

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON: FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 1897

The Clatsop Mill has chartered the British bark Scott's Knight to load lumber for Todos los Santos.

The State is due from San Francisco this morning; the Columbia sails; the Ancon arrived in yesterday from Alaska.

The Tacoma fire department held a meeting last night and selected competing teams for the coming June tournament at Vancouver.

The Washington Territory grand lodge, K. of P., meets at Vancouver, May 17th. Grand chancellor Jay Tuttle expects to be present.

The stockholders of the Astoria building and loan association will hold their first regular meeting at the court house next Wednesday evening.

Curtis Baird the ex-county superintendent of Clatsop county, was sentenced by Judge Taylor at Oregon City to four years in the penitentiary for defrauding the school fund.

The O. R. & N. employes don't know just what disposition the lease may make in their positions and are at least as much interested in future developments as any others in the state.

The Salem Talk has been changed in name to the Daily Sentry and flies the prohibition banner. Rev. J. S. McCain is the new editor, and the appearance, typographically and otherwise, is greatly improved.

Instructions received by the registrar and receiver of the U. S. land office, require that every person making application to file a homestead or timber culture claim must execute a non-mineral affidavit at the time.

Rev. O. B. Whitmore leaves this morning en route to Salem, to attend the ministerial association at that place. There will be no morning service in the M. E. church next Sunday; Rev. J. McCormac will officiate in the evening.

The Herald has been figuring up Albany's population and finds that there are 1,028 males and 1,036 females. From the general appearance of that sprightly valley exchange one would suppose it was published in a town of 4,000 people.

The Walla Walla Union rightly thinks that it is worth chronicling that one day last week "Our Boys" hose team, of that city, with 12 men pulled a 1,100-pound cart 200 yards in 24 1/2 seconds. Good enough! This is the kind of chaps that the Astoria boys want to meet in friendly contest at Vancouver.

The steamer Dispatch, purchased by G. T. Myers from the government, will be taken around to his cannery on the Sound about the middle of May. She is a small craft to venture on such a dangerous trip, but the Oregonian thinks if she has fine weather, she may possibly steer safely through the wrecks which line the entrance to the Sound.

Despite the showery weather last evening the fame of Mrs. Nina Larowe's elocutionary powers attracted a considerable audience to the M. E. church to hear this gifted lady in some of her readings and selections, which were rendered with a degree of delicate appreciation of the ideas of the several authors that marked the cultured training of the reader's natural ability. Whether comic or tragic, ludicrous or pathetic the theme, she swayed her audience to the mood of the moment, and justly earned the applause that her efforts so heartily elicited. A fine solo by Miss Katie Flavel added to the enjoyment of those present.

The Hornets Nest, From Jest to Earnest, Without a Home, by E. P. Roe. 25 cents only at the Crystal Palace.

We Dawn, He Wee Wife, A Struggle for the Light, Worth Winning, and other new books just received at the Crystal Palace.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT! YOUNG MEN'S Christian Association!

GRAND CONCERT! AND ENTERTAINMENT. At Liberty Hall.

By the Ladies' Auxiliary Committee of the Y. M. C. A., to aid in furnishing the new rooms of the Association.

PROGRAMME. Chorus—"Sunbeams are Glancing." Reading—"Mrs. W. S. Kinney." Quartette—"The Call of the Roll on High"—Messrs. Middlebrook, Ross, Young and Prescott. Recitation—Miss Sherman. Mistletoe Bough, in Pantomime. Solo—Miss Katie Flavel.

Peak Sisters, As they appeared before the Crowned Heads of Europe, Asia and Africa.

Duett—Messrs. Tarbell and Middlebrook.

Pansy Blossoms. Sang By a Band of Pansies.

Chorus—Good Night.

Admission. 50 cts Children. 25 "

Doors open at 7:30 P. M. Commence at 8 P. M.

LATEST TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

A New Feature in Train Robberies! Persuading Employes With Dynamite to Assist.

New York, April 28.—Chas. Francis Adams, Jr., president of the Union Pacific railroad company, was before the commission on behalf of his road to-day. The testimony at the most, was entirely unimportant.

