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THE ASTORIAN GUARANTEES TO BE THE LARGEST CIRCULATION OF ANY PAPER PUBLISHED ON THE COLUMBIA RIVER.

City and County Official Paper. Cosmo has bought the Maison Doree restaurant.

There are now 82 civil cases on the docket for the next session of the court.

The ladies were out yesterday in numbers larger than for the forty days preceding.

C. W. Fulton lost a \$150 thoroughbred mastiff by drowning at the U. P. wharf last Sunday.

Reserved seats at the New York Novelty Store to-night for "Virginians," Frederick Ward's masterpiece.

Regular Chinook salmon, all wool and 36 inches round the chest, is now daily served up on dinner tables in Astoria.

The painting class of Miss A. J. Smith will resume their regular studies, commencing to-day, in the parlors of Astoria Engine Co. No. 1.

Considerable sickness is still prevalent, there are many families, members of which have been confined to bed for months; some in great agony.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will give a social at the residence of Mrs. E. C. Holden, next Monday evening. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Since the break down of the post-office department, the express company has done a lively business in stamped envelopes. The supply, however, is now running short.

Every day now sees an addition to the real estate subdivisions. Yesterday was filed the plat of Sunny Mead, which is just west of Power's Astoria. It is the property of Mrs. B. A. Owens-Adair, M. D.

The Lucine went up from Portland yesterday morning to the scene of the break near the Cascade locks, where thirteen hundred sacks of decayed mail from the east await transportation to Portland.

The usual dark blue, and sea green of the water has been discolored to a soft, milky, and turbid, and grows darker and browner as the floods sweep from the interior toward the sea.

Supplies are in great demand at the various settlements on the surrounding small rivers. Nearly all the boats are well loaded with the necessities of life. This business must grow and finally support large wholesale stores in Astoria.

The handsome parrot in front of the Telephone saloon, attracted considerable attention yesterday morning. He was having great sport rattling and talking to the children. It is seldom that a bird is seen that can speak so well as this one.

From the Santiam to the sea the river is full of flotsam and jetsam. All the way down men are out in boats towing logs, etc., ashore. One million dollars represents the former value of such that has been floating on the waves past our doors for the last three days.

Town lots are being staked out on Tansy Point for a future city there. Yesterday the *Cady* took on a big pile of stakes containing several hundred, which will be used there directly. There is plenty of room as far as extent of land goes to build a dozen cities across the bay.

The official report of all the A. O. U. W. lodges in this jurisdiction shows that Seaside Lodge No. 12 of this city, has the most money in its treasury - \$8012. Industry Lodge, of Portland, reports 280 members; Seaside, 282. The net cost of insurance for the year was \$9,355 for the \$10,000.

In grim despair the Southern Pacific officials are setting about to make a start at repairing the vast wreckage now on their hands. It is a big job, for, as one of the officers says, "It looks as if the whole road had gone to hades." This is just a sentence, when pressed to describe the feelings of all the company's officers.

D. A. McIntosh and his wife of Spokane Falls, have appointed Benjamin Van Dusen as their attorneys to take charge of their property consisting of the donation land claim of Henry Martin, also lot 2, blk 99, Olney's, lots 7, 8, blk 23, Shively's, lot 7, blk 18, Adair's and the NW 1/4, and SE 1/4, section 36, T8N, R9W.

Andrew Anderson aged 20 years, died at Young's river last Wednesday afternoon, of consumption. The funeral will be from the residence of J. L. Haythorn at Young's river at one o'clock next Sunday afternoon. The interment will be at Young's River cemetery. The steamer *Rival* will leave Thompson and Ross's wharf at 9:30 Sunday morning to take those wishing to attend the funeral from this city.

The biggest edible oysters in the world are found at Port Lincoln, in South Australia. They are as large as a dinner plate and the same shape. They are sometimes more than a foot across the shell and the oyster fits snugly as well as does not leave much margin. It is a new sensation, when a friend asks you to lunch at Adelaide, to have one oyster set before you fried in butter or eggs and bread crumbs. But it is a very pleasant sensation, for the flavor and delicacy of the Port Lincoln oysters are proverbial in that land of luxuries.

When Jones, last Friday, presented in the Washington state senate, a memorial to congress asking for the appropriation of \$100,000 to improve the mouth of the Columbia river and establish a port of entry at Gray's bay, Seaborg said there is no town or village there, nothing but a farm. Someone suggested that may be a real estate man intends to start a town there. Another senator said it might well be passed, like all the rest that

THE JETTY IN PERIL! Necessity For Speedy Appropriation For The Work.

