

## ABOUT THE CITY.

The steamer Signal will leave up the river this morning.

The British ship Holyrood cleared yesterday, but did not sail owing to the rough weather.

Rev. J. McCormac will preach today morning and evening, at 11 o'clock a. m. and at 7:30 p. m., in Bethania church.

A social entertainment will be given next Saturday evening in Bethania church by the Scandinavian Young People's Society Minerva.

Isaac Hansen, who was arrested Friday, was examined yesterday morning before the commissioners of lunacy and declared insane. He was taken to Salem last night.

The populist organizers have organized a legion at Hare, with a dozen charter members. The officers are: V. H. Coney, president; R. D. Cole, secretary; Mrs. F. Barnes, treasurer.

Yesterday afternoon, while some parties were endeavoring to get a bull on board the steamer Dwyer, the animal walked overboard. A block and tackle were used and he was hoisted on "pinnacle" firm.

News comes from California that Hector, the handsome young station belonging to Dr. W. P. and Alfred Gibbons, has trotted in 2:40, and that experienced horsemen expect him to be wonderfully fast when trained.

The officers of the Astoria Exchange Co. met at the office of J. Q. A. Bowly yesterday, and decided to grant a fifty-foot right-of-way through their property. The deed will be signed as soon as Mr. Elmore returns from Chicago.

Wild ducks, which are now out of season, are still to be found in some of the markets. Local sportsmen are complaining of the matter, and threaten to file complaints if the "pot-hunters" pursue their ruthless slaughter during the close season.

It is presumed that the contract for carriage of the Astoria-Sealand mail was not let to H. A. Lawton, of Topeka, for the reason that other tenders, whose figures were lower, were received by the department from perfectly responsible firms whose bonds were slightly irregular, and who the fourth assistant postmaster general desired should have a chance to rectify their error.

Sixteen deeds to real estate were received yesterday by the subsidy committee, but the work is still far from finished. The indications, however, are that the property owners are coming to the conclusion that something must be done by every one, before final arrangements can be made to have a contract signed for the construction of the railroad.

The committee of thirty met yesterday and continued their discussion of ways and means to reduce expenses. A resolution was passed recommending the imposition of a 5½ mill tax for city purposes. Among the reports submitted was one showing the cost of a paid fire department. The document contained no recommendation on the subject, and no action was taken by the committee.

Viking Lodge, No. 14, I. O. G. T., has elected the following officers for the ensuing term: E. Nandrup, chief templar; C. Rees, vice-templar; Miss J. Wetzelin, S. J. T.; J. Jakobsen, secretary; J. A. Gimre, financial secretary; S. A. Gimre, treasurer; R. Olsen, chaplain; O. P. Indergard, marshal; M. Ross, guard; Miss Anne Olsen, assistant secretary; Miss S. Wilkinson, deputy marshal.

The outlook is good for a big meeting at Liberty Hall tomorrow morning. Lient. Taylor is desirous of meeting all the property owners, in order to learn if any of them have objections to the building of the bridge. This course was found necessary on account of the adverse report of Major Handbury on the occasion of the presenting of the former petition and the objections filed at that time. It is not thought likely that any one will lift his voice against the present plans.

Elton DeForce, arrested on suspicion of being implicated in the attempted burglary of the Henrickson Bros.' saloon, appeared before Justice Cleveland yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. On motion of Deputy District Attorney C. J. Curtis, and by consent of the defendant, the examination was set for tomorrow morning at 10. Two other informations have been filed against him. Bail was fixed in each case in the sum of \$500. The evidence against De Force is now of a conclusive nature, and no doubt any longer exists either as to the identity of the owner of the hand smashed by Henrickson or the person that entered and robbed the branch store of A. V. Allen.

Meany is the leading tailor and pays the highest cash price for fur skins. The Library Association will give an entertainment on the 2d of next month. Look out for it.

Received, at the New York Novelty Store, C. F. Martin guitars, American guitars, and genuine Martin guitar strings.

Captain A. D. Rockefeller returned to Portland on the Telephone last night with his work here very incomplete. Only 207 Chinamen have so far taken advantage of his presence to register themselves, a number of the celestials here pleading absolute poverty as a reason for their holding back, and being unable to pay for the necessary photographs. Captain Rockefeller says that he believes they are giving the true reason, as they appear to be perfectly willing to register. He will return here on the 16th of February with an-

other deputy, and the leading Chinese merchants have been instructed to have every man in their employ ready to register by that date so as to bunch the work and facilitate its completion. Contractors for the various canneries will, it is believed, do all in their power to comply with this request, as they are very anxious to have all their hands free for the fishing season.

A horse and wagon will be sold by public auction at Martin Olsen's on Saturday, the 27th, at 1:30 p. m. Good bargain for a man of small capital.

