The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON:

TUESDAY.....DECEMBER 23, 1890

ISSUED EVERY MORNING.

P. W. PARKER,
Publisher and Proprietor.

ASTORIAN BUILDING, - CASS STREET

Terms of Subscription

Served by Carrier, per week..... 15 cts
Sent by Mail, per month..... 60 cts
Sent by Mail, one year..... $7.00
Free of postage to subscribers.

THE ASTORIAN guarantees to its advertisers the largest circulation of any newspaper published on the Columbia river.

(Additional Local News on 1st Page.)

A mortgage for $2,400 was yesterday filed for record in the office of the county recorder.

The Santa Claus Telegraph Co. will have headquarters at the M. E. church Christmas eve.

The young ladies of the fan brigade will meet this afternoon at two o'clock, at Rescue hall for drill.

The funeral of Charles Stowell, who died at Seaside yesterday, will take place at Seaside to-day.

The city council meets this evening in regular session. Considerable business of importance will come up.

A quorum failed to materialize, and in consequence there was no meeting of the board of fire delegates last evening.

The builders were at work in the M. E. church last night putting in the foundation of the snow house for Santa Claus.

On Christmas night the Scandinavians will give a concert and entertainment in the Methodist church at Uppertown.

The railroad surveyors who are surveying on the Washington side of the river are now at Skamokawa, on their way to the sea.

Wm. R. Bell, of Crooked Creek, is dangerously ill. J. J. Casey came over last night to get Dr. Estes to go over and render medical attendance.

This evening at the M. E. church, Miss Lucia Griffin, the talented elocutionist, will give an entertainment. Admission for adults fifty cents, children two bits.

All who desire to give presents through the snow house at the M. E. church Christmas eve are requested to have them at the church as early as possible Wednesday. The management will be there to receive them.

Among the coming amusements early in the new year is the concert by the ladies of the Swedish company, who will appear at the opera house on Wednesday evening, January 7th. They are said to be splendid singers.

This is practically the turn of the tide, or in other words, the shortest days of the year are now at hand, and from this time on the days will begin to lengthen, until the other extreme is reached next June and the longest days are then the prevailing style.

The members of the Scandinavian Benevolent Society are making active preparations for their ball which will be given at the Columbia cannery, on Saturday evening, January 3rd. They intend to make it pleasant for every person who attends on that occasion.

The Christmas ball by Columbia Engine Company, No. 3, at the Columbia cannery, promises to be largely attended, and an agreeable gathering. It is a night when every one but a newspaper man has plenty of time and there is sure to be a fine company present.

Now that cold weather is close upon us, users of wood will note that A. F. Krager has bought the Astoria Wood Yard of Carnahan & Co., and he will furnish any kind of wood in the market, cut short or long, and delivered to order. See his advertisement, which appears this morning. Parties having wood to sell should call on him. Leave orders at Carnahan & Co.'s.

More heavy weather may be looked for to-day. Last evening Signal Observer Grover received the following storm bulletin from San Francisco: "Hoist cautionary southeast signal at 8 P. M. Cyclone central southeast of Vancouver island, moving eastward. Dangerous gales with thick weather and rain along the north Pacific coast. Danger to both north and south bound vessels."

The Presbyterian Sabbath school will have a Christmas tree at the church on Wednesday evening at 6 o'clock. Besides the usual distribution of gifts there will be singing and recitations by the various classes. The school will also offer a Christmas gift to the "Seamen's Friend Society" in contributing enough to buy a "ship library," in which offering, visitors will have the privilege of taking part.

The Portland sports are expecting a lively time in that city on the 27th, judging by the following in yesterday's *Oregonian*: The all absorbing topic now in sporting circles is the coming glove contest for points between Dave Campbell and Larry Sullivan. Sullivan's friends are springing up like weeds in a barnyard, and have brought quite a number of his portraits here, which are on display in leading resorts. R. C. Smith received a letter from Jack Grant, of Astoria, yesterday, stating that Larry will make a hard contest. An old sport said yesterday in referring to the match: "Mark my word, Larry will best him. He always was a game fighter, and Campbell is not. He is a different man to-day from what he was when he fought Tom Ward, and you'll see it the night of the match."

Free Delivery of Mails.

Renew your subscriptions at Griffin & Reed's for papers and periodicals for 1891. Bring name of street and number of your house, and thus you will insure prompt delivery of your reading matter.

Fine Silk Astrachan Capes

At reduced prices at Mrs. McEwan's, 536 Third street.

