

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1885

The State is due from California this morning. The Oregon sails.

The annual meeting of the Masonic Land and Building association will be held at Capt. Flavel's office at two o'clock this afternoon.

Company "H", O. S. M., is getting on well in the matter of drills. Some of the boys think it's about time they were getting their arms from the state.

The British bark Jaca cleared yesterday for Queenstown with 54,699 bushels of wheat, valued at \$42,864. The British bark Anglo-Norman, 802, arrived in from Brisbane.

Reserved seats for Friday's performance in aid of the Y. M. C. A. may be had at the City Book store. The entertainment will be an amusing one and the enterprise deserves substantial patronage. The hall will be comfortably warmed.

At a regular meeting of Temple Lodge No. 7, A. F. and A. M., last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: E. A. Noyes, W. M.; F. W. Newell, S. W.; Wm. Chance, J. W.; M. C. Crosby, treasurer; G. W. Lonsberry, secretary.

The new liquor law, the full text of which appeared in Sunday's Astorian occasions considerable comment. The opinion is expressed that it, together with other legislation not specified or called for in the governor's message concerning the special session, will be declared unconstitutional. It is also thought that as far as this city is concerned it would be bad policy to try to upset existing conditions which appear to be mutually satisfactory at present.

A comfortably warmed house, a slim audience and a splendid rendition of a fine drama were the chief characteristics of "Called Back" as presented at Ross' opera house last evening. As the evening before, where all did so well praise would be invidious. To some present Chas. J. Edmunds' masterly portrayal of the character of Dr. Genari was worthy of special note. The company is a fine one and it is with regret it is noted that the patronage was not more in accord with their deserts. They leave on the Oregon for San Francisco to-day.

Mr. Goff, the electrician in charge of the electric light, is busy placing the dynamo at the West Shore Mills. The work of putting up the poles is well along, and Mr. Trullinger expects to have the light in operation by Christmas. Several prominent citizens and business men have signified their intention to have the light. The poles are substantial, about forty feet in height, with spikes or bolts on the side projecting, to facilitate climbing. With telegraph, telephone and electric light wires the streets of the city present a metropolitan appearance.

PERSONAL.

Mr. J. P. Dickinson has assumed the duties of deputy in the county clerk's office.

Mrs. H. B. Oatman and daughter, of Portland, are spending a few days here visiting her nephew, J. C. Ross.

A. P. Flint, for sixteen years manager of the Pacific coast department of the Hartford Fire Assurance company, died at his residence in Oakland last Monday night.

POSTMASTER BELL.

The following is self explanatory: WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 15, 1885.

JOHN C. BELL: Postmaster general has notified me of your appointment as post master, at Astoria, Oregon, to-day.

NICHOLAS M. BELL.

The new appointee is the father-in-law of Capt. J. H. D. Gray, and is well and favorably known throughout the state. He is a kindly, agreeable man, with a pleasant word for every one, qualities that will not come amiss in the position to which he has been appointed. As the term of the retiring incumbent expired yesterday the new official will enter upon his new duties at once. THE ASTORIAN congratulates Col. Bell upon his appointment.

MOB RULE.

The Dalles Mountaineer says: The late acts of violence in Umatilla county cannot be justified in any civilized community. The recent killing of the man near Pilot Rock, by vigilantes, and the hanging of Keetch near Adams in that county are evidence of a state of lawlessness in that section which shows little respect for courts or the lawfully constituted authorities. In the first instance the man was in the custody of officers who were escorting him to Pendleton; and in the second, Keetch was being taken before an examining magistrate. There was no clear evidence that either of these two men had committed any crime against the laws of the state of Oregon, and especially crimes of that nature which are punished by death. In a community where courts are established there can be no excuse for mob rule, and the courts of Umatilla county are easily accessible for the punishment of all crimes. Even in the days of California, when vigilantes governed the wild mining camps, no culprit was punished without some opportunity given him of proving his innocence. In neither of the instances mentioned did the mob give the men any trial, but killed them as they would a mad dog or a wild animal.

The public will do well to examine our immense stock and get our low prices before buying elsewhere as it will be money in your pockets. Remember the Crystal Palace will not be undersold in anything in their line.

