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An Interesting Letter.

ASTORIA, Oregon, December 12th, 1890.

To the People of Astoria and Surrounding Country:

I herein state that I am already here
And I brought you over that English Engineer;
Also the Russian Grip, and the German Croup,
And I threw Scotch Dundee William in the soup.

Yours truly, SANTA CLAUS.

P. S.—While here my Headquarters will be at the Corner of Third and West Ninth streets, where I will be glad to welcome you all, and where you will find suitable and useful presents for the holidays without encouraging faking or gambling of any kind whatsoever, which is pernicious in its tendencies at any time or place, let alone in your daily business transactions. You will easily find the place by the sign as below. S. C.

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TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

Baleman Bros., of Fort Worth, Texas, have failed for $300,000.

Fears are entertained for the safety of the steamship *Oranmore*.

Charles T. Seaverns & Co., a large diamond firm in Boston, have failed.

The Boston chamber of commerce advocates a fishing treaty with Newfoundland.

The body of a little boy who disappeared from San Francisco was found in the bay.

A syndicate is negotiating for the purchase of all the fireworks factories in this country.

John Larmoth, manufacturer of threshing machines at Port Perry, Ont., has assigned.

Ted Pritchard, the English champion middleweight, will fight young Mitchell in California.

Reports from the frontier are favorable for a settlement of the Indian question for this winter at least.

The railroad strike on the Scotch lines causes considerable inconvenience to both shippers and passengers.

An insane man near Martinville, Ind., fatally wounded an officer who was trying to arrest him, and then escaped in a buggy.

President Harrison and Secretary Blaine are said to be divided on the seal question, and rumor has it that Blaine will resign.

The United States supreme court has decided that a wife is not a competent witness against her husband when polygamy is charged.

Blaine and Cleveland are respectively republican and democratic choice of the farmers for standard bearers at the next presidential election.

It is thought that the steamship *Thanemore* with 430 head of cattle on board has been lost. She was en route from Baltimore to London.

Additional Telegraph on Fourth Page.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mark Warren came down from Portland last evening to spend Christmas with his relatives.

Ed. Z. Ferguson returned from Cathlamet last night, where he has been for several days.

Chas. Stanard, of Skamokawa, came down last evening on the *Telephone*. He returns this evening.

Miss Stella Mayer, of East Portland, arrived in this city last evening on a visit to the Misses Monteith.

Miss Louise Birne, Geo. Y. Carlton, Thos. Kent, G. M. Cornwall and several other Cathlamet people were in the city last night.

Hon. J. G. Megler and wife, of Brookfield, were in the city last night. Mr. Megler has just returned from New York, where he reports great stringency in the money market.

Miss Maggie Hawkins, of Ilwaco, who has been spending the winter in Astoria, with Mrs. I. Cohen, will leave for home to-day, to attend the wedding of her brother, R. A. Hawkins, one of the leading society young men of that place.

Capt. W. W. Rhoades, inspector of this lighthouse district, after having waited here several days so he could go out on the *Manzanita*, has been obliged to postpone his trip, and will go home to Portland on the *Telephone* this morning.

MARINE NEWS AND NOTES.

The steam schooner *Alliance* arrived from Gray's Harbor yesterday.

The steam schooner *George H. Chance* is on the beach above the city having her rudder repaired.

The barkentine *Tam O'Shanter* sailed for San Francisco with a cargo of lumber from the Knappton mills.

The barkentine *Tam O'Shanter* sailed for San Francisco yesterday loaded with lumber from the Knappton mills.

The steamship *Oregon* arrived from San Francisco yesterday morning with a number of passengers at forty tons of freight.

The steamship *George W. Elder* left for San Francisco early yesterday morning, taking a light cargo and few passengers.

The steamer *Manzanita* will remain here until after Christmas, as one of her first stations to call at is Destruction island, and no landing can be made there except when the sea is comparatively smooth.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind cholic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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THE SEAL FISHERIES.

A Disagreement Exists Between Blaine and Harrison.

WILL THE SECRETARY RESIGN?

The President Holds Different Views From Those of Mr. Blaine —Trouble Brewing.

