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Note M. D. Kant's new adv't.

City assessment blanks are returnable by April 10th.

President Cleveland is a member of the Knights of Pythias.

E. C. Holden will have a furniture sale at his rooms at 10:30 this morning; some clothing will also be sold.

A London cablegram received in this city yesterday, says: "Wheat steady and advancing; indefinite war rumors."

Considerable depression is reported in the logging camps in this vicinity. The mill at Westport shuts down on the 1st.

The Salem *Statesman*, one of the most newsy of our exchanges, celebrates its eighteenth birthday by donning a becoming new suit.

Some fine salmon have come ashore this month. One splendid specimen weighing 52 pounds was on the street yesterday morning.

The O. R. & N. Co. will close up the business of the construction department next Monday. They are not in the building business now to any great extent.

A great many of the citizens of Portland are purchasing homes on the installment plan, regarding it more business like than paying their money out for rent.

The *A. B. Field* will start on her regular Tillamook route next week. She has been thoroughly overhauled and will be an inestimable convenience to travelers and business men.

There is a prospect of the *Fleetwood* making daily trips between here and Westport this season should times justify it. At present the outlook for that trade is not very promising.

A street rumor yesterday morning to the effect that war had been declared between England and Russia occasioned some stir. A private dispatch from Portland states that there's "nothing in it."

S. Thall, advance agent for Charley Reed's minstrels, is in the city. That standard company will be at Liberty hall on the 6th of April. They are button busters, every one of 'em, and will have a good reception here.

It looked sort o' familiar yesterday morning to see the *State of California* steaming up to her dock. She made good time coming up, and at eleven o'clock Thursday morning was within 180 miles of the Columbia.

R. L. Livermore, late proprietor of the Gray's Harbor *News*, is in the city. He has sold his paper, which will be consolidated with the Montesano *Vidette*, as there is not business enough for two newspapers in that section at present.

J. A. Wilson, painter, paper hanger and decorator, is now prepared to attend to all orders. It will pay to give him a trial: he guarantees satisfaction. Order box at Van Dusen's store.

M. C. Hutchings is the latest in the list of Astoria inventors. He has received letters patent on a process of testing sealed cans by the use of compressed air which appears to be a big improvement on the present slow and sometimes defective system.

Carlos Mann, formerly purser on the *Fleetwood* will, on the 1st, relieve F. T. Jordan who was temporarily employed till such time as Mr. Mann could arrive, and will, in future, have charge of the Columbia Transportation Company's interests at Astoria.

A. W. Berry of this city, received a dispatch from New York city yesterday, announcing the arrival of the *Wm. H. Starbuck*, hence to New York 135 days. The *Starbuck* left here November 12, 1884, with 29,659 cases salmon, and 360 M lumber, the first Columbia river shipment of lumber to New York.

Taxes are now due all over the state and all over the state people are getting into debt as fast as they can, for you know if you are in debt you don't have to pay any taxes. There is a moral to this, but whether it is to get into debt or do away with the ridiculous law is left to the reader's judgment.

The Walla Walla *Watchman* is responsible for this bit of "sarkasm:" On the Portland train the other evening a lady remarked "that an accident might overtake the train." "That may be probable," remarked a sarcastic passenger, "madam, if there is an accident in the country looking for us, but if by any mischance it has gotten ahead there is no danger of overtaking it."

Mrs. Duniway thinks that women ought to be employed to oversee the works at the Cascades and push them to completion. She says that "Women are born economists of the nation. They are so accustomed to making one dollar do the work of a dozen that the munificent appropriations which men fritter away in such places would be to them ample for the completion of such contracts." There's something in the idea. It may be that we shall yet have to depend on the ladies to build the Clatsop road and the Astoria street railway.

The United States inspector of steam vessels in Portlond has received instructions from Washington, forbidding him from issuing original licenses to pilots of steam vessels except on the official certificate of the surgeon of the marine hospital service that the applicant is free from the defect known as color-blindness. If the applicant is color blind he may be allowed at the discretion of the inspector to run on vessels, in daytime only. By the order also the masters of vessels are required to exclude from the pilot-houses of their steamers all persons not connected with the navigation of the vessel unless by special permission of the inspector, and then no one can be allowed inside the pilot-house who would interfere with the duties of the pilot in any way. In case of violation of the the conditions of the permit it will be rescinded.

Latest designs in cards and stationery at Adler's.

Have you seen Carl Adler's bargain counters? They are all the go.

