

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON:

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THE STATE PILOTAGE QUESTION.

In addition to the arguments already adduced in THE ASTORIAN against the proposed abolition of compulsory pilotage at the mouth of the Columbia, it is in order to state that it is clearly a case of corporate interest against the commercial interests of the public.

With no compulsory pilotage, up would go the rates of marine insurance on vessels coming into the Columbia; fewer would come; and the fewer that would come the more grain the O. R. & N. Co., could and would carry in the holds of its passenger steamers to San Francisco at a handsome profit.

If no ships at all came here so much the better for the O. R. & N.'s grain freight business to San Francisco.

It's as plain as day, and if the legislature that meets to-morrow doesn't see it, they are the only ones in the state so blind to the game that is being attempted.

A bill to abolish compulsory pilotage is a black eye to Astoria and the lower Columbia, and is an indirect menace to every one who grows a bushel of wheat in any spot drained by the Columbia or its tributaries.

GEORGE D. PRENTICE, probably one of the most gifted writers that ever added lustre to American journalism, said: It cannot be that earth is man's only abiding place. It cannot be that our life is a bubble cast up by the ocean of eternity, to float a moment upon its waves and sink into nothingness.

Else why these high and glorious aspirations which leap like angels from the temple of our hearts, forever wandering unsatisfied? Why is it that the rainbow and clouds come over us with a beauty that is not of earth, and then pass off and leave us to muse on their loveliness? Why is it that the stars which hold their festival around the midnight throne, are set above the grasp of our limited faculties, forever mocking us with their unapproachable glory? And finally, why is it that the bright forms of human beauty are presented to our view and taken from us, leaving the thousand streams of our affections to flow back in Alpine torrents upon our hearts? We were born for a higher destiny than earth. There is a realm where the rainbow never fades, where the stars will be spread out before us like islands that slumber on the ocean, and where the beautiful beings that pass before us will stay forever in our presence.

THE PILOTAGE QUESTION.

The present agitation to make river pilotage optional, is supposed to be grounded on the desire to save ships unnecessary expense, as the tug boat captains are claimed to be as competent as the pilots to take vessels up or down the river in safety. In fact there is an idea that a river pilot somewhat resembles a fifth wheel on a coach; but we have already stated one great risk shipping would run, of additional expense incurred through a tug boat master towing a ship down at an easy draft, and thereby causing the ship to pay more for lighterage. But putting that, almost certainty, on one side, it is well to look at the present total charges levied by the O. R. & N. Co. on shipping:

Table with 2 columns: Registered tonnage, Price. Rows include: Not exceeding 800 tons (\$ 300), From 800 tons to 1,000 tons (\$ 350), From 1,000 tons to 1,200 tons (\$ 400), From 1,200 tons to 1,400 tons (\$ 450), From 1,400 tons to 1,600 tons (\$ 500), From 1,600 tons to 1,800 tons (\$ 550), From 1,800 tons to 2,000 tons (\$ 600).

Now the above shows that an average sized vessel, of 1,200 tons, coming here is charged \$1,000 for both pilotage and towage from the sea up to Portland, and back to sea again. After deducting inward pilotage (\$101 for 12 ft. 6 in. draft) and \$50 up river pilotage, \$80 down pilotage at 20 feet, and \$176 for outward pilotage, we have a total of \$407 deducted from the entire charge for those services to the ship, and therefore leaving but \$593, or say, roughly, \$600, for remuneration to the O. R. & N. Co. for towing a vessel of 1,200 tons a matter of 230 miles. This is indeed a very reasonable charge, but the O. R. & N. Co. are certainly well able to perform the services for that figure, as they enable shippers to still compete with other ports, and so continue the demand for grain at Portland. Otherwise their business of handling grain would very considerably diminish. So the question arises, in the event of river pilotage being abolished, would the O. R. & N. Co. reduce the already reasonable charges by that amount, or would the difference go into their pockets? There can scarcely be but one answer to such a simple proposition. If the 1,200 ton ship can afford to pay \$1,000, the O. R. & N. Co. will still make her pay that much. Of course the O. R. & N. Co. would be receiving better pay for their services, and even then their remuneration would not be excessive; and no one would have cause for demanding a further reduction. It seems, therefore, that the object of relieving shipping of unnecessary (?) expense would not be attained by making river pilotage optional. It would, in short, simply put money in the O. R. & N. Co.'s pocket instead of the river pilots'. Since shipping is not

likely to derive any pecuniary benefit from the change, it is far better for their interests to be protected by the compulsory and independent pilotage system now in vogue.—Portland Journal of Commerce, 5.

Weinhard's Beer.

And Free Lunch at the Telephone Saloon, 5 cents.

NEW TO-DAY.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned did file on January 7th, 1889, in the county court of Clatsop county, a bill of partition, a petition in words and figures as follows:

ASTORIA, Oregon, January 7, 1889. To the Honorable County Court of Clatsop County, Oregon:

The Astoria Street Railway company hereby asks your honorable body to grant the right to its successors and assigns to construct, maintain and operate, with steam, electricity or animals, a single or double track railway, with necessary switches, turnouts and appurtenances, for a period of ninety-nine years from the granting of permission in the following named streets in Adair's Upper Astoria.

Commencing at a point on the boundary line between Astoria, Oregon, and Adair's Upper Astoria, Oregon, that is intersected by Fourth street—Fourth street to Brennan Ave.—Brennan Ave. to Third street—Third street in Dickinson Ave.—Dickinson Ave. to alley running east and west through block Two—alley through blocks Two, Three, Four, Five and Six, or through alley through block Five—Brennan Ave. to Canby Ave.—Canby Ave. to Third street—Canby Ave. from Third street to alley in block One—alley through block One to Dickinson Ave. or any street or public highway or alley running through block Six, suitable to enter the town of Alderbrook.

ASTORIA STREET RAILWAY CO. per F. W. NEWELL, Secretary.

And the said court has set Friday, January 13th, 1889, for hearing objections, if any, by parties interested in the granting of said petition. And the foregoing notice is ordered published for five days in some daily paper published in this city.

ASTORIA STREET RAILWAY CO. per F. W. NEWELL, Secretary.

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Notice. DURING MY ABSENCE FROM THE City, E. C. Lewis will have charge of my business. J. H. D. GRAY.

Notice. IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THERE ARE funds in the city treasury to pay all Warrants endorsed prior to Oct. 1st, 1888. J. G. HUSTLER, City Treasurer. Astoria, Jan. 10, 1889.

The Str. Telephone

Fast Time Between Portland and Astoria.

Table with 2 columns: Day, Time. Rows: Leaving Astoria Monday 5 A.M., Tuesday 4:30 P.M., Wednesday 7:30 P.M., Friday 7:30 P.M., Saturday 4:00 P.M.

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Sheriff's Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE delinquent tax-list of school district No. 1, is now in my hands for collection. Those interested will please take notice and save further costs by making immediate settlement. H. A. SMIDT, Sheriff Clatsop county and ex-officio tax collector.

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