

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 1888. IN GENERAL.

WITH considerable skill the Oregonian, in an amiably written article, yesterday, regarding grain shipments, says:

Modification of the scheme of the joint lease by substitution of Astoria for Portland, making that port and the Sound ports "common points," instead of Portland and the Sound ports, as proposed, would rob that agreement of its most unfair and harmful feature.

Right here the Oregonian compresses the whole question and states the exact fact tersely and truthfully.

This paper has no quarrel with the Oregonian, nor has this community any quarrel with Portland. The continued misrepresentations made in the Oregonian, editorially and otherwise, regarding Astoria, are naturally annoying, and its misstatements at times seem to be so flavored with malice as to invite and incite thoughts and language the reverse of complimentary.

Anything like a display of fairness is, however, always recognized, and in discussing this question—the most important to the welfare of the commercial interests of the Columbia river country—it is believed that an adherence to candor and exactness on the part of the Portland press would be more productive of satisfactory results.

The effort of the joint lease scheme to place Portland and Sound ports on an equal footing is unjust and one-sided. Justice, no less than true commercial policy, requires that should that joint lease be made Astoria should be put on even terms with Tacoma and Seattle. The rest would regulate itself. Astoria is put on equal terms as a terminal point for transcontinental freight with the Sound, and San Francisco, thus rightly recognizing the commercial requirements in that regard. Equally requisite is it to maintain the proper business balance that in case the joint lease be ratified that the mouth of the Columbia and the Sound be placed on precisely the same footing.

As the Oregonian well expresses it in its issue of last Sunday:

Any transportation agreement which proposes to put Portland and the Puget Sound ports on an equal footing is partial and unfair, because it would destroy our advantage in level grades from the interior without compensation for our disadvantages between port and open sea. If it were prepared to put the Sound ports and Astoria on even terms then there would be less reason to complain.

There are three points of view, the shipper, the carrier, the producer. Portland views it from the shipper's standpoint; the railroad and transportation companies, of course, from the standpoint of the carrier. In its many years' discussion of this question THE ASTORIAN has steadily looked at it from what it believed to be the broadest of these three points of view—the producer. As things are at present, and as they have been, we believe that the shipper's interests have been to make Portland his headquarters. It seems to be the policy of the Northern Pacific to get all possible toll by carrying the grain an unnecessary distance over an impracticable route, and until the rights of the producer and his interests are given the front rank to which their prominence entitles them the present state of affairs may obtain. That the grain will ultimately be shipped to and loaded at Astoria in conformity with natural grade and commercial demands seems evident when two things are taken into consideration—the growing area of grain land and the political and commercial power acquired by the producers. These two factors must eventually, in connection with geographical reasons, send the grain down an open river to the sea.

On the first page appears a further addition to the literature of the sailor boarding house business, the towage, bar and river, etc. This matter of shipping sailors is of common existence wherever ships come and go. The smallness of Astoria gives it a prominence it wouldn't have in a large city. It is ten times worse in every way in San Francisco, where it goes almost unnoticed. If there were more people here, more industries, more to do, there wouldn't be one tenth the fuss about it that there is. A ship at sea looks small: in a river it appears large. Everything is relative. If every one of even those that are here had something to do, something to occupy their time and take up their attention there wouldn't be so much time and space devoted to this matter, nor to a good many other unavoidable ills of life.

There is in the United States at present, in round numbers, engaged in agriculture, 8,000,000; in professional and personal service—justly embracing, as the census puts it, lawyers, doctors and hired help of every domestic kind in one class—5,000,000;

trade and transportation, 2,000,000; in manufactures and mechanical industries, 4,000,000. Total, 19,000,000.

THE Kentucky legislature will abolish the county of Rowan. From August, 1884, to June, 1887, there were twenty murders and assassinations and sixteen persons were wounded in the deadly feud that raged almost like a Corsican vendetta in the county whose voting population did not exceed 1,100.

It is computed that \$25,000,000 is due the Government on outstanding accounts, and a bill has been favorably reported to create a "Registrar's office," the duties of which will be to determine balances due and prosecute them to settlement.