For Dinner Parties to order, at short notice, go to Frank Fabre's.

One of the finest billiard tables on the coast at Jeff's "Telephone."

ACROSS THE SEA.

ENGLISH SHIPS AND SOLDIERS ORDERED OUT.

Begins to Look Warlike in the English Channel.

[SPECIAL TO THE ASTORIAN.]

LONDON, March 27th, 7:30, P. M.—The city is in a whirl of excitement. Great preparations are being made at Aldershot for the reception of the army reserve forces and militia, over 190,000 in number, which have been called out by the queen's message. Quarters are now ready at Chatham for a large number. The greatest activity prevails in the ordnance department in hastening the armament of vessels ordered for immediate service, and extra hands are employed. All available quarters at Chelsea have been made ready for occupation. It is reported that the naval reserves will be immediately called out. The government has given orders for 100,000 new uniforms, and has already contracted for so much war material that a public declaration of war is hourly looked for.

Woolen Mills Burned.

DAYTON, W. T., March 27th.—The Dayton woolen mills were destroyed by fire at nine o'clock this morning, caused by spontaneous combustion in the carding room. The loss is $30,000.

HUNGRY FOR OFFICE.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—Patriots who wish to be postmasters, a goodly number of whom still linger here, feel sure that something must be done for them, or for others in similar positions to themselves, this week. The commissions of Postmaster Pearson at New York and the postmaster at Indianapolis expire to-morrow, and the appointment of their successors is expected to begin a great overturning, which is to end only when the 53,000 who are now in are turned out and another 53,000, to be chosen somehow from the 53,000,000 who are now out, are called in. An Illinois member said to-night that there were from one to four applicants for every office in his district, each one of whom had been so industrious in procuring indorsements that, apparently, every voter had signed somebody's petition.

Some of the petitions are curiosities in their way. One has been received from a woman in central Illinois, who asks to be appointed postmaster in place of her husband, the incumbent, who is a Republican, while she claims to be a Democrat. Her husband has joined in her request and vouches for the truth of her claims. A postmaster in southern Indiana has written to Representative Stockslager asking if he cannot resign and have his wife appointed, as she is a Democrat and always had been, while he is a Republican and cannot consistently ask to be retained. A man in Holman's district has written that great statesman that he has purchased a drug store in his village and has paid a good deal more for it than it is worth in expectation of retaining the postoffice in it, with himself as postmaster, in place of the old proprietor. He closes his letter with an urgent appeal, saying he must have the appointment, or the trade will break him. In one case, in Nebraska, a father and son are applicants for the same office, and their applications are filled in, not only with the indorsements of themselves, but with dissertations on the unfitness of each other.

Slater Feels Sore.

Surveyor-General Willey of California was the first to congratulate Sparks this afternoon on his appointment as commissioner of the general land office. They had adjoining rooms in the same hotel and have had frequent chats on their chances. Sparks had actually given up his fight and would have left here to-day if no nomination had been made. He had a smaller backing than any of the other candidates and carried on a still hunt entirely. Lamar's objection to Willey was that he is not a lawyer. Ex-senator Slater feels his defeat sorely. He had the name of every Democratic senator on his application, and yet did not get the position. Lamar, who sat alongside of him for six years in the senate, wanted to appoint Slater, but could not. Both Slater and Willey say that they will not apply for any other office. It is said that Sparks' appointment is intended to have some kind of bearing on the Illinois senatorship, though how it is to affect that is not known.—*Washington Dispatch.*

Affairs on the Sacramento are about as at last report. Those who will pack have now completed preparations for the coming season's work, but fishing will not be fairly under way for fully two weeks. The city canneries have arranged to make a large pack.—*Cal. Grocer and Canner.*

Stocks in the London market have been considerably over-estimated, and an advance on salmon is expected shortly. The reported loss of the *Kirkwood* and her 52,000 cases of salmon has already had perceptible effect on the market. Two years ago lobsters were in the same condition in the London market as salmon is to-day. Then they sold for 16s, but now they cannot be bought for less than 26s per case.—*Cal. Grocer and Canner.*

Already complaints are being made by the fishermen about sea lions being unusually plentiful in the bay. This being the case so early in the season it is not a very bright outlook for the fishermen. The sea lions not only destroy the fish while they are in the net, but they also damage and mutilate the net to such an extent that constant repairing is required or else a new net purchased costing two hundred dollars. Plenty of flounders and other small fish have been caught, but the salmon are reported scarce.—*Vallejo Chronicle.*

For a Neat Fitting Boot

Or Shoe, go to P. J. Goodmans, on Chenamus street, next door to I. W. Case. All goods of the best make and guaranteed quality. A full stock; new goods constantly arriving. Custom work.