THE OLIVE BRANCH WAVES. PARIS, April 28.—Germany is inclined to admit that Schneebels was arrested on French ground. It is believed he will be released to-morrow.

LATER.—The Journal Des Debats has a special, saying that the Schneebels matter has been amicably settled by France and Germany.

GOT INTO THE PAPERS AND THE JAIL.

New York, April 28.—Lafreitas, the boy who jumped from the Brooklyn bridge yesterday, was to-day sentenced to three months in prison in default of \$300 bail.

A COWARDLY MURDER.

PORTSMOUTH, Ohio, April 28.—Dr. Northrup, a prominent physician of this place, was murdered yesterday by McCoy Bros., saloon keepers. They waylaid him and shot him with pistols and shotguns. The doctor was unarmed, but returned the attack with a pocket knife and seriously hurt one of the brothers.

SOME PRINCIPLE REQUESTS.

MILWAUKEE, April 28. The will of the late Alexander H. Mitchell, president of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad company, gives ten thousand dollars to the Protestant orphan asylum; the same to the Roman Catholic; ten thousand to the Protestant hospital and five thousand to the Roman Catholic ditto, and \$5,000 to each of the two colleges, and ten thousand dollars to the Young Men's Christian Association.

PUTTING UP SOME SCHEME.

BALTIMORE, April 28.—Henry Villard was here to-day and closeted with President Garrett, of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. The object of the visit is not known.

ROBBING A RAILROAD TRAIN.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 28.—The west bound express on the Southern Pacific railroad was stopped near Tucson, Arizona, at ten o'clock last night, by a band of train robbers. The mail and express cars were detached and the engineer compelled to run the remainder of the train two miles ahead. Then they gave the engineer and fireman a stick of giant powder and told them to compel the mail agents and express messengers to open their cars or they would compel them to throw the sticks and destroy the cars. Then they robbed the cars and secured about \$4,000 or \$5,000 from Wells, Fargo. None of the passengers were molested. The train was stopped by piling ties on the track, and then swinging a red light. The Southern Pacific officials offer a thousand dollars reward, and Wells, Fargo Express company a like amount for the apprehension of the robbers.

DON'T HOLD HIM.

NEW YORK, April 28.—Col. Gilder is here getting ready for another trip to the north pole. He is trying to secure passage on some whaling schooner and is determined to get to the north pole this time or not return.

NAUGHTY KATE FISHER.

Kate Fisher, the victim of the alleged assault, has admitted that she was not in the water all night, but said that she lied about it to avert her father's wrath. She had spent the night with a white man, and it was he that suggested the scheme to which she agreed.

PASS THE OLEO, PLEASE.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—An investigation by the agricultural department goes to show that carcasses of horses, dogs and swine have been utilized in the making of oleomargarine.

WON'T TAKE THE OATH.

VIRGINIA, Nev., April 28.—The Storey county militia decline to take the oath prescribed by the last legislature. They are nearly all Knights of Labor. They claim that the bill was intended as the entering wedge to split open the Labor Unions of the state.

What is better than a glass of liquor? A cup of delicious coffee at Fabre's.

Gambrian Beer And Free Lunch at the Telephone Saloon, 5 cents.

Ten cents for a cup of Fabre's nice coffee.

The finest and nicest steak to be had in town at Fabre's

At The Holden House A few more boarders can be accommodated with or without rooms.

Try Fabre's celebrated pau roast.

What! Do You Think Jeff of the U. S. gives you a meal for nothing and a glass of something to drink? Not much; but he gives the best meal and more of it than any other restaurant in town. 25 cents.

Gotojoff's Oysters, Private Rooms.

THE O. R. & N. CO.

Origin of a Company That Has Made Big Money.

The Old O. S. N. Company and the Men That Founded It.

The transfer of the O. R. & N. Co.'s railroad and steamboats to the Union Pacific railroad company in a practically perpetual lease, naturally attracts popular attention to the old days of the O. S. N. Co., the pioneer and predecessor of the O. R. & N. Co., which, after seven years' existence, now gives way, in turn, to the Union Pacific and transcontinental traffic.

