

It is a noticeable fact that in all the dreadful disasters to shipping on the coast, the entrance to the Columbia river enjoys favorable and distinctive immunity.

ASTORIA property is changing hands at the rate of \$30,000 a day. People who buy now will not be telling in a year from now what they could have done.

A KANSAS jury recently returned a verdict against the charge of the court in a land case, and the judge said: "Mr. clerk, the verdict is set aside by the court. It takes thirteen men to steal a man's farm in this court."

The dreadful holocaust at Minneapolis, where editors and printers were roasted to death in a trap, is an unanswerable argument for the necessity of adequate fire escapes from such lofty edifices as the Tribune building.

ASTORIA needs some important charter amendments; among others giving the council increased police power; giving the mayor a vote; and arranging that all street improvement after the street is opened shall be done by general city tax.

As a matter of business, the O. R. & N. Co., need to put a tug on the bar with some power, and the sooner the quicker. Improving the bar with government money and making a good channel isn't enough. Ordinary precaution and common sense are also needed.

At present one can get any kind of a climate he wants in this state. In eastern Oregon the thermometer is down to zero; on the summits of the Cascades winter sits enthroned, and deep snow lies glistening in the wintry ray; in the Willamette valley and southern Oregon rain is gently falling; here in Astoria, and along the coast the air is warm and moist and the grass is as green as in eastern states in the latter part of May.

The Fifty-first congress assembled at noon yesterday. Owing to the entire day being occupied in the organization of the new house of representatives, the president's message will not be sent to congress until to-day. The annual report of the secretary of the treasury will be transmitted to-morrow. Congress will have brought to its attention a number of matters upon which the public have become well informed by reason of previous discussion. Among them are the Blair educational bill, bills to forfeit land grants, general and special, bills to declare trusts unlawful, dependent pension bill, bills to repeal civil service and oleomargarine tax laws, and various measures relating to the tariff, and our general financial system.

SAYS a Washington dispatch: The Oregon and Washington members have been trying to fix up committee matters between them satisfactorily, and both are agreed not to get in the other's way. Hermann wants to go on the river and harbor committee, and Wilson is anxious that he should have the place. Hermann does not think that he will secure such a prominent place, and will make an effort to get on the commerce committee. If he should get the other place, Wilson will try to secure the commerce place, and in case of failure will try to get on the public buildings committee. Hermann will be on one or the other of the first named committees, but it is not at all certain that Wilson can get either of the places to which he aspires. The entire new state delegation would prefer to have Wilson on rivers and harbors rather than Hermann, but that is out of the question.

SECRETARY OF WAR, TRACY, in discussing the recommendation of the commission to select a site for the proposed new Pacific coast navy yard, says: "The department, in presenting the report, is not satisfied as to the finality of its conclusions. Upon the military problem involved some difference of opinion exists among experts, and it is doubtful whether the strategic side of the question has not been considered too much at the expense of the industrial. On the other hand, the department is not sufficiently advised as to the proposed canal to make any recommendations in reference to it. If, as would seem to be the case, it will be largely used for commercial purposes, and thus be of great benefit to the city of Seattle, the cost of its construction should not be borne wholly by the general government. In any case, the department cannot recommend that the canal should be built solely for the benefit of a possible navy yard on the lake."

EPOCH.
The transition from long, lingering and painful sickness to robust health marks an epoch in the life of the individual. Such a remarkable event is treasured in the memory and the agency whereby the good health has been attained is gratefully blessed. Hence it is that so much is heard in praise of Electric Bitters. So many feel they owe their restoration to health to the use of the Great Alterative and Tonic. If you are troubled with any disease of the Kidneys, Liver or Stomach, or long or short standing you will surely find relief by use of Electric Bitters. Sold at 50 c. and \$1 per bottle at J. W. Conn's Drug store.

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TELEGRAPHIC.

Specials to The Astorian.

Speaker of the Fifty-First Congress.
Sandy Olds Before The Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—As the gallery doors of the house swung outward this morning there was a wild rush for seats and in a few moments there was standing room only. On the floor members mingled together chatting and laughing. At noon clerk Clark called the house to order. Roll call showed the presence of 327 members; the three absentees being O'Neal of Indiana, Randall of Pennsylvania, and Withorse of Tennessee. Reed was placed in nomination for speaker by Henderson of Illinois. The mention of Reed's name was the signal for applause on the Republican side which was returned with interest by the Democrats when Carlisle's name was placed in nomination. The vote resulted in Reed 166, Carlisle 154, Cummings of New York for clerk. Reed having been declared elected speaker was escorted to the chair by McKinley and Carlisle, amid applause and the oath of office administered by Kellye of Pennsylvania. Randall of Pennsylvania was paired with Wilbur of New York. Speaker Reed on taking his seat made a few remarks.

IN THE SENATE.
Little or no excitement attended the opening of the fifty-first congress in the senate side. Public curiosity seemed to be transferred to the house. The interest on the floor was devoted largely to senators from new states. They had seats assigned them on the Republican side. Directly behind them sat the Washington senators, Allen and Squires, while Pettigrew and Moody of South Dakota sat in the fourth row, near the center of the room. Senator Pierce of North Dakota has the end seat in the fourth row, but he was not present to-day. On the Democratic side are two seats so far unassigned. They will be occupied by the senators from Montana when they have been chosen. After swearing in the new senators the senate adjourned.

A PHILADELPHIA HOLOGRAPH.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 2.—The bakery of Gratiave Cross was burned this morning. His wife and four children were burned to death. Another family consisting of a man, name not learned, wife and children, was rescued with difficulty and removed to the hospital. They are said to be in a precarious condition.

BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT.
PORTLAND, Dec. 2.—Late this afternoon the following dispatch was received from Salem.

SALEM, Dec. 2.—At 1:30 o'clock this afternoon district attorney Henry E. McGinn, from Multnomah county opened the argument in the case of Sandy Olds, convicted of the murder of Emil Weber, before the judges of the supreme court. Richard Williams appeared for the appellant, and it is expected that the argument will be closed this afternoon. The decision will likely be made Wednesday next.

A CASE ASSIGNED.
One thoroughly acquainted with the Sound says it is no wonder Captain Angerstein ran on the rocks, that the sound of the fog bells always travels landward instead of seaward.



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Catarrh
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