FROM BOTH CONTINENTS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 15.—Senator Deleh has introduced a bill for the relief of Avery Babcock and wife of Arizona; also for the relief of Jno. Alexander, of Oregon, for services in the Mexican war.

Representative Egbert L. Viele, of New York, will introduce a bill on Monday giving Mrs. General Grant an annual pension of \$5,000.

There is high discussion over the proposed revision of rules in the house. Randall is determined to defeat them if possible. There are no party lines in the matter.

RIGHTEOUS INDIGNATION.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The produce dealers of this city are indignant because farmers are now selling artificial eggs instead of the genuine, though they are pronounced to be just as good.

Col. Meppeson of operatic fame has received a letter from Adelina Patti saying she will sing here next year. He has also engaged Christine Nilsson.

WHAT WAS HER NAME?

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—B. J. Shay, the real estate agent shot in a restaurant about two months ago by James C. Brown, died this morning. Brown was immediately arrested on a charge of murder.

IT MAY BE EL MAHDI.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Serious news comes from the Soudan. An army of Arabs is advancing and creating the wildest excitement throughout Egypt. Stephenson with three regiments of British troops have been ordered to proceed to the front at once.

RAILROAD SMASH-UP.

ATLANTA, Georgia, Dec. 15.—A frightful accident occurred on the Georgia Pacific near here at midnight. A train with a passenger coach and sleeper was standing on a trestle taking water when the regular passenger train running at a speed of thirty miles an hour ran into it, telescoping the rear car and making a fearful wreck. The engineer and fireman were saved. About twenty people were killed and many others injured.

STARBED THREE TIMES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Bella Simms, a beautiful girl aged 18, was this morning stabbed three times by Lewis, a discarded lover. She is now dying.

EDUCATIONAL.

Prof. E. B. McElroy, superintendent of public instruction, sends the biennial report for 1883 and 1884, from his office. It is brought down to the beginning of the present year and has finally got out of the hands of the state printer just as the year is drawing to a close.

To those who take an interest in educational matters the report is valuable. The number of persons between the ages of four and twenty in the state in 1873 was 38,570; in 1884 it was 73,567. Clatsop county shows about as rapid an increase proportionally, as any. In 1873 there were in this county 398 of the age indicated; in 1884, 1,412. In 1874, 203 school children were enrolled in this county; in 1884 there were 738—a little more than half of the aggregate 1,412. The next table "D," makes a poor showing for this county, the "average daily attendance" being but 565. The list of those who hold life diplomas, state diplomas and state certificates is very meager and the names of many are conspicuously absent who by reason of their positions are presumably holders of high educational credentials.

Prof. McElroy gives a full resume of the educational condition of the state and makes several timely and practical suggestions regarding their improvement. Not the least interesting part of the report is that which embodies the reports of the county superintendents. Some of these reports are amusing. The superintendent of Washington county has a level head on school matters. He thinks that the school superintendents should be paid a good salary, that the standard of teachers' examinations should be raised; that a regular course of instruction should be adopted and followed throughout the state. He says "nine tenths of the teachers are boys or girls, teaching as a temporary resource." "There is no arrangement whereby one teacher can begin where his predecessor left off." "The teacher coming to a new district begins nowhere and ends nowhere."

Two things might be added that would add to the efficiency of the school system of Oregon: they are prime requisites to good work. First, to pay salaries that would command good service; second, discourage the employment of teachers whose chief aim is to "show off."

Keynote to Health.

Health is wealth. Wealth means independence. The keynote is Dr. Bosanquet's Cough and Lung Syrup, the best cough Syrup in the world. Cures Coughs, Colds, Pains in the Chest, Bronchitis, a Primary Consumption. One dose gives relief in every case. Take no other. Price 50 cents and \$1.00. Samples free. Sold by J. W. Conn.

Girl Wanted.

To do general housework. Apply at Astoria's office.

The finest line of Christmas cards and plush goods ever exhibited in Astoria, at prices that will astonish you, at the City Book Store.

A fine display of Crocker and Glassware is now exhibited at Carnahan & Co's., for the holiday trade.

Yes, Adler sells Japanese goods cheaper than an body, and he has a splendid assortment direct from the great Mikado.

