo to E. L. Taylor for \$200.00, as the same will be contested on the ground of fraud, or misrepresentation in obtaining the same, otherwise want of consideration. ALEX. CORNEO, Astoria, Oregon, Nov. 18th, 1884.

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.

Attention! ON ACCOUNT OF REMOVAL I WILL sell for the next ten days, a lot of choice Groceries, fine Teas, and Canned Goods, at the lowest figures possible. Goods all fresh and of the best brands. BAY VIEW RESTAURANT, Opposite O. R. & N. Co.'s Dock.

Elegant Rooms. SUNNY AND CONVENIENT, IN Wm. Home's building. Apply to SAMUEL ELMORE.

PARKER HOUSE Shaving and Bathing Saloon. Ladies' Hair Dresser and Wig Maker. All kinds of HAIR WORK MADE TO ORDER. Ladies' Hair cutting and Shampooing a specialty. All work done in the most artistic manner and in the latest style. L. DuPARK, Prop. Parker House, Main St., Astoria, Or.

Annual Meeting. THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE GARIBOLDI PACKING CO. will hold the annual meeting Wednesday, the 28th of January, 1885, at the residence of John T. Sands, Astoria, Oregon. By order of CHAS. WICKSTROM, President.

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

For Rent. TWO FRONT ROOMS, SUITABLE FOR OFFICE; centrally located; apply at ASTORIAN OFFICE.

NOTICE. To Cannermen and Fishermen. WE TAKE PLEASURE IN ANNOUNCING to the trade that we have secured the services of Mr. A. M. JOHNSON, so long and favorably known in the SAIL-MAKING trade in Astoria. Hereafter Mr. Johnson will have sole supervision of our Sail Loft and will give his personal attention to the manufacture of Boat Sails for the Columbia River trade. W. C. NOON & CO., Cor. B and Front Sts. Portland, Or.

Notice. I TAKE PLEASURE IN INFORMING MY old customers that I shall, on the 1st of February next, move to Portland, Oregon, where I will have charge of Messrs. W. C. Noon & Co.'s Sail Loft. Any orders for Boat Sails sent to W. C. Noon & Co. will be made up under my personal supervision and will be fully equal to any work heretofore manufactured by me. Hoping a continuance of your favors I remain, sincerely yours, A. M. JOHNSON.

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 in the next four weeks, and to that end offer special inducements, precluding the possibility of Being Undersold 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. New Establishment! NEW PRICES!! FURNITURE, FURNISHING GOODS, Carpets, Matting, Pictures, Mirrors, PICTURE FRAMES MOULDINGS, ETC., ETC. At Greatly Reduced Prices, ASTORIA FURNITURE CO., Cor. Chenamus and Hamilton Sts. H. Du BUISSON, Manager.

Students! Of either sex admitted to the PORTLAND BUSINESS COLLEGE On any week-day of the year. The College Journal, containing information of the course of study, rates of tuition, board, examination, etc., and cuts of plain and ornamental penmanship, free. Address, A. P. ARMSTRONG, Lock Box 104, PORTLAND, OR. In writing, please mention this paper.

THE HENLEY CLUB SKATE. The HENLEY CHALLENGE SKATE, Wooden Bottom and Leather Straps. 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 rabbit metal boxes. The leading skates in all the principal Rinks. Bicycles and Tricycles. OSBORN & ALEXANDER, Sole Agents, Mechanics' Tools, Hardware and Machinery, 825 Market St., opp. Palace Hotel, San Francisco. Send for free catalogue and price list.

Executors Notice. HAVING BEEN APPOINTED BY THE County Court of Clatsop County, Oregon, executor of the last will and testament of Thos. Goodwin, deceased, all persons having claims against said estate will present them duly verified and with proper vouchers to the undersigned at his residence in the building known as the Anchor Saloon situated on Benton street, between Benton and Lafayette streets on Lot No. 23, Block No. 10, in the city of Astoria, as laid out and recorded by John McClure, B. GIBSON, Astoria, January 14th, 1885.

Notice to Water Consumers. I WOULD RESPECTFULLY REQUEST that all persons having their water pipes repaired have them fixed properly so they will not freeze and burst, as I will make no deduction on rates in the future, on account of bursted or frozen pipes. Any information in regard to the manner of fixing pipes will be cheerfully given by request. JAN. W. WELCH, Sup't.

House to Rent. NINE ROOMS; GOOD LOCATION. Inquire of W. B. HEADINGTON.