THE dispatches this morning announce that a New Yorker, who has bought a daily newspaper is a son-in-law of the late W. H. Vanderbilt. Lucky for him he is. Under the circumstances he may keep afloat in the newspaper business.

TWENTY-NINE out of thirty Michigan counties which have voted under local option law, have pronounced for prohibition.

A NEWSPAPER just started at Clay Springs, Fla., begins its salutatory wish: "Here we come; darn our fool souls."

GOVERNOR GRAY, of Indiana, is said to be the president's selection for second place on the Democratic ticket.

CATHLAMET ITEMS.

CATHLAMET, Mar. 18, '88.

Mrs. Chitwood and son, Ames Spaulding of Skamokawa sold their farm last week to Thorburg and Brooks for \$2,500 and have gone to Garfield Co. to make it their future home.

Logging prospects are good; four camps are in full blast.

John Howard goes to Vancouver to make proof on his homestead.

Measles are in town at present. A pleasant little party took place at the hall last night, it being Mr. Jacobson's birthday as well as St. Patrick's day.

Delinquent taxes are slowly coming in only about \$1,200 delinquent for 1887.

We are going to have a new school house, to be built by subscription. Three of our wealthiest neighbors refuse to help in the good work, and if they'd like to see their names, I'll give them next week.

Misses Winnie and Gracie Shephard have a fine new organ.

VERITAS.

A Singular Decision.

A decision was rendered Thursday, says the Tacoma News, by U. S. commissioner Smith, of Seattle, in the case of the United States against six sailors of the ship Fannie Tucker, charged with disobedience and desertion. The only authority for the punishment of seamen is the act of congress of 1872, known as the shipping commissioner act, which defines the reciprocal duties of master and seamen. In 1874 congress passed an amendatory law which prescribed that none of the provisions of the act of 1872, relating to shipping commissioners, seamen and masters, shall apply to vessels engaged in the coastwise trade. So far as coastwise vessels are concerned it was urged that the law of 1872 was practically repealed, and there was no law by which the acts complained of could be punished. The commissioner decided this ground well taken, and the sailors were discharged. According to this decision no master has any protection from disobedience, desertion or mutiny.

Some Figures About Tin Plate.

In 1885, 1886 and 1887 there was an annual average importation of tin plates into the United States of 3,600,000 boxes, costing in England about \$4 per box or \$14,400,000. On this the people of the United States paid an annual tax of \$3,960,000. Of this vast number of boxes of tinplate 1,500,000 were used in canning food articles, 1,000,000 boxes in the manufacture of petroleum cans, and 1,100,000 boxes were used in roofing our buildings, making our domestic utensils and in the arts. Of the 3,600,000 boxes of tin plate annually imported into this country 600,000 boxes, or more than one-sixth, are entered at Baltimore, costing in England \$2.640,000. On these a duty of \$726,000 is annually paid. Of the 502,000,000 cans made in the United States more than one-fifth, or 110,000,000 are made in Baltimore; about 20,000,000 are made in Astoria and vicinity.

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 household work. 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 J. C. Dement's Drug Store.

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PROBABILITIES. HOW TO RECKON CHANCES.



The basis of calculation between cause and chance is to be reckoned, so far as mathematics can figure out a result, upon data like the following: The rules being, of course, the recognized mathematical ones that the chance of the concurrence of two independent events is the product of their separate probabilities. We know there is more or less frequency of recurrence than a fixed average; then, for or against the probability, there is some cause at work. The chance of one or the other of two phenomena occurring, when two cannot occur, is the sum of their different probabilities. For instance: "In the fall of 1880," says Mr. J. W. Ames, Fairmont, Neb., May 27, 1887, "my wife suffered intensely with what the doctors called sciatic rheumatism, and was helpless. Tried everything to no purpose. She wanted to try St. Jacobs Oil, but the doctors said 'no,' but I got it, tried it, and it stopped the pain. She improved, and in a short time she had no use for crutches. No return of pain in seven years." Mr. W. W. Hall, Adams Express Co., Brooklyn, N. Y., was cured of sciatic rheumatism by St. Jacobs Oil, and writes under date of May 5, 1887: "I am still of the same opinion of its curative qualities for sciatic rheumatism."

