

ABOUT THE CITY.

The new schoolhouse ground in being graded rapidly.

Only one more day to answer those questions.

Several timber specimens for the World's Fair were brought into town yesterday from Olney and the Lewis and Clarke. They include pieces of spruce, fir and hemlock, the samples of the former being particularly fine.

First-class piano for rent. Enquire of Griffin & Reed.

The sociable of the Norwegian Bethany church in Upper Astoria last night was a great success. The singing and elocution of Misses Emma Larson, H. Lund and Clara Hendricks, and of Messrs. Johnson and Sofus Jensen deserve special mention.

Do not be deceived with cheap pictures, but get your work done at Crow's gallery and you will not regret it.

The school competition closes at noon today, and the result will be announced in tomorrow morning's paper. The examiner's would like contestants not to wait till the stroke of 12, before bringing in their answers, but to hand them in during the forenoon as early as possible. A big rush in the last few minutes, as was the case last Saturday, entails a great deal of extra work.

E. W. Kuykendall, the undertaker, embalmers and funeral director, has his parlors in the Welch block, No. 78, Water street. Call up telephone No. 7.

Yesterday afternoon a Chinaboy chopping wood in the back part of the See Kim store, on Second street, cut his left foot with the axe, taking off two of the toes and the top of his shoe. The youngster fainted with the pain and it was several minutes before he was brought to. A native doctor was called in and bandaged up the foot. The lad's friends refused to allow a white doctor to see him.

Columbia Tender Company No. 3, will give a bal April 8th, at Columbia cannery. All invited.

A meeting of the school directors was held yesterday. Hope Ferguson was unanimously appointed clerk of the district. The drawing of lots by the new directors resulted in the five year term falling to Ben Young, the four year term to J. P. Dickenson, and the three year term to Thos. Dealy. After the transaction of some routine business the meeting was adjourned to Monday next. In the meantime the board will consider the Uppertown schoolhouse contract, and if they find everything legal and in good order will at once ratify it.

Swope & Slater will be pleased to furnish estimates on interior decoration to all who call or address 458 Fourth street.

The following action was taken at a meeting of the Loyal Temperance Legion, yesterday:

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father, in His universal love and wisdom has taken to Himself George Heacock, a faithful member of the Astoria Loyal Temperance Legion be it

Resolved, That this society, humbly submissive to the Divine will, yet sincerely mourning the loss of a well beloved brother, may respectfully tender its deepest sympathy to his bereaved parents and friends.

And hereby order that a copy of the above resolutions be presented to the family of the deceased, and also included in the minutes of this meeting, and furnished to the city papers for publication. By order of the president, ROY TWOMBLY, Sec'y.

See Swope & Slater about your spring work. They are the swiftest, cheapest and best paperhangers and decorators on the coast.

Albert Tolzer, secretary of the Oregon Press Association, has prepared a rather unique exhibit which will contribute not a little to the interest of Oregon's educational exhibit at the World's Fair. His work consists of a bound volume of the newspapers of Oregon, and contains one copy each of the more than two hundred publications of the state. President Cottle, of the Salem board of trade, yesterday gave Superintendent Savage, of the agricultural department, a fine collection of Oregon grasses. The exhibit consisted of fifteen varieties, and will present a fine appearance along with the other grains and grasses, etc. These samples were very carefully selected, and cared for. Mr. Savage also shipped to Portland yesterday a very fine collection of grains and grasses collected last year for the state fair and turned over by the state board of agriculture to the commission.

Ryan & Co. 537, Third street, have just received a full line of 1893 patterns in wall paper, and comprising all the latest designs and shades, at the lowest prices. Call and see them.

OUR WHALE FISHERY.

The Boston Advertiser says: "Our whale fishery, which thirty-five or forty years ago was of such great magnitude, has dwindled down to small proportions as compared to the past, and where in 1854 we landed 76,696 barrels sperm oil, 319, 837 barrels whale oil and 3,445,200 pounds whalebone, our catch in 1892 footed up only 12, 944 barrels sperm oil, 13,382 barrels whale oil and 269,885 pounds whalebone. The price of these products, as compared with old times, when these fisheries were at their height, shows a large decline in the value of oils, while whalebone, for which there has been less chance to procure a substitute, has increased in value many hundredfold. In 1854 the average price of the year for sperm oil at oil was \$1.48 3/4 per gallon, with whale oil at 58 5/8c., while whalebone averaged 29 1/4c. per pound. The average price for these products last year was 67 1/2c. per gallon for sperm oil, 43 1/2c. for whale oil and \$5.35 per pound for whalebone. The catch of

whales by the combined fleet during 1892 was 214 against 212 in 1891. The number of vessels engaged in the business January 1, 1893, was 95, with a tonnage of 21,455, against 92, with a tonnage of 20,845, January 1, 1892, while in 1890 the fleet consisted of 569 vessels, with a tonnage of 176,848. The estimated importation of sperm oil into Atlantic ports in 1893 is placed at 10,000 to 11,000 barrels, and of whale oil 2,000 to 3,000 barrels. No estimates can be made of whalebone, so much depending on the success of the northern fleet. The stock of sperm oil on hand January 1, 1891, was 5,500 barrels, with 710 barrels whale oil and 342,100 pounds whalebone, against 7,100 barrels sperm oil, 365 barrels whale oil and 154,350 pounds whalebone last year."

Dr. Fulton On Sore Throats.

