

TELEGRAPHIC.

Specials to The Astorian.

The Day's Doings of the World. Special From Europe, Asia and the East.

SECRETARY of the treasury Windom has decided to refuse a renewal of the lease to the Alaska Commercial company, which since 1870 has had a monopoly of Alaska seal fishing to the exclusion of all other seal hunters.

By an act of the last congress the secretary was authorized to renew the lease of the old company or to give the privilege to whom he pleased. The matter has been given careful consideration by the secretary, and his advisers for two weeks, to the almost total exclusion of other matters.

Advertisements will be issued for publication in a few days, when the form of contract has been fully decided upon. It will, undoubtedly, be like that under which the Alaska company has been working since 1870.

While the treasury department has been considering this view of the matter the secretary of state has been at work, hoping to make a pacific arrangement with the English foreign affairs office to give the bidders a feeling of security and warrant that their rights will be protected.

Bell's telephone monopoly is confronted with two dangerous enemies. Gray's telegraph is one of these and Essick's type-writing telegraph the other. Gray's device transmits writing perfectly, and properly applied would take the place of the telephone, having the additional advantage of greater secrecy.

A CASE IN POINT.

In our forefathers' days, pimples were attributed to diseased blood. But modern medicine has demonstrated that rich food does not create eruptions by fouling the blood, but retards digestion, which makes the stomach torpid, and the circulation sluggish, and in turn causes an embolized action of the pores which congest or become simply. The modern theory therefore is not to treat the blood, but the stomach and liver, and it is under this new idea, that Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla was conceived.

A new cotton mill to cost \$500,000, will be built at Demmon, Texas. It will have 25,000 spindles and will employ 800 hands.

Is Consumption incurable? Read the following: Mr. C. H. Morris, Newark, Ark., says: "Was down with Abscess of Lungs, and friends and physicians pronounced me an incurable Consumptive. Began taking Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and now on my third bottle, and able to increase the work on my farm. It is the finest medicine ever made."

Jesse Middlewart, Deater, Ohio, says: "Had it not been for Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, I would have died of Lung Trouble. Was given up by doctors. Am now in best of health." Try it. Sample bottles free at J. W. Conn's Drug Store.

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Comfortable Rooms to Let. Single, or en suite, at Mrs. P. J. Goodman's, N. W. corner First and Madison streets.

For Rent. SOME NICE OFFICE ROOMS OVER THE Milwau candy store for rent. Inquire of Alex. Campbell.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The president has approved the joint resolution to extend the time of service of delegates of the United States to the international marine convention.

In the senate Edmunds in presenting a petition for an extension of time for making pension applications, remarked that it was evidently one of the printed petitions sent around by persons engaged in getting them up. If genuine, as he presumed it was, it was deserving of such consideration as it was entitled to.

Among the bills introduced and referred to committees were some providing for limited postal telegraph service, for free coinage of both gold and silver, of certificates to serve as money, and the retirement of the United States and national bank notes of small denomination.

A resolution was agreed to on motion of McKenna, of California, and a joint resolution was passed making immediately available for repairing damages caused by flood in Sacramento and Feather rivers, an unexpected balance of \$10,000.

A VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY. CINCINNATI, Dec. 20.—This morning, after two week's trial, the case of the government against William Moans and John R. Decamp, of the Metropolitan National Bank, was concluded.

The offense charged was that of making false returns of the condition of the bank to the comptroller of the currency with intent to deceive the officers of the bank.

The jury was out half an hour and returned a verdict of not guilty.

FIRE IN ST. LOUIS. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 20.—A large six-story building on North Third and Chestnut streets, occupied by Guernsey Sessler Electric Plant Commercial Printing Co. and others was burned this morning.

The walls fell and crushed the old Mechanics' Bank building. The loss is from \$150,000 to \$200,000. Insured.

THREE HUNDRED MEN are thrown out of employment.

DUBLIN, Dec. 20.—William O'Brien was released from Galway jail to-day, having secured two months' imprisonment for holding nationalist meetings which had been prohibited.

UPON HIS RELEASE he addressed a large number of his sympathizers, and received an enthusiastic reception.

A FATAL EXPLOSION. ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 20.—A shell exploded to-day in an artillery magazine at Baku causing a general explosion of ammunition stored there and the destruction of the building.

A HUNDRED THOUSAND cartridges were destroyed, four persons were killed and four injured.

POOR OLD CHINA. SHANGHAI, Dec. 20.—Railway projects in China have been suspended owing to political intrigues and popular opposition to their construction.

NEXT IS TO CATCH HIM. WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The grand jury to-day indicted C. E. Silcott late cashier of the office of Sergeant-at-Arms of the house of representatives for grand larceny and forgery.

THE WRECKED "IDARO." VICTORIA, Dec. 20.—The wrecked steamer Idaro drifted off Race rock, this morning. There was no tug in port to go to her relief. After having drifted off the rocks she floated ashore again at Bentock's Island.

A FATAL COLLISION. The steamships Cleddy and Isle of Cyprus, collided near the Isle of Wight to-day. The former sank and thirteen of her crew were drowned.

A MAN WITHOUT A COUNTRY. LISBON, Dec. 20.—It is reported that the Portuguese government is anxious for Dom Pedro to leave Portugal.

NEW TO-DAY. Ross' Opera House. Thursday, Friday, Dec. 26, 27. Under the Auspices of the Ladies of the Presbyterian Church.

SPECIALLY ENGAGED. Prof. J. John W. Sherman's Wonderful PHANTASMA.

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On December 12th I shall offer For Sale a Few Lots in

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Situated on the roadway, one block West of Clatsop Mill.

This block has been filled in, is on the street car line and only five minutes walk from O. R. & N. wharf, and parties building thereon can immediately rent houses at prices that will pay large interest.

Prices from \$600 to \$1,250.

See plat at J. H. MANSELL'S, Real Estate Broker.

City Book Store.

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If you don't believe it look in at our crowded stores; full from morning until night. The Best Goods for the Lowest Prices has been our motto. An extra force of clerks will be found at our two stores from now until Christmas.

Leather Goods. Albums. Traveling Cases.

Silverware. Bisque Ornaments. Vases, Bronzes, Etc.

Ross' Opera House.

At our ANNEX can be found a large assortment of Toys, Wagons and Dolls, of every description. A fine kid-body bisque-head doll for 25c; larger ones, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50. Dolls all sizes and prices. Our stock is complete. Call and examine our goods and get prices. No trouble to show goods.

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This addition is beautifully located within one and a half miles of the center of the city of Astoria on the southern slope, and from its excellent location and the magnificent views to be obtained from every quarter is acknowledged to be one of the most desirable and picturesque additions ever put on the market. The government military road on the north and the Electric Motor line on the south make it so accessible as to satisfy the most exacting. This property being so near the city makes it especially desirable for tradespeople and business men needing a suburban home within easy reach of their business. Lots will be put on the market till January 1st at Sixty Dollars for Inside Lots and Seventy Dollars for Corners, and as the number is limited, application had better be made early in order to secure the best locations.

For Plats and Particulars Apply at the Office of FRANK SPITTLE, ASTORIA, OREGON

ASTOR ADDITION!

Astoria's Most Delightful Suburb. Perfectly Cleared Level Lots in this Favored Spot now on the Market at \$20, \$25, and \$30.

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Also Eighteen Good Lots in George McEwan's Seaside Addition. Buy Now While They are Cheap.

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