It was many years ago, and in a small way, that the O. S. N. company was started. Capt. J. C. Ainsworth, R. R. Thompson, S. G. Reed and W. S. Ladd were among its incorporators. In the early seventies it made heaps of money, had everything its own way on the upper and lower river, and was run in a style that even now is revered to with regretful contrast by Elijah Smith's employes.

It was "regular steamboat style." If a captain or a purser or a steward wanted to elank a man's hat from Astoria to Portland, or from Portland to The Dalles, if a prominent employe saw fit to bring a friend to dinner on the trip, it was "all right." The company was making plenty money, and the liberal old fashioned way that it allowed in no way tended to diminish the profits.

The old O. S. N. Co. occupies a warm spot in the hearts of a good many who recollect its workings. It had a tendency to build up the country and to make folks feel satisfied with themselves. When Jay Cooke was booming his Northern Pacific stock in '71 and '72 he considered it necessary to buy large blocks of the O. S. N. Co.'s stock, and when the crash came in '73, and he went down under the ruins, this O. S. N. stock was the most valuable part of the broken banker's assets. It was all bought back again by its former owners, and the Columbia river company kept right on making money.

In 1879 Henry Villard appeared on the scene. He saw at once the opportunities and the possibilities that, rightly worked, would develop into certainties, and in his fertile brain originated the idea of the O. R. & N. company and Oregon Transcontinental. He first opened negotiations with the O. S. N. company, and after backing and filling for several months, in the meantime placing a direct count on every pound of freight and passenger on the company's boats, and getting their figures and finding that the business required more capital than he could then swing, he made the first move in the great and finely planned financial game that was played in '81, '82 and '83 and which completed the Northern Pacific railroad.

While in Portland he had got the property of the O. S. N. Co. bonded, on a sort of option, for a year. This cost him \$100,000. The option was given him May 23, 1879. He then got the Oregon Steamship company to give him similar papers.

On the 12th of June, 1879, nearly eight years ago, he organized the O. R. & N. Co. The names of the incorporators were Henry Villard, Jas. B. Fry, A. H. Holmes, Wm. H. Starbuck, C. E. Bretherton, C. Bors, W. H. Corbett, J. N. Dolph, Paul Schulze, N. Thielson, and C. N. Lewis. The capital stock was set at \$6,000,000, divided into 60,000 shares of \$100 each. On June 16th a mortgage was issued to the New York Farmers Loan and Trust Co., and on July 15th, 6,000 bonds in the sum of \$1,000 each, were issued, payable thirty years after July 1st, 1879, with interest at six per cent per annum.

So far Villard had put up but \$100,000. He went to New York with the option and tried to get Gould to come in, but that capitalist refused unless he could come in on the ground floor. He and Villard then agreed to disagree, and Gould waited for nearly five years till he pulled him off his pedestal in January, '81. Villard is reported to have then gone to Europe, but meeting with little encouragement there to float what was, as time proved, a feasible and money making scheme, he came back to this country and finally found in Endicott of Boston, (now secretary of war and opposed to improvements at the Cascades), a willing adjunct. Endicott, Pullman, and others stood in and on the 31st of March, 1880, the O. R. & N. Co. bought the O. S. N. Co.'s plant, paying \$2,300,000 therefor, which was considered at the time to be a big price. The Oregon Steamship company's plant had been secured on the 26th of the previous February.

The new company, the O. R. & N. Co., then boomed things. They began building a railroad up the Columbia, and extended their operations in other directions. The stock and bonds which were in the hands of Boston capitalists, who secured them at a discount, went up appreciably in value. O. R. & N. stock was a good buy in Boston, New York and Philadelphia, it touched par, passed it, sold at 110, 150, 180, and finally 200; then the stock was increased to \$9,000,000; then \$12,000,000; then \$15,000,000. It made a handsome percentage even on this, inflated from the original \$2,300,000 buy, enlarged to \$6,000,000 of capital stock. It was always the backbone and mainstay of the famous Oregon Transcontinental, so dear to the memory of many Portlanders, and through all the vicissitudes of '84 held up well in value. Last June the assets of the Oregon Transcontinental were figured up, and the O. R. & N. holdings then set down as 139,413 shares at \$108 a share, an aggregate of \$15,055,600; the next in value being \$5,588,000 worth of Northern Pacific stock, common and preferred.