Parents desiring dolls for Christmas

Parents desiring dolls for Christmas presents will do well to wait for the Doll Festival, to be held on Saturday, the 19th, by the ladies of Grace church.

Ready For Business.

For a good steak, a delicious cup of coffee or a plate of fine oysters go to Frank Fabre's Coffee, Oyster and Chop House; opposite M. C. Crosby's.

"ASTORIA"

"The Unique City at the Mouth of the Columbia."

Sometime ago a youth to fortune and to fame unknown came canvassing for the Northwest, a magazine edited by a man who has never lost a chance to slur or ignore Astoria, and who has always been unfeeling to his employers. It was announced that the December number of the magazine was to be resplendent with the choicest productions of pen and pencil illustrating and describing Astoria.

The skill of the artist was to vie with the ability of the writer, and the number in question was to be to Astoria the thing we long had sought and mourned because we found it not. Incidentally the youth aforesaid bored every individual member of the council in an attempt to have an appropriation made to "illustrate" the public buildings, and later on the chamber of commerce listened to the song of the siren concerning the advantages to be derived from "a map of the county." But the city council and the chamber of commerce both felt that if any money was to be spent "illustrating" or advertising the city that it could and would be done through some other medium than the publication of the gentleman who two years ago characterized the city as "a namelet" and sneered at its pretensions.

"The article on Astoria is to occupy the greater part of the December number," so we were told, but took no stock in the statement. Oh, lame and impotent conclusion. The reading matter occupies less than three pages, and is a rehash of old statistics and weather beaten statements. The "illustrations" are an alleged "view of Astoria, looking toward Tongue Point, a picture of the Gen. Miles, the Astor House, the Clatsop Mill, John Hobson, (the best engraving and the best thing in the book) D. K. Warren's house, Ross' opera house," and a "distant view." The last is the worst. There may be worse pictures than that "distant view," but we have never seen them. The article says that the Astor House is situated near the O. R. & N. dock, and is the largest and best hotel in the city. Theodore Brommer must have given free board and lodging to the writer during the two hours he spent getting up the article on Astoria, though it is hard to see how he put in his time. Everything in it has a flavor of having been bought and paid for, and the only apparent reason that the article is not longer in the patron's hands is that the patron, like Hodge's razors that were made only to sell, the whole thing seems gotten up "for what there is in it." Men and institutions that have done a great deal for our little city are not mentioned at all. The "article," "illustrations" and all cost the most of us nothing, and the whole business is worth what it cost.

In pleasing contrast to the journalistic abortion commented upon above, is the issue of the West Shore for June 1883, which, without any flourish of trumpets or beating of drums gave an excellent description of our seaside city and many fine illustrations, copies of which are preserved in many Astoria homes. That useful magazine, in the issue in question, gave three splendid views of Astoria; the public buildings, the principal business blocks and private residences, etc., were fully and fairly illustrated, and the whole thing was done with the neatness and thoroughness that characterizes the enterprising publisher and proprietor of the West Shore. Comparing the two but shows what a caricature is the production of the Northwest. More than two years have elapsed. New buildings have been erected, new streets built, new residences grace the hills and business portion; the finest schoolhouse in the state outside of Portland, (the best advertisement the town has, Captain Flavel's massive residence, Col. Taylor's fine new house, and fifty others that might be named all ignored—probably because the owners declined to "put up."

Wide Awake Druggists.

Messrs. W. E. Dement & Co. are always alive to their business, and spare no pains to secure the best of every article in their line. They have secured the agency for the celebrated Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. The only certain cure known for Consumption, Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness, Asthma, Hay Fever, Bronchitis, or any affection of the Throat and Lungs. Sold on a positive guarantee. Trial Bottles free. Regular size \$1.00.

Sunday School teachers will find a large assortment of Christmas cards with and without fringe, from twenty-five cents per dozen up, at Griffin & Reed's.

Are you made miserable by Indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness, Loss of Appetite, Yellow Skin? Shilo's Vitalizer is a positive cure. For sale by W. E. Dement & Co.

—Sleepless Nights made miserable by that terrible cough, Shilo's Cure is the remedy for you. Sold by W. E. Dement & Co.

—That Hacking Cough can be so quickly cured by Shilo's Cure. We guarantee it. Sold by W. E. Dement.