The probability of St. Jacobs Oil curing every time is reckoned upon known facts. Out of the twenty million bottles sold not one in ten thousand ever fails to relieve all ailments for which it is a specific; the chance against the probability is so light there must be some cause, and the cause is found to be that it is not properly applied or not taken in time. The chances are so overwhelmingly in its favor that the marvelous cures wrought by it are the offset to the few cases wherein it fails.

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Bids Asked For. THE ASTORIA STREET RAILWAY CO. invites bids to drive 130 piles, more or less. Bids will be received till noon, Tuesday, March 27th, 1888. The company will furnish all material, and reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the President, J. W. CONN.

Democratic Primary for Astoria Precinct. DEMOCRATS OF ASTORIA PRECINCT, Clatsop county, Oregon, are requested to meet at Liberty Hall at 7 o'clock in the evening, Thursday, March 22nd, 1888, for the purpose of electing 37 delegates to the county convention. C. H. PAGE, Chairman Precinct Com.

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Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT there are funds in the city treasury to pay all warrants inclosed prior to Oct. 1, 1887. Interest thereon ceases after this date. J. G. HUSTLER, City Treasurer. Astoria, Or., March 14, 1888.

For Sale. MY FLOATING HOUSE, BUILT ON good logs, House 20x30 ft., well finished inside. Foundation extends to include net or seine rack. Just the house for selling party. Terms reasonable. Call and examine. GEO. SANDERSON, at T. K. Johnson's salting ground, March 10th 1888.

Republican Convention. Call For Democratic County Convention.

A REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION for Clatsop county, state of Oregon, is called to meet at Astoria, Oregon, on Saturday, the seventh (7th) day of April, 1888, to select seven (7) delegates to the Republican State Convention and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

The convention will consist of seventy-six (76) delegates apportioned among the several precincts as follows, being one delegate at large, and one delegate additional for every fifteen votes and fraction thereof cast for Ringer Hermann for congressman at the general election in 1886:

Astoria..... 31 Knappa..... 3 Upper Astoria..... 7 Lewis and Clarke..... 3 Bear Creek..... 2 Mishawaka..... 2 Clatsop..... 4 Sea Side..... 2 Clifton..... 3 Vesper..... 2 Fishhawk..... 2 Waluski..... 2 John Day..... 2 Westport..... 2 Young's River..... 2

Your committee recommend that the precinct primaries be held at the usual voting places on the March 5th, 1888, unless otherwise ordered by the local committees.

J. A. FULTON, Chairman County Committee.

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Call For Democratic County Convention.

AT A MEETING OF THE DEMOCRATIC County Central committee, held February 23rd, it was decided to call a Democratic Convention for Clatsop County to be held at Astoria March 26th, 1888, at 10 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of selecting five delegates to the Democratic State Convention, to be held at Pendleton April 24, 1888, and to transact such other business as may properly come before such convention.

The several precincts will be entitled to one delegate each, and one delegate additional for every fifteen votes and fraction thereof cast for N. L. Butler for Congressman at the general election in 1886, viz:

Astoria..... 37 Mishawaka..... 2 Bear Creek..... 2 Sea Side..... 2 Clatsop..... 3 Upper Astoria..... 2 Clifton..... 3 Vesper..... 2 Fishhawk..... 2 Waluski..... 2 John Day..... 2 Westport..... 2 Knappa..... 3 Young's River..... 2 Lewis and Clarke..... 3 Total number of delegates..... 50

Committee recommend that the Precinct Primary meetings for the selection of delegates to the County Convention be held at the usual places of voting on Saturday, March 24th, at 2:30 P. M., except in Astoria and Upper Astoria.

All Democrats and all conservative citizens who favor the perpetuation of Democratic principles, are cordially invited to participate in the primary elections.

ALFRED KINNEY, Chairman.

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