The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON:

SUNDAY.....MARCH 7, 1886

Bigger bargains than ever at the Crystal Palace this week.

The *Manzanita* came in from a northern trip last evening.

Bible class for young men in the Y. M. C. A. rooms at 9:30 A. M. Gospel meeting at 3 P. M.

The regular meeting of the British Benevolent association will be held next Tuesday evening at 7:30.

The Ladies' Guild of Grace church will give a sociable to-morrow evening at the house of Mrs. A. Van Dusen.

The ladies' sewing society of the N. E. Lutheran church has reorganized. The next meeting will be on the 17th inst., at the residence of Rev. H. Engh.

Some one who appears decidedly opposed to internal improvements has again torn down the Walluski bridge, the work of demolition being done last Friday.

On the third inst. official confirmation was made in Washington, of the reestablishment of the postoffice at upper Astoria, on route 44,100, and a commission issued to Jas. Bell as postmaster.

Talking about registration the Oregon City *Enterprise* says that "the expenses are borne wholly by the state at large and not by the counties." That's so. Never thought of that. But where does the state "at large" get the money?

The Y. M. C. A. annual meeting took place at their rooms, on Friday evening. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Geo. Heald; vice president, J. T. Ross; secretary and treasurer, D. R. McIntosh. The election of managing committee was postponed till next monthly meeting. It was decided to hold the public anniversary meeting on Sunday, March 14th, in the Congregational church.

Mrs. A. E. Osgood is the victim of a strange paralysis of the eyelids and of the optic nerve which it is feared may result in total blindness. The eyelids are paralyzed so that it is impossible to open them except by raising them with the finger, and the sight has apparently left the eyes. The physicians in charge think that time and absolute rest may restore the sight, similar cases having been eventually cured though, the affliction is a painful one.

Complaint is made that boys on the street at play go almost under the wheels of passing teams, and that drivers even with the utmost care can hardly keep from running over them. There is a good deal of truth in that, and yet the little fellows must play somewere, and where can they go? It's natural for a youngster to want to run and play even at the risk of being crushed under wheels. A large vacant lot would be a Godsend to the boys and a relief to the drivers of wagons who have to keep one hand constantly on the brake.

PERSONAL.

Thos. Mairs returned from San Francisco yesterday.

Col. A. H. Stone came down from Knappa yesterday afternoon.

Major T. J. Blakeney arrived on the *Columbia* from San Francisco yesterday.

THE SCHOOL DIRECTORSHIP.

Regarding the dispute in reference to the directorship in school district No. One, a correspondent says, after quoting the decisions published in a recent issue of this paper, that "E. W. Tallant is a qualified voter at a school meeting in this district. His age, residence and citizenship are not denied. That he has taxable property is proven by insurance policies which he has for the years 1884 and 1885 on $1,000 worth of household property where he lives, owned jointly by himself and his brother, as set forth in said policies--so that he had $200 worth, or more, over and above any exemption of said property. That property should legally and properly have been assessed and taxed. He did nothing to screen it from assessment and taxation; and when his attention was called to the matter of his name not being on the tax roll he immediately caused it to be put there, and then and there paid the tax on said property; and has since, and in proper time, qualified, by taking the oath required by law."

"The courts, if the case shall go there, will undoubtedly hold that he is now a competent and qualified director of school district No. One, of this county, and he should not fail to claim his seat and privileges as such."

New goods! New goods! At the Astoria tailor's—THOS. MAIRS.

Thos. Mairs, the tailor, has just arrived from San Francisco with a well selected stock of goods. Call and examine before they are all gone.

Every article at the Crystal Palace to be sold at unheard of low prices.

We have some elegant pieces of silver ware left, which we will almost give away, at the Crystal Palace.

Attention, No. Ones!

The regular adjourned monthly meeting of Astoria Engine Co. No. 1 will take place Monday, March 8th, at 7:30, P. M. Fines for non attendance strictly enforced. By order

C. J. CURTIS, President.

L. E. SELIG, Secy.

You can get a No. 1 watch for $5 at the C. P.

Only a few more baby carriages left to be sold at half price at the C. Palace.

Your choice out of one hundred alarm clocks for $1.50 at the Crystal Palace.

Clocks sold formerly at $10 now $6.50 at the C. Palace.

Clocks formerly $5 reduced to $3.50 at C. P.

THE DAY'S DOINGS.

The Galveston Strike—A Cowardly Murder in Texas—Destructive Fire in Akron, O.

The Killing of Capt. Crawford By Mexicans.

General News Items From Various Eastern Points.