Special by THE UNITED PRESS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A Washington special says: Congressmen and public officials who are interested in our foreign relations, and especially in our relations with Great Britain, in regard to the Behring Sea seal fishing controversy, are beginning to make remarks about the delay of the communication which the president in his message promised would be sent to congress on that subject.

The general impression is that the delay means a difference of opinion between the president and Secretary Blaine, and the likelihood of that difference of opinion being very serious indeed is strong enough to lend an element of credit to fugitive gossip that has been going around of late, attributing to Blaine an intention of retiring from the cabinet pretty soon in order to indulge and promote his presidential aspirations, free from the trammels of office.

Indeed, it has been whispered that the secretary has been away in huff, as Blaine seldom goes away from Washington on mere personal or family visits.

It is known that Blaine was prepared to submit the Behring sea matter to congress as soon as congress met. His presentation of the case was then on paper and in the president's hands, but it appears the president made up his mind to edit it very considerably, if not, indeed, to throw it bodily into the waste basket.

President Harrison loves to curb the ambitious secretary of state and on several occasions has asserted his authority in a very emphatic manner, sometimes to the extent of suppressing the secretary's suggestions altogether.

It is well known that Blaine takes no stock in the series of acts of congress relating to the Behring sea seal fisheries. These are interpreted to contain a declaration that Behring sea and the fulness thereof belong exclusively to the United States, but as a matter of fact such interpretation is entirely gratuitous. While the series of acts may be searched in vain for any such declaration, congress may have intended to make such declaration, but it has never yet managed to put it in unequivocal expression.

So little does Blaine rely upon the acts of congress that in the whole course of his controversies with the British minister he never once alluded to one of them. The position he takes utterly discards the theory that Behring sea is a closed sea and that the United States has exclusive jurisdiction over it, and he touches as lightly as possible on the contention that we must have the right to control exclusively now what Russia was permitted to enjoy, exclusively, many years. He rests his main argument on the public good, on the interest of mankind in the preservation of the seal, and consequently upon the necessity for adopting the only course by which seals can be saved from destruction. His argument against British and Canadian poaching is simply that it is *contra bonus mores*.

President Harrison is understood to be entirely dissatisfied with this treatment of the question, and insists that Blaine shall go on regarding the laws of congress as if they contained the declarations which they do not contain and contending that Russia had a monopoly of seal fisheries and transferred the monopoly to the United States by treaty.

Blaine finds himself unable to take this view of the case and unable to write to the president's order, so to speak. Hence the president is understood to be preparing a message to congress, which will present matters in his own way. The delivery of that message may prove to be Blaine's cue to say to Harrison that another secretary of State will be required to carry out that policy.

There are certainly some serious considerations involved or the president would have sent his message to congress before this.

Important Notice.

Now is the time to test the best Catarrh, Bronchitis, Asthma and Rheumatic Cure in the City of Astoria. Fifty packages of Leroy's West India Catarrh Cure, the regular price of which is $5.00, can be had from J. W. Conn, the druggist, at $1.00 per package, thereby saving $4.00. This is a preparation warranted to cure. Call and get a package, as they go fast.

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La Perla Cubana—all imported.
Flor de Madrid.
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La Famana in Key West Brands.
The Belmont.
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Reading Room in rear of Cigar Store.
CHARLES OLSEN'S

SITTING BULL'S FOLLOWERS.

Nearly All the Dead Chief's Army in Custody.

Special to THE ASTORIAN.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Major-General Schofield this morning received the following despatch, dated Rapid City, Dakota, Dec. 22, from General Miles:

"I believe all, or very nearly all of the followers of Sitting Bull have been captured."

Col. Summer reports to-day the capture of Big Foot's band of Sioux numbering 150. He has been one of the most defiant and threatening of the Indians. The results so far have been satisfactory.

Commenting on General Miles telegram, Major Schofield said he thought it would not be very long before all the Indians now in revolt would be captured, and the Indian troubles, for the winter at least, brought to an end.

RAILROAD STRIKE ABROAD.

Shippers and Passengers Caused Much Annoyance.

Special to THE ASTORIAN.]

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The strike of the Scotch railroad employes has caused untold discomfort to travelers and loss to merchants and carriers. The holiday traffic, both in goods and passengers is being demoralized. The directors showed signs of weakening in the face of strong complaints which are pouring in upon them, and it is likely that they will make concessions to the men.

