

In the interests of children's safety and the preservation of valuable public property, THE ASTORIAN directs attention to the present unsafe condition of the flues and heating apparatus in district No. One's school house. As at present it is a veritable fire trap. Without the slightest desire to be sensational or occasion alarm, THE ASTORIAN says that as things are it is unsafe, and if not attended to may result at any time in the total destruction of that valuable property costing the district over \$30,000, and danger to the lives of the children.

That is an imperative matter, and THE ASTORIAN calls upon the school directors to see that the heating apparatus and flues are put in proper condition at once.

By proper condition is meant that a fire may be started in the furnace without imminent danger of setting fire to the timbers in immediate contact with the flue or passage way for smoke.

Twice, the building has narrowly escaped destruction: a third fire may gain such headway as to occasion the total destruction of that fine building.

Faith in providence, Divine or otherwise, is a grand thing; it is one of the noblest attributes of trusting and trustful humanity—backed by an efficient fire department, and copious showers.

But in this case something more is needed.

Before a fire is built in that school-house such alteration and repair should be made, that if it didn't render accidental burning of the edifice an impossibility, would at least render such a terrible catastrophe far less probable than at present.

MRS. TERRY is going to try to engage Robert G. Ingersoll to prosecute Marshal Neagle. She had better save her money. In the court in which Neagle is tried he is going to be acquitted, and in the court to which her husband has gone Ingersoll has no influence.

GRAY'S HARBOR ITEMS.

Aberdeen is to have a new bank, to be started by a man named Stevens, from Lawrence, Kansas. It is to be called "The State Bank of Aberdeen." The cannery-men this season are paying 50 cents for large fish and 25 cents for small ones. Seventy or eighty fish a night is not an unusual catch for one boat.

The first salmon of the season were being landed at Megler's cannery yesterday. The boys made a pretty good haul, and the fish are in prime condition.

Most of the fishermen this season seem to be of the opinion that the work will go on without any strike.

The force of Chinamen sent over to work in Megler's cannery commenced last Monday manufacturing cans in which to put up this season's catch.

B. A. Seaborg came over on the Miles last Friday to get things in order for commencing work at his cannery here. He has returned to Ilwaco, but will be back soon.—Aberdeen Herald, 22.

CAUSE OF THE CROWD.



"What are you growling at, sir?" "At the amount you are eating, sir! Have you no regard for the feelings of a dyspeptic, sir?"

"No sir! Go and take a course of Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla and you won't have the dyspepsia, sir!"

John Arroll of 628 Golden Gate avenue, writes: "You may also use my name as an additional authority that 'The California Remedy,' Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla, will cure dyspepsia and liver and kidney complaint. It has done it for me."

James Wells, Oakland, Cal., writes: "I suffered acutely from dyspepsia for years, scarcely taking a meal without the distressing pains of indigestion. Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla relieved me of it entirely."

All the patent medicines advertised in this paper, together with the choicest perfumery, and toilet articles, etc., can be bought at the lowest prices, at J. W. Conn's drug store, opposite Occident hotel, Astoria.

C. R. F. P. U.

A meeting of the members of the Columbia River Fishermen's Protective Union will be held at their reading room on Tuesday September 3rd, 1888, at 7:30 P. M. KNUT LARSEN, President.

GEO. JOHNSON, Secretary.

The latest style of Gents' Boots and Shoes at P. J. GOODMAN'S.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Winhard's Beer. And Free Lunch at the Telephone Saloon, 5 cents. Call at the Mikado for fine Caramels. Tender, Juicy Steak at Jeff's.

TELEGRAPHIC.

Specials to The Astorian.

The Fishermen's Strike at Florence.

Various News Items from Various Places.

FLORENCE, Oregon, Aug. 28.—The Fishermen's Protective Union here are on a strike. They want forty and sixty cents. The cannery offer twenty-five and forty cents.

SUBVEYORS AND THE LAND OFFICE.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—The general land office is inclined to push with some persistence the investigation into the payments made to deputy surveyors on their vouchers by the authorities of the treasury department. There is something of a disposition to push the treasury officials on this matter in view of the fact that Judge Durham, as first comptroller, made something of a reputation as an economist for the government by closely scrutinizing all accounts that passed through his hands, and at the same time authorized the payment of these accounts after the general land office had disallowed them, a specimen account will show how the fraud was managed: J. B. Glover was given a contract for surveying ten townships in California under a specific appropriation. He put in a bill for \$2,535.51. Investigation showed that he had surveyed but two out of ten townships, and his bill for these, \$663.44, was paid and \$1,871.67 disallowed.

These townships were surveyed in 1877, and subsequently the contract for surveying the other eight townships was let and complied with and the work paid for in 1879, comptroller Durham, however, proceeded to allow the account of Glover, and last year he was paid the full amount of his bill, \$2,535.51 without consulting with the general land office.

This is but a sample of fifty other cases that have been passed in the same way, and it seems probable that the government has paid out about \$50,000 for alleged duplicate surveys in the past ten years simply for want of proper communication between the interior and the treasury departments.

