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CITY AND COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER

Tickets for to-night's Rescue Hall performance at Thompson and Ross.'s

Rev. T. L. Eliot, of Portland will exchange pulpits with Rev. G. C. Hall to-morrow.

Al. Stream is reported to have sold his South Bend property to the N.P.R.R. Co., for $97,000.

Geo. Rose has been taken from Oysterville to Montesano for safe keeping till the July term of court.

Two lots on West Ninth street are nearly graded, and on them will soon be commenced the erection of the new St. Mary's Hospital.

The flag of the free floated over the Court street school house yesterday—fit emblem of our country and the future men and women who will have it for a heritage.

The Woman's Relief Corps basket picnic will be at Kindred Park, next Saturday. The boat will run for the convenience of those attending, and a good time may be anticipated.

Iceland fishermen now carry oil regularly as a means of soothing the waves and enabling them to continues at work in weather in which heretofore their boats could not have lived.

Louis C. Sauer, the man recently brought from the Tillamook light house, has been sent to the insane asylum. He was for a while at the St. Vincent hospital, to see if he could be cured.

From to-day on, the street cars will stop only at street crossings. Be merciful to the poor beasts that pull the cars and do not ask to have the cars stopped except at crossings. It is hard on the horses to start the heavy cars.

The Coast Seamen's union of the Pacific numbers 4,281 paid-up members at present, while there are 2,192 men who are in arrears, which may be accounted for by the fact that many are sailing in deep waters or working ashore.

His Majesty Rex II sends THE ASTORIAN an imperial command to be present at the opening ceremonies of The Mystic Krewe of Komus, at Ogden, July 1st. Can't come, Rex; will be getting ready for 4th of Junewyears in Astoria at that day and date.

Yesterday there was filed for record a transfer of a lease, which was originally given by B. C. Kindred and wife to A. L. Myers, who now transfers it to Alfred Kinney for the consideration of $1,000. It is for part of the Kindred donation land claim and for use of personal property.

John Doe was very drunk this morning at one o'clock, and anxious for a fight. Officer Beasley tried to induce him to go home, but he became abusive and was locked up. He fought hard, but several men helped the officer, and the man was lifted up and carried to the station.

THE WEEKLY ASTORIAN, which appears this mornings is a mammoth issue—sixteen pages—the largest weekly published in the State. It is a home production, gives the news of the city, state and nation, and is a good paper to send away, as an example of what Astoria is doing.

And now comes pleasant promise of spring shad. The shad make their appearance in the Columbia river about the time that the first strawberries arrive from California, and what a combination planked shad and strawberry shortcake make! It can't be beat on this planet—or any other.

There will be an especially fine entertainment at Rescue hall this evening. Prof. Bewley will have charge of the literary part, and Miss Bitely the musical part of the entertainment, and an attractive programme has been arranged. Admission fifty cents; children twenty-five cents.

In Justice May's court yesterday there was a civil suit brought by Geo. H. Roberts to recover of Charles Elander $172.50 for construction of a road. Attorneys Kanaga and Fulton did considerable talking for their respective clients, and the court awarded judgment to the plaintiff in the sum of $106.

A curious fact is reported in connection with the formation of barnacles on ship's bottoms. In the majority of cases there is a much heavier growth of grass and barnacles on one side than on the other, and in numerous instances one side will be almost free from marine growths while the other is as foul is possible.

At a French agricultural station, the experiment of hatching trout ova in complete darkness has been made. The process was delayed fifteen days by the darkness. The prolonged incubation is claimed to give young fry of greater vigor, to produce fewer monstrosities, and to bring the creatures into the world when the brooks afford more food than at an earlier period in the spring.

Says the Vallejo Cal., *Chronicle* of the 14th: The fishermen of the state are at war with the canneries, and have joined in a union to keep prices. This morning several boats came in with fish whose owners do not belong to the union. It being the order passed all along the line to throw the fish of non-union men into the river, it was done. The owners objected to this, and had the union men arrested.

The Columbia river, Oregon, was named after the ship *Columbia* that was built on the North river at Hobart's landing, Scituate, Mass. Dean's history of Scituate, says: "Here the ship *Columbia*, Captain Kendrick, (master, probably from some part of Cape Cod) was built by James Briggs, A. D. 1773. It was the first ship that visited the north west coast from this country. Captain Kendrick explored the Oregon river and named it from the name of the ship, which name will probably prevail henceforth."

THE SALMON SITUATION.

What is New is Not Good, and What is Good is Not New.

A STATE OF GENERAL INACTION.

There are three canneries on the lower Columbia doing a little in salmon canning: Wm. Hume at Eagle Cliff, P. J. McGowan at Chinook, and George & Barker at Upper Astoria.

