

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON:

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1888.

RETROSPECTIVE.

SEVEN years ago, to-day—Sept. 30th, 1881—the writer took editorial charge of this paper, and ever since has continuously occupied that position. Seven years in the life of a man or a newspaper is a considerable time. The past seven years have been busy and eventful ones to the writer, an ordinary lifetime of work and experience having been crowded into them, and though rarely retrospective, preferring to look forward rather than backward, yet, at the close of seven years of incessant labor, memories of those years come crowding on.

In those memories there is much of pleasure and little of regret, personality being totally excluded, for a newspaper man always puts his individuality away from him and thinks only what will make or mar the success of the paper, his life work, the journal to whose columns he gives his life's blood, and which is the sole beneficiary of his best efforts.

"Is not in mortals to command success. But we'll do more, (Sompnians), we'll deserve it."

So says the Greek sage, and so say all who form a high ideal and look toward that shining height even though to scale it be denied them. Financial success is casual and secondary, but there is a success that the writer believes he has secured even though financial success be lacking, and that is the ability to be able to say without fear of truthful contradiction that during those seven years no wanton or unjust wrong was done to any one in these columns.

The consciousness of responsibility and the maintenance of self respect require constant care that nothing may appear in a newspaper that would tend to impugn the one or impair the other.

With apparent egotism but pardonable pride the writer is glad to be able to say that during the seven years that it has been his pleasure and his privilege to be the editor of this paper he has never been called upon to retract a statement of any kind, or to recede from any position he has taken.

Those who are engaged in daily newspaper work can best appreciate the full significance of this terse and truthful statement.

In this regard a newspaper and a man are alike. Each has a character to make, to hold, or to lose, and usually its character justifies its reputation.

In being able to say the above THE ASTORIAN owes it to the city for whom it works to say that it is the public, the readers and advertisers that make it able to say this. A newspaper is the exponent and mirror of the community in which it is published, from whom it derives its support, and without the generous aid and cordial co-operation of the citizens of Astoria the publication of such a newspaper as THE ASTORIAN would not be possible. For this as well as for other reasons, on this seventh anniversary of our editorial relations with our readers we thank them one and all for their kindly aid, and hope that the same cordial relations may continue.

The career of a newspaper man is proverbially short—an hour of wrangle and strife, and then oblivion—and his best thoughts and utterances are only for the day, printed, glanced over and cast aside; yet there is more patient labor, honest effort and sincere desire to do good among the ephemeral writings of the newspaper men than among almost any other class of workers. The transitory nature of the editorial life is also noticeable. Of the 186 papers in Oregon and Washington, the writer can only recall the names of two that occupied the positions they do now, and at the time he took charge of THE ASTORIAN—one is H. W. Scott, of the Oregonian, the other is P. B. Johnson, of the Walla Walla Union. Of the others, some have entered the portals of "that low green tent whose curtain never outward swings," others are in less wearing business, more have formed new newspaper relations, and still continue to write, as these stray lines are written, long after the most of the surrounding world is asleep.

Looking through the dusty files we come on the following, written seven years ago, to-day, an editorial that under the circumstances may not be wholly uninteresting.

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FRIDAY, SEPT. 30, 1881.

J. F. HALLORAN, Editor.

SALUTATORY.

In assuming charge of THE ASTORIAN we desire first to express our thanks for the congratulations and expressions of good will with which we have been favored, and hope that none of our friends will ever have reason to utter contrary expressions. It is our intention to edit a newspaper, a reflex of the great and busy world in which we live, and to that end shall endeavor to gain and hold the good wishes and esteem of the community. THE ASTORIAN shall be independent in what we deem the true sense of the word. It shall have an opinion on all points within the jurisdiction of a newspaper, shall hold to what it believes to be right, and shall answer all objections by stating the truth—as it appears to us. It shall, as far as possible, avoid all personalities, shall try to be just, and shall be always willing to concede to others the consistency that it claims for itself. We do not expect to agree with everyone, but what is said shall be so said that it not only can be understood but that it cannot be misunderstood, and in such a way that those who differ from us can at least respect the opinions uttered. The paper shall work for the

good and material benefit of the city, county, state and nation, shall foster and encourage every enterprise looking to the advancement of the general interests of the community with whom we live and to whom we look for support, and shall advocate the legitimate development and prosecution of Astoria's resources and the rights that her position demands. It is our intention to edit a paper that shall be clear in sentiment, utterance and effect; that shall be a welcome visitor to every family, to every reading man and woman that cares to have the news of the day in a readable shape, and shall endeavor to be accurate and reliable in all statements made. We shall be chary of promises, but shall try to do all that shall be promised, bearing in mind that while it is not always possible to secure success, it is always noble to deserve it. Whatever is copied from other papers shall be duly credited, and our columns shall always be open to anyone who has anything to say on any question of public import or general welfare.