Merry Christmas.

Elegant and useful Christmas presents at the Bazar. Embroidery and stamping done to order. 165 Cass street.

Hand in your orders early to the Oregon Bakery and avoid the rush.

Nothing Succeeds Like Success.

It is verified by the fact that nearly everybody eats at Jeff's New restaurant.

Go to Olsen's for Cuban Blossoms, 10c

THE ONLY RESTAURANT—JEFF'S

AS TO CITY PRINTING

A Review of Some Recently Registered Facts.

SOME THIEVES HELD UP TO VIEW

A Swindling Game That Cannot Be Successfully Worked in This City at Present.

At the meeting of the city council on the first day of last July, two bids for doing the city printing and furnishing blanks for the city's use were submitted to the council in accordance with advertisement for proposals for the same.

The bids were as follows: J. F. Halloran & Co. agreed to do the printing for 2 cents per square, minion type, each insertion: blanks to be furnished for $6.78 per thousand.

The Columbian Publishing Co. for 1¾ cents per square of minion type, each insertion; blanks to be furnished for $3.74 per thousand.

The bid of the Columbian Publishing Co. being the lowest, the contract for one year from August 8, 1890, was awarded to them and the following contract was entered into between the company and the city, and duly signed by the representatives of the respective parties:

CONTRACT.

This agreement entered into the first day of August, 1890, by and between the Columbian Publishing Company, a corporation formed and existing under and pursuant to the laws of the state of Oregon, party of the first part, and T. S. Jewett, Auditor and Police Judge of the City of Astoria, acting for and on behalf of the City of Astoria, by virtue of Ordinance No. 1,208, entitled "An Ordinance authorizing the Auditor and Police Judge to enter into contract with the Columbian Publishing Company for City Printing," approved July 31st, 1890, party of the second part.

WITNESSETH, that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of money to be paid by the party of the second part, hereby promise and agree to print all legal and other notices required by the City of Astoria at one and three-quarter cents per square, minion type, for each insertion, to be published in the Daily Morning Columbian as ordered and directed by the Common Council of the City of Astoria. Also to print all legal blanks required and used by the City of Astoria at three and 74-100 dollars per thousand.

And the said party of the second part for, and in consideration of the services and work to be performed by the said party of the first part, hereby promise and agree to pay the sum of money above mentioned on the first of each and every month, or as soon thereafter as the said bills shall be presented and approved, by warrant on the City Treasury. This contract to be in full force for a period of one year from the 8th day of August, 1890.

In witness whereof the said parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals this 1st day of August, 1890.

COLUMBIAN PUB. CO.
By L. G. Carpenter, President
Geo. P. Wallihan, Secretary.
T. S. JEWETT,
Auditor and Police Judge, for and on behalf of the city of Astoria

In this contract it will be observed that the price to be paid is 1¾ cents per square, minion type. For the benefit of those who are not familiar with the matter, it is here stated that a square of type by the universal custom among printers and publishers is understood to be the number of lines of the type in question required to make one inch, lengthwise of a column of the paper. For instance, the above contract is set in minion type. Ten lines of that type make one inch, or square. The contract says the advertisements shall be set in minion type, and that the advertisements shall be paid for at the rate of 1¾ cents per square, each insertion. Custom in this city, at least, has decided that a "square" is an inch, consequently the advertising is to be done for 1¾ cents per inch in minion type.

The advertising has gone on quietly for several months, and no bill has been presented until lately, when the following was filed and in due course referred to committee. The first items under the head "Blanks," which were to be furnished for $3.74 per thousand, afford matter for consideration. In the first column are given the prices charged by the Columbian Publishing Co. for the blanks; in the second column is given the price that should be charged for the blanks according to contract. It will be observed that the price charged by the Columbian Publishing Co. is more than six times greater than the contract price. Under the head of "City Printing" is given in the first column the amounts charged by the Columbian Publishing Co., and in the second column the correct price according to their contract. It will be seen that the price charged is about four times greater than the price for which they agreed to do the work. But let us examine the items and compare the prices in the two columns:

BLANKS.

Sept 19.	Petitions, 250.....	$6.00	$ .95
	Permits, 250.....	5.00	.95
	Tax receipts bound.	6.00	1.90
Sept. 24.	Petitions, 250.....	6.00	.95
Oct. 27.	Chief of Police, 500.	4.00	1.90
		$27.00	$6.65

Blanks all ordered on extra quality of paper.