Wm. Hume gets his fish from the adjacent residents at 75 cents apiece; George & Barker get theirs from Portland, mostly; they pay 3 cents and 3½ cents a pound.

In the other canneries nothing is being done. J. O. Hanthorn, at Upper Astoria, and Warren at Cathlamet, are making a few cans. Scarcely any thread has been bought and general inaction prevails.

The weather is warm and the river is full of fish.

The gill net fishermen are doing nothing. The fish that George & Barker get are picked up, here and there. They got about 1,250 last Sunday morning, some of which were taken on board the *Telephone* at points up the river the preceding day, and reshipped back at Portland; a portion of their fish also comes from Oregon City.

A strict patrol is maintained at Clifton, and no boats go out to fish. But one day last week a woman living there said she didn't think they would object to a woman's fishing: so she got a boat and net, and a female companion to row, and amid considerable good natured bantering she went out and made a good drift. The net result of her venture was 54 salmon, which she sent to George & Barker. They paid her $38.90, for her day's work, an average of 72 cents a fish; and now, she says, she can come to Astoria and buy a new dress and some ictas for the house, with money in her pocket.

THE ASTORIAN still holds to its oft stated idea: cut down the number of boats: cut them down one-half: that will afford the only solution of the problem. The canners say this will help greatly: the fishermen say the same thing: they realize that their interests are not opposite, but are identical. It is a good thing for all, and to that it must come. Some fishermen say: "that is all very well, but you forget that cutting down the number of boats doesn't cut down the number of traps and seines."

Without any claim to special knowledge on the subject, but as the result of many years' close observation, it is the opinion of THE ASTORIAN that not to cut down the number of boats will certainly result in more traps and seines than if the number of boats was cut down. For if the number of boats remain the same as last year it will cause as many traps and seines to be operated as possible later in the season.

The harvest of the seine men will be in July and probably the first third of August. The new Washington law extends the open season to the 10th of August, and that virtually extends it to the same date in Oregon; for, with the open season to the 10th of that month on the north bank of the river, it will be manifestly impossible to enforce the close season on the night of July 31 on the south bank.

"It is manifest," says a canneryman "that the canners cannot pay $1.25 a fish. That is outside of argument. It is not a question of whether they want to, or don't want to; they simply can't. The situation is different from even '89. Then they were in hopes that the prospective market would justify packing, and paying even as high as $1.40 a piece, as many of them did. No such state of affairs exists in '90. There is nothing present or prospective to justify any canner to attempt to pack on any such basis. Last year's avalanche of canned salmon from Alaska and the Fraser is the cause of the present depression in the salmon market, and the reason why it is impossible for a Columbia river canner to pay $1.25 in 1890."

Nor is it possible, the fishermen claim on the other hand for gill net fishermen to make anything like wages at anything less than $1.25. That is with the present number of boats on the river. One dollar and twenty-five cents apiece for salmon sounds big, but it is a fact, nevertheless, that even at that apparently big price, a gill net fisherman cannot make wages. Last year's average was 440 to the boat; this was $550, for two men, for four months; to say nothing of the risky nature of the life; the expense of boat and net; the hardship and exposure.

So the matter stands; there is nothing in it for either the cannerymen or the fishermen at $1.25 a piece.

In the interests of both; in the interests of the city, our merchants and the business community, THE ASTORIAN iterates and reiterates, (because it knows of nothing better to say,) its advice—cut down the number of boats one-half, and let those who run that half be residents; men who live and who are connected with the prosperity of the place.

It is a serious matter, affecting as it does the business prosperity of the city, and every one in the place. Till something definite transpires, till some tangible conclusion is reached, business stagnates, and all branches of trade feel the lack of the impetus that is alone acquired by the circulation of money.

To Night's Programme.

There will be an entertainment of unusual merit at Rescue Hall to-night. Following is the programme:

1. "Gaily We Dance," Messrs. Barker, Ross, Young and Harris.
2. Reading, "Death of Gaudnitus," Prof. Frank Bewley.
3. "I Live and Love Thee," Mrs. C. W. Fulton and Mrs. Wm. H. Barker.
4. "Minstrel Boy," V. Harris.
5. Reading, "Burial of Moses," Frank Bewley.
6. "See the Pale Moon," Mrs. B. Van Dusen and Mrs. J. T. Ross.
7. "Nearing the Harbor," Wm. H. Barker.
8. Reading, "The Old Man Goes to School," Frank Bewley.
9. "In Meadows Green," Mrs. C. W. Fulton and Mr. Wm. Barker.
10. Reading, "Modern Cain."
11. Solo, Mrs. J. B. Wyatt.
12. Reading, "The Stylish Church,"
13. Reading, "The Model Church," Frank Bewley.
14. "We're Rowing Swiftly Down the Stream," Messrs. Barker, Ross, Young and Harris.