The following is an extract from a lengthy and interesting article in the last number of the Pacific Medical Record, from the pen of Dr. J. A. Fulton of this city. For the benefit of the uninitiated it may be mentioned that the disease spoken of as "Acute Pharyngitis" is more commonly called "sore throat."

During the past ten years of practice on this coast, these are the two diseases which have seemed to me to be the most common, and the more I see of each the more I am inclined to the belief that the many symptoms possessed in common by each is not merely a coincidence, but goes to show that notwithstanding the two diseases do have some widely differing characteristics, it is not impossible that one and the same germ may be the cause of both. There is admitted to be close resemblance existing between cutaneous erysipelas and acute pharyngitis, but I believe there is a closer relationship existing between acute pharyngitis and cutaneous erysipelas. I have never seen the question raised and only have my own observation and experience to judge from, but if there is any truth in the proposition, it is a question fraught with the greatest interest and of the most vital importance to the surgeon and obstetrician.

Medical writers speak of acute pharyngitis as being simple, ulcerative, gangrenous, erysipelatous, etc., and attribute the cause to traumatism, exposure to cold, or that it is epidemic or endemic. I believe it has been endemic in Astoria for at least ten years, and is met with in all the forms spoken of by medical authors. The disease may or may not begin with a chill, may or may not have a high fever; tongue coated with dirty cream-colored coat especially on its posterior surface; tonsils swollen and red; soft palate and uvula intensely red and congested; glands of neck always more or less affected. Sometimes the tonsils suppurate or ulcerate and glands in the neck may but rarely do supurate. There sometimes is a membrane covering the tonsils and palate which is white as snow and looks very much like frost. This membrane disappears in ten or twenty-four hours and leaves the surface underneath as raw and red almost as the granulations of a healthy ulcer.

The object of this article is not alone to show that pharyngitis is not contagious or that it may possibly be due to the same cause as is erysipelas; but to lead the profession to realize the possibility of contagion in many diseases heretofore considered non-contagious; and further, to urge the surgeon and obstetrician to realize the importance of extreme caution in all their operations, when they are treating the ordinary, simple ailments of mankind; to realize that the germs present in a simple, harmless disease may when transferred to a surgical or obstetrical patient, work damages undreamed of and the carelessness in these simple matters might possibly account for accidents that have been heretofore unexplainable, and were formally dismissed from the minds, as cases of spontaneous generation or accidents due to unpreventable causes."

C. R. F. P. U. NOTICE.

A special meeting of the Columbia River Fisherman's Protective Union will be held at Liberty Hall, Saturday, March 25, 1893, at 7:30 p. m. sharp. Price of salmon for the coming season will be discussed and set.

Members in good standing requested to be present and to have their receipt or book along.

SOFUS JENSEN, Sec.

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria

Ideas for a New Road Law.

The Astorian received yesterday a pamphlet explaining what is known as the Woods Road Improvement Plan. It is substantially as follows and opens up much room for discussion. Very few will deny that it contains much that is meritorious.

1 That the United States Government shall pass an act authorizing the Treasury Department to issue one, two, and five dollar notes, to be styled "United States Road Improvement Notes," and to be convertible into coin at the Treasury or sub-treasuries of the United States. These notes shall be issued to the extent of \$66,875,000 per year for four years, or a total issue of two hundred and sixty-seven million five hundred thousand dollars, which amount equals one hundred thousand for each county in every State in the Union which existed on January 1, 1892. Should any Territory be admitted into the Union as a State after the date mentioned (January 1, 1893), the counties of such state shall be likewise entitled to receive one hundred thousand dollars each in four years, provided the Secretary of Agriculture at Washington shall consider their needs sufficient to warrant such an expenditure. Should he, after investigation, decide that a less amount is sufficient, then they shall only receive such an amount as he recommends. This clause is so guarded because a Territory, before being admitted, might divide the districts into very small counties, so as to obtain an excessive allowance for road improvements.

2 There shall be in every state a first-class road engineer appointed by the senate or legislature, with a competent staff, to prepare plans of the principal roads, with power to alter the course at desirable points. He, or his assistants, shall be expected to inspect the construction and improvements of all county roads, bridges, etc., and consult with supervisors, county road engineers, or foremen in all matters pertaining to their improvement.

3 The county supervisors shall have authority to appoint a road engineer or competent person to superintend the improvement of all roads and bridges in their respective counties. They shall likewise buy or order all material needed and control all labor necessary for the improvement and keeping the roads of the county in good repair. They, however, shall be expected to consult with and conform to the wishes of the state road engineer as to grades, routes, and the best method of permanent improvement.

4 That the notes authorized to be issued by the Treasury in section first shall be paid out in the following manner: The county supervisors shall make out or caused to be made out at the commencement of each year lists of the improvements contemplated to be made during the year in their respective counties with an estimate of the cost. Then they shall forward to the state road engineer, who shall endorse one "approved" and file the other in his office, without there are objectionable features in them to which he demurs. This approved list of improvements he shall forward as soon as approved to the county treasurer, who shall attach his warrant for the amount of the estimated improvements, which however, shall not exceed twenty five thousand dollars per year for four years. This he shall forward to the United States treasurer, who shall remit United States road improvement notes for the amount of the warrant to the respective county treasurers, to be paid out by them as per warrants issued by the supervisors for expenses incurred in improving the roads. It should be understood that the county receiving this allowance shall undertake to keep the roads in order.

The steamer Lurline will resume her regular trips to Astoria, Saturday, March 25th, 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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