CUNARD STEAMSHIP LINE. 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. ROZORTH & JOHNS, Agents.

Notice of Application. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned will 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 known as the Anchor Saloon situated on Benton street, between Benton and Lafayette streets on Lot No. 23, Block No. 10, in the city of Astoria, as laid out and recorded by John McClure, B. GIBSON, Astoria, January 14th, 1885.

Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT pursuant to a unanimous vote of the stockholders of the Fishermen's Packing Co., the directors of said company, did on the 17th day of Jan., 1885, execute and file supplementary articles of incorporation, whereby such company is authorized to purchase and hold, sell and convey real estate. By order Board of Directors, H. E. NELSON, Secretary.

FOR SALE. One E. W. BLISS, Latest Improved HOWE SOLDERING MACHINE, With West's Crimper attached. This Machine is Nearly New and is Sold for Want of Use. Address GEO. W. DUNBAR'S SONS, New Orleans, La.

For Sale. 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.

Wheeler & Kipp, PRACTICAL Plumbers Gas and Steam Fitters. All work warranted and estimates given. Full stock Iron and Lead Pipe, Bath Tubs, Water Closets and Gas Fixtures. Chimney Pipe, cheaper than Brick. Jobbing promptly attended to. Corner Squemoqua and Hamilton Streets, Astoria, Oregon.

T. G. RAWLINGS, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Tropical, Domestic, Green and Dried FRUITS. NUTS, CANDIES, DRIED MEATS, ETC. Fine Cigars and Tobacco. Next door to I. J. Arnold's, Squemoqua St.

YOU CAN GET -THE FINEST- Family Groceries, Provisions and Freshest Vegetables. -AT- FRANK L. PARKER'S -ALL AT- Low Down Prices!!

Corner Benton and Chenamus Streets, Opposite Custom House Square. STEAMER CLARA PARKER Ebon P. Parker, Master. For TOWING, FREIGHT or CHARTER apply to the Captain, or to H. B. PARKER.

THE NEW MODEL RANGE CAN BE HAD IN ASTORIA ONLY OF E. R. HAWES, AGENT. CALL AND EXAMINE IT, YOU WILL BE PLEASSED. E. R. HAWES is also agent for the Buck patent Cooking Stove. And other first-class Stoves, Furnace Work, Steam Fittings, etc., a specialty. A FULL STOCK ALWAYS ON HAND.

John A. Montgomery, DEALER IN Tin, Sheet Iron and Copper Ware. A General Assortment of HOUSEHOLD GOODS. Agents for Magee Stoves and Ranges. The Best in the market. Pumping goods of all kinds on hand. Job work done in a workmanlike manner. PLUMBING, GAS FITTING, AND CANNERY WORK. Attended to Promptly on Reasonable Terms. Chenamus Street, Next to C. L. Parker's Store. ASTORIA, - - - OREGON.

M. OLSEN, J. GUSTAFSON, A. JOHNSON. MARTIN OLSEN & CO. DEALERS IN FURNITURE AND BEDDING. Corner Main and Squemoqua Streets, Astoria, Oregon. WINDOW SHADES AND TRIMMINGS; WALL PAPER, ETC. A Complete Stock. PRICES AS CHEAP AS QUALITY WILL AFFORD. ALL KINDS OF FURNITURE REPAIRED AND VARNISHED.

Builders & Carpenters MATERIAL. SASH DOORS AND MOULDING. First Class Work at Prices to Suit the Times. PLANS AND ESTIMATES FURNISHED. C. H. Bain & Co.'s Steam Planing Mill and Sash Factory. Boat Building a Specialty. 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.

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. 26, in the City of Astoria as laid out and recorded by John McClure. R. L. JEFFERY.

Administrator's Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Charles Wallman, deceased, and all persons having claims against said establishment must present the same, duly verified, to her at her home, in the city of Astoria, Oregon, within six months from this date. EVA WALLMAN, November 8th, 1884.

Assignee's Notice. 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. J. H. D. GRAY.

School Tax Notice. SCHOOL TAXES FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 9, are now due and payable to J. B. Higgins, at office of Bradford & Co. MRS. MARY LEINENWEBER, School Clerk District No. 9, Upper Astoria, Dec. 17, 1884.

Notice To The Public. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife, JOHN DOUGLAS, Astoria Dec. 31st, 1884.

Hardware and Ship Chandlery VAN DUSEN & CO., DEALERS IN Hardware and Ship Chandlery Pure Oil, Bright Varnish, Binnacle 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.