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NATURAL GAS

Discovered Yesterday Morning At Warrenton. OF ENORMOUS POSSIBILITIES. Yesterday noon the principal topic of conversation in Astoria was "natural gas," and the report that it had been discovered at Warrenton, on the opposite side of Young's bay from this city.

Prompt to furnish reliable information, and knowing that the facts must be published for the benefit of the many thousands of readers of THE ASTORIAN, a representative of the paper visited the locality, last evening on the first boat.

On account of the setting sun, the little steamer Electric did not leave the dock here until 6:15 p. m. as the channel on the other side cannot be entered at extreme low water. She is a rapid traveler and made good time across the bay against wind and tide.

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A QUADRUPLEX INSTRUMENT.

Transmitting Four Messages Simultaneously. In accordance with a promise made to THE MORNING ASTORIAN some time ago, Superintendent Jaynes, of the Western Union Telegraph company has sent to the telegraph office here a quadruplex instrument, as fine a one of the kind as money can buy.

This instrument greatly increases the power of transmission. By its use two messages can be sent from here to Portland and two sent from Portland here, at the same time, or four messages traveling simultaneously over one wire.

That is, though there is one telegraph wire between here and Portland, this instrument will quadruple its capacity, and is capable of producing the same result as if there were four wires between here and Portland worked on the ordinary system.

This will require the employment of an additional operator here; while one is receiving associated press dispatches from the Morning Astorian, another can be receiving different messages over the same wire, thus obviating the delay and annoyance that have been so vexatious.

Just how this is done, is a mystery to the writer. Though talking over the wire every day as familiarly as in ordinary conversation with people in the same room, yet it has always been a mystery to the undersigned how the thing is done, and the transmission of four distinct and separate currents or impulses over the same wire at the same time, deepens the inexplicability of the whole thing.

At a called meeting of the Astoria Athletic association at their rooms last evening, Jno. Fox in the chair, Jos. Pinschower secretary, the committee G. C. Fulton, P. W. Weeks, and S. E. Harris, made their report, regarding the selection and repair of the association's rooms; this at an expense of \$772.01, has been incurred in putting the rooms of the association into proper trim.

The directors will have another meeting next Monday evening. The being the first meeting of the association, there was a large attendance. After the auditing of sundry bills, etc., the meeting adjourned.

John Duncan, a young man of 25, recently from Colorado, met his death at the Clatsop mill last Sunday afternoon. He, in company with others, was moving lumber and as one piece came out of the chute he jumped to escape being hit by it. He fell overboard, and did not rise to the surface. The body was rescued later in the afternoon. The funeral will be at eight o'clock this morning.

FINDING OUT THE FUTURE.

A Band of Gypsy Fortune Tellers. There is a gang of strolling vagabonds camped at Smith's Point, claiming to be gypsies. They have two tents, a collection of dogs, donkeys, fleas, tin pans, women and children.

Two of the women are "fortune tellers" and drove a thriving trade last Sunday, telling the fortune of several visitors at \$2.50 a piece. An Astorian representative was among those who tried to find out what fate had in store for him, and crossed with silver the palm of the dusky gypsy.

The last time he had his fortune told was in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, where an old crone told him he would have great troubles but would eventually triumph, and that he would be a great traveler and take many voyages and be shipwrecked and get married and have other accidents befall him.

Musing on life's scenes and unseemly last Sunday sought to see if "Heaven from all creatures hides the book of fate," and from his experiment believes it does.

The lady who runs the prophecy department is rather careless in her personal appearance, from the questions she puts she is evidently desirous that those who patronize her establishment shall, themselves, furnish the information she imparts.

The usual mummy and mystery clothe her oracular utterances, and after peering into the face of the victim, and scrutinizing the palm of the hand she announces all manner of common place occurrences alleged to befall the hand's owner.

Accordingly walked quietly up to him and, without warning of any kind, snatched off his hat and a carefully coiled queue was disclosed. Seeing it would be useless to attempt further misrepresentation, the Celestial pleaded not to be locked up, as was the intention, and he was allowed to wander about until the steamer arrived at her dock here.

Customs officials in the meantime got wind of the affair and demanded from the pursuer a polltax of \$50 which is levied upon the Chinaman. There was no escape from the steamer unless the tax was paid, and \$50 chargeable to profit and loss was produced from the coffers of the Union Pacific railroad. The Chinaman is no doubt still juggling himself over his shrewd operation.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS, APRIL 14.

As Filed in the County Recorder's Office Yesterday. D. H. Welch et al to Ernest Descamp, lots 23 and 24, blk 33, Astor Addition, \$5,000.

W. T. Clutter et al to Marion C. Clutter, lots 18 and 19 of sub-division 2, also lots 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and W 1/2 of lot 23 of sub-division 1, of blk 14, McClure's, \$1,100.

W. T. Clutter et al to Elizabeth L. Smith, lot 17 of sub-division 2, also lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, and E 1/2 of lot 23 of sub-division 1, of blk 14, McClure's, \$1,100.

C. E. Runyon and wife to Sarah Crowley, lot 4, in blk 144, Shively's, \$1,100. Wiley B. Allen and wife to E. M. Dudley, lot 11, blk 6, East Astoria, \$200.

A. S. Carswell to J. A. Beard and D. C. Holt, lot 7, blk 37, McClure's, \$1,100. M. J. Kinney et al to Theodore Anderson, lot 2, blk 39, New Astoria, \$142.

Florence L. Wadleigh to Corn Quam, lot 7 of blk 1, subdn of blk 20, Olney's, \$200. Florence L. Wadleigh to G. Lester Davis, lots 6, 7 and 8 of blk 2, subdn of blk 20, Olney's, \$600.

A. Kallunki to Christian Kallunki, lot 22, Union, \$1,100. Previously reported this year \$1,190,144. Total to date, \$1,192,949.

To Hereafter Reside in San Francisco. For the first time almost since the inception of the Central Pacific road, Mr. Huntington will now become a resident of San Francisco. He will abandon the very extensive personal interests he has so successfully built up in the east during the years that he has been the eastern representative of the Southern Pacific company, and will bring all his ability, time and experience to the execution of his new duties.

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