The above has been followed as faithfully as circumstances would permit, and after seven years steady work we feel that the promise and performance do not exhibit so wide a difference after all. But the past lies behind and the future full of promise, stretches onward. Seldom, indeed, do we cast a glance over our shoulder at the dusty, oftentimes tiresome, track we have traversed, and looking forward with full confidence to the future, we turn from the contemplation of the past which lies in shadow to the small present and the duties of to-day.

The Gov't. Steamer Albatross.

During the recent cruise of the fish commission steamer Albatross to northern waters, numerous cod and halibut banks were discovered and located. The fish were found to be extremely plentiful, and there is little doubt that in the future the principal fishing grounds of America will be in these waters. The manner of detecting and locating the banks is somewhat as follows: At intervals along the line of soundings which are being taken, the vessel hauls to and a certain number of hooks, to a line are baited, usually with salmon, and cast overboard. The time of fishing is, as well as the number, size, weight, etc., of the fish caught. The latitude and longitude of the place is taken and marked down on the recorder's chart. The time of fishing seldom last over 15 or 18 minutes and such are the numbers of the fish that, in that short space of time great piles of them are hauled up and placed on deck. At some points it seemed as if schools were a half a mile in thickness. The schools were found when fishing for cod. So ravenous are the fish that they generally come up two to a line as fast as the crew can take them off.

During the voyage north the business of the Albatross principally was taken soundings and locating banks. Searching the bottom of the ocean for curious submarine shells and animals was indulged in to a great extent while on the voyage round the Horn. The specimens were all shipped east when the vessel was at San Francisco and she now contains only what have been taken since.

The crew of the vessel signed for one year when the voyage began, and receive \$24 per month, or the same that is paid in the navy. They consider that they have a picnic and will doubtless stay by the vessel as long as she is out.—Seattle Times.

The Marked Increase in Insanity.

Dr. Harry Lane, superintendent of the asylum for the insane, was in the city recently. He reports 500 patients in the asylum, and more "coming down on the rise." He could not imagine for some time how it was that so many foreigners kept coming in, but has at last discovered that many of the persons were insane, or very near it, before they came to this country. In short, he has come to the conclusion that foreign countries are really shipping their paupers and criminals and citizens of unsound mind to this country.

Mr. D. P. Thompson, who was standing by, said he could testify to this being a fact. He knew it was done in Italy in Great Britain and in other European countries. "Why," said he, "last winter in Rome I fell in with a wealthy Englishman, and we traveled together for some time and talked about many subjects. He told me that he had an estate of several thousand acres in Ireland, and there was an almshouse on it. He could get no rent from his tenants and he had finally made them an offer to ship the whole of them, almshouse occupants and all, to America, paying all their expenses and giving every one of them a sovereign when landed in America. But this lot would not accept the offer."

Mr. Thompson and Dr. Lane differ in politics, but they agreed on this point—that something must be done to prevent paupers and criminals and insane persons being poured into this country. Dr. Lane says they have one asylum full in California and are about building another, and if things keep on at the present rate Oregon will soon need more accommodations.—Portland Telegram, 28.

The Verdict Unanimous.

W. D. Sult, Druggist, Bippus, Ind., writes: "I can recommend Electric Bitters as the very best remedy. Every bottle sold has given relief in every case. One man took six bottles, and was cured of Rheumatism of 10 years' standing. Abraham Hare, Druggist, Bellville, Ohio, writes: "The best selling medicine I have ever handled in my 20 years' experience, is Electric Bitters." Thousands of others have added their testimony, so that the verdict is unanimous that Electric Bitters do cure Diseases of the Liver, Kidneys or Blood. Only a half dollar a bottle at W. E. Dement & Co.'s Drug Store.

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City Tax Notice.

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