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The Astorian guarantees to its advertisers the largest circulation of any newspaper published on the Columbia river.

Cass street north of Second is receiving some much needed repair.

The steamship *Willamette* arrived from Seattle loaded with coal yesterday.

The Seattle Press says that a robbery is committed in that city nearly every night.

Canners think it improbable that any considerable quantity of fall fishing will be done in outside rivers and bays in Oregon and Washington this fall.

Next in order is the extension northward of Genevieve street. All the streets running at right angles to the river, or north and south, extend to the ship channel.

There appears to be a jog in the grade around Benton street and the custom house, the street and the government grounds not conforming to the same standard of height.

Messrs. Noland, Thomson and Boelling yesterday bought from C. A. McGuire 102 acres of his place, paying therefor \$5,100. This does not include the 58 or 60 acres of tide land.

Parties from the upper Columbia report twelve or fifteen Chinamen having crossed the line near Ososyoos Lake. They are now mining at the placers on the Columbia river. This is the second lot known to have crossed.

Grading on the railroad bed goes right on, the contracts being now almost completed. About 2 1/2 miles yet remain to be contracted for. The contracts completed have been done at a very low figure, and the money paid out has been economically expended.

The editor of the Walla Walla Statesman says he wouldn't be found dead running for the city council, but would like to be United States senator, from the state of Washington. In either case, Purker, it is manners to wait to be asked.

Jno. Kopp, who sustained a serious loss by the recent total destruction of his brewery, is getting on his feet again as fast as possible, and will soon be ready for business. Workmen begin to-day shingling his new brewery, and by the first of next month he expects to be once more in active operation.

Captain Henry G. Sharp, of the department of the Platte, has been ordered to Vancouver barracks, W. T., where he will relieve Captain Charles A. Woodruff. Captain Woodruff will proceed to San Francisco, where he is to relieve Captain Charles P. Eagan, as purchasing and depot commissary of subsistence at that post.

The yearning desire of ambitious men to have a newspaper of their own to run as a side show or annex to their regular business of trading brokerage or real estate or something else, has been attained by a gentleman named Mitchell, who has a paper, the French Prairie Gazette, which does little else than blow a trumpet for Mitchell.

Major T. J. Blakeney and Capt. J. W. White returned yesterday from the other side of the river. While there they located a site for a life saving station on the weather beach near L. A. Loomis' place, and another at Peterson's Point, at the entrance to Gray's harbor. From here they go to Yaquina where they will select a site for another life saving station.

Chief Engineer Weeks yesterday ordered 102 firemen's badges; they cost \$9.50 a dozen and are real pretty. They are of no earthly avail; a fireman having about as much need for one as a tool has for a side saddle; but the money must be spent some way, and we might as well play with pretty badges as anything else. They were ordered under instructions from the committee.

The Oregon is due from San Francisco this morning. She has on board: M. Willing, Miss J. Howell, A. J. Parrish, P. J. Tomery, C. H. Adams, Samuel Burdman, O. Preston, H. Preston, D. Earl, J. N. Jackson, A. Ludoff, G. W. Hass, G. Otterson, Mrs. Whitney, Z. A. Lapiere, Hutcheson, B. M. Davies, J. M. Conner, S. J. Allen, W. H. Cuthbertson, S. J. Jenkins, N. Phillips, E. C. Johnson, A. W. White.

Society item from the Skagit county Logger: "Charles Seam, an Indian, and well known ruff, was shot and instantly killed at Edison. He was said to be a 'bad injun' and a holy terror among the sons of the forest. Not much trouble will be taken to discover the party who dispatched the death-dealing bullet, but it is hinted that if it was considered necessary the whole story could be brought to light.

Surveyors of the railroad line afford considerable interest to residents on the Necanicum and Lewis and Clarke's. One day a squad with instruments is seen going up the Necanicum, and up goes adjacent real estate, and Lewis and Clarke's property suf-

fers a corresponding temporary depreciation. The next day a detachment with compasses and theodolites go out by Sackett's mill, and up goes Lewis and Clarke's realty, and Necanicum stock is depressed, and so it goes.

The T. J. Potter came down with a large number of passengers at 2:30 yesterday afternoon, tarrying a few moments on her way to Ilwaco, and pointing two spring lines in landing at Flavel's dock. By the close of the season more of the Seaside travel will be thrown to this side of the river than now comes, because of inadequate communication. The Telephone arrived down after the Potter with another large crowd. At present the day travel accommodation on the river is fully up to all requirements.

The following is from the Oregonian's report of the proceedings of last Wednesday's session of the Portland city council: "An ordinance providing for the appointment of an officer for the prevention of enticing seamen from ships, and to secure the arrest and punishment of those guilty of so doing, in accordance with an act of the last legislature, was read twice. It will doubtless be passed at the next meeting. In order to save a thousand and one the trouble of applying for this situation it may be said that the committee has recommended Mr. Robert T. Graham for the office."