Constable Hutchins, of Portland, came down yesterday and arrested Geo. Duffy and Annie Kinzie on a charge of adultery. He took them down to Portland last evening.

Two choice lots in the Columbia First Addition for sale very cheap, as owner is going away. Inquire at this office.

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

Lively Meeting and Sparring Exhibitions.

Last evening the first exercises of the Astoria Athletic association were held in their new rooms. Nearly 200 men were in attendance, and much interest was manifested.

First on the programme was a sparring match, in three rounds, with six-ounce gloves, by Frank McCann and Jack Reed. The latter appeared to be on the aggressive for the first two rounds, but in the third the tables were turned and Reed did the dodging. It commenced at 8:45 and lasted twelve minutes. There was not much science manifested nor much amusement afforded to the spectators.

Next came a four-round contest between Tom Rawlins and James Ryan, which was quite lively. Both men were tall, well built, quick and wiry, and moved so rapidly that the audience were busy in keeping watch of their movements. Rawlins appeared to be slightly the better man, though there was little, if any, difference between them. They closed at 9:20 amid considerable applause.

Then came the event of the evening, being a contest between Larry Sullivan and William Scott for a fight to a finish, and a purse of $250, which was offered by the association. J. W. Hume was referee. The time-keepers were W. L. Robb, John Fox and Grant Trullinger.

Sullivan weighed about 150 pounds, wore white knee breeches and shoes, and was seconded by P. Gorman and Joe Baker. Scott weighed about 140 pounds, wore blue knee breeches and shoes, and was seconded by Con. Riordan and Richard McCarron. Money was offered on the success of Scott in any sum from one dollar to five hundred, but no bets were taken, though there had already been bets amounting to several hundred dollars.

They shook hands at 9:59 P. M. and time was called at 10 o'clock. With nothing on above the waist, the men appeared quite muscular and well built, but Sullivan was the taller and had that advantage, as well as having longer arms, but Scott was supposed to have greater endurance. In the second round Scott rushed Sullivan and knocked him down and each gave some hard blows.

The third round was very lively, Scott striking several hard blows. Sullivan was knocked down and appeared weak and shaky at the close.

The fourth and fifth rounds were less lively, though in the latter each gave hard blows.

The sixth was more exciting, Sullivan was again knocked down and received hard knocks on his face.

The seventh was earnest, and blows were given and received by each, one hitting Sullivan's nose with telling effect.

The next three were comparatively tame, but in the four following there were numerous hard hits by each.

The fifteenth round was exciting. Sullivan was on the aggressive and rushed his opponent to corner and gave him two severe blows, then they clinched and Sullivan wound his leg around Scott and threw him. Cries of "foul" were freely heard, after which Scott tried the same game and then the friends of the other man cried "foul." There were several clinches and many hard blows.

The next round was more quiet, though Sullivan ducked and as he came up Scott gave him a severe blow.

The seventeenth was more earnest than any before, Sullivan having a great advantage, for he put in some terrible blows, and had not time been called, he would have had his opponent knocked out, for Scott was very weak and shaky.

In the next round Sullivan was ahead and knocked Scott over the lower rope, but he rose quickly, and appeared to recover quickly, then both sparred for wind and the round ended quietly.

In the nineteeth both came up all right, though each had bumps on their cheek bones, and but little was done until near the close of the round, when numerous blows were given by each, they clinched, and Scott apparently struck Sullivan with his knee, when the latter cried "foul," and he declared he would fight no more. His seconds persuaded him otherwise.

The next was quiet, but in the twenty-first both were very demonstrative. Sullivan struck very hard, but received a heavy blow on his nose, and both showed marks of punishment as time was called at close.

The next three rounds were rather inactive, mostly sparring and close watching for chances, but few blows being given except in the twenty-fourth round when Scott put in several hard clips and Sullivan returned in good style.

In the twenty-fifth round, after a little watching and dodging, it became evident that Sullivan was determined to find an opportunity he had been watching for several rounds to push the fight to an end. He found it, and though he received a hard blow from Scott, he struck him twice in rapid succession, the second time on the under side of the jaw as he was partially staggering and down fell Scott striking the floor with great force. Slowly and regularly the keepers counted ten seconds and still the man did not rise. After thirteen seconds he tried to rise but fell again, had to be lifted up, and Sullivan was the victor. There were cheers and much excitement and the contest ended, having continued one hour and thirty-nine minutes.