CROW

Does not make any second-class Pictures at his New Gallery, No. 61¼, on the Roadway.

At Frank Fabre's.

Board for $22.50 a month. The best in the city. Dinner from 5 to 7.

Boys' and Children's suits just received at McIntosh's new store.

Gray sells Sackett Bros.' A1 sawed cedar shingles A full M guaranteed.

—SHILOH'S CURE will immediately relieve Croup, Whooping Cough, and Bronchitis. Sold by W. E. Dement & Co

Buy your Lime of Gray at Portland prices.

OCEAN SPRAY.

The *Beemah* will load flour for Liverpool.

The *Columbia* sailed yesterday morning for San Francisco.

The flagship *Hartford* will arrive at Vallejo the latter part of May. Rear-Admiral J. H. Upshur has asked to be relieved, and it is understood that his successor will be Rear-Admiral E. Y. McCauley.

The trouble in the engineers' department of the steamer *State of California* has been averted by the retention of the third engineer. As an offset, the services of one oiler, one water-tender and one fireman have been dispensed with.

The American bark *Coloma* has been chartered from Hong Kong to Portland, and will leave on the 10th of next month. The *Alden Besse* has been chartered for the Columbia river with an option for Puget sound and will sail on the 20th of April. Both will bring rice and Chinese general merchandise.

The *State* arrived in yesterday after a prolonged absence from the Columbia. She has been considerably changed in her interior accommodations and has now larger and more comfortable rooms everywhere. The house aft on the upper deck has been extended well forward, giving a number of additional rooms. The engines have been thoroughly overhauled, a new wheel put on, and, with the new steel boilers, it is expected that she will develop increased speed. She came in yesterday with her usual celerity.

On the 21st inst., the schooner *Agnes Nicolayson* from San Francisco, in attempting to enter the harbor of Little River, kept too close to the north reef. In trying to avoid it she lost her steerage way and became unmanageable and headed for the south reef. The crew let go the bow anchor, when the schooner swung round, dragging her anchor, and drifted stern foremost on to the reef. A later dispatch says the schooner is breaking up and will be a total loss. She was valued at $12,000, and was insured for $7,000.

The British ship *Kirkwood*, previously reported abandoned on the English coast on February 23d, encountered a heavy gale from west-southwest on February 21st, in which the ship was thrown on her beam ends. The mizzen-mast was cut away and carried the mainmast with it. On the 23d the *Barrowmore* hove in sight and although the gale was still raging the master launched his lifeboat and by the liberal use of oil on the troubled waters succeeded in rescuing every one from the ship. The sea was making a complete breach over the ship at the time and the rescue was exceeding perilous to the rescuers.

A step has been taken by one of the great mutual marine insurance organizations of the north of England, which may prove of the utmost importance in regard to the future of steam shipping, and of the course of insurance. The Tyne and Wear steamship insurance association has passed a resolution which is to the effect that a minimum number of men shall be assigned to each vessel, having regard to the size and type of the ship, and to the trade in which she is employed. If an insured vessel be sent to sea with a smaller number than that so assigned to her and agreed upon at the commencement of the policy, the vessel shall "be deemed unseaworthy, and no insurance shall be paid in the event of loss, where such loss shall have been directly attributable to undermanning."

On February 28th Robert Thompson & Sons launched from their Southwick shipbuilding yard, Sunderland, the *Astoria*, an iron sailing bark, built to the order of Messrs. Peter Iredale & Son, of Liverpool, and of the following dimensions, viz: Length 240 feet, breadth 38 feet, and 21 feet 9 inches depth of hold. She has been constructed under Lloyd's special survey for the highest class, and under the personal superintendence of Captain Penny. The vessel has raised quarter-deck and monkey forecastle, large iron deck-house amidships with accommodations for crew, the apprentices being placed in fore part or quarter-deck, cabin aft for captain and officers, spare berths, and all the latest improvements have been introduced on board, and the fittings throughout are of the best style. She will be employed in the Pacific trade.