Says yesterday's Oregonian, "Astoria is having a boom and more real estate is changing hands than was ever known before. Astoria will certainly be a very important point, and there is no danger that any other locality at the ocean or near it will interfere with its aspirations. Astoria should have a railway to connect on the Columbia with the crossing of the Northern Pacific; also a railroad down the coast and to Salem, and with the natural lines to be constructed on the northern shore to bring it traffic from Shoalwater bay and Gray's harbor, it will command a good trade and become a metropolis."

The assignee's sale of the *Maid of Oregon* came off according to programme in front of the court house door at ten o'clock yesterday morning. Mr. Kelly captured the prize by a bid of \$225, but was subsequently surprised to find that he hadn't bought a steam vessel for \$225, but would have to put up about \$6,000 more in the shape of attachments before he could sail the ocean blue as master of the *Maid of Oregon*. Upon discovering this he disposed of his bargain to Mr. Levings, of Portland, at a discount of \$25 and paid the costs and accruing costs, about \$25 more. Mr. Kelly is recently from Denver, Colorado, where steam schooners are more of a rarity than in Astoria.

A genuine "boom" is reported at Gray's harbor. Boomers from Kansas, frontiers from Nebraska, and razzoozers from Oklahoma and land sharps from southern California, and nothing but town lots and blocks is talked of. Near Hoquiam a new town is laid out, and the talk is to build a couple of canals through the mud flats to get vessels up to the proposed wharf. The funny part of it is to hear men from the southwestern part of Kansas who don't know the fore-castle of a vessel from the garboard streak, talking of shipping and of vessels and fathoms of water and "facilities" as glib as you please. Every body is making money, and the fun will last for a while yet.

Hon. E. B. McElroy, commander of the Oregon department, G. A. R., who is in Chicago, regrets much the trouble in the east over railroad rates, which seem likely to disturb the National encampment. He says that so far as the department of Oregon is concerned it cannot observe any order relative to non-attendance unless issued directly by the commander-in-chief. If Wisconsin Grand Army of the Republic men have not the courage to proceed, McElroy says, then it need be, the Oregon department will come on single-handed and alone to meet with their comrades in Milwaukee. Oregon will bring from four to six carloads of wines, with still other products, for free distribution, and all the posts have a free, full and standing invitation to participate and libate at the Oregon headquarters.

PERSONAL MENTION.

G. W. Sanborn returned yesterday from a trip to the Siuslaw river.

W. E. Warren and Chas. Brown returned yesterday from a trip to Tillamook.

Congressman Hermann returned from Clatsop yesterday and went to Portland last evening.

Pilots H. A. Matthews and Lou Staples left last evening for a two months' visit to their home in Lincolnville, Maine.

Skipanon Episcopal Services.

Bishop Morris will hold service in the Skipanon school house on Sunday, the 21st, at 11 o'clock.

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TELEGRAPHIC.

Specials to The Astorian.

News From All Parts of the Country.

PORTLAND, July 18.—James Murphy was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary in the United States district court this morning for furnishing liquor to Indians. He was an old offender.

To-day was the time designated by Jas. Steel, administrator for the sale of the personal estate of the late Ben Holladay, but Judge Stearns issued a decree authorizing sheriff Kelly to dispose of the property, and he has postponed the sale till August 25.

The O. R. & N. Co. have decided to rebuild the *Mountain Queen*. It is not yet decided what model will be adopted, whether she will continue a sternwheeler or be built into a side-wheeler.

P. Carston, master builder for the company is busily engaged in drawing up plans for either style so that a decision can be made as the steamer is to be taken around to the Sound as soon as her changes are completed. It is thought she will be given side-wheels. The cost of rebuilding her has been roughly estimated at \$20,000.

There has been some talk to the effect that the company would not send the *Potter* to the Sound again. It is stated on good authority that she will go there as soon as the heavy business of the river is over here.

The trial of Sandy Olds is ended. Police testimony is again coming to the murderer's rescue but the prosecution have made a very strong case. Late this afternoon the case was given to the jury.

A PREDICTION.

WASHINGTON, July 18.—Civil Engineer Menoel, of the United States navy and the Nicaragua canal, will begin in two weeks for the isthmus to leave operations. He says the row between Costa Rica and Nicaragua regarding canal concessions will be speedily settled. There is no fear of war even if the matter is not soon adjusted, and the canal will be built without opposition in a few years, and carrying heavy ships from ocean to ocean many years before the Panama canal is completed.

RAPID TRANSIT.

