

The advantage of loading vessels at Astoria is apparent to anyone who has a correct idea of economy, and the urgent necessity of making arrangements that will admit of vessels discharging and loading their entire cargo at wharves in this city, is supported by the opinion of honest owners as well as masters of vessels that are subjected to the heavy expense entailed by being dragged overland to Portland where dock room and facilities for unloading are insufficient.

The *Stieve Donard*, which arrived in Portland last Monday, discharged 500 tons of coal for use in this city. She was still loaded too deep to clear the bars in the river between here and Portland, and 150 tons more were lightered, and the vessel proceeded to Portland, drawing but eighteen feet six inches, and yet she stuck on a sandbar several hours. She was finally towed to the gas company's wharf, and will discharge the remainder of her cargo. Here was the extra expense of discharging the coal from the ship to the barge, and handling it again from the barge to the wharves, involving the use of machinery and an expensive class of labor. Then there is the pay of the deputy inspector to accompany the lightered cargo, and the extra expense of towing.

The *Norfolk Island* would have been towed to Portland day before yesterday, but the *Willamette Chief* became disabled and was compelled to return for repairs, while the *Bonita* comes down for the vessel, which has discharged nearly 350 tons to enable her to go overland to the inland metropolis. The *Bonita* was expected down yesterday to tow the *Norfolk Island* up the creek but was delayed for some reason. Captain Thomas was much annoyed at the delay but was somewhat resigned when he learned that the *Stieve Donard* was occupying the dock where he should discharge, so that he might as well be here in the river as at Portland, so long as he was unable to discharge his coal. During this vexatious delay of several days the vessel as well as the barge of lightered coal is under the double expense of two deputy inspectors, for Uncle Sam is mighty particular to have foreign imports closely watched by his faithful agents. Then will come the same expensive towing and rehandling of the lightered coal. And so it goes year after year, and the people that use the coal and those who burn the gas that is made from it, the people who raise the grain that loads the ship or furnish the flour that makes her cargo have to pay for all the expense that has been foisted away in an endeavor to use a unwholesome seaport.

While Astoria has no railroad this state of affairs will probably continue, and it is useless to call attention to the unfortunate facts except to demonstrate the great advantage that a railroad would bring not only to Astoria, but to the whole country that furnishes grain and produce that naturally would come down the valley of the Columbia river to Astoria, to then be loaded on large deep-sea ships of twice the capacity of those now partially loading in the midboard interior.

Captain Thomas, of the *Norfolk Island*, said to an ASTORIAN reporter, "If I could get a cargo of grain here I would take it at a dollar or a dollar and a quarter per ton less than I would take it at Portland." There is a difference of from \$1,000 to \$2,000 on every shipment of grain that leaves the river.

That amount of money would furnish lubricating material enough to make the wheels of many a farmer's wagon turn merrily.

Measures of a net are some times too coarse, and allow some fish to slip through which are wanted. An illustration is afforded in this city at present. The license ordinance specifies the entertainments which must pay a license, and then adds: "Museums, exhibitions and shows, not heretofore enumerated shall pay a license of five dollars per day." Now comes the steam flying horses or merry-go-round, and the council has instructed the chief of police to collect a license or close it up. But the law does not touch it, and the chief cannot collect a license, nor can he stop the man or arrest him for violation of the ordinance, for it is neither a museum, exhibition nor a show. When the man first came here, he went to the auditor to see if a license was required, before putting up his machine, but Judge Jewett could find nothing in the ordinance governing the case, and did not collect for nor issue a license. The proprietor has acted squarely and has violated no law. In all the places he has been, he states that he has had to pay license in only two cities. It is amusing to the children, has no bad effects, and does no harm whatever in the community.

DEATH and desolation in the form of a fearful cyclone has again devastated one of the cities of the east, this time the blow having fallen upon Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania. Latest telegrams on the first page state that the pecuniary loss will be about a million dollars, 400 buildings are demolished, about 22 people killed or fatally injured, and 24 wounded more or less seriously. The sorrow and anguish in scores of families cannot be estimated by words or figures. Fortunately, indeed, are we who live in such a fair portion of this great land, where such

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The platform adopted yesterday by the Democratic state convention of California at San Jose, is full of the usual high sounding, patriotic and catching sentences which characterize these documents. They always promise everything which might possibly be desired, but somehow the grand things generally fall short of completion. By the way, it might possibly be admitted that political parties generally are very much alike in the preparation and adoption of enticing platforms, which are frequently more or less delusive. The old adage might be slightly altered to read "All is fair in politics and war."

Railroad articles appear to be on the increase, and two more appear on the local page this morning. One is a second letter from "Granger," in which he criticizes several sentences in Reid's reply to his former letter. The other is from Judge Taylor, who denies that he had anything to do with "Granger's" letter, and at the same time makes some plain comments on the situation of affairs. They are both very interesting communications, and if this correspondence continues, people will have an opportunity to learn many facts in the case, and the why and wherefore of several things which they have not understood heretofore.

Southwestern Iowa is coming to the front with a reasonable attraction in the form of a Blue Grass Palace exposition at Creston, August 21st. Kansas City has 7,000 vacant houses, and it seems to be strongly probable that it has lost from 30,000 to 35,000 in population in the past two years. John Arch, the apostle of the English farm laborers, has been adopted as the liberal candidate for Northwest Norfolk at the next election.

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M. P. CALLENDER, Knappton, Wash.
August 5th, 1890.

Annual Meeting Notice.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the O. F. L. and H. Association will be held at 2 P. M. in Odd Fellows' hall, on Thursday, Aug. 28th, for the purpose of electing directors and attending to such other business as may come before the meeting.
A. J. MEGLEE, Sec'y.

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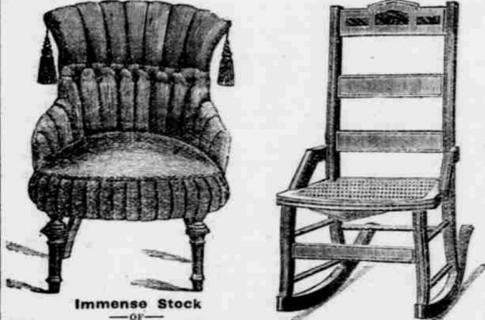
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