GALVESTON, Mar. 6.—The impending labor trouble is the all absorbing theme. The Knights of Labor employed in the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe freight house have refused to handle freight received from the Mallory line. The Knights are not discharged openly as that would force the issue sought for by the executive board, but were told this evening to ask for their time or recede from their refusal to handle freight received by the Mallory line.

Orders for a general strike over the state line extending from Galveston to Fort Worth have been secretly sent. A number of men employed at shippers' compress quit work last night because the cotton is being compressed for shipment by the Mallory line. The railroads are working night and day getting clear of freight so as to be prepared for a tie up. It is thought that by to-morrow night every compress will be locked up.

There is no talk of arbitration this time and the outlook is gloomy, as the Knights of Labor seem determined to force the Mallory Company to employ organized labor.

IN ARKANSAS TOO.

LITTLE ROCK, Mar. 6.—The trouble with the operatives of the Texas and Pacific railroad has extended to Little Rock. This morning the working men in the St. Louis and Iron Mountain machine shops, over three hundred in all, stopped work. Business is at a standstill. Good order prevails.

BIG FIRE AT AKRON, OHIO.

CLEVELAND, O., Mar. 6.—At two o'clock this morning a fire broke out in the extensive oatmeal mills of Ferdinand Schumaker at Akron. These mills are the largest in the country and consist of several immense buildings. The fire was discovered in a seven story wooden structure. The flames spread with alarming rapidity and were soon beyond control. The building at first attacked was soon entirely destroyed. A two thousand bushel elevator was next eaten up. At last reports another mill was threatened. The Universalist church across the street from the freight house of the Cleveland, Akron & Columbus railroad was also on fire and the Windsor hotel, owned by Schumaker brothers, and valued at $70,000 is threatened. It is thought the loss will reach $300,000, but it is impossible at this hour to give the loss and insurance in detail. The firemen were unable to cope with the flames which gradually increased in fierceness and before an hour had passed the entire square seemed doomed to destruction. The fine brown stone office of Mr. Schumaker is entirely destroyed.

SHOOTING AFFRAY IN TEXAS.

KINGSTON, Texas, Mar. 6.—W. B. Howard, the editor of the Hunt county *Chronicle*, deliberately shot Al. Russell on the street yesterday. Howard discharged both barrels of his shotgun at Russell. Stray bullets hit a spectator named Overholt and a boy named Kirkpatrick. Howard left immediately on horseback, and in half an hour was pursued by the sheriff. Overholt, Kirkpatrick and all are fatally wounded.

Russell is the city marshal of Kingston. Howard was an eccentric young man. As the editor of the *Chronicle* he bitterly assailed the saloon keepers in his paper, charging Marshal Russell, and other officials of the place with being in with them. A few days ago they threatened to chastise him, when smarting under this Howard threatened to attack Russell at sight. On several occassions of meeting both men came near drawing their weapons and firing. Yesterday when Russell was retiring from the postoffice Howard suddenly emerged from his office, and fired both barrels into Russell's back.

HIS DEATH SHOULD BE AVENGED.

NEW YORK, Mar. 6.—To-morrow's *Army and Navy Journal* will publish a long letter dated Fort Grant, Arizona, in relation to the killing of Capt. Crawford and the wounding of some of his men by Mexican soldiers on January 11th.

It gives a history of the details of the fight in which Capt. Crawford was killed and goes into the affair very minutely, insisting that the Mexicans did not mistake the Federal soldiers for Indians; that it was their evident intention to drive off Crawford's command and rob his camp and that it was only when they found that his force was too strong to be driven off that they ceased firing and invented the excuse which they have given.

The following editorial summary by the *Journal* gives the salient features of the letter:

"Our correspondent reports in the first place that the attack was not made at night, nor in the dusk of the evening, but in daylight. Next, that Crawford when he was shot wore the uniform of the regular United States service as did Lieut. Mans Steward, who was with them. Further it appears that Capt. Crawford was killed and his interpreter, Horne, was wounded by the fire of Mexican musketry after the cessation of the previous attack, and while they were standing within twenty-five yards of the Mexican commander and holding a parley with him, the conversation being carried on in Spanish by Mr. Horne."

"The firing of the second attack continued for an hour and a half, and whatever possibility there may be of explaining the first attack which lasted fifteen minutes, the second attack was of such a nature as to exclude any reasonable presumption of that innocence which the law allows. Knowing as our readers do the restrictions under which officers are placed they must accept the assurance of it being no accident though not coming from them directly, but that of those who were with Capt. Crawford at the time of his death."