FILES WASHED AWAY BY THESE. An Astorian reporter was yesterday detailed to visit the jetty at the mouth of the river and note its condition, being careful to report only the actual facts. Arriving at the Ft. Stevens dock, the usual scene of activity was wanting. The huge cranes and derricks were silent, the busy little engines were cold, and the track stretched away, 12,000 feet to the northwest, straight out to sea. Following along the track, past the shops where about 20 workmen are busy repairing, etc., it was noted that the track is fast wearing, and reason of the rust occasioned by the salt sea air, and many of the shore piles are in a condition that require speedy replacement. The night, as the end of the jetty was reached, was an impressive one. Down from the flooded interior came a turbid current, bearing on its muddy bosom great logs, piles, lumber and fragments of everything ruined inland that could float. Across this wide expanse shone the lighthouse at Cape Hancock, and to the south was seen the Point Adams sentry spire. Where the brown flood of the Columbia met the surging waves of the Pacific the contrast in color was noticeable, the coffee-colored current from the river staining the sea far beyond where the reporter stood watching the commingling of the waters. But it was the condition of the jetty that attracted his earnest attention. Observation disclosed the important fact that the waves had washed away some of the forward piles, and seriously impaired the position of two of the bents, so much so as to make perilous the approach of a locomotive. To allow the construction train to go to the end, extensive repairs are even now being made, and things will get no better very fast before now and the resumption of work. This is serious, and its seriousness will be readily understood by those who have followed the course of the work from its inception. To replace piles where rock has been dumped will, at best, be a matter of great difficulty, and the longer the present state of affairs continues to continue by reason of lack of funds the more seriously the usefulness of the past work will be impaired. The great good resultant from the work already done exemplifies the value that the work has to the community, and the value that the work has to the commerce of the northwest by giving a straight channel with 20 feet of water. But unless money can be made immediately available, much will be lost, and great delay will result in getting the trestle and track and piling back to even its present state of efficiency. As it is now, all that is built is useful, and would serve the purposes for which it is intended, but it is daily deteriorating, and the work of replacement must begin in 1891. For this reason very economy suggestions that great strides should be made in 1890. To properly do this requires adequate and speedy appropriation, and upon the action of congress depends largely whether this great work shall be greatly forwarded or greatly delayed.

Lightening The Pressure. While no legal or moral obligation rested or rests upon any one, outside of the Pacific Construction company, to assume or take notice of any claim held by any one against that corporation, yet the presence on our streets of men to whom the company was indebted for labor performed, and who were in immediate need of the money, led Capt. J. H. D. Gray to suggest that their needs be temporarily alleviated. Accordingly he circulated a subscription paper, heading the list with a subscription of \$100, which was also subscribed by A. V. Allen, C. Wingate, M. J. Kinney, W. W. Parker, Griffin & Reed, L. W. Case, Geo. Flavel, and Jas. W. Welch, for \$100 each, and S. D. Adair for \$50, making a total of \$850, deposited in I. W. Case's bank. This sum was yesterday used in this way: To any one who held a time check on the Construction company for work personally performed, 50 per cent. of the amount of such check was advanced. Several men availed themselves of the opportunity to get a little needed ready money, and in an hour the money had been paid out in accordance with the idea of the subscribers.

Death of Mrs. Louis Wilson. The news of the death of Mrs. Louis Wilson, which took place yesterday morning at the family residence, will be read with regret by this community, where the deceased lady had so long resided and performed unostentatious deeds of charity. She had long been a sufferer from consumption, and her death was a glad release from pain to the family. The funeral has not yet been decided upon, but it will probably be on Sunday. The sorrowing husband and children have the sympathy of the community in their bereavement. Since the above was in type, it was learned that the funeral would be on Sunday, and the interment at the Presbyterian cemetery on Clatsop plains.

Of Mutual Interest And Value. Street superintendent Clinton is trying to help enforce the ordinance recently passed, prohibiting the piling of wood, lumber, etc. in any public thoroughfare in the city, longer than 14 hours without a special permit. In this he is doing his duty, just what he is in office for. It isn't a personal matter; it is the street superintendent, asking citizens to comply with the law. A moment's reflection will show any one that it is in his interest to have the ordinance enforced. The ordinance is designed to do away with an abuse long complained of, and to aid the street superintendent, instead of trying to quarrel with him more in line with public requirements.

