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**CITY AND COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER.**  
 The Court street school netted \$3,000 from their recent school entertainment.

Robert McMath, of Westport, has purchased the Plimpton ranch at that place, consisting of 300 acres of land. The price paid was \$7,000.

The new search light of the steamer *Thauma* was tested at San Francisco on Tuesday night and was pronounced a great success. The light is the only one of its kind on the Pacific coast.

F. J. Carney, well and favorably known has established an agency for collections and can be recommended as being prompt, accurate and satisfactory. His office is with Fitz Gerald and Carney, real estate agents.

The circuit court met yesterday at 10 A. M. The only case considered was that of the Astoria and South Coast R. R. vs. Geo. Hill in which the verdict was for the plaintiff to the amount of \$1,338.75. The court then adjourned until 10 A. M.

In the Congregational Church today at 11 A. M. the theme of discourse will be, "Who Can Rejoice in the God of Calvary?" At 7:30 P. M., "Energy of Will the Soul of Great Character." Evening sermon specially for young men and young women.

The justice and police judge's courts had a little business yesterday. In the former three Chinamen were dismissed on the charge of gambling. In the latter two other Chinamen forfeited \$5 apiece for not appearing on an indictment for opium smoking.

Seaside Lodge No. 12, A. O. U. W., had a very successful and well attended meeting last night. The lodge is already in the northwest and means to retain that honor. Last evening they initiated two new members, elected six and proposed seven.

The property owners on the south side of the peninsula are bound to help that section along. Yesterday Capt. Gray said that he would deliver lumber on Young's bay for building purposes at \$11 per thousand. This was incentive to the erection of houses there.

The brick yard on the Wallucki is a sure thing. Ten acres of land have been purchased from Mr. F. Barteldes by certain parties who will commence work right away. The necessary clay is there and soon Astoria will be supplied with plenty of brick to erect her many new buildings.

Real estate people are still bringing their plats into the county clerk's office. Yesterday there were filed the North Pacific addition which is the SE 1/4, see B, T, S, N, R, 9, W, by the Oregon Land Co. and is in John Day's river; and Kinney's Astoria by Jas. A. Kinney which is the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4, see B, T, S, N, R, 9, W.

The case of the Astoria and South Coast railroad vs. Geo. Hill was tried in a peculiar fashion yesterday. No one appeared for the defendant, not even an authorized person. Hill himself was not there, probably expecting that his attorney would attend to matters, but he was likewise absent. He had gone to Portland though notified on the previous evening that the case would come up to-day. Hence the defendant's side was tried by the judge. The verdict showed quite plainly that the delinquent stock, nearly \$30,000 will have to be paid. The verdict in this case was \$1,900.

**PERSONAL MENTION.**  
 Paul Cook is down with a severe case of grippe.  
 J. C. Rose, of the Astor House, was reported seriously ill last evening.  
 Captain John W. Brown is ill with the second attack of typhoid fever.  
 W. J. Burns, a partner in the firm of Balfour, Guthrie & Co., is in the city.  
 Miss Jessie Barr was seen as a teacher for the lower Gray's River school.  
 Mrs. Geo. Lewis is in the city. Mrs. L. is the daughter of Major Richards, for 35 years the editor of the St. Paul Pioneer Press.  
 Mrs. R. M. Bell and three children, are in the city. Mrs. Bell fields a facile pen and is writing descriptions of her travels for the St. Paul Pioneer Press.

**Real Estate Review.**  
 The real estate transfers opened and closed light for the past week, but during the middle of it and on Friday the record was a heavy one. It was about the second best week for the year, and shows that dirt is going to change hands in a lively style before much more time elapses. Inquiry among the real estate dealers found them in different moods. One or two were very elated, the majority not complaining, while a few were a little blue. All have unbounded confidence in the future. The movement in railroad loans, both steam and cable, has had a buoyant tendency and prices are advancing. Owners of inside property are not anxious to sell at prevailing rates because they know that the values are surely increasing.  
 Not many dealers made any special report, but a few had sales to mention. Van Dusen Bros. have sold thirty lots in block 3 of Hustler & Aiken's and one in McClure's. Bobb & Parker have found a market for 4 lots in Hamthorn's and 2 in Powell's Astoria. J. H. Mansell has had quite a sale of lots in Chelsea. W. R. Smith has disposed of 6 lots in Kinney's.