Preparations are being made in San Francisco for the departure of the codfish fleet of 1885. Within the next two weeks five vessels will sail for the Choumagin islands, in the neighborhood of which the principal cod fishing grounds are situated. The *Dashing Wave* will be the first to sail: The entire fleet generally consists of about fifteen vessels, but as the catch for the last season was exceedingly poor, it is expected that this season's outfit will comprise but nine schooners and barkentines. The various firms have different places, known only to themselves, to which they send their vessels, and the greatest care is taken to keep the good fishing spots a secret for their own benefit. On every voyage each vessel locates the best fishing grounds. In some years the fish are abundant in one place, and being migratory, are scarce in the next year. The fleet remains in Alaskan waters from two months and a half to three months, visiting all the islands along the southern shore of Alaska. The men leave the schooners in small boats and fish with lines from 4 in the morning till 4 in the afternoon, the greatest catch being in the afternoon. The greatest obstacle to cod fishing is the dense, cold fogs that during the season hang over the islands. Last year one of the men got lost in the fog, and for eleven days was compelled to live on seagulls' eggs, and was at last found in a starving condition.

Choice Seed Oats

For sale at J. H. D. Gray's.

A Happy Thought.

It was a happy thought that led to the production of a concentrated fruit syrup, so harmless in its nature that it may be given either to the mother or her babe, relished alike by both, and of such wonderful efficacy that all who take it feel brighter and happier. W. E. Dement & Co. will furnish anyone wishing Syrup of Figs a trial bottle free of charge, or will sell 50 cent and one dollar bottles.

The place to buy is where the large stock gives variety to choose from. Carl Adler's Crystal Palace has in it the finest collection in Astoria.

A splendid piano, guaranteed, for sale at lowest figures at Adler's.

Novelties in fancy goods and spring attractions at Adler's.

Flower pot brackets, and flower pots, the latest styles, at John A. Montgomery's.

A large assortment of Neck wear received at McIntosh's Furnishing store.

Fine Summer suits at McIntosh's.

Go to Wilson & Fisher's and see something new in window stops.

Private card rooms at Jeff's new saloon—"The Telephone."

—Croup, Whooping Cough and Bronchitis immediately relieved by Shiloh's Cure. Sold by W. E. Dement.

FOREIGN SALMON NOTES.

LIVERPOOL, March, 1885.

The salmon market presents the same wearying aspect. Dealers are simply buying to supply their most urgent necessities, and these have not been of an important nature. Holders maintain a firm attitude, and offers of 6d per case under late quotations have been refused for fair-sized parcels, and intending operators decline to advance their limits'—*Correspondence of the London Grocers' Gazette.*

A rather better feeling exists in the salmon market owing to a steady consumptive demand, and as it is well known that prices are below the cost of packing, there is considerable speculative inquiry, and advanced rates may be looked for very soon. The next ship, now due, will be the last of any importance, but even its arrival will hardly have any effect upon the existing situation. The quotations are—Columbia river 18@24s, outside rivers 16 @ 18s.—*Correspondence of the London Grocer.*

LONDON, March, 1885.

A better feeling prevails in the salmon market, and some considerable sales have been made during the week.—*The Grocers' Gazette.*

Partly in connection with the requirements pertaining to the season of Lent, and also because nothing of moment has been done in the article for a long time past, a better feeling has arisen this week for preserved salmon, which has been inquired for in larger quantities than of late, and sales have been made with some facility at or near the market rates. These, of course, remain extremely low, ranging from 17s per case for the commonest, whether in machine or hand-filled tins, up to 22s and 25s 6d for the primest brands, and there are willing sellers on these terms.—*The Grocer.*

UNCLE JAKE'S LETTER.

The Chicago *Grocer* publishes the following as a recent letter from Uncle Jake Armsby: We are glad to see that the canned goods committee of the New York Mercantile Exchange have at last sat down on this senseless crusade that has been going on in the east against canned goods, with an array of facts that we think the opponents of canned goods will find it hard to controvert. It would seem as though every cheap doctor in New York and Brooklyn, that had a patient afflited with any thing from the itch to St. Vitus dance, had immediately laid the cause of it to the slow poisoning of canned goods. The real milk of the cocoanut seems to be that these attacks are instigated by the glass men who can see a fortune ahead of them if they can only down canned goods. It won't do, gentlemen. The tin can has come to stay, it is as much of a national institution as a country school-marm, and it is far more precious to the American heart than that greatest of all our antiquities, the mother-in-law. From the north pole to the south, in the holy lands or the deserts of Africa, wherever the foot of a white man has trod, the tin can, fearing no danger, undaunted by no peril, has come boldly to the front, has held the fort when deserted by all other defenders and was never known to show its back to any enemy. It has but one enemy that was ever known to vanquish it, and that is its remorseless foe, the can opener. It has to pull down its flag when that craft heaves in sight, but it will never, never, while there is a drop of blood in its veins, or a cap on its head or a drop of solder on its bottom, hand down its flag to a glass jar.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by W. E. Dement & Co.