CITY PRINTING.

Aug. 10.		
Jefferson St. improvement, 3½ in., 36 lines Min.		
Cedar St. improvement, 2½ in., 27 lines Min.		
Ferrell St. improvement, 2¾ in., 22 lines Min.		
Total, 8¾ in., 85 lines.		
Columbian charges 33 sqs. 10 times at 1¾c per sqr..	5 80	
Correctly, would be 8½ sqs 10 times at 1¾c per sqr..		1 45
Notice to contractors, Squemoqua St., 1½ in. 3 times		
Notice to contractors, Water St., 1½ in., 3 times		
For these two notices the Columbian has charged 12 squares 3 times at 1¾c per sqr		65
Correctly, would be 3 sqs. 3 times at 1¾c.....		15
Aug. 21.		
West-8th St. grade notice, 4¾ in.. 49 lines.		
Genevieve St. improvement notice, 4½ in., 42 lines.		
Court St. improvement notice, 3¼ in., 33 lines.		
Lafayette St. Improvement notice, 3 in., 30 lines		
Columbian charges 60 sqs 10 times at 1¾c per sqr..	10 50	
Correctly, would be 15¼ sqs. 10 times at 1¾c		2 60
Aug. 22.		
City Taxes notice, ⅝ in., 9 lines Minion.		
Columbian charges 4 sqs. 30 times at 1¾c per sqr..	2 10	
Correctly, would be 1 sqr. 30 times at 1¾c per sqr..		50
Aug. 28.		
West-9th St. grade notice, 6 in., 61 lines Min.		
Columbian charges 24 sqs. 10 times at 1¾c per sqr..	4 20	
Correctly, would be 6 sqs. 10 times at 1¾c per sqr..		1 05
Sept. 5.		
Madison St. assessment notice, 5¼ in. 54 lines Min.		
West-7th St. grade notice, 6 in., 60 lines Min.		
Total, 11 in. or 110 lines		
Columbian charges 44 sqs 10 times at 1¾c per sqr..	7 70	
Correctly, would be 11 sqs at 1¾c per sqr.....		1 95
Sept. 5.		
Notice to sewer contractors, West Sixth St., 1¾ in. 18 lines minion.		
Columbian charges 8 sqs. 4 times at 1¾c per sqr...	$ 56	
Correctly, would be 1¾ sqs. 4 times at 1¾c per sqr		15
City Treasurers notice, ⅝ in. 9 lines minion.		
Columbian charges 4 sqs. 6 times at 1¾c per sqr...	42	
Correctly, would be, say.		10
Sept. 10.		
Jefferson St. improvement notice, 5 in., 52 lines.		
Columbian charges 20 sqs 10 times at 1¾c per sqr..	3 50	
Correctly, would be 5 sqs. 10 times at 1¾c per sqr .		90
Notice to sewer contractors, West-7th St., 1¾ in. 18 lines Minion.		
Columbian charges 8 sqs. 6 times at 1¾c per sqr...	80	
Correctly, would be 1¾ sqs. 6 times at 1¾c per sqr		20
Supt. Streets notice, ⅝ in. 9 lines Minion.		
Columbian charges 4 sqs. 30 times at 1¾c per sqr..	2 10	
Correctly, would be, say.		50
Sept. 27.		
Concomly Street assesment notice, 9¾ in. 100 lines.		
Proposals wanted, pipe line on Fifth St., Shively's 3 in. 30 lines Min.		
Ferrell Street assessment notice, 3 in. 30 lines Min.		
Cedar Street assessment notice, 3 in. 30 lines Min.		
Pine Street grade notice, 4 in., 40 lines Min.		
Total 23 in, 230 lines.		
Columbian charges 91 sqs 10 times at 1¾c per sqr..	15 85	
Correctly, would be 23 sqs 10 times at 1¾c per sqr..		4 00
Notice to taxpayers, 1 in., 10 lines Min.		
Columbian charges 4 sqs. 10 times at 1¾c per sqr..	70	
Correctly, would be, say.		20
Oct. 1.		
Quarterly licenses due 2¾ in. 27 lines.		
Notice for licenses Chief of Police 1¾ in. 17 lines.		
Total 4¼ sqs., 44 lines.		
Columbian charges 17 sqs 10 times at 1¾c per sqr..	$ 2 96	
Correctly, would be 4¼ sqs. 10 times at 1¾c		75
Oct. 12.		
Notice, City Treas, 1 in., 10 lines Min.		
Columbian charges 4 sqs. 10 times at 1¾ per sqr..	70	
Correctly, would be 1 sqr. 10 times at 1¾c per sqr..		20
Oct. 20.		
Notice to Street contractors, Cedar St., 2 in., 20 lines Min.		
Notice to Street contractors, Ferrell St., 2 in. 20 lines Min.		
Total 4 in., 40 lines Min.		
Columbian charges 16 sqs 3 times at 1¾c per sqr...	80	
Correctly would be 4 sqs. 3 times at 1¾c per sqr...		20
Oct. 23.		
West-7th street sewer assessment notice, 9¾ in., 100 lines Min.		
Madison street sewer assessment notice, 6½ in., 65 lines Min.		
West-6th street sewer assessment notice, 6½ in., 65 lines Min.		
Total, 23 in., 230 lines.		
Columbian charges 91 sqs 10 times at 1¾c per sqr..	16 45	
Correctly would be 23 sqs. 10 times at 1¾c per sqr.		4 05
Totals.....	$ 75 79	18 95
Blanks as above.....	27 00	6 65
Totals.....	$102 79	$25 60