Parties wishing spurs or piling of any size or length can be supplied by leaving orders with J. H. D. Gray.

Albans you can only find in endless variety at Adler's, and his prices are really ridiculously low.

Speaking about dolls, you must see Adler's variety; they will please your eye as well as your purse.

Everybody says the same: "What is that?" That Adler sells his books lower than any other store.

"Chatterbox" for 1885, only 75 cents at Adler's—all other books in proportion.

W. Lussier of San Francisco has an engraving in the photograph business with Crow the leading photographer.

Christmas cards, Frank's, Whitney's, Tuck's and Harkness' in endless variety at the City Book Store.

STATE AND TERRITORIAL.

The Chehalis Vidette has seen a rutabaga that weighed 29 pounds.

Over 15,270,000 feet of lumber and 22,557 tons of coal were shipped from Puget sound ports during November.

A man named Bernhardt drank three pints of whiskey at a Linkville saloon last Wednesday. His funeral the next day was largely attended.

Colfax Gazette: The question of the division of Washington territory very properly meets with little favor, either east or west of the Cascades.

A Redding, Cal., dispatch says the California & Oregon road is all completed to Silette creek, and all the construction outfit has been moved to an unknown place.

The Dalles at present is overrun with idle men looking for work of any kind. The wood sawing is done altogether by white men and the Chinese are having a hard time of it.

The Welcome says the rivalry among the different steamboats on the Willamette has reached such a pitch that freight between Portland and Harrisburg is carried for almost nothing.

The Tacoma mill company have sawed a stick of timber which plainly shows two distinct and separate hearts, one of a coarse, quick growth and of red spruce; the other a fine close grain, of white spruce, much older than the first.

Dennis McCarthy, a miner employed in the Union Consolidated mine at Battle, fell down the shaft of that mine one day last week, a distance of 200 feet, and was instantly killed. Deceased was about 30 years old, and a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

A buckskin-shirted miner was in the city yesterday trying to sell a quartz ledge in Pine Creek for enough to buy provisions for the winter. He may be a millionaire by this time next year, but at present he is without means. Saca are the ups and downs of a miners life.—Bedrock Democrat.

Boise Statesman: Capt. Smith brings in word that Joe Winnemucca, brother of Chief Winnemucca, of the Putes, was found dead last Friday at Fort McDermot, shot through the abdomen and an empty gun lying by his side. Supposed to be suicide. Joe was a brother of Princess Sarah Winnemucca.

Several parties were threateningly stalking the streets of Spokane Falls Sunday evening by a drunken Indian armed with a revolver. The marshal took him in charge and discovered on his person several bottles, two of which contained lemon extract, the liquid in which he had evidently fired up on.

James Dalgarino, Jr., of Tacoma, has manufactured a fog horn that for volume of discordant and sonorous sound will beat a regiment of Scotch bag-pipers. One of these has been purchased by C. F. Clapp, of Dungeness, for his sealing schooner, to be used by the Indians when outside of Cape Flattery in foggy weather.

S. W. Alderson, of Coles valley, states that an old man by the name of Grenier, living on the Siuslaw, is the oldest resident in Oregon, having been here sixty-five years. He is a Frenchman, and belonged to the Hudson Bay company. As a trapper he has always been an expert. His age is 85 years, and he is now somewhat feeble.

While Gen. Sparks has decided that homestead claimants who have had the benefit of the pre-emption laws, cannot "commute" their homestead claims, but the commissioner is not inclined to go into the actions of his predecessors, nor interfere with claims already secured, unless fraud is shown to have been perpetrated.

A farmer from Copei loaned his dog to a man on Snake river to whom he had sold a flock of sheep to drive home, a distance of thirty miles. The drover found the dog so useful, that instead of sending him home he looked him up. The dog escaped, and concluding the drover had no more right to keep the sheep than to lock him up, he collected all that had belonged to his master and drove them home again.

Yaquina Mail: Rock oysters are now being dug out of the rocks in large quantities as the extreme low tides of the last few days enable the people to get out to the oyster reefs, which at ordinary tides are completely covered with water. This kind of oyster is found in but few localities along the coast of Oregon, and are considered by visitors to Newport to be far ahead of the common oyster.

