

FORWARD to a speedy completion is the motto of the electric cable railway over the hill, as will be seen by reference to our local columns. The final survey to locate the stakes commences to-day and the plant will be ordered this week. Work on this line is an important event for Astoria, and the road will wonderfully increase the value of all property near it. The only regret is that it will increase the value of land owned by those who were too mean to contribute a dollar, in the same ratio that it adds to the wealth of the liberal man who gave money and land to secure it, but "the rain falls alike upon the just and the unjust," and the result cannot be changed.

CITIZENS generally seem to be very favorably inclined to the proposition that Col. Taylor and sons build a railroad to Portland if a subsidy of \$500,000 is raised by the people. Many think it an excellent idea, and suggest that a definite proposition be submitted for consideration, believing that it would be agreed to. It would start money in circulation, revive business, increase the volume of local trade and give a general impetus to all branches of local industry. When the coal fields of the Nehalem would be reached by the railroad, vast quantities of coal would come over the line, and be taken away by vessels. Astoria may as well build a road herself and own it, as to pay for some one else to build it, and then not own it.

EARLINESS of purpose and a firm determination to achieve success are as essential attributes of a community as of an individual. The man who sits down quietly in an obscure place and who does nothing to make himself known among his fellow men, but who thinks that because he is physically well formed and has a good education he will soon be in demand and that people will come out of the way to secure his services, would be rated by sensible men as a fool. What is the difference between such a man and Astoria as a town? Very little. In fact, the difference is so small, it could be blown through a quill into the eye of a humming bird and the bird's eyesight would not be injured. If the city is to amount to much, if it is to keep pace with the live cities about it, the citizens must manifest more energy, we must do something for ourselves, not wait until some one else to do it for us. We can build a railroad ourselves if we will, and own it. Raise one million dollars even by mortgaging personal property and build fifty miles. When that is constructed and paid for a half million dollars can be borrowed on it and another twenty-five miles built. Before that time the people of the Willamette valley would commence the other end and build to a connection with us. It can be done. It is not visionary. Energy and perseverance will accomplish it, and the success, growth and wealth of the city would surely follow.

Laws Tennis Decayed.

Lawn tennis, it is said, is played out. The truth is that in these days it is not good playing at all unless you play really well. We are beginning to look around for a substitute. Golf is becoming daily more fashionable, and would, no doubt, soon be the society game par excellence, were it not for the drawback that a golf-links covers more space than can be provided in ordinary gardens. I do not know how many miles must needs be traversed before finishing a single game. In despair of finding a suitable new game in which to while away the summer hours, there is a talk of re-introducing croquet, but surely this terrible calamity will be averted. We are no longer the simple-minded youths and maidens of our grandmothers' days, and the mild delights of croquet, coupled with the mildest of flirtations with the curate—why, I wonder, are the curates and croquet indissolubly linked together?—have no charm for the minds of the *fin de siècle*.—London letter to Philadelphia Times.

The Other Side.

A man who spent ten months in South Carolina, where divorcees are never granted, made a record of 549 separations, many of them with a murder as the result, and several hundred cases where husband and wife have lived together for years without speaking. He says that divorce would have been a godsend in every case.—Detroit Free Press.

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Stockholders' Meeting.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE annual meeting of the stockholders of the Fishermen's Packing Company will be held at the office of the company on Wednesday, Oct. 23rd, 1890, at 9 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.
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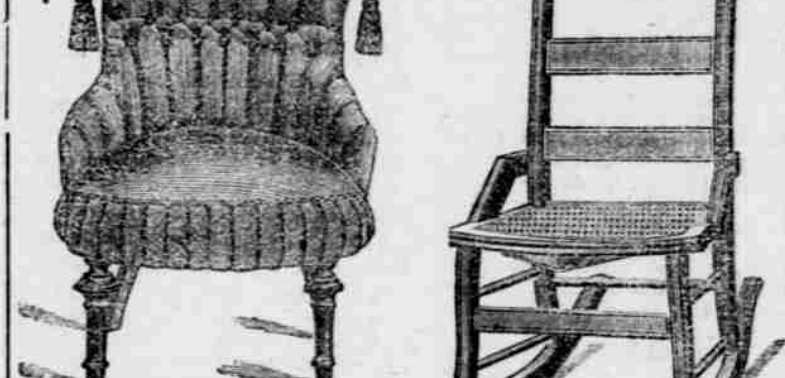
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