A Subscription Paper. Yesterday a subscription paper was started for John Peterson a man who has been lying in the hospital six weeks afflicted with fever and a severe attack of influenza. He is now just able to be up, going out for the first time yesterday. Peterson has experienced hard luck. He has a wife and two children in Duluth, Minn., who have all been very sick this winter and hardly able to keep themselves. He left Duluth last summer to work on the railroad in Montana, finally getting to Spokane. There he was taken sick and had just enough money to reach Astoria. He has a brother here who has nearly paid his expenses at hospital but is unable to meet them all. Judge Jewett prepared a subscription paper which is being circulated by Peterson's friends.

Fred's Ward In "Belphégor." A fine audience and an appreciative one greeted Fred's Ward last evening in his famous impersonation of "Belphégor the Montebank." He was at his best, and gave a splendid realization of the character in which he was well supported. Being called before the curtain at the close of the act, he looked down on the audience and made the announcement to state that he would appear again to-night in "Virginians," when he will doubtless have another large audience to hear his rich voice and note the stately grandeur with which he moves that noble Roman. Those who go to-night will enjoy a treat in fine acting and dramatic effect.

The Break in the Roadway. The break in the eastern end of the roadway toward Alderbrook occasioned a hitch in communication yesterday, which had not been remedied. Some time ago the county applied a small sum toward the repair of the road which, at the time, was thought to be sufficient. The road supervisor of that district has resigned, and his successor has not as yet been appointed, but it is probable that some arrangement will be made to permit the transfer of freight and passengers.

Tramway to the Klaskanine. Messrs. Dougherty and Blodgett of Michigan, who have secured a tract of timber land in township 7-7, are in town for the purpose of incorporating a stock company. They propose building a tramway to transport logs from their land to strike the river at or near Olney.

Remember the grand ball at Liberty Hall next Wednesday evening given by the Young Men's Institute. Tickets 75c. For sale by all members, or at the door. If you want a nice mackerel, a salmon belly, or a Labrador herring, you can get it of Thompson & Ross's.

Fresh Roll California butter, also fruits and vegetables by every steamer at Thompson & Ross's.

Scale Rooms to Order. Fryale rooms for ladies and families at Central Restaurant, next to Foard & Stokes's.

A WEDDING JOURNEY That Was Performed Under Unusual Circumstances. WITH A HAPPY TERMINATION.

Mr. John H. Smith says if he was going to get married again he would not do it in the winter time. He has just returned from a trip to Baker City with the greatest price he ever won. It is fortunate that he started as soon as he did. If he had counted on reaching his destination a day before the wedding and left here in accordance with such a reckoning, the bride, the guests and the cake would have been kept waiting. Mr. Smith had to worry through eleven days of blockade before he reached the promised land. The date could not be postponed, and despite mountains of snow, he set out on the great mission of his life. He soon made up his mind that this was marriage under difficulties. The train was nearly eleven days between La Grande and North Powder in Pyle canyon. The passengers, however, had plenty to eat, and were a jolly crowd. Mr. Smith said most on them thought, tell their occupations, where and wherefore they were going. He was satisfied to keep his purpose to himself, and it is very certain he didn't want to exchange places with anybody. There was an Englishman along—a true son of John Bull—who was so detained that he could not reach New York before his return steamer ticket expired. Hence everybody was acquainted with the fact that the American railroads were nothing in comparison with those of England and that he didn't want to travel through this land of wilderness any more. A lawyer was aboard. He had come all the way from Indiana to Portland to get a special witness. He could not return in time for the trial nor other cases that he was to conduct. Hence they must all be postponed indefinitely. A dapper, red haired girl created the most attention. She would walk up and down the aisle of the car, stamping her little boots in indignation. Now she would blame, with feminine wrath, the railroad company, then the conductor and porter—all because she would be deprived of so many days she was going to spend with her papa. Mr. Smith watched all these characters with a silent thought of his own mission. Once he was on the point of taking a sled and trying to walk overland. At last the augers and rotaries managed to penetrate the icy drifts, and the train started on its journey. The train flew into Baker City, and he to the object of his affection. The ceremonies performed, the train started for Astoria. Again there was a delay but not of long days. This was nothing—practically, as so many hours with his new companionship. He wished the delays had been reversed with eleven days on the return from, and three days on his coming to Baker City. The only unpleasant feature of the trip to Astoria, was the uncertainty of meals. There was no dining car along, and whenever the train stopped, if near a farm house or hut, the passengers made a rush for eatables. Mrs. Smith, however, had a knight to guard her needs, who never failed to provide even though it required floundering through a drift ten feet high. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are to be congratulated on their safe return and THE ASTORIAN welcomes them and wishes them a long and happy life.