WHAT!

Do You Think that "Jeff" of The Chop House

Gives you a meal for nothing, and a glass of something to drink? "Not much!" but he gives a better meal and more of it than any place in town for 25 cents. He buys by the wholesale and pays cash. "That settles it."

Hot Lunch, at the Telephone Saloon

From 11 to 2 every day.

A fine lunch with drink or cigar, 25 cents.

No charge after two o'clock.

JEFF.

The newest styles in hats and gentlemen's wear of all kinds are now on exhibition at D. A. McIntosh's merchant tailoring establishment. One "might as well be out of the world as out of the fashion," and in fashion, style and quality, McIntosh leads the trade. Ask to see some of the new neckwear.

—All the patent medicines advertised in this paper, together with the choicest perfumery, and toilet articles, etc., can be bought at the lowest prices, at J. W. Conn's drug store, opposite Occidental hotel, Astoria.

Don't pay 25 to 50 cents for dinner when you can get a better one at the Telephone for 15 cents from 11 to 2.

Easter Cards.

A few of the most unique designs were received at Adler's from eastern manufacturers. They are only a sample lot and will be sold cheap.

Fresh Eastern and Shoalwater Bay Oysters

Constantly on hand, cooked to any style at Frank Fabre's.

Syrup of Figs.

Nature's own true Laxative. Pleasant to the palate, acceptable to the Stomach, harmless in its nature, painless in its action. Cures habitual Constipation, Biliousness, Indigestion and kindred ills. Cleanses the system, purifies the blood, regulates the Liver and acts on the Bowels. Breaks up Colds, Chills and Fever, etc. Strengthens the organs on which it acts. Better than bitter, nauseous Liver medicines, pills, salts and draughts. Sample bottles free, and large bottles for sale by W. E. Dement & Co., Astoria.

—Are you made miserable by Indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness, Loss of appetite, Yellow Skin? Shiloh's Vitalizer is a positive cure. For sale by W. E. Dement.

—"Hackmetack," a lasting and fragrant perfume. Price 25 and 50 cents. Sold by W. E. Dement.

—For Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint, you have a printed guarantee on every bottle of Shiloh's Vitalizer. It never fails to cure. Sold by W. E. Dement.

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On and after December 1st until further notice the price at the bunkers will be as follows for

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Clean Domestic per ton, 2240 lbs	$7.00
Average Steam " " "	6.00
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NINE ROOMS: GOOD LOCATION. Inquire of W. B. HEADINGTON.

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AT THREE DOLLARS PER 1,000. Apply at this office.

A General European War Probable!

Complicating the Prominent Foreign Governments.

Making a Great Demand for Canned Salmon and all other Products of the United States.

The latest dispatches indicate a general war in the near future, in Russia, India, Egypt, China, and all other parts of Europe, complicating England, Russia, France, Germany, Austria, China and other monarchies, which effect on the products of the United States, will advance them greatly in price, especially canned salmon and all other meats. Fresh meats cannot be transported and kept in the desert and arid countries.

With the advance of salmon, fishermen of the Columbia river will be greatly benefitted, especially if they purchase their *Gum Boots, Oil Clothing, Shirts etc., at C. H. Cooper's*, who is selling the best brands in the market as low as is often charged for inferior goods. He carries the genuine Boston Boot, made with the patent stand loops, adjustable strap, improved knee patch, and has equaled or excelled any gum boots manufactured, which also comes in pure gum. Mr. Cooper also carries one of the best brands of *Cape Ann Oil Coats, Pants, Aprons, Sleeves, etc.* The best brand he carries are absolutely waterproof and very durable, having a waterproof coating that will not become sticky or peel off; the buttons are metallic and securely fastened by an ingenious wire fastening.

Fishermen before purchasing such goods, Llamas (blanket overshirts), underwear, clothing, and all other kinds of men's goods should see Cooper's and get prices before purchasing, as these goods are first-class and cheaper than in all former years. Cooper also has the *genuine Grain Leather Waterproof long legged fishing boots* at his store, in the Pythian Building, Astoria, Oregon.