The companies will be very likely to take their revenge later, however, by weeding out from their employ during the duller seasons the men who took advantage of the busiest season of the year to enforce demands for an important increase in wages.

A VICTORY FOR THE MORMONS

Important Decision Rendered by The Supreme Court.

THE WIVES CANNOT TESTIFY

Special by THE UNITED PRESS.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The supreme court of the United States to-day rendered an important decision in a Mormon polygamy case, holding that a wife is not a competent witness against her husband where polygamy is the crime charged.

A NEW TREATY.

Boston Merchants Want Privileges in Newfoundland.

Special to THE ASTORIAN.]

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The Boston Chamber of Commerce adopted the following resolutions to-day.

Resolved, That the Boston Chamber of Commerce would respectfully recomend due consideration by our government of proposals from the British government for the negotiation of a commercial treaty between the United States and the colony of Newfoundland, which should allow of a free exchange of certain specified products of two countries to the advantage of both and which should secure to all our vessels entry to ports and bays of the colony for trading and fishing, subject only to conditions imposed on vessels of the colony.

A copy of the resolution with appended arguments will be sent to Secretary Blaine.

BIG STORM ON THE SOUND.

The Steam Schooner "Cosmopolis" Has a Rough Trip.

The steam schooner *Cosmopolis*, Capt. Dittmers, master, arrived yesterday, twelve days from Seattle. The captain reports having had a very rough time in the Straits of Fuca, that great highway to Puget sound ports and was eight days trying to get out of them and into the open sea. Shortly after leaving Seattle, the vessel met a revolving cyclone, and some very heavy weather for an inland sea. So heavy was the weather that the steamer after beating about for several days was compelled to put into Neah bay for safety. Sunday morning she left there and getting outside steamed away for this port, reaching here yesterday morning. During the storm in the straits the steamer's decks were washed fore and aft by huge seas that swept over her, but fortunately no damage was done.

A New Saw Mill.

Col. James Taylor has offered a wealthy Montana sawmill concern, of which Banker Seligman is a factor, 1,000 feet of water front, just around Smith's point, on Young's bay. It is to be a gift, on condition that they erect a gigantic sawmill that will give employment to several hundred men daily. Their agent telegraphs he will be here to-morrow.

An Equivalent for Suicide.

If we allow our bodily infirmities to make away with us through neglect, have we such an immense moral advantage over the deliberate suicide? Scarcely. For example, the deadly progress of Bright's disease, diabetes, acute nephritis and gravel is sure—often terribly swift in the catastrophe. Most people of average information know that this is the simple, unvarnished truth in regard to those widely prevalent maladies. To delay judicious medication is specially suicidal in such cases. The means of restraint is to be found in Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Give an impetus to the action of the kidneys with this safe and reliable diuretic, and the infant complaint is shorn at its birth of the power for evil. Allow it to grow, and anticipate the worst. The Bitters, which annihilates these growing troubles, also eradicates dyspepsia, rheumatism, malarial and liver complaints. Appetite, sleep and vigor are also promoted by it.

Weinhard's Beer.

A fifteen ball Pool Table and all the leading newspapers on file at the Sunnyside Saloon.

Choice Hams 14 cents per pound at W. G. HOWELL & Co.'s.

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

Fresh Eastern Chestnuts.

Main St. bet. 1st. and 2d. I. X. L. Building.

A fine display of Christmas goods at the Bazar. Stamping and embroidery done to order. 165 Cass street.

THE ORDER OF ELKS

A Lodge Instituted in This City Last Evening.

TWENTY-SIX CHARTER MEMBERS

The Delegation From Portland—Dr. Quinlin's Remarks — Officers Elected and Installed.

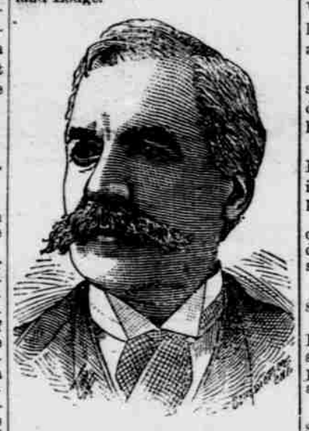
One of the most important organizations ever formed in this city was ushered into existence last night by Dr. Simon Quinlin, Grand Exalted Ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, assisted by prominent members of Portland Lodge, No. 142, whose names are given below.