An interesting question may arise when the anti-Chinese citizens of Tacoma, who were indicted by the grand jury of Clarke county, are placed on trial, as to the validity of the jury which was found against them. This jury, as we are informed, was composed of twelve women and three men. The question may be raised whether women are eligible as jurors of the United States. Judge Hoyt, doubtless thinks they are, but the supreme court of the United States may take the opposite view.

THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fungal 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.

For a neat fitting boot. Mr. Shoo, go to P. J. Goodmans, on Chamaus street, near door to L. W. Case. All goods of the best make and guaranteed quality. A full stock; new goods constantly arriving. Custom work.

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A large stock of toys and juvenile books for the youngsters at the City Book Store.

Stockholders' Meeting. THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Pythian Land and Building Association will be held on Dec. 18th, at 2 P. M. in Pythian Hall, for the purpose of electing a board of five Directors for the ensuing year and attending to such other business as may legally come before it. E. A. NOYES, Secy.

Furnished Rooms. Mrs. E. C. Holden has a few nice furnished rooms to rent at five dollars per month and upwards, and by the week or night. Enquire corner Main and Jefferson streets.

Notice. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS of the Masonic Land and Building Association of Astoria, will be held at the office of Capt. George Flavel on Wednesday, December 16, 1885, at two o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing five directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. S. T. MCKEAN, Secretary.

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

PORTLAND BOARD OF TRADE.

The regular meeting of the board of trade was held yesterday evening, Donald Macley presiding.

A communication was read from J. N. Dawer, a member of the Washington territory legislature, stating that a bill to regulate pilotage on the Columbia river and its tributaries had been introduced in the house, and asking for information concerning the pilotage laws of Oregon so that the laws of the state and territory might not conflict.

Messrs. D. P. Thompson, Wm. S. Sibson and James Young thought that the law did not need changing, and the secretary of the board of trade was instructed to inform Mr. Dawer to that effect.

A statement was read from the O. R. & N. Co. to the effect that the entire cost of dredging the Columbia river last summer was \$11,957.19. Of this amount the board of trade had paid \$4,000 and the O. R. & N. Co. \$7,957.19.

For bearing the lion's share of the expense the O. R. & N. Co., on motion of James Young, was given a vote of thanks.

Hon. D. P. Thompson offered a resolution that the board of trade endorse the memorial to congress, adopted by the water way convention at the Dalles a few days since, and Secretary Arnold was instructed to forward copies of the same to Oregon's representatives in congress, with instructions to use all possible means to have the rivers improved as set forth in the document. The measure was adopted. Mr. Thompson said the water way convention convinced him that there was no feeling in the interior against Portland, concerning which so much has been said.

A communication was received from Christian Leinenweber, of Astoria, inclosing a complaint from Captain J. E. Campbell, one of the Columbia river state pilots. The complaint alleged that the British ship Abercorn, Captain McCallum, was obliged to lay off the bar for several days, owing to the fact that the tugs of the Columbia River Tug company, managed by Captain George Flavel, refused to tow her in. Finally Pilot Campbell took the Abercorn in as far as Sand Island and two tugs were secured, which towed her to Astoria.

Mr. Wm. S. Sibson read letters from Captain Flavel, which revealed that there was jealousy between the Oregon state pilots and the tug boat management of the state pilots, it seems, when they board an incoming vessel endeavor to induce the captains to not patronize the tugs. During the ensuing debate which was participated in by Messrs. Sibson, Corbett, Macley and Dodd, it was shown that the trouble did not exist until the state pilot boat was put in service.

On motion of Mr. C. H. Dodd, a resolution was passed to the effect that the board had full confidence in the management of the tug boats now operating on the bar.

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Having purchased extensively in Eastern and San Francisco Markets, I am now prepared to show the Largest and Most Varied Assortment of DRY GOODS and CLOTHING in the State of Oregon.

- New Silks,
- New Velvets,
- New Cloaks,
- New Buttons,
- New Hosiery,
- New Ribbons,
- New Blankets,
- New Dress Goods,
- New Suitings,
- New Wraps,
- New Trimmings,
- New Underwear,
- New Gloves,
- New Flannels, Etc., Etc.

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Giving Our Customers the Benefit!

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