The total transfers for the week amount to over \$115,000, an average of nearly \$20,000 per day. The best day was Friday with a list of \$72,900. The full amount for the year, now stands at about \$975,000, and the \$1,000,000 will probably be passed within the week.

**ANOTHER FOREIGN IDEA.**  
**Shipping Columbia River Salmon To Germany to Can.**

**A GERMAN AGENT HERE.**  
 A keen looking business man has been in town for the last two or three days making inquiry relative to a new idea. He has been in the United States only three weeks but talks the American language like a native. He represents the great fish firm of J. Linderberger & Co., of Berlin, Hamburg and Warsaw, and like the English syndicate is after the salmon of the Columbia river.

He doesn't want to buy any canneries, however; what he wants is the "raw material"; he wants to get forty carloads of salmon and ship it to Germany, there to be canned in a fashion slightly similar to the process in operation on the Columbia river. The firm that he represents have canneries of their own, and they figure that they can make big money by getting salmon from the Columbia river and packing it in their own canneries at Hamburg.

Bismarck has imposed a duty of ten cents a pound on all canned salmon imported into Germany, but there is no tariff in Germany on raw salmon or any other fish. Here is where the German firm see their opportunity. They propose to save that ten cents a pound. They want to make contracts with canners or fishermen or anybody else to furnish them salmon at six cents a pound on the river. Whoever contracts to supply them must agree to furnish a certain amount, the salmon must weigh twenty pounds or over; they will supply salt and barrels and pay the six cents a pound for the cleaned fish.

One Washington canner signed an agreement yesterday to furnish the German firm one hundred thousand pounds of spring salmon this summer at that price. The contract says that the salmon to be cut in two pieces, there is to be thirty pounds of salt to one hundred pounds of salmon; after the salmon is salted it is to lie here four days, and then be sent to Portland. There it is to lie in the cold storage warehouse for two weeks, and then be shipped to Germany.

The agent also made a contract with an Astoria canner who agrees to furnish him another lot at a price a little in excess of six cents.

The German representative says that the reason he insists on having the salmon be cut into two pieces is that the salt would go through a smaller fish so thoroughly that it couldn't be freshened. He wants to get fish as large as possible, and anything under twenty pounds wouldn't answer the purpose. The salt is to be taken out of the fish upon its arrival in Germany, and a good sized salmon, can, claims, be made as fresh as the day it was taken out of the river.

He says that his house got quite a lot of Alaska salmon last year, and experimented with them. The trial worked satisfactorily. The Alaska salmon had been salted in barrels, and upon its arrival had been freshened, and then canned and was found to be sweet and fresh.

He is confident on the condition of the European salmon market, and says that with the present outlook he does not see how the canners on this river can pay \$1.25 a fish this season. He doesn't care who makes his contracts with so that they are responsible parties and will do what they agree.

The Washington canner who has made the contract referred to above says that he will catch as usual this season. All the salmon twenty pieces and above, to the amount of 120,000 pounds, he will sell to the German firm; the remainder, the little fish, he will pack himself.

Just how it can pay anybody on the Columbia river to have anything to do with the scheme is a question. Columbia river salmon the season through will average seventeen pounds of clear fish. If the canners can't afford to pay \$1.25 a fish, they can't afford to agree to deliver the German agency fish cleaned and net weight at 6 cents a pound; and if the gill net fishermen can't afford to catch salmon for the canners for less than \$1.25 a fish, neither can they, any more than the canners, derive any profit from selling fish at 6 cents a pound.