A claim is made that the blanks were ordered of extra quality of paper.

Neither the auditor and police judge nor any member of the council have been guilty of any such foolish, guilt-edge extravagance. The paper of which the city's blanks are usually furnished is good enough for a city that has already exceeded its legal indebtedness several thousand dollars.

While their bill calls for $102.79, the correct amount is $25.60. It is easily seen that if the Columbian Publishing Co. have charged 1¾ cents per square for the city printing, their "square" must be only one-quarter of an inch long, as their prices are four times greater than if calculated on the standard square.

The scheme is apparent. The Columbian Publishing Co. planned to put in a bid for printing, etc., on a contract which could not possibly be done except at a loss if honestly performed

In the planning of this stealing scheme can be seen the cunning hand of the sneak thief.

They hoped to quietly get their dishonest bill for printing and blanks through the council without attracting attention.

Their motive was dishonest from the beginning.

Their own figures prove them thieves in thought, purpose and practice.

But what better can be expected of a company composed of individuals who unblushingly print dastardly, lying articles to injure innocent persons.

Such is the practice of the *Columbian* that poses on a high moral plane as a guardian of the city's interests, and has the brazen effrontery to hold itself up before the public as a model for THE ASTORIAN to imitate.

It is well known that the tools referred to will lie.

It is now proved that they have tried to steal.

But they have mistaken their men; the members of the council are men who will not stoop to collusion with such thievery as the C. P. Co. wishes to practice.

The C. P. Co.'s bill will not be allowed. THE ASTORIAN ventures to predict that they will be called upon to present an honest bill made out according to the terms of their contract.

This thing cannot be explained away; it is a deliberate attempt to steal.

In this case, as usual, those who will steal must stand up before the public branded as thieves.

THE ASTORIAN is sorry that unprincipled persons have control of a paper that should be an ornament and a credit to the city, and calls attention to this matter because it believes that contracts fairly made should be honestly fulfilled. If parties contract to do printing for nothing, then they should make no charge. If it was agreed that $5 should be given the city for the privilege of doing its printing, then the city should demand and receive the $5.

If you don't want to do city printing cheap, and don't intend to do it, cheap, don't agree to do it.

Business is business.

Sweet Apple Cider at the Astoria Soda Works.

SCHOOL REPORT

Of District No. 9, for the Month Ending December 26, 1890.

	Gram.	Interm'diate.	Prim'y	Total.
Days Taught.....	15	15	15	15
Days Attend'nce	284½	650	622½	1663
Days Absence.....	4½	11	15½	31
Times Tardy.....	0	1	2	3
Boys Enrolled.....	17	24	24	65
Girls Enrolled.....	11	24	23	58
Total Enrolled.....	28	48	47	123
Av. Belonging.....	26	44	43	113
Av. Attendance...	23	44	41½	111½
New { Boys	0	1	0	1
Admitted. { Girls	0	0	0	0
Counted { Boys...	0	1	0	1
Twice { Girls .	0	2	2	4
Per cent. Absent	1.2	1.6	2.3	1.8
Per cent. Tardy..	0	.15	.3	.18

A. L. CLARK.
Principal.

Grace Church Program.

The services at Grace church this week will be as follows: The Children's Xmas tree and card service, Wednesday, (Xmas eve) at five; early communion Xmas day, 6:30, A. M. Divine service with sermon, 11 A. M.