This is the briefest outline of the formation of the company. A detailed history, and account of Vil-

lard's subsequent "blind pool" and the results would exceed the limits of this article. But space must be found for a list of the boats that the O. S. N. Co. transferred to the O. R. & N. Co., at the time the sale was made in the spring of 1880.

The Hassalo, 160 feet long, 30 ft. beam, 6 feet draught, 461 tons, built at The Dalles in 1880; the Northwest, 124 feet long, 24 feet beam, 4 1/2 feet draught, or 124x24x4 1/2, 350 tons, built at Columbus, W. T. in 1877; the Alice, 150x25x6, 457 tons, Oregon City, 1873; McMinnville, 132x28x5, 417 T. Canemah, 1877; S. T. Church, 154x36x5, 556 T., Portland, 1876; Occident, 155x35x5, 587 T., Portland, 1875; Orient, 154x34x5, 587 T., Portland, 1879; Oeklahoma, 152x31x8, 581 T., Portland, 1896; E. N. Cooke, 150x25x6, 416 T., Oregon City, 1871; Fannie Patton, 150x26x5, 368 T., Canemah, 1865; Champion, 157x35x5, 634, Portland, 1875; Willamette Chief, 163x35x5, 693, Portland, 1878; Bonanza, 152x37x5, 651, Portland, 1877; Dixie Thompson, 155x28x6 1/2, 443, Portland, 1871; Emma Hayward, (now on the Sound) 177x29x7, 576, Portland, 1878; Bonita, 155x30x6, 526, Portland, 1875; Welcome, 127x27x5, 326, 1875; Wide West, 212x38x8, 1,201, Portland, 1877; S. G. Reed, 175x33x7, 800, Portland, 1878; R. R. Thompson, 125x38x9, 1,158, The Dalles, 1878; Mountain Queen, 176x32x7, 718, The Dalles, 1877; Annie Faxon, 165x36x5, 708, Celilo, 1877; Spokane, 150x32x4, 673, Celilo, 1877; Almot, 157x36x5, 502, Celilo, 1876; John Gates, 150x32x4, 673, Celilo, 1878; Harvest Queen, 200x37x7, 845, Celilo, 1878; D. Baker, 165x36x5, 710, Celilo, 1879; Idaho, (the only side-wheeler in the list) 147x25x6, 302, Cascade, 1879. All the above will be remembered by stevedoaters, and the majority of them are plying on the upper and lower Columbia to-day.

Besides these were the screw propelled ocean steamships, Geo. W. Elder, 250x38x21, 1,709, built at Chester, Pennsylvania, in 1874; the City of Chester, 202x33x16, 1,106, built at Chester in 1875; the Oregon, 283x37x22, 2,335, built at Chester in 1878, and the Columbia, 309x38x21, 2,721, built at Chester in 1880, and which are included in the lease. The State of California the newest of the fleet, comes in under a separate arrangement.

A SPECIAL TARIFF.

Some New Rates on Eastbound Overland Freight.

The Northern Pacific yesterday, says the News of the 28th, put into effect from St. Paul and other eastern terminals to Portland, Astoria, Tacoma and Seattle the special westbound tariff, which was prepared in Chicago in March to be used in case of emergency. This special tariff is very nearly the same as the transcontinental tariff which was in effect previous to the freight war last year. In a word, the new rates are about 50 per cent. higher than those which prevailed before the interstate commerce bill became a law. The Union Pacific has also adopted the emergency tariff.