H. Ekstrom has fixed his prices for jewelry to suit the times, and the latest novelties can be secured at the cost of material used in the manufacture.

The sociable of the Ladies' Sewing Society, held in Bethania church last evening, was a great success in every particular. The following program was rendered: Song, church choir; address of welcome, A. Knutsen; vocal quartet, Mrs. Olsen, Miss Hansen, B. Lee, and A. Knutsen; reading, T. Knutsen; vocal duet, Miss Johnson and Mr. Nandrup; recitation, Miss Gunderson; selection on organ, John Olin; recitation, Miss Brakke; dialogue, Mrs. Steffensen, T. Knutsen, A. Knutsen; organ selection, J. Olin; reading, Mrs. Steffensen; vocal duet, Miss Johnson and Mr. Nandrup; recitation, A. Knutsen; recitation, Miss Sahler; reading of original poem, Nils Steffensen. At the conclusion of the musical and literary portion of the entertainment, the guests were invited to the basement of the building, where three tables, reaching clear across the room, were loaded with viands peculiar to the Scandinavian people in the land of their birth. The young ladies who waited on the tables wore the national colors, and the festivities vividly recalled the scenes in the "fadreland." This evening at 5 o'clock the society will give another dinner.

An \$80 lot for \$2.

Groceries cheap for cash at Howell & Ward's.

The Belmont cigar can be had at Chas. Olsen's.

All groceries sold at bottom prices for cash at Howell & Ward's.

One of the most excellent programs that has been presented by the Rescue Club was listened to last night by a very large and enthusiastic audience. President Estes occupied his usual position in the chair, and Miss Frankie Holden acted as accompanist, adding not a little to the success of the evening. Miss Nanette Adams opened the program with a recitation, and Miss Annie Stinson followed with another. Miss Pearl Estes, in an instrumental selection, more difficult than any she has yet attempted, secured a striking success. Myrt. Do. rendered a fine elocutionary selection, her effort being marked with a good deal of power and the display of considerable rhetorical talent. After a collection march played with spirit and precision by Miss Jessie Jewett, Miss Flo Ross added another recitation to the list, and the Misses Curtis, Leberman, and Parker introduced a most amusing dialogue which received much well-merited applause. President Estes, always sensible and never dull, interspersed the program with some timely remarks on the evils of the cigarette habit, and was followed by recitations from Miss Kalle Wirt and Miss Mamie Smith. An address by Mr. Crawford brought the proceedings to a close. The committee for next week's entertainment consists of Misses Dealy and Rutter, and Mr. Crawford. Miss Elsie Parker acted as secretary in the absence of Mrs. W. W. Parker, who was confined to her home with a severe cold. At the close of the regular exercises the president presented his cigarette pledge for signatures, and a large number of people spurred on in the right direction by some plain hints from Mr. W. L. Crawford, affixed their names to the document.

For \$2, a lot is delivered every week to the buyer in Hill's First addition.

Lovers of a good cigar can always find mild, fresh Belmonts at Chas. Olsen's.

Hill's First addition is located in the centre of the city. Lots are now selling in it for \$2.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Col. John Adair returned from Portland yesterday.

Postmaster Spencer, of Clifton, is a guest at the Occident.

Q. Gilicland, of San Francisco, was among the arrivals in town yesterday.

S. H. Maddock is in the city, having come down from Brookfield yesterday afternoon.

Captains Staples, Mathews, and Peterson, who have been to Tillamook, have returned.

Three for 25c, Domestic; three for 25c, Metropole, Golden Eagle, Santa Rosa, Talland, Amazon, La Palma, all large size, three for 25c, at Chas. Olsen's 527 Third street.

At Chas. Olsen's, 527 Third street, you can get the Belmont, Flor de Madrid, La Corona, El Fenix, Schiller, Lillian Nordica, La Roca, Sanchez, and Hoya, and lots of other clear Havana brands.

## GOOD PAY, GOOD SERVICE.

A New England merchant is reported to have recently remarked that his expenses have augmented every year, and that he was all the better off on that account. Being asked the reason, he said that he took care to get good help, which he always paid well, no matter how the times were. He had not adopted the profit-sharing system and since his help did not divide his profits, which as a rule were sufficiently large, he did not feel that he should expect them to share the loss. The result was that his employees never left him—his interests were their interests, and each year he felt that their increased experience, coupled with their unflagging assiduity, entitled them to larger pay. He always had men, he

said, upon whom he could depend; the business was safe in their hands whether he was present or absent, besides which matters went on in the regular way, and in addition his clerks and customers understood each other perfectly, as could not otherwise be the case.

The dining room at the Astor house has again been opened. Only the best of white labor is employed. Give the favorite a chance.