Arrived from Montevideo. The British ship *River Fallock* came into port yesterday morning. She is a fine-looking vessel and sits well up in the water, as she is in ballast. Captain Davidson was seen by the reporter, and gave some of the details of the trip. The ship has come from Montevideo after being out 83 days. She was in the harbor of that city two months, where she came from Cardiff. The crew numbers 28 hands. Only one accident of any kind occurred. About three weeks ago the carpenter, Andrew Duncan, fell through the quarter hatch and broke his arm. Captain Davidson prides himself on having set the break so well that the man is recovering rapidly. It was the first time the Captain ever set a broken limb, and he deserves much credit. After leaving Montevideo they had ten days had weather off Cape St. Johns, but their winds took them around the Horn. They then struck a heavy northwest gale. This was followed by 32 days of fair wind, which brought them along the coast very rapidly. For two or three days they had northwest trade winds while in 37 north latitude bad weather struck them again, lasting until they reached the harbor. The ship was tossed in several hard gales, but makes port in the best condition. She will load with wheat.

Sues For \$10,000 Damages. James Joseph has brought suit against the Oregon Railway & Navigation company for \$10,000 damages received by the collision between the *Oregon* and *Clan McKenzie*. Joseph was a seaman on the *Clan McKenzie*. He alleges first that the O. R. & N. Co. is a company, part of whose business is to pilot vessels, that in hiring a pilot of them the *Clan McKenzie* was entitled to safe delivery at Portland, and the company was responsible for the same. He further claims that the steamer *Oregon* was the property of this company, and that it carelessly ran into the *Clan McKenzie* when the latter was rightly anchored and lighted, that when the *Oregon* struck the *Clan McKenzie* he was violently thrown from his bed in the fore-cabin. Timbers fell in on him bruising him severely. Also that his hip was so jammed that it has crippled him. The injury is such that he can never use his leg for much work or help. Hence he sues for \$10,000 damages. Fulton Bros. are the attorneys for Joseph.

Beware of the Heathen. Ab Skip got the better of Capt. Smith, the jeweller, Wednesday. Skip had brought a watch to the captain to be repaired. The work was done. The expense was \$4.50. Wednesday when Ab Skip came in to get it, he said he had no money to pay for it, but he would leave another watch, take the one mended to a pawn broker and get money. So Capt. Smith took the offered watch and Skip skipped. The watch was in the pawn shop, but he had not returned, and the watch left has turned out to be worth nothing, being brass rubbed over with quicksilver. Beware of the heathen.

Do You Like a Good Gig? Call at Charley Olsen's, east of C. H. Cooper's. He will suit you. A fine stock of cigars to select from.

Children Cry—Pitcher's Castoria

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS, FEB. 6. As Filed In The County Recorder's Office Yesterday.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. E. P. Thompson to S. B. Cox, lots 9, 10, blk 8, Warrenton, S. T. H. Leinenweber and F. J. Goodenough to Geo. Langford, lots 22, 23, 24, blk 1, Power's, 225. Max Young and wife to Horace King, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, blk 15, Alderbrook, 150. P. E. Hickman to B. L. Ward, lots 7, 8, tract 2, blk 23, Hustler and Aikens, 300. I. W. Case to P. E. Hickman, lots 1, 2, 7, 8, tract 2, blk 23, H. & A's, 440. Henry Powell and wife to William Beck, lots 11, 12, 13, 14, blk 34, Powell's, 306. L. R. Abercrombie to Martin Olsen, lots 1, 2, blk 4, Ocean Grove, 200. Previously reported this month, 770,192. Total to date, \$772,153.

PERSONAL MENTION. W. F. Taylor and wife of Ilwaco are in the city. C. W. Carnahan, of Clatsop came to town yesterday. W. W. Ward, the postmaster of Ilwaco, and his wife are at the Occident. Mrs. M. Rogers was on the street yesterday, the first time for many months. Bert Lowe, the pilot came down from Portland yesterday and will take the *Columbia* up the river to-day.

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.

Coffee and cake, ten cents, at the Central Restaurant. Remember the Austin house at the Seaside is open the year 'round.

OH Clap yo Hands AN STAMP YO HOOFS AN RAISE Yo Gentle Voices You'll Catch on to the Music Before you Get Through.

