

ABOUT THE CITY.

Clean up in time.
The churches are all getting ready for their Easter services.
All hope of spring is not yet lost. The blue sky peeped out yesterday.
All the debts of the fire companies, contracted last year, have now been paid.
Judge Cleveland has much to answer for. He performed two marriages yesterday.
Salvator Lapadura and Miss Nicolina Damico were married last night at the residence of the bride's father by Judge Cleveland.
The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Withers yesterday was very largely attended by friends of the deceased. Her children have the sympathy of everybody in their sad bereavement.
Henry Loomis, the periodical destroyer of the peace at Salvation Army meetings, will be brought up before Judge Cleveland on Saturday morning to answer to the same old offense.
Andrew Travers, who was arrested in this city for four charges of grand larceny brought against him in Portland, was taken back to that city last night by a constable who came after him.
In future the considerations of age will enter into The Astorian's competitions for the school students, and for this reason all contestants are desired to append their age after their signatures. Answers for this week's series are already coming in fast.
Mr. C. M. Bryant has started on his trip about the Nehalem district where he has gone to collect mineral specimens for the World's Fair. He intends to return in a couple of days. Meantime, all specimens left for him by residents of this city at the Astor house will reach him safely.
Do not be deceived with cheap pictures, but get your work done at Crow's gallery and you will not regret it.
A local musician and saloon-keeper has secured as an attraction a Chinese violin player. The Mongolian artist has a natural aptitude for discoursing Irish airs, and last evening the strains of "Muleaney's Most Beautiful Twins" attracted all those of Celtic origin who happened to come within earshot of the music.
Columbia Tender Company No. 3, will give a bal April 8th, at Columbia cannery. All invited.
A fly party was given at Mrs. Ferd Fisher's residence last night. Progressive euchre whirled away the hours until half past ten, when luncheon was served. Mr. Frank Carney was the winner of the booty prize. Those present were Mr. J. Kearney, Frank Carney, D. W. Feely, Captain Fisher, Misses Josephine Leleneuber, Mary Feely, Nellie Fletcher, and Mrs. Ed. Willis. The party dispersed at midnight.
E. W. Kuykendall, the undertaker, embalmer and funeral director, has his parlors in the Welch block, No. 718, Water street. Call up telephone No. 7.
By the provisions of the late legislature the mining laws of Oregon are to be compiled and published in pamphlet form. This was never done before and when it is issued this book will be of great convenience to all persons who are interested in mines and mining. At this time it requires a reading of almost the entire code to learn just what Oregon's mining laws are. The pamphlet will contain also the report of the senate's committee on mines, which contains a fund of information never before printed.
Ryan & Co. 537, Third street, have just received a full line of 1895 patterns in wall paper, and comprising all the latest designs and shades, at the lowest prices. Call and see them.
Judge Cleveland yesterday officiated at a wedding ceremony in which he was more than ordinarily interested. His daughter Minnie, well known among the young people of this city, and a general favorite, was married to Audley Gragg at the family residence. Only relatives of the contracting parties were present, and at the conclusion of the ceremony all sat down to a light repast. The young people left for their honeymoon on the Telephone last night. They take with them the best wishes and the heartiest congratulations of a host of friends and well wishers, with whom The Astorian joins in wishing them a long life and prosperity.
Mrs. M. McKendie, corner Main and Third streets, invites the ladies of Astoria to call on Wednesday and Thursday of this week, to her opening of spring and summer millinery.
Here are some more comments:
"The libel suit against the editor of the Astorian, brought by Sidney Dell, a lawyer of that city, was dismissed. Two-thirds of the jury being in favor of the defendant. The charge of Judge McBride to the jury was to the effect that whenever a newspaper finds a case of flagrant wrong-doing or evil, it is its duty and privilege to expose it, and give it the widest circulation."
Pacific Journal.
"The notorious blatherskite, Sidney Dell, sued the editor of The Astorian for libel. After a trial that helped to advertise The Astorian greatly, the jury disagreed."—Tillamook Headlight.
"The editor of The Astorian, who has been on trial in Clatsop county circuit court for criminal libel, has been discharged. It is time that the constitution granted liberty to the press, and stopped these vexatious lawsuits for libel every time an editor lets a ray of sunlight shine upon the fraudulent actions of social and political vampires. Otherwise the office of censor of the press should be created, and every article should be examined before being published as it is in Russia. The power of the press is very

much curtailed when it cannot expose fraud and corruption without being liable to an action for damages at the instigation of some culprit who, by this means, attempts to shield his own wrong doings."—Dalles Times-Mountaineer.
The finder will be rewarded by returning to this office a small opal ring and no questions will be asked. It is the gift of a deceased father to his daughter, and is valued for its associations.
Our Report On The Jail.
The Astorian yesterday, knowing the condition of the city jail and wishing to present to its readers in the best possible manner a picture of its defects, engaged at its own expense the services of Dr. J. A. Fulton to examine the building and make a professional report.
He sends us the following communication:
"To the editor of The Astorian.
Sir: In response to your request I today visited the city jail and inspected the premises thoroughly.
"I find that the sanitary condition of the institution, in the language of a well known jurist of our city "un-avoidable." Three of the cells contain only three hundred and thirty-six cubic feet of space each; and an ordinary man would during one night's confinement in either of these, die from asphyxia, if it were not for a small hole six by ten inches, in each door, which provides ventilation. These small holes are closed by a little perforated iron door, which, when shut, would not allow an opening more than three inches square for ventilation. None of the rooms, with one exception, have received a single ray of sunlight for years; and there is practically no ventilation in most of the cells. The floor on which the prisoners are supposed to sleep, is never dry, simply because, with the facilities at hand, it is impossible to dry it. In each cell is a water closet, but none of them have any arrangements for washing or sluicing, and none of them appear to me to have ever been washed since they were first used. But what is most remarkable is that each closet is placed about six inches above and directly over a large cross beam, which acts as a receptacle that is never emptied, and from which come most terrible odors that fill all the rooms. This smell is simply abominable and a continual menace to human life. The condition of affairs on the whole is shameful. Two days' close confinement in one of the dark cells would shatter the constitution of an Hercules, and twenty-four hours in any cell in the building would be too long for any human being or a dog either. Yours, etc.,
J. A. FULTON, M. D.