If the firm do much here, it will be with those who own and operate traps and seines and who can thus dispose of their big fish.  
 No canner who calculates to pack this season will care to make any contracts that way if he has to depend on gill nets for his fish.  
 Mr. Linderberger says he has a freight privilege from the Canadian Pacific, the Northern Pacific, and the Union Pacific roads, guaranteeing him a through rate of four cents a pound from Astoria to Hamburg.  
 If he gets his fish at six cents a pound he can land his salmon in Hamburg at a total cost to him just representing the German duty on the imported American manufactured article.

**Astoria Athletic Club.**  
 As suggested by THE MORNING ASTORIAN three weeks ago, the young men of this city, and some that are not as young as they used to be have decided to organize an Athletic club in this city. Already 116 names have been appended to a preliminary call, and to-morrow night, at the opera house, there will be a meeting to discuss ways and means, effect an organization and get down to business. You are invited to come up to-morrow night, and see what is going on.

**Off For Alaska.**  
 Louis H. Tarpley left yesterday for Portland, where he took last night's steamer for San Francisco, from where he will leave on the 15th for Ounaleka. He was recently appointed United States commissioner for Ounaleka and goes there to enter upon the discharge of his duties as such. He was accompanied by Archie Allen, who goes to Afognak, in the Aleutian islands, where he is employed with a commercial company as book-keeper. -*Salem Statesman*, 7.

**Telephone Lodging House.**  
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 Private rooms for ladies and families; at Central Restaurant, next to Foard & Stokes.

Remember the Austin house at the Seaside is open the year 'round.

**AN OLD TELEGRAPH OPERATOR.**  
**His Skill as a Sender Saved His Life and Fortune.**

**A THRILLING EXPERIENCE.**  
 "That yarn you had in this morning about a fellow who wanted to have a message sent with just the name and address, to let his friend know where he was, reminded me of the same thing that happened in Victoria."

The speaker was an old man whose face showed many years outdoor exposure. He was leaning on the rail of the W. U. T. Co. office yesterday morning, talking to Messrs. Henderson and Urquhart.

The reporter thought from the looks of the old man that he had a more interesting reminiscence than the simple stalling off of a man who wanted to send a dead end message.

Nor was he mistaken. The old man looked at the wires running into the office in a far off sort of way, and after a while said:

"I never go into a telegraph office, and see the wires and hear the click, but I think of an electric button and the tinkle of a bell, and the longest half hour of my life."  
 "I'll tell the story and then we'll go into Campbell's and take something. Some years ago my wife and I were saved and a gang of burglars were broken up by means of an electric bell. In our youth we had both telegraph operators, but in the exodus of Fraser river years ago we abandoned the sounder for the mines and followed the many who went up into British Columbia seeking fortune. We had luck in prospecting, and after a few years sold our claim for \$37,000 of which we took \$17,000 in promissory notes and started east with the balance chiefly in bank notes securely secreted in our trunks. It appears that a couple of outlaws had discovered the safe and learned the amount we had upon our clothing and in our grips. I had left my partner at the clerk's desk of one of the new-fangled hotels just started in that country, and followed the porter as he carried the trunks into our room located on the fourth floor. After dismissing him, I had shut the door, neglecting to lock it, however, and had turned to the washstand behind, when I heard the door swing slowly open behind me.

"Thinking it was my partner, I turned the latter from my eyes and rushed only to find a man holding a six-shooter in my face, another looking the door and another upon his knees already breaking open the trunk. I wanted first to argue the matter from a standpoint of morality, and so naturally inquired what right they had to disturb me when I was making my toilet. The man with the gun remarked axiomatically, 'might makes all things right, stranger, and this is right,' tapping the shooter with the disengaged hand. I felt that the silent instrument in his hand was a deeper and more potent argument than any I could advance under existing circumstances.