Us members of society Am always dressed ter kill! We live in great propriety, Up on Main street hill. We never patch our Sunday pants Nor mend our underclothes; We wear white kids on both our hands, An' on our feet silk hose. Yo' wonder, chile, how dis am done On 'steen dollars a week. Dat am de secret of our club, Which none of us dare speak. We am the dandy boys of town! An' dress rich on po' pay— Well, yees, I tells yo' how its done, But don't gimme away. We tried most ebry store in town, But found 'em all high priced— Until at last our club went down, And talked wif Herman Wise. He showed us through his fine great stock, Which opened both my eyes, An' watered my capacious mouf, When he made us de price! We all bought suits, hats, shoes an' shirts, Socks, collars, gloves and ties; An' got good value an' good fits— Yees, Herman takes de prize! Therefore, clap yo' hands and stamp yo' hoofs, An' raise yo' gentle voices! Quick, tell yo' friends de place to dress Am down to HERMAN WISE'S

General Green Clay Smith, of Mt. Sterling, is registered at the Fifth Avenue. General Smith is the man who came within half a vote of being president of the United States. He and Andrew Johnson were candidates for Lincoln's vice president, and Johnson received half a vote more than General Smith. When President Lincoln was assassinated vice president Johnson ascended to the chair, and General Smith realized what he missed by that one vote. —Louisville Courier-Journal.

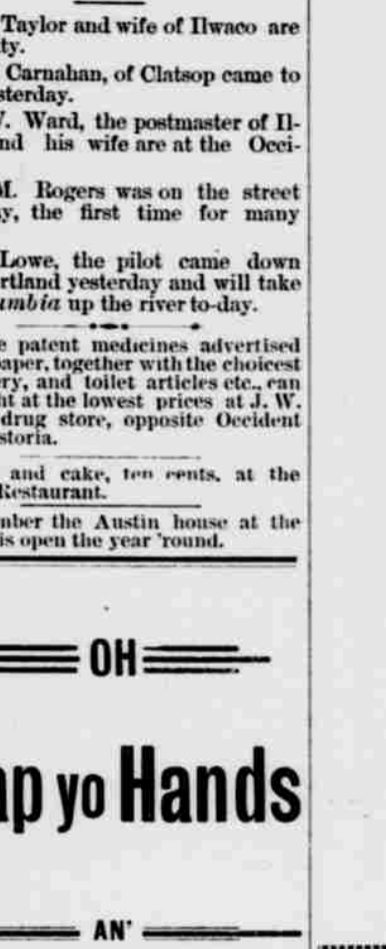
Where Every Woman Smokes. Everybody smokes in Japan. The pipes hold a little wad of fine-cut tobacco as big as a pen. It is fired, and the smoke takes one long whiff, blowing the smoke in a cloud from his mouth and nose. The ladies have pipes with longer stems than the men, and if one of them wishes to show gentleman a special mark of favor she lights her pipe, takes half a whiff, hands it to him and lets him finish out the whiff. —Augusta, Ga., Chronicle.

Thousands of people have found in Hood's Sarsaparilla a positive cure for rheumatism. This medicine, by its purifying action, neutralizes the acidity of the blood, which is the cause of the disease, and also builds up and strengthens the whole body. Give it a trial.

ADVICE TO ROTHERS. 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.

HERMAN WISE THE Old Reliable Clothier and Hatter Occident Hotel Building.

Twenty Per Cent Off ON ALL OVERCOATS! FOR TEN DAYS. Now is the time, don't wait. All these goods are marked in plain figures. The above percentage will be deducted on all cash purchases.



This is no Peter Funk business, but straight goods. Pythian Building C. H. COOPER, Third Street.

Don't Get Left, But Buy Immediately, if Not Sooner in Kinney's Astoria! Before It is All Gone.

We are now selling lots in this fine Addition for \$100 and \$125 that in less than one month will more than double in value. It is Less than One Mile from the O. R. & N. Dock, and Beautifully Situated.

KEEN & COOK, Agents.

Thompson & Ross DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A GOOD INVESTMENT? IF SO BUY IN HERMAN WISE'S ASTORIA!

This Property is situated at the head of Young's Bay and only thirty minutes walk from U. P. Dock. STREETS ARE NOW BEING CLEARED. For Further Information Call on Elmore, Sanborn & Co.

Farm for Rent With forty-five head of cattle for half the increase. Call or write to O. F. JOHNSON, Vesper, Clatsop County, Or.

Wanted. HOUSEKEEPER'S PLACE IN A HOTEL, including house, widow's family, or take care of children. Apply to the Astor House, Mrs. STRASSEN.

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