Personal Mention.
E. J. Smith has returned from Portland.
W. S. Kinney went to Portland last night.
Judge C. H. Page went to Ilwaco yesterday.
Captain George Pope was in the city yesterday.
J. L. Stout came over from Seaview yesterday.
J. E. McGowan came down from the Cascades yesterday.
James Finlayson went to Portland on the Telephone last night.
Mr. Whitney Palache, a well-known society man of San Francisco, was a guest at the Occident yesterday.
W. S. Kinney, A. J. Gragg and wife, James Finlayson, W. Blacke, H. B. Latz, Mrs. Graves, J. C. Pruar, W. Elliott, Mrs. Anderson, H. Gile and J. S. Gardon went to Portland last night.
J. L. Stout, J. C. Twery, George Pope, B. Latz, W. Palache, C. W. Syfers, A. P. Elliott, G. D. Goodman, A. H. Smetzer, J. B. McGowan, R. N. White, E. J. Smith, J. G. Megler and wife, D. W. Bush, J. L. Cameron and J. C. Ward are at the Occident.

CARD OF THANKS.
Mr. and Mrs. Edgar desire to express their heartfelt thanks to their many friends who so kindly assisted them during their late bereavement.
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NOTICE
All members of Pacific Lodge No. 17, K. of P. are requested to be present at the next convention, Friday evening, February 24th, as some important changes to the by-laws have been submitted and will be acted upon. By order of the C. C.
Attest: F. J. CARNEY,
K. of R. and S.

A Useful Life Is Over.

The Astorian has received the following account of the life of Mr. Thomas Hodgkins. It will be read with interest by every pioneer of this state, for nearly all of them knew and held him in close friendship.
Thomas Hodgkins, who died at the Esmond Hotel in Portland, Or., on the 20th of March, after an illness of only four days, was born in Woolwich, Me., 67 years ago. At the age of 26 he left his native state for the Pacific coast, and arrived in California in the spring of 1852, and soon after started for the gold fields, and after prospecting nearly all summer through the northern part of California, he, with others, started north for the Rogue river mines in Oregon, where he arrived late in the fall. He spent the greater part of the winter in the snow of the mountains, often suffering the pangs of hunger, but buoyed up by the hope that spring would soon come and raise the blockade. But the first advent of spring brought other and unlooked for troubles in the form of the Rogue River Indians who took the war path and opened hostilities on the miners, many of whom were killed, but the subject of this sketch, after many long days and nights of travel, enduring the hardships incumbent on such a journey through almost an endless wilderness, arrived in Portland, Oregon, early in the spring of 1853. Having been born on the banks of the Kennebec river, his early years were spent in fishing and rafting, and while resting a few days in Portland, he heard of the Columbia river salmon which again turned his attention to the fishing industry, and he went down the river in search of a suitable location to engage in the business.
He selected a site in Columbia county about two miles below and opposite Oak Point, where he took up a donation land claim and here made and used the first salmon gill-net that was ever cast in the waters of the Columbia river. The following year he built the first fish tray ever constructed by a white man on the river. This was made similar in shape to those used in that vicinity at the present time, but instead of framing them and using uprights and slats as they do now, his first trap was made by driving stakes about three feet apart and weaving alder and willow brush in the stakes, and even in this rude trap he caught a great many salmon which he either smoked or salted and afterward exported to the Sandwich Islands.
In 1857 he returned to Maine and again engaged in fishing on the Kennebec which he followed both summer and winter for nearly ten years. During this time he was married to Mrs. H. A. Westcott, who survives him. In 1867 he came to Oregon again, his wife following him a year later, where they have resided ever since. Mr. Hodgkins has twice represented the people of Columbia county in the legislature, first in 1872 and again in 1880. In political faith he was a democrat, but in politics, as in all of his business and other transactions he was broad and liberal minded, always using his influence and vote for the man he considered would secure the best results for the state of his adoption, which he loved and honored to an unusual degree.
So he was not only a pioneer of Oregon, to which association he belonged, but he was the pioneer fisherman of the Columbia river and has kept pace with the progress of latter years in the mode of catching fish. At the time of his death he and his partner, L. W. Ball, owned one of the best, if not the best, seining grounds in the river.
By his death Columbia county loses one of her most influential and benevolent citizens, and his wife and granddaughters mourn a kind and affectionate husband and grandfather, but it is a consolation to them to know they have the sympathy of all who knew him. His memory will long be cherished in grateful remembrance by the poor and unfortunate who ever found in him a sympathetic and helpful friend, while those who were drawn to him by the bonds of close friendship feel that the hand of death has deprived them of one who was as near and true to them as one of their own kindred. Of him it may be truly said, "An honest man is the noblest work of God."
The steamer Lurline will resume her regular trips to Astoria, Saturday March 28th, leaving Portland at 10 p. m. and Astoria at 6 p. m. Sunday. Her regular schedule time will be: leave Portland daily except Saturday and Sunday, at 8 p. m.; leave Astoria daily except Sunday and Monday, at 6 a. m., and leave Portland on Saturday at 10 a. m. Astoria Sunday night at 6.

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