Quinlin Lodge, No. 180, was instituted in full form and starts on its mission under exceedingly favorable auspices with twenty-six members, while several others are on the list of charter applicants and will be admitted at subsequent meetings of the lodge.

The following twenty-six gentlemen were duly initiated in both degrees:

John Fox, E. A. Weed, C. J. Curtis, M. F. Hardesty, E. C. Hughes, F. H. Surprenant, J. O. Hanthorn, Wm. Bock, L. E. Selig, D. P. Williams, W. J. Barry, Herman Wise, W. T. Beveridge, R. W. Gibson, Dr. O. B. Estes, C. B. Allen, Sam Harris, H. A. Smidt, John Grover, A. B. Edee, L. A. Borchers, J. W. Brown, L. C. Hanson, Sam Graham, A. A. Cleveland, A. S. Reed.

Among the passengers down on the *Telephone* last evening, were the following distinguished members of the Elks: Dr. Simon Quinlin, of Chicago, grand exalted ruler of the order; George H. River, district deputy; J. W. McNamara, exalted ruler of Portland Lodge, No. 142; Charles Farlaman, treasurer; Jesse Walters, H. P. Hipple and C. H. Clute, of the Portland Lodge.



DR. SIMON QUINLIN.

Dr. Quidlin is now serving his second term as the head of the order, and though a member of many orders is better pleased with this than any of the others. Though a practicing physician of Chicago, he is so much interested in the Elks that he is making a tour of the country visiting all the lodges, and will institute several on this coast before he goes east.

"It was a memorable day for the order," said Dr. Quinlin, "when it opened its doors to all lovers of its principles, as well as for professional people. Herein lies one of its greatest dangers, and one which I find it necessary to caution the order against wherever I go. It cannot be too careful of its membership. It is true, however, that while objectionable members will creep in under original dispensations, they are sooner or later weeded out by their own choice, finding themselves in uncongenial company.

"I have belonged to many orders, and have held honored positions in both Masonic and Odd Fellow lodges, but I can truthfully say that the principles and practices of the Elks come nearest to my ideal of any lodge with whose ritual and practices I am conversant."

The following officers were elected and installed: John Fox, exalted ruler; Edward A. Weed, esteemed leading knight; C. J. Curtis, esteemed loyal knight; H. A. Smidt, esteemed lecturing knight; M. F. Hardesty, secretary; E. C. Hughes, treasurer; F. H. Surprenant, tyler; J. O. Hanthorn, D. P. Williams and William Bock, trustees; J. O. Hanthorn, chaplain; A. A. Cleveland, organist; W. J. Barry, esquire; W. T. Beveredge, inner guard.

The following were appointed a committee on by-laws and necessary arrangements: A. A. Cleveland, R. W. Gibson and Dr. O. B. Estes.

Quinlin Lodge, No. 180, will meet this evening at Odd Fellows' hall, where any of the other charter applicants can be initiated.

Dr. Quinlin, in addition to being at the head of the Order of Elks, is also past worshipful master, Blair Lodge, A. F. and A. M., Chicago, and past commander-in chief, Chicago consistory, 32nd degree. Dr. Quinlin is a large owner of real estate in the city of Chicago, having made many profitable adventures in that city. One instance is noted where he purchased a lot for $3,200, and sold it for $32,500.

After the institution of the lodge, the entire company adjourned to the Main Street House where a fine banquet was served, including the best of food and drink.

Major Weed was appointed master of ceremonies, and there were speeches and toasts by Dr. Quinlin and Brothers Cleveland, Curtis, Hanthorn, Estes, Surprenant, Barry, Brown, and Smidt, of Quinlin lodge, and Brothers River, Walters, McNamara, Clute and Hipple, of Portland lodge, the festivities continuing until after 4 o'clock this morning.

A BATTLE WITH A MANIAC.

An Insane Man Fatally Injures an Officer With a Stone.