NEW YORK NOTES.

NEW YORK, Mar. 6.—The strike of the Broadway street and Twenty-third street cross town railroad employes continues to-day, the situation being unchanged. Everything is quiet around the different railroad depots, there being no possibility of the cars being started from the depots before noon.

The third and last evening sale of the pictures collected by the late Mrs. Mary J. Morgan brought to Chickering Hall last evening a larger audience than had previously attended. A majority of the spectators and buyers were millionares. Eighty pictures were sold for $487,975, the total amount of the three evening's sale being $885,300, about a quarter of a million dollars less than they had cost Mrs. Morgan.

TWO CLEVER ROGUES.

PITTSBURG, Mar. 6.—Thomas Christie and Horatio King, clerks of the National bank of Bradford, Penn., have been arrested on a charge of embezzling $60,000 from the institution, most of which was lost in speculation. King was in charge of the individual accounts and Christie of the correspondence and remittances. They worked in collusion and had invented an ingenious system of cooking the accounts where drafts were issued to fictitious parties and credits were made to appear smaller than they really were. This had been kept up ever since last July.

A large amount of currency has been laid by in anticipation of a run to-morrow as a slight panic prevails this afternoon. P. H. Huntley, an oil broker, has been arrested on a charge of aiding King and Christie in swindling the bank.

The young men are imprisoned in the hotel in Bradford in default of bail. They confessed to the cashier and will assist in straightening the bank's accounts.

On the oil exchange yesterday 400,000 barrels of oil were bought for their account.

CRITICISM ON THE PORTLAND REVIVALIST.

When preaching against the attractions of the world, the sins of the flesh, and the disguises of the devil, it is a mistake—in my judgment—to add significantly that the speaker has been there. When Dr. Munhall said that he could dance better than anybody in the house, beat them at any game of cards they could name, three hands out of five, and had seen more plays than anybody else, he made two errors. One—that he was probably mistaken as to his proficiency in the fine arts, for it takes constant practice to keep up with the tricks in cards and the steps in dancing; and if he has not engaged in such pastimes "since he was a Christian," he would find himself sadly behind the age, unless, indeed, his Christianity is a matter of very recent date. The second error in such a statement is that it is calculated to counteract what good his advice may have done. It convinces the sinners that there is time enough, after they get too fat to dance, too careless to follow the cards, and old enough to enjoy a seat in the chimney-corner better than one in the theater—in short, after they too have had their fling, there will be time to settle down and be steady.—*"Vesta" in New Northwest.*

PACIFIC COUNTY ITEMS.

(Journal.)

The Wachusetts Packing company, of Ilwaco, filed articles of incorporation in the auditor's office on March 2nd. Object, to pack and preserve fish, meats and vegetables. Capital stock, $20,000. B. A. Seaborg, A. E. King and J. W. Seaborg, incorporators. On the same day articles of incorporation of the Ilwaco Land and Building association were filed. The object of this last incorporation is to buy, lease, sell, hold and use property both real and personal, and to erect halls and other buildings. Capital stock, $2,000, with shares at $25 each. The trustees are to be five in number. The following named are incorporators and trustees: C. C. Dalton, Thurlow Sperry, B. A. Seaborg, W. W. Ward and A. E. King.

Major Rodgers is hurrying up the work on the road to Fort Canby, which will add greatly to the convenience and benefit of the fort and also to Ilwaco.

The *Montesano* made her first trip of the season last Friday from Oysterville to Willapa and intermediate points.

But Did It Really Cost $10,000?

Will some one tell us why the festive chinook so resolutely refrains from climbing that ladder? It cost $10,000 all the same—*Eugene City Register.*

STATE AND TERRITORIAL.

Items Clipped and Condensed From Exchanges.

There are 650 children of school age in Pacific county, W. T.

The new railroad depot at Kalama has been completed and is now occupied by the company's agents.

Beginning May 1, the Pacific Coast Steamship Co. will dispatch a steamer each week to Victoria and run two steamers a month to Alaska.

The jail is empty in Douglas county, and there has not been a criminal case before the courts in over a year. The lawyers think of joining a circus.

The Oakes house, at Cheney, W. T., was burned last Wednesday. The loss is about $20,000; insured for $12,000. The fire was incendiary it is supposed.

One thousand dollars has been offered as a reward for the arrest and conviction of the assassins of Coleman and Patton by the county court of King county, W. T., and $1,000 by the widow.

The sealing prospects, off Cape Flattery, this year, are reported very unfavorable. The weather is so bad that Indians will not go out, and nothing but a few pup seals have been seen so far. The sealing fleet is gathering in readiness to commence operation as soon as weather favors.

