

ABOUT THE CITY.

The Emberton has completed loading her cargo of wheat. The steamer Truckee arrived in yesterday from San Francisco. The British ship Iredale is on the way down the river in tow of the Daker.

PERSONAL MENTIONS.

C. H. Callendar, of Knappa, is in the city. E. M. Phillebaum came up from Fort Stevens yesterday. Mrs. and Miss Hawkins, of Ilwaco, are guests at the Occident.

A RAILROAD SCHEME.

How to Build It Without Outside Help. Skipanon, Or., Dec. 11, 1893. Editor Morning Astorian:

While we are waiting for some one to come and build a railroad for us, would it not at the same time be a good idea to study out some way by which we can build ourselves should no one come to our assistance. Suppose everyone who has any idea on the subject discuss the question through the papers. I will lead off by giving my opinion on how it may be possible for us to build it ourselves. My plan is this: We will raise a subsidy of say three thousand acres of land, and as much money as possible. We will then incorporate a subsidy company, and also a railway-way company; the incorporators being the subscribers to the subsidy. Then, from the incorporators we will select five men to appraise the value, at the present time, of the land contained in the subsidy; all lands being deeded to the subsidy company by warranty deeds. When the appraisers have set the value on the land, the proper officer of the subsidy company, and also the railway company, shall issue to each subscriber to the subsidy, one share of stock, in each company, for every one hundred dollars appraised value of his subscription to the subsidy.

I would also have the present owners of the Seaside branch of the Astoria and South Coast railway, sell said branch to the subsidy and railway companies at the price paid by them for the same; they to take their pay in stock in the subsidy and railway companies on the same basis of the subscribers to the subsidy, one share in each company for every one hundred dollars value. I would also have the Gobel Railway company sell their right of way, profiles, maps, etc., at the actual cost to them for the same, they to take their pay in the same way as other subscribers to the subsidy. I would have the subsidy in land appraised at what would be a reasonable value after the railway is built, and sell stock in the subsidy on that valuation, giving as before, one share of stock in each company for every one hundred dollars paid in.

I have given you my plan, now I will give my reasons for thinking it can be carried through. The men who subscribe to the building of the road will have the management of it, and as they will all be Clatsop county men, there will be no chance of their being bought off. Some people have said that we have no men capable of building a railroad. I consider such remarks a slander on the whole community. Once let us get things on a business basis, put business men at the head of it, and depend upon our own efforts, instead of being Micawbers, and we will have the road built and in operation before you know it. As the subscribers to the subsidy get stock in the subsidy, and also in the railway, it is more a business investment than a gift, for considering the present value of the land contained in the subsidy to be one hundred dollars per acre, the subscriber gets for one acre of land one share in the road, which when finished will be worth at least par, or one hundred dollars, and one share in the three-thousand-acre subsidy, which will be worth at the completion of the road, five times its present value. So he would in reality, be getting for his land six hundred dollars per acre.

This may seem rather visionary at first glance, but where is the property owner around Astoria who would not consider his property worth five times as much with, than without a railroad, and who is there that thinks stock in a road in Astoria would not be worth par? It would be a good investment for the owners of the Seaside branch, for they are all large subscribers to the subsidy; besides, their shares in the subsidy and railway companies will be worth five times the present value of their road. It will also be a good investment for the Gobel road company, for most of them are large property owners in and around Astoria. You see, it is a double investment, all the way through. A subscriber to the subsidy not only gets a share in the subsidy, which will be worth more after the road is built than his whole subscription is worth at the present time, but he also gets a share in the road.

Chinaware, in the latest designs, at E. H. Hawes' Prices never before equalled in this city. Hill's First addition is located in the center of the city. Lots are now selling in it for \$2. There is no risk taken by joining Hill's lot clubs. Everybody gets the full value of their money.

The Portland Chamber of Commerce of Commerce has passed the following resolution: "Resolved, By the chamber of commerce of Portland, Or., that we petition to the national board of trade at its meeting to be held January 25, 1894, that they petition and urge congress to take such action as will secure the construction of this canal, whereby the sailing distance between points of the middle and north Pacific, and those of the middle and north Atlantic will be reduced several thousand miles.

Flashlight photos of the maskers; also printing on silk and satin, now on exhibition at Crow's gallery. Wagner & Co. have a new line of souvenir spoons, watch, clock and jewelry repairing a specialty. Opposite the Astorian office. The City Chop House and Restaurant at 410 Second street is open day and night. Everything first-class. Nothing but white labor. John Dragolich, Prop'r. The Coffee House, 522 Third street, best place for chops and steaks; operators by the quart; received daily and always fresh.

The members of the W. C. T. U. will meet Thursday afternoon at 1:30 to sew for the poor. Anything in the way of cast-off clothing that can be mended or remodeled will be gladly received by the ladies. Donations of money or groceries are also solicited. The relief committee are willingly giving their time and strength to this work, but are often hampered for want of means. Any case of need reported to the committee or any member of the Union will meet with prompt attention. The committee is composed of Mrs. M. H. Leinenweber, Mrs. Wm. Ross, and Mrs. E. L. A. Gerding. All donations to be left at Rescue Hall Thursday afternoons.

Eastern and Shoalwater Bay oysters in quart or pint at the Third street restaurant. Private rooms for families. Joe Kinckella, proprietor, 408 Third street. Ladies' writing desks, rocking chairs, and dining chairs, suitable for Christmas presents, at G. V. Porter's, Second street. Handsome crayon portraits with \$25 purchase.

Christmas numbers of the London News, Graphic, Yale Tide, Father Christmas and Chatterbox, with beautiful illustrated supplements, just received at Griffin & Reed's.