NO COMMUNICATION WITH THE ENGLISH.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—Acting secretary Wharton of the state department, speaking of the Behring sea complications says: "We have had up to this time no communication with the English government upon the subject of the seal fisheries in the Behring sea. The recent seizures of sealing vessels are matters with which the treasury department alone must deal, as they have been made by vessels of the revenue marine service. The state department can become interested only when international questions affecting the rights of these sealers arise. I can only say that up to this time they have not been presented. We have had no communication with the British government upon this question since Mr. Bayard was secretary of state, and the matter stands exactly as it did when he left the department. Until these questions are brought forward as involving points of international law the state department has no action to take and has of course officially no opinion upon the subject to express. We have had no communications from minister Lincoln or from the British government upon the question."

THE CONGO RAILROAD.

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Since C. P. Huntington sailed on the *Toutonic* it has been learned that one of the objects of the trip is to consult with the king of Belgium about the Congo railroad enterprise. The project seems to have taken a deep hold on Huntington. He, it is said, intends to build a Congo railroad for his son, or rather let his son build it. Young Huntington is a six-footer who has been out of college a couple of years.

When C. P. Huntington sold out his Cincinnati and Ohio control to the Vanderbilts a short time since it was with the Congo road in view, and he is going abroad to see about it. It is estimated that the road will cost from \$40,000,000 to \$50,000,000 to build and equip, of which \$6,400,000 has been subscribed under the auspices of the Belgium trading company, which is the great trading concern of the Congo Free State. The lower Congo country is in the enjoyment of a complete system of government which has its headquarters at Brussels, and a full set of resident officials, courts, postoffices, a custom house, standing army, etc.

It is the connection of this lower Congo region with the upper Congo country for which a railroad is sought. The upper Congo country has a large population and a vast trade can be opened up there, of which the Belgians wish to reap the benefit.

This is the reason that Huntington, it is reported, intends to sell his interest in this country that lies east of the Mississippi river.

AMERICAN FISHING SCHOONER FINED.

OTTAWA, Aug. 28.—The owners of the American fishing schooner *Mattie Winship*, caught poaching in Canadian waters, paid the government \$2,000 fine and the expenses for conviction.

DECREASE IN IMMIGRATION.

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Statistics for six months show 84,000 less immigrants arrived at this port than during the corresponding period in 1888. The largest decrease is in Italians.

MINERS SUFFERING.

BRAZIL, Ind., Aug. 28.—There appears to be no immediate prospect for a settlement of the coal miners' strike. The miners are trying to get operators to arbitrate, but so far without success. The miners' families are in a starving condition.

SUGAR REFINERIES CLOSED.

LONDON, Aug. 28.—The majority of the Clyde sugar refineries have closed their factories for ten days in order to raise the price.

RUMORS AT OTTAWA.

OTTAWA, Aug. 28.—A rumor is current that proposals have been sent from Washington to London as a

basis of settlement of the Behring sea dispute and that it is for the purpose of considering it that an important meeting of the cabinet has been called. It is impossible, however, to verify the statement. Those possessed of the facts maintain that the correspondence received from the British government is confidential and will not be made public.

A MIRACULOUS ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

PORTLAND, Aug. 28.—At 6 o'clock last evening James McFarland, a moulder in the Union Iron works, on Front and Main streets, met with an accident that may be termed miraculous in its harmless effect. He was guiding a ladle containing about 3,000 pounds of molten iron, about four inches above the ground, when the heavy timber supporting the crane to which the ladle was attached gave way, striking McFarland on the back, and knocking him senseless. His injuries are slight and he will recover in a few days.

ACCIDENT TO THE "CASCADES."

The United States steamer *Cascades* arrived this morning from the Columbia, with only one engine in working order. While towing barges loaded with stone for the river improvement at Fort Stevens, she broke a pitman rod, and has come here for repairs.

FOUND DEAD.

Mrs. Charles Graham a well known and respected colored woman aged 50 was found dead in her house near corner First and Sheridan streets today. No one in the neighborhood had seen her since last Friday and it is believed that she has been dead several days.

DIED.

Last night Mr. A. G. Cunningham died at his residence in Holladay's addition, East Portland in the 68th year of his age. He was secretary of the O. & C. company during Ben Holladay's regime, and was a man of strict integrity.

COUNTERFEITING RAILWAY TICKETS.

A certain class of ticket scalpers here are said to have been reaping large profits of late by counterfeiting Northern Pacific railway tickets.

Merit Wins.

We desire to say to our citizens, that we have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Dr. King's New Life Pills, Bucklen's Arnica Salve and Electric Bitters, and have never handled remedies that sell as well, or that have given such universal satisfaction. We do not hesitate to guarantee them every time, and we stand ready to refund the purchase price, if satisfactory results do not follow their use. These remedies have won their great popularity purely on their merits. J. W. Conn, Druggist.

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General Debility

"For four years my wife suffered with large tumor bunches on the glands under the arms, and general debility of the whole system. She became so poor in health that we were on the verge of despair regarding her recovery. Physicians did not seem to understand her case; at all events she never derived any benefit from their treatment. She finally concluded to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. The immediate effect was so marked and satisfactory that she continued to take it, and this is the result: She has gained in weight and is stronger and in better health than she has been for years. The tumor under her arm has disappeared, and we believe Hood's Sarsaparilla will be too much for them in time." J. J. NOUNS, 225 Commercial Street, Boston, Mass.

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