Several citizens of Seattle recently signed a note for $1,500 to pay the fares of Chinamen sent to San Francisco on the *Queen of the Pacific*, and have been at work since to raise the money by subscription. They have secured nearly the full amount. Mrs. L. E. Hall went to Tacoma one day in the interest of the fund, and secured nearly $100.

The Hall Brothers, shipbuilders at Port Blakely, have contracted to build another steamer for the Hawaiian Island trade. She will be of about 400 tons measurement, and is intended to succeed the steamer *Planter*, recently wrecked. The *Planter's* engines and boilers will be saved, and a boat to be built by the Halls to put them in. The *Planter* was built by them three years ago.

The names of the following persons, arrested for being connected with the recent troubles at Seattle, still remain on the prison register of the county jail as being incarcerated therein: J. D. Hannegan, Edward Donohue, C. O. Young, David T. Cooper, Michael Cunningham and J. T. Winscott. Winscott is in custody for failure to give $5,000 bonds; and Cooper and Cunningham for failure to give $4,000 bonds each.

The American ship *Undaunted* sailed on the 21st of February from Philadelphia to Portland with the first cargo of forty-pound steel rails for the narrow gauge, followed by the ship *Abner Coburn*, and on Monday by the *St. James*, which sailed for San Francisco. The latter ship carries the last of the steel rails and fastenings required for the completion of the narrow gauge from Portland to Dundee Junction.

The Redding, Cala., *Democrat* says of the work on the California & Oregon road: "The track is laid to a point just below Portuguese Flat, and construction trains run to the end of the track, at which place Colonel Scobie has 140 white men at work on the piers of two of the largest and most expensive bridges on the whole road. Each of the piers on these bridges will cost over $10,000, as they are about 40 feet in hight, fifteen feet wide at the base, and the retaining walls are 125 feet in length."

INDIVIDUAL IDIOSYNCRASIES.

EDITOR ASTORIAN:

Illustrative of a certain class who are bound to creep in on the most intelligent and enlightened communities, Pacific county, W. T., is possessed of an element that can be classified only under the general heading of "cranks," among whom are some who have got "religion" (they have it bad), others who call themselves communists and socialists, and still others who are profound believers in the Darwinian theory.

One gentleman has a unique and somewhat novel plan of amusing himself, interesting his neighbors and annoying either everybody or nobody, as one sees fit to look at it. He is undoubtedly a "crank," as he starts up some new scheme, subject or agitation every few months in which he is himself a most earnest believer. He claims that as we have sprung from lower animals, we must return to a similar condition, hence set the practice of eating raw wheat, for two or three months, living exclusively thereon. He gets up early in the morning, takes a "dew bath" in the meadow, after which he runs and prances about like a young colt, standing on his head and pawing the air with his feet, neighing and yelling all the time, cutting all manner of pranks and capers, and meantime not being overabundantly supplied with either clothing or garments of any kind. He once burned his Bible, gathered the ashes, and placing them in an urn (hermetically sealed) now has them placed in a prominent position on the center table in the parlor. God and himself alone know his object.

At South Bend during the last general election, a gentleman, (the same party who during a recent masquerade ball there, successfully and completely disguised himself by washing his face), ran for office, his opponent being a dog called Dash. Dash was elected by a majority of two votes, but within a few days thereafter was shot and killed under rather "suspicious circumstances," when his late competitor, literally speaking, "stepped into the dog's shoes," duly applied, qualified for and obtained the position he had so long and unsuccessfully sought.

A Protective Tariff Asked For.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Senator Voorhees presented to the senate today a petition from a number of lodges of the Knights of Labor in Indiana in regard to excluding Chinese from this country. The following are some of the demands of the petitioners: "We demand that a high protective tariff, direct to the government, be placed on the Chinese labor now in the United States and Territories, the same not to exceed $2 per day and not less than $1.25 per day for each and every man engaged, this tariff to be paid by all parties employing said Chinese labor, said tariff to be paid monthly in advance by all such contracting parties. We demand that a suitable number of first-class vessels of the United States navy be immediately stationed on the Pacific coast, with orders to pick up all suspicious-looking vessels coming within 300 miles of the American coast, thoroughly search the same, and if finding contraband Chinese laborers on board, enforce the law by heavy penalties."

Notice.

ALL PERSONS KNOWING THEMselves indebted to the late Edward N. Murphy will please make immediate settlement to the undersigned, administratrix of the estate.

MRS. JOHN ROGERS.