All the finest brands, including Belmont, Flor de Madrid, Lillian Nordica, and La Palma, are sold at W. T. Beveridge's Columbia Cigar Store.

Anything in the line of gents' furnishing goods, in the newest styles, can be had from P. A. Stokes & Co. during the present month, at prices never before equalled.

At Chas. Olsen's, 527 Third street, you can get any large-sized clear Havana cigar, five for 50 cents. Remember! Five for a half, at Chas. Olsen's, 527 Third street.

## AT THE GYMNASIUM.

A Large and Enthusiastic Audience Witness the Athletic Exercises.

The Astoria Football Club's gymnasium was opened to the public last night and there were present a large number of the friends of the members whose enthusiasm never lagged from start to finish of the excellent little program presented for their entertainment. The affair was purely informal, no attempt being made by the club to prepare an elaborate exhibition, but its success was complete and eminently satisfactory to all concerned. Promptly at 8 o'clock the contestants in the 1¼ mile handicap race were called to their marks, and no sooner had Mr. Sam Maddock, who officiated as starter, given the word, than the fun began. The race was in doubt until the last two laps, when the boys began to show their metal and training. Addis ran sixteen laps in strong form, and then retired, while all the other men, Tee (10 yards), McLean (90 yards), Heilborn (75 yards), finished the 25th lap strong. Gibson (scratch) won, closely followed by McLean, who for a young runner, made an excellent showing. Heilborn and Tee tallied good time, the latter being loudly applauded several times for his game performance. An exhibition of tumbling and horizontal bar work followed. The gymnasts were E. Hansen, C. R. Higgins and Professor Spencer. The professor's bar performance brought down the house and showed his ability to do full justice to his position as coach of the club. Following this came the "piece de resistance"—a three round boxing contest between W. E. Tallant and Professor Spencer. Peter Grant acted as referee, and the item showed a splendid exhibition, both the contestants doing clever and sprightly work. Their effort was heartily cheered. The entertainment concluded with a game of basket ball between two teams chosen by D. McLean and C. R. Higgins. To nearly all the spectators the game was an absolute novelty and it "took" beyond all expectations. All the vim and smartness that could be crowded into half an hour's play, with a dozen exciting incidents thrown in, were presented without a second's pause and the greatest interest was evinced until the call of time. The result was a win for McLean's men by five goals to four, after one of the best games ever played in the hall. Higgins, McLean, McCue, Hansen, Stuart, and Heilborn were very prominent throughout. The club's string orchestra played several selections during the evening, and added not a little to the success of the affair. Secretary Gunn and the whole club are to be congratulated on the result of their gymnasium's first bow to the people of Astoria.

There is no risk taken by joining Hill's lot clubs. Everybody gets the full value of their money.

Flashlight photos of the maskers; also printing on silk and satin, now on exhibition at Crow's gallery.

Ladies' writing desks, rocking chairs, and dining chairs, suitable for Christmas presents, at G. V. Purser's, Second street. Handsome crayon portraits with \$25 purchases.

## A THOUGHTFUL PERSON.

Consults his best interests by having a box of Krause's Headache Capsules at hand; taken as directed will prevent or stop any kind of a headache, no matter what the cause—in fact if your skull were cracked it would prevent pain. The frequency of the attacks will diminish, and by taking the capsules at the approach of a headache, you will never have another. Twenty-five cents per box.

For sale by Chas. Rogers, Astoria Oregon. Sole Agent

Don't go to Portland to buy your tickets for the "Old Country" and the East when you can get them for the same price at the Union Pacific office in this city, and thereby save your local fare to Portland.

All the patent medicines advertised in this paper, together with the choicest perfumery, and toilet articles, etc., can be bought at the lowest prices at J. W. Conn's drug store, opposite Occident Hotel, Astoria.

## TRAP PILES WANTED.

75 35-foot 10 butt.  
200 40-foot 12-15 butt.  
150 45-foot 18-23 butt.  
200 down haul stakes.

Apply with price, delivered and undelivered, to  
ELMORE, SANBORN & CO.,  
Astoria, Or.

Steele's Soothing Powders preserve a healthy state of the constitution during the period of teething.

Japanese novelties and fancy dry goods, can be had at half price, at the store of Wing Lee, next to Olsen's cigar store.

The Coffee House, 522 Third street, best place for chops and steaks; oysters by the quart; received daily and always fresh.

Wagner & Co. have a new line of souvenir spoons, watch, clock and jewelry repairing a specialty. Opposite the Astorian office.

## THE LAST WEEK

... OF THE ...

## GREAT MIDWINTER SALE!

You will not have another opportunity to buy Fine Dry Goods and Clothing at less than manufacturer's cost for another year.

## DON'T MISS IT!

The Sale Closes on Saturday, February 30.

C. H. COOPER,

The Leading House of Astoria.

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