The O. R. & N. line yesterday put in operation the regular anti-war east bound transcontinental tariff to the Missouri river, Chicago, St. Louis and common points. The new rates, as far as they effect principal products, are as follows:

Salmon—In carloads, \$1.25 per hundred pounds from Portland, Astoria, Tacoma and Seattle.

Wool—Compressed and baled, 19 pounds per cubic foot, when shipped under a valuation of 12 cents per pound, \$1.50 per hundred pounds.

Hope—Interstate law rates on this product are \$1.75 per hundred to Missouri river and common points, \$1.85 to St. Louis and \$1.95 to Chicago. These figures are a little lower than the old transcontinental rates and will not be disturbed.

It is probable that the rates on the above articles will be put into effect also to New York and common points, as soon as arrangements, now pending, are perfected. Northwestern shippers will greatly appreciate such a favor.

The Northern Pacific is publishing a special wool tariff, making rates from all points on its line in Washington territory to eastern terminals. These rates are similar to those in effect last year, viz: \$2.25 per hundred in sacks and \$2 in compressed bales.

Unnecessary Misery.

Probably as much misery comes from habitual constipation as from any derangement of the functions of the body, and it is difficult to cure, for the reason that no one likes to take the medicines usually prescribed. HAMBURG FIGS were prepared to obviate this difficulty, and they will be found pleasant to the taste of women and children. 25 cents. At all druggists. J. J. Mack & Co., proprietors, S. F.

Foresights Not Equal to Hindisights.

The Oregon legislature permits perjury ordered Senators Dolph and Mitchell to vote for the interstate commerce law. Now the metropolis of Oregon, and, for that matter, the rest of the state, is on its knees imploring the commission to suspend the law. Theory is one thing and practice another.—Vancouver Independent.

A GIFT FOR ALL.

In order to give all a chance to test it, and thus be convinced of its wonderful curative powers, Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, will be, for a limited time, given away. This offer is not only liberal, but shows unbounded faith in the merits of this great remedy. All who suffer from Coughs, Colds, Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis, or any affection of Throat, Chest, or Lungs, are especially requested to call at W. E. Dement & Co.'s Drug Store, and get a Trial Bottle Free, Large Bottles \$1.

United States Restaurant is the best and cheapest in Astoria.

The best oysters in any style at Fabre's.

PERSONAL.

G. H. Turner, of Turner's station, is in the city.

Mrs. J. W. Babbidge has gone to Ilwaco, to remain till September.

Mrs. Sam'l Arndt leaves this morning for an extended visit to the east.

Judge Taylor, who has been holding court at Oregon City, has returned to the city.

Miss Lucy Nichols starts for her school at Knappa to-morrow; it will begin next Monday.

Bishop Wistar Morris will be here next Sunday and will hold divine service at Grace Episcopal church.

Mrs. Nina Larowe, the talented elocutionist, is in the city, the guest of Mrs. Gibson, and will remain till Monday.

Capt. Sobree came down yesterday afternoon and immediately started back on the Manzanita to note the range lights on the river.

Miss Hattie Sackett, of Ashland, Oregon, will commence her school in the upper district on Lewis and Clarke's river, next Monday.

ASTONISHING SUCCESS.

It is the duty of every person who has used Doan's German Syrup to let its wonderful qualities be known to their friends in curing Consumption, severe Coughs, Croup, Asthma, Pneumonia, and in fact all throat and lung diseases. No person can use it without immediate relief. Three doses will relieve any case, and we consider it the duty of all Druggists to recommend it to the poor, dying consumptive, at least to try one bottle, as 50,000 dozen bottles were sold last year, and no one case where it failed was reported. Such a medicine as the German Syrup cannot be too widely known. Ask your druggist about it. Sample bottles to try sold at 10 cents. Regular size, 75 cents. Sold by all Druggists and Dealers, in the United States and Canada.

Isn't Astoria In On This?

SAN FRANCISCO, April 25.—D. B. Jackson, ticket agent of the Oregon Railway and Navigation company, has received instructions from the general passenger agent's office of that line, to resume selling tickets to Portland by the northern routes. This rate was discontinued when the interstate commerce law went into effect.