Friday, St. Stephen's day, and Saturday St. John's day, communion at 10:30 A. M.

The children's Xmas tree at Holy Innocents Chapel, Uppertown, will be on Xmas day at 2:30 P. M.

The offerings on Christmas day will be devoted to the aged and infirm clergy fund; at the Christmas eve service, to the Good Samaritan Child Christmas cot.

WM. SHORT,
Rector.

A LOST ADDRESS.

A Trinidad Lady Writes to San Francisco for It.

Mrs. Harriet McNamara of 310 State Street, Trinidad, Colorado, while visiting in St. Louis last summer, did not suffer with her usual sick headaches and indigestion. But upon her return to Trinidad her old troubles came upon her. It was not the St. Louis climate that did so much for her. The secret is told in the following letter, received by Thomas Price & Son, the well-known druggists of 524 Sacramento Street, San Francisco. Mrs. McNamara writes:—

"Three months since I was visiting in St. Louis, and obtained two bottles of Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla. It was of great relief to me in my headaches and indigestion. Since my return to my home in Trinidad I feel the need of it, and as I have lost the address I write to you to ask if you will not kindly forward this letter to the proper number in San Francisco, and have me sent a few more bottles of this valuable vegetable compound."

People having used Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla once send hundreds of miles to get it again, as in the above instance.

Bankrupt Sale of Clothing.

At Martin Olsen's auction rooms on Tuesday and Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Come if you want splendid bargains.

Don't Go Shabby

But look out for the Famous Plymouth Rock Pants Co.'s Pants, to order from $3.00 to $8.25. Suits from $13.25 to $25.00. Overcoats from $10.-25 to $25.00. Every garment guaranteed.

P. J. MEANY, Agent.

Fruits, Nuts, Popcorn and sweet cider for the Holidays at
W. G. HOWELL & Co.'s.

Candy and Nuts

At Holmes, 640 Third street.

Fresh Clatsop eggs 40 cents per dozen at THOMPSON & ROSS.

Photographs for Christmas.

Go to Crow and have your photo taken for a Christmas present. Your friend will value it.

Mrs. Zumwalt has removed her dressmaking parlors to 66 Front street, between Spruce and Madison, near the gas works, where she will be glad to receive her customers and friends.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Deeds filed or recorded December 22, 1890, as reported for THE MORNING ASTORIAN by the Astoria Abstract Title and Trust company:

J. C. Adams and wife to Henry C. Ferchen, lots 7 and 8, blk 5, Riverside add	$ 100
United States to Wm. F. McGregor, W ½ of N W ¼, N E ¼ of N W ¼, N W ¼ of N E ¼ of sec 9, T 7 N, R 8 W.....	200
Same to Eli K. Gustin, E ½ of N E ¼, S W ¼ of N E ¼, S E ¼ of N W ¼ of sec 9, T 7 N, R 8 W.....	200
Same to Edward W. Morgan, receiver's receipt for S ½ of N E ¼, N E ¼ of N E ¼ and S E ¼ of N W ¼ sec 27, T 7 N, R 6 W.....	200
Edward W. Morgan to D. A. Blodgett, S ½ of N E ¼, N E ¼ of N E ¼, S E ¼ of N W ¼, sec 27, T 7 N, R 6 W.....	1,250
J. A. Baker and wife to O. G. Roney, lots 1, 2, 23 and 24, blk 41, North Pacific add..	150
E. A. Noyes add wife to A. G. Sandstrom, lots 5, 6, 7, 8, blk 5, North addition...	300
Charles Harahan to Vitale Vitellio, lots 1 to 8, blk 21, Rosedale addition.....	100
Oregon Land Co to J A Baker, all blk 41, North Pacific add.....	1
Astoria Real Estate and Trust Co to Thomas Jones, lots 8 and 8, blk 6, Railway add	200
Same to F A Cox, lot 5, blk 2, Railway add.....	100
Same to C B Winn, lot 6, blk 2, Railway add.....	100
Same to G W Maston, lots 5, 6, 7, 8, blk 1, Railway add.	400
Chas Henry and wife to Louis C Goodwin, lot 10, blk 20, Laurel Park add..	100
Annie Reidt and husband to W G Thompson, lots 1, 2, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, in blk 95, Rosedale add	100
Deeds filed 15; total amount	$ 3,501
Previously reported this year	1,918,929
Total to date.....	$1,922,430