The referee awarded the victory to Sullivan who was congratulated by many, especially by his father who had been an interested spectator.

Scott's left thumb was broken in the sixth round, either by striking, or when he fell upon his hand. Each man will have several swellings on the face for several days.

This Saturday's Entertainment

For the musical and literary entertainment at Rescue Club hall, this Saturday evening, the committee of arrangements report an excellent programme in course of rehearsal. The club needs books, seats, etc., and the proceeds of the entertainment go to procure the necessary articles. Some of the most talented ladies and gentlemen of the city are kindly lending their aid. The public will, assuredly, greet them with a generous patronage.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS, APRIL 25.

As Filed in The County Recorder's Office Yesterday.

J. C. and Louisa Dement to A. G. Sandstrom, lots 1 and 2, blk 32, Dement's.....$	145
M. J. Kinney et al. to A. McDonald, lot 5, block 45, New Astoria.....	143
M. J. Kinney et al. to H. P. White, lot 13, blk 26, New Astoria.....	162
M. J. Kinney et al. to Mrs. M. E. Wiggin, lot 12, blk 26, New Astoria.....	162
A Knapp and wife to A. L. Knapp, lots 3 and 4, blk 3, Knapps.....	5
United States to Aureen Knapp, NW¼ sec 7, T8N, R6W	200
United States to Aureen Knapp, NE¼ of SW¼ of sec 8, T8N, R7W.....	50
United States to F. E. Allen SW¼ sec 25, T 8 N, R 8 W.....	
M. J. Kinney et al. to Paolo Demartine lots 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, blk 26, New Astoria	712
E. C. Hughes to Alice P. Stockton, lots 1 and 3, blk 18, Clatsop Grove.....	100
E. C. Hughes to C. H. Stockton and John W. Welch, lot 7, blk 18, Clatsop Grove	50
Oregon Land Co. to Ruth E. Rounds and Jennie Caples, N ½ of blk 56 Pacific add	250
Oregon Land Co. to J. R. Shepard, blk 15, Pacific add	500
Previously reported this year.....	$1,233,447
Total to date.....	$1,235,926

WHO IS IT?

Opium Said to be Smuggled in Salmon Cans.

For months past the custom house officials of San Francisco, have been painfully aware, that despite their most strenuous efforts, large quantities of opium, were finding their way into the city, on which no duty had been paid. Where did it come from? And how was it brought in? were questions that puzzled them and do to this day.

The other day a *Gazette* reporter ran across a fisherman, who seemed to be familiar with the whole affair, and from him we elicited the following. The man said:

"When in Astoria last week, some of the boys got to speaking about the salmon run on the Fraser river, and the profits made by a certain Fraser river canneryman then in Astoria, and intimated that his cannery would not run this season. The reason assigned for its not running was, 'they are getting on to the racket.'" This man had started his cannery only a few years ago with comparatively nothing, but now he is a millionaire. One thing is certain, he never amassed his fortune out of the canning business in that length of time.

The old adage, that murder will out, seems to hold equally with smuggling, at least it has in this case.

The way the thing is worked is this: The opium is packed into salmon cans hermetically sealed up and, with an attractive salmon label pasted on the outside, goes on its way rejoicing. In a shipment several "loaded" cases are introduced, bearing a private mark. When the consignment arrives in San Francisco the import duty is paid, and the salmon and the opium is now safe in the "promised land." Once in the United States it is no trouble to secrete and dispose of it. The custom officers do not open hermetically sealed canned goods, and the result is large quantities of the seductive drug have found their way into the United States. It seems that this business has been going on for years and canneries could be run at a loss and still make profit in some unaccountable way. Doubtless this discovery will throw some light on the subject.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

R. Ball, of Portland, is in the city.

Hon. J. K. Kelly, of Washington, D. C., is in the city.

Alex Gilbert and family returned yesterday from Paris.

Sheriff J. H. Turner, of Pacific county, is in the city on business.

J. L. Cowan and E. E. Montague, mayor and clerk of Albany, are in the city.

Edward Blakemer, a reporter of the Portland *Examiner*, is in the city on a brief visit.

Major T. H. Handbury came down from Portland yesterday morning, went to Fort Stevens and inspected the work on the jetty, and then returned in the evening.

Mrs. Houghton, wife of Dr. Houghton, of Seattle, arrived last evening from that city on a visit to her daughter who is the wife of Harry C. Lord, chief engineer of the *Manzanita*.

The following Astorians returned from Portland yesterday: Mrs. Merie Davis, A. R. Kanaga and wife, H. Wise, J. O. Hanthorn, H. Bell, J. Q. A. Bowlby, Geo. Noland and wife, J. H. Smith, and Dr. O. B. Estes.