"Back him to the wall and keep him covered until we get the stuff and then we'll slit his throat and slope, remarked the leader.  
 "Though the programme did not suit me, I acquiesced, as far as the wall.  
 "Put your hands behind you," commanded my jailer.  
 I did, when a happy thought struck me. My right hand came in contact with a knob, which I recognized as the electric bell which communicated with the office. This was a feature of civilization the bandits were not familiar with. Unhesitatingly I began sending the following message:

Old Pard—Three holdups have the door locked and after getting our dust intend murdering me. Get help and come at once. Bring a step ladder with you so that you can shoot over the transom.  
 My only hope was that my partner might be still lounging about the clerk's desk, in which case his ear would quickly catch on. There was but one chance in a hundred, and I began to persevere freely. I started to repeat the message, when, bang! bang! two shots were fired from over the door, and the man who had not been hit rushed around just sufficiently to let me plant one good one just back of the right ear. It would be drawing it mild to say we had sprung a surprise party on the visitors. I had my gun whipped out in an instant and held the devil at bay until my partner got in and he them up, except the biggest one, who had passed in his cheeks with the first shot. They were both killed that same night by the guard in attempting to make their escape.

"As I had expected, when the bell began repeating my message, my partner was there and commenced taking it. The clerk gazed in such astonishment that he forgot to call 'front a message from sea' when my partner pulled a shooter and remarked, 'The first man that leaves this room I'll drop.' When he got through he explained, cautioned everybody else not to follow, took a Chicago drummer in whom he had confidence, snatched a ladder and as soon as he could swung himself up the rungs, there was a clean bill of health given. It was the closest 'call' I have ever had, and I could not but be thankful for my partner's experience."

Then Mr. Henderson said if the reporter'd come around some time when he wasn't so busy he'd tell about the time the New York Herald correspondent at Victoria crossed to the mainland in a canoe and got his Alaska account in ahead of all the other New York papers.

Only a Trifling Drawback.  
 Mr. Watson, superintendent of construction of the Astoria and South Coast railroad, was in town yesterday. He says the only drawback about the railway now, as far as we are concerned, is in the incomplete right-of-way. It is to be hoped that all will unite in having this matter amicably settled. -*Hillsboro Independent*, 6.

**Eupespy.**  
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**Children Cry at Pitcher's Castoria**

**REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS, MARCH 8.**  
 As Filed in The County Recorder's Office Yesterday.

E. C. Holden to Mary P. Thomson, lot 3, blk 114, Olney's..... \$ 25  
 Bridget Grant to S. Danziger, lot 1, blk 54; McClure's..... 700  
 H. C. Thompson to J. H. Cronin, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, blk 16 J. Q. A. Bowley to Mary P. Thomson, lot 3, blk 114, Olney's..... 10  
 Loyd G. West to L. Mansur, 85 acres of the NE corner of the Condit donation land claim, see 35, 33, 17 N. R. 10 W..... 1,200  
 Mary Ann Adair to Ellen Mendell, Katie Adair Welcker, Betty M., and Laura J. Brennan, respectively, land in the south addition to upper Astoria, various portions to each, for love and affection.  
 Previously reported this year \$70,942  
 Total to date..... \$ 973,177

**THE QUESTION SETTLED.**  
 This is a faithful picture of the establishment of Thomas Price & Son, at 624 Commercial St., S. F. As the leading chemists of the west, they were asked to settle the question as to what sarsaparilla was in fact purely vegetable. We present their report: "We have made careful chemical analyses of several well known brands of sarsaparilla, and have found them all with the single exception of Joy's to contain iodide of potassium. As a result we are enabled to pronounce Joy's to be the only purely vegetable sarsaparilla now on the market, which has come under our observation." Modern medicine has proven that all ordinary face eruptions are caused by indigestion and sluggish circulation, which call for vegetable alternatives, instead of mineral blood purifiers like iodide of potassium. Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla is the first to discard the old notions and proceed under the modern theory. Its cures are the talk of the hour.

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