JEFF'S, The Only Restaurant

SEASIDE FESTIVITIES. A Seaside correspondent sends the following: Seaside, Or., Dec. 11, 1893. Editor Astorian: A birthday surprise party was given Mr. N. Eberman at his Seaside residence Saturday evening to commemorate his seventy-second birthday. Among the number present were the following: Judge McGuire and wife, P. W. Philbrick and wife, Mr. Moore and wife, Phil Eberman and wife, Sherman Case and wife, Mrs. Byrd, Miss Byrd, Miss Cloutrie, and many others. The evening was pleasantly passed with music, games, and dancing, after which the guests departed, all wishing Mr. Eberman many more happy birthdays.

THE ART OF SINGING. Mrs. H. T. Crosby, lately of Washington, D. C., (quint of Anton Barill and others) begs to announce that she is prepared to take pupils in vocal and instrumental music. Instruction will be given after the school of the best masters, in the Italian method of training the voice. For terms and information apply to 118 Second street.

GUARANTEED CURE. We authorize our advertised druggist to sell Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, and Colds, upon this condition, if you are afflicted with a Cough, Cold, or any Lung, Throat or Chest trouble, and will use this remedy as directed, giving it a fair trial, and experience no benefit, you may return the bottle and have your money refunded. We could not make this offer did we not know that Dr. King's New Discovery could be relied on. It never disappoints. Trial bottles free at Chas. Rogers' Drug Store. Large size 50 cts. and \$1.00.

AUCTION! AUCTION! AUCTION! Tomorrow (Friday) Dec. 15th, THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE of J. WOLFE Will be sold by Public Auction at 606 Third Street. Sale begins at 10 o'clock a. m.

IF YOU FEEL DROWSY, dull, inexpressibly tired or debilitated, have loss of appetite, frequent tongue, frequent headaches with or without dizziness, chilly sensations, and occasional nausea—then you are bilious. Your liver needs the gently stimulating and powerfully invigorating effects of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. These little things will put you in complete order.

They follow Nature's own way. They're the smallest, the easiest to take, and the best. They absolutely and permanently cure Biliousness, Constipation, Jaundice, Dizziness, Sour Stomach, Sick or Bilious Headaches, Indigestion, and consequent stupor or drowsiness. They're guaranteed to give satisfaction, in every way and in every case, or your money is returned. You pay only for the good you get. Nothing else can be "just as good"

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FOR SALE. CHANCE FOR ALL—Men of small means can buy real estate in Hill's first addition.

LOTS FOR \$2.—Call at the Astoria Real Estate Exchange and get a lot in Hill's First Addition for \$2.

JAPANESE CURIOSITIES.—Wing Lee has just received a full line of Japanese curiosities and fancy goods. Will sell at cost. 529 Third street.

MISCELLANEOUS. HOTEL.—Remember McGuire's Hotel at Seaside is open the year around.

CALL ON P. BAKER, 478 Third St., and have your clothes dyed and cleaned.

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GEO. McLEAN, corner Olney and Astor streets, does a general business in blacksmithing and repairing.

JOB PRINTING.—Dell Ferguson, general job printer, Astorian building, upstairs. First-class work at reasonable rates.

WHEN IN PORTLAND.—Call on Handley & Haas, 159 First street, and get the Daily Astorian. Visitors need not miss their morning paper while there.

MUSIC LESSONS.—J. W. Thompson, organist at the M. E. Church, gives lessons on piano and organ. Organs tuned and repaired. Address 589 Astor street, Astoria.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.—Those who do not receive their papers regularly and on time should notify this office. If the papers delivered by carriers are wet or in bad condition, don't fail to make complaint at the business office.

YOUR FRIENDS IN EUROPE.—If you have friends in Europe whose passage you wish to prepay to Astoria, call at the Northern Pacific office, steamer Telephone dock, and make known your wants. Reduced fare via all the leading steamship lines.

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BEVERAGES. FINE WINES AND LIQUORS.—Call at August Danielson's Sample Rooms.

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SOCIETY MEETINGS.

PILOT COMMISSIONERS.—The regular meetings of this board will be held on the first Monday of each month at 10 a. m., at the office of Robb & Parker. W. L. Robb, Sec.

NOTICE.—The regular meetings of the Astoria Building and Loan Association are held at 8 p. m. on the first Wednesday of each month. Office on Genevieve street, south of Chenamus. W. L. ROBB, Secretary.

OCEAN ENCAMPMENT No. 13, I. O. O. F.—Regular meetings of Ocean Encampment No. 13, in the Odd Fellows' Building, at 7 p. m., on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. Sojourning brethren cordially invited. By order C. P.

COMMON COUNCIL.—Regular meetings first and third Tuesday evenings of each month at 8 o'clock in city hall. Persons desiring to have matters acted upon by the council at any regular meeting must present the same to the auditor and clerk on or before the Friday evening prior to the Tuesday on which the council holds its regular meeting. K. OSBURN, Auditor and Police Judge.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

H. A. SMITH, DENTIST. Rooms 1 and 2, Pythian Building, over C. H. Cooper's store.

W. C. LOGAN, D. D. S., DENTAL PARLORS. Mansell Block, 573 Third street.

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FULTON BROS., ATTORNEYS AT LAW. Rooms 3, 4, 5, and 6, Odd Fellows' Building, Astoria, Oregon.

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FRANK J. TAYLOR, ATTORNEY AT LAW. Astoria, Oregon.

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DR. ELY JANSON, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Office, Room 7, over Osgood's Clothing store, hours, 10 to 12 m., 7 to 8 p. m. Sunday, 10 to 11 a. m.

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JAY TUTTLE, M. D., PHYSICIAN, SURGEON, AND ACCOUCHEUR. Office, Rooms 3, 4, over Astoria National Bank. Hours, 10 to 12 and 2 to 5. Residence, 639, Cedar street.

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