NEW YORK, July 18.—President Corbin, of the Reading Railroad and Rapid Transit Steamship Co., has purchased 3,200 acres of land and all the available water front at Montauk Point, Long Island, as a landing point in this country to his new steamship line. In New York \$8,000,000 has been subscribed, largely by the Vanderbilt and Astor families, to build eight steamships with power to cross the Atlantic in five and a half days. The new vessels will be constructed in this country and carry only saloon and second cabin passengers. The boats are not to be open for general freight. Only mail, express packages and coin bullion will be carried. The contract for the construction of steamers will be awarded as soon as the new White Star line steamship *Majestic* proves a success. The new type twin-screw propeller will be tried on this vessel. If successful they promise to revolutionize the screw propeller. If the contracts cannot be filled here within a reasonable time the yard will be leased to the vessels to be constructed by the company.

HOTEL TRUSTS.

PHILADELPHIA, July 18.—Thomas H. Gigen, a leading local hotel-keeper, proposes the formation of a hotel trust, embracing thirteen of the largest hotel properties here. He says they aggregated \$5,000,000 of business last year, and that 30 per cent. of the savings of expenses will be effected by the "combine."

CHINESE IN TRANSIT.

WASHINGTON, July 18.—Acting secretary Batcheller is in telegraphic correspondence with C. P. Huntington, president of the Southern Pacific Railroad company, in regard to the case of twelve Chinese coolies, who recently arrived at New Orleans en route to China via San Francisco. The collector held that their landing was prohibited by the Chinese exclusion act, while the railroad company contended that they were entitled to the privilege of transit through the United States territory as tourists. Acting secretary Batcheller informed Mr. Huntington that the collector's decision was in accordance with a previous decision of the department, but that he would comply with the request of the Transportation company to postpone further action until the question can be presented in a diplomatic way through the Chinese legation at Washington. In the meantime the collector was instructed to detain, but not allow them to land.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE.

CHICAGO, July 18.—The Interstate Commerce committee has commenced an investigation of the effect of Canadian railroads upon the commerce of the United States. Secretary Stone, of the board of trade read a report on the question submitted by the committee to the board. His report was to the effect that the commercial interests of the United States were probably favorably effected by having open to it many channels of trade. That the Canadian roads have not diverted traffic from the American roads except in the case of perishable goods and it is of the opinion that no further restriction upon commerce between the two countries by water routes should be tolerated. The report also suggested additional legislation, making it unlawful for railroads to combine for the formation of associations like the Trunk line of the central traffic or railway trusts of any description, believing they destroy competition and evade the laws. The latter statement was unexpected to the interstate committee and created quite a sensation. They immediately abandoned, temporarily, the consideration of the relations with Canada to develop the

board of trade idea of traffic associations and pools. "This is indeed an important question," said senator Hisecock, "and the attitude of the board of trade is considerable of a surprise. The public opinion, both among railroad men and shippers, and particularly in Boston, where we were last in session, is that these associations and traffic agreements are the only solution of the present complication." Individual members of the committee were then examined, and from each was elicited the strongest opposition to any traffic agreement on differentials for weaker roads, on the ground that it prevented free competition.

Get the School Books Now.

It is probably generally known says the *Corvallis Times*, that a change has been made in common school text books in Oregon, that will go into effect this fall. It will cost the people of the state thousands of dollars to make this change unless they take advantage of the opportunity offered by the publishers. This opportunity is offered, not because of the generosity of the school book monopoly, but because they were compelled to do so before the change would be sanctioned by the strongly organized taxpayers. For instance: The Barnes New National Reader has been adopted, and every student in our common schools must procure one of the new books. These books, however, may be purchased at a nominal price or exchanged for old readers until the 31st of next October; after that time no exchange will be made, and they can only be purchased at the usual retail price. To show the advantage of securing these books before the end of October, we quote the prices the monopoly are compelled to sell for now, and the prices that will be charged at the expiration of that time:

Table with 4 columns: National 1st Reader, 10 cts. 25 cts. National 2nd Reader, 20 cts. 45 cts. National 3rd Reader, 25 cts. 60 cts. National 4th Reader, 35 cts. 85 cts. National 5th Reader, 45 cts. \$1.15.

Other changes will be made in a similar manner, and we trust that every school district in the state will protect itself by securing its text-books before the monopoly regulate the prices.

The Jetty Causing an Improvement.

WASHINGTON, July 17.—The report of Major Thomas Handbury, engineer in charge of the improvements at the mouth of the Columbia river, and the report of Lieutenant Edward Burr on the canal at the Cascades, have been received at the war department. The existing project at the mouth of the river was carried on successfully during the year. Congress appropriated in 1888, half a million dollars. There was expended during the year \$367,000. Major Handbury thinks \$700,000 can be profitably expended during the next fiscal year.

The government's plant has been largely increased during the past year. The tramway for dumping rock was extended 4,176 feet during that period, and 63,468 tons of rock was received and dumped into the jetty.

The engineer reports that the effect of the new work can already be seen in the filling in of the flats south of the jetty, and the straightening of the channel over the bar.

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