Palpitation of the Heart.

Persons who suffer from occasional palpitation of the heart are often unaware that they are the victims of heart disease, and are liable to die without warning. They should banish this alarming symptom and cure the disease by using DR. FLINT'S HEART REMEDY. At all druggists, or J. J. Mack & Co., 9 and 11 Front st., S. F.

Yes Indeed She Has.

The Astoria firemen recently, by an entertainment, cleaned up \$200 for the tournament fund. Astoria has a rattling good fire department.—Vancouver Independent.

Renews Her Youth.

Mrs. Phoebe Chesley, Peterson, Clay Co., Iowa, tells the following story, the truth of which is vouched for by the residents of the town: "I am 73 years old, have been troubled with kidney complaint and lameness for many years; could not dress myself without help. Now I am free from all pain and soreness, and am able to do all my own housework. I owe my thanks to Electric Bitters for having renewed my youth, and removed completely all disease and pain."

Try a bottle, only 50c. at W. E. Dement & Co.'s Drug Store.

Telephone Lodging House. Best Beds in town. Rooms per night 50 and 25 cts. per week \$1.50. New and clean. Private entrance.

Full!

My establishment is now filled with a large and well selected stock.

My prices are as usual the very lowest, and all I ask is a chance to convince you that I can and will save you money.

It is for your own interest as much as for mine to do your trading with me.

Herman Wise,

The Clothier and Hatter. (Occident Building.)

Great Bargains

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AND Musical Instruments

AT THE New York Novelty Store

Glove Department.

C. H. COOPER,

Sole Agent For Astoria For The Sale Of The Celebrated P. Centemeri Kid Gloves.

Received from the Manufacturers direct, upwards of 50 dozen of the above Famous Kid Gloves in Black, Dark colors, Tans, Greys and all the late shades. Plain and Embroidered Stitched backs and in Various Lengths. Also a very large Stock of

SILK, TAFFETTA & THREAD GLOVES

IN ALL THE LATE COLORS AND MAKES.

Lace Mitts for Ladies and Children in every Conceivable Color and in Various Late Styles and Lengths.

The Leading Dry Goods and Clothing House

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Paste This On Your Looking Glass.

You will be sure to see it in THE ASTORIAN and will remember it, because it is for your interest to do so.

No premium Chromos, Gift enterprises, Bean guessers, or any other clap trap, is resorted to by D. L. BECK & SONS to sell their goods. Honest Goods, Honest Weights and Small profits is their motto, the cost of the clap trap being taken off the price of the goods. And the people like it better than the chance enterprise, where one out of hundreds gets the prize, for they all get it in the price of the goods.

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If you want Roller flour, Oat, Graham, Rye or Corn Meal, go to D. L. BECK & SONS.
If you want Wheat, Shorts, Bran, or Rolled Barley, go to D. L. BECK & SONS.
If you want Cheese, Best fresh Butter and Eggs, go to D. L. BECK & SONS.
If you want Breakfast Bacon, Hams, Pig's feet or Lard, go to D. L. BECK & SONS.
If you want Sardines, Anchovies, Holland or Smoked Herring, Boneless Cod or Codfish brick, Stock fish, etc., go to D. L. BECK & SONS.
If you want Sugar, Syrup, N. O. Molasses, Palace Drips, go to D. L. BECK & SONS.
If you want Vermont Maple Sugar, pure Maple Syrup or Fresh Cal. Honey, go to D. L. BECK & SONS.
If you want Sauerkraut, Chow Chow, Pickles or Gherkins, in bulk or glass, go to D. L. BECK & SONS.
If you want Nuts Seedless or Layer Raisins, Dry Apples or any other dry or Canned Fruit, go to D. L. BECK & SONS.
In short, if you want any kind of Staple or Fancy Groceries go to D. L. BECK & SONS.
Do you want the best Coal Oil in the market, or the best Oil Can ever invented, go to D. L. BECK & SONS.
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Do you want Plain Decorated China or Crockery Ware, White, or Fancy Glass Ware, go to D. L. BECK & SONS.
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