DRIVES AWAY IN A BUGGY.

Special by THE UNITED PRESS.]

MARTINSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 22.—John Welch, a young attorney living near here was returned from the insane asylum as cured two months ago.

On Saturday he began to show signs of returning insanity and Sunday afternoon officers went to bring him to this city.

Welch resisted and struck Sheriff Baker on the head with a stone, fatally injuring him. Other members of the posse were also injured.

During the fight Welch reached the officers buggy, jumped in and rapidly drove away. He has not been seen since.

A Heavy Failure.

Special to THE ASTORIAN.

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 22.—Bateman Bros., wholesale grocers, assigned to-day. Home creditors are preferred for $128,000. The liabilities are stated at $300,000.

A Diamond Firm Fails.

Special to THE ASTORIAN.]

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Charles T. Seaverns & Co., dealers in diamonds, etc., have suspended. The liabilities are about $80,000, while the assets are a little in excess of this amount.

Another Failure.

Special to THE ASTORIAN.]

PORT PERRY, Ont. Dec. 22.—John Larmoth, manufacturer of threshing machines, has assigned; liabilities about $100,000; assets unknown.

Epoch.

The transition from long, lingering and painful sickness to robust health marks an epoch in the life of the individual. Such a remarkable event is treasured in the memory and the agency whereby the good health has been attained is gratefully blessed. Hence it is that so much is heard in praise of Electric Bitters. So many feel they owe their restoration to health to the use of the Great Alterative and Tonic. If you are troubled with any disease of the Kidneys, Liver or Stomach, of long or short standing you will surely find relief by use of Electric Bitters. Sold at 50 c. and $1 per bottle at J. W. Conn's Drug store.

WHAT THE FARMERS SAY

They Give Voice to Their Choice For President.

BALLOTING BY POSTAL CARD

Blaine is Choice of Republican Soil Tillers—Cleveland Catches The Democrats.

Special by THE UNITED PRESS.]

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 22.—A canvas, to ascertain the opinion of farmers throughout the country on certain practical economic and political questions, has been conducted on an extensive scale for the past three months by the *Agricultural Press*, of Springfield. Liberal prizes were so arranged as to create much discussion in farmers' organizations everywhere and induce a large poll of postal-card ballots.

In order to reach the farmers of the whole United States, the enterprise was worked in the New England states through the *New England Homestead*, in the Atlantic and middle states through the eastern edition of the *Farm and Home*, while the central states, west and south, northwest and the Pacific slope were reached through the western edition of the *Farm and Home*, published at Chicago.

Voting was not confined to subscribers of these journals, and nearly 110,000 cards were received answering questions.

The answers have not been fully tabulated, but enough has been done to show that federal aid to agricultural education and the teaching of agricultural science in rural public schools are overwhelmingly endorsed.

The sentiment regarding government ownership of railways is quite evenly divided and a great many who vote against such ownership insist on government supervision and full control of railways.

The views expressed as to the new tariff law, reciprocity and proposed modification of the national land policy are so diverse that it will be some time before they are classified.

In reference to the vote for presidential candidates it is explained that the journals interested interpreted the November elections as meaning that the farmers were weary of old favorites and old measures and demanded new men and new issues.

These journals, therefore, advocate J. M. Rusk, of Wisconsin, for secretary of Agriculture, and Congressman Wm. H. Hatch, of Montana, ex-chairman of the house committee on agriculture as proper republican and democratic standard bearers for 1892. In spite of this influence, however, the farmers expressed a preference for presidential candidates in the following manner.

Vote for republican candidates: Blaine, 39,000; Harrison, 31,000; Rusk, 21,000; scattering, 17,000.

Vote for democratic candidates: Cleveland, 72,000; Hill, 17,000; Hatch, 11,000; scattering, 9,000.

Of the scattering republican votes Reed leads with 5,665, followed by McKinley with 3,000. All but 256 of these cards were mailed before the November elections.

Depew has 2,727 and Plumb, of Kansas, has a goodly showing, but the rest are mostly "for a farmer."

In the scattering democratic vote Governor Pattison leads with over 1,800. Carlisle has 700 and Governor Russell, of Massachusetts, 500, the others being "for a farmer."

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House for Rent.

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