

A TOWN'S NEWSPAPER.

Each day's mail brings The Astorian requests from the east for sample copies. A town is judged by the support its papers receive, and when the paper has reached its eastern destination and its recipient finds it devoid of local news, and instead of plenty of local advertisements, the columns are filled with the praise of patent medicines and other foreign commodities, he naturally comes to the conclusion that it is a good place to stay away from, and the citizens of that town wonder why their natural advantages are not heard of down east among the capitalists who have more money than land, and why those capitalists do not come out and take advantage of the natural resources of their town and county and build. Now it costs money to collect news, put it in type and have a paper printed and distributed, and as no daily newspaper was ever known to live on its subscription alone, the real support of a paper must come from its advertisers. When a paper receives plenty of local advertising support it helps every business man and every property owner in the community. Every such paper increases property values in the county where it is printed; it even helps its enemies and those who in no wise contribute to its support, as well as its friends. Of course it helps those who use its columns best; but a worthy paper helps every interest in the town and county where it is published. And the man who helps sustain such a paper helps every man in business who does nothing to sustain it. And so it is that the enterprising business men in a community have to do the advertising for the whole community; for the dromes and for the human pigs, as well, who deliberately hang back with the intention of making their more liberal competitors draw customers to town and who then try to capture as much of their trade as possible.

What would become of the average lively county seat if the liberal-minded, public spirited and progressive men in it should cease advertising altogether? Every newspaper in the town would die too dead to bury. Its business would desert it; its people would leave it, and it would become a graveyard of once living and prosperous business enterprises, and its deserted buildings, the abode of bats and owls, snakes and lizards, would stand as dreary monuments for the dead and gone. This would be a just punishment for the narrow-minded and supremely selfish business men who hang back and make their more liberal-minded and progressive neighbors do all the advertising for their town.

Citizens of Astoria, do you realize what you owe to a few liberal-minded, public-spirited, energetic, progressive business men in Astoria? Have you ever really thought of it?

Do the men who never spend a nickel for advertising fully realize what they owe to their wiser and less selfish and more far-sighted business neighbors? Let the few advertisers in the Astoria papers cease newspaper advertising and no newspaper could be printed in the town. What do you think of this, good people of Astoria? What would become of your town should the newspapers in it cease to issue? Astoria has a fair start, but ruin and desolation would overtake the town if all its printing presses were to stop. No merchandising, of any account, could be done here. Astoria would begin to go down the moment the music of the printing presses ceased; and it would continue to go down, down, down, until nothing but a graveyard of former activities remained—a mournful reminder of the busy, prosperous, happy past. Paralysis would strike the town, and then death would follow paralysis.

THE TICKET NOMINATED.

Through some unaccountable mistake, the ticket at the end of The Astorian's report of the county Democratic convention got badly mangled in yesterday's issue. The following is a correct statement of the ticket nominated: State Senator—Benjamin Young. State Representatives—John Kopp and Victor Michelson. County Clerk—Arthur Leberman. County Sheriff—E. C. Lewis. County Recorder—Capt. P. W. Weeks. County Judge—J. W. Walker. County Assessor—Thomas G. Boelling. County Treasurer—Isaac Bergman. County Commissioner—P. A. Trullinger. County Surveyor—Alfred S. Tee. Justice of Peace—Mat. Hughes. Constable—Fred. Oberg. Coroner—W. A. Pohl.

BEAT THE REGISTER.

Burglars cut out a pane of glass from the back window of Ross, Higgins & Co.'s store at Uppertown Monday night and entered the place with no good intentions. They found the showcase contained a lot of cutlery and razors, but fastened with a padlock. This they broke off, and then selected what they wanted, with as much deliberation as though they intended paying for it, for they only took the best. They then broke the padlock off from the back door of the store and left, taking the \$175 cash register from the counter with them, which they rang up down at the river's edge and effed of \$2. They had a sense of humor about them, as the register, when found, was rung up to a 50-cent purchase, but Mr. Peterson, the manager claims the cutlery they took would amount to \$35.

TRY IT.

After a number of experiments, it is said, Col. Julian K. Lark, of New York, has demonstrated beyond a doubt that parsley, if eaten before or immediately after drinking wine, will kill or completely neutralize the effects, making intoxication an impossibility. He discovered this antidote in a peculiar way.

In his back yard in Brooklyn he has grapevines that flourish and bear fruit. Several years ago he planted parsley in the back yard and discovered that his vines began to droop and die. He consulted a vineyard expert and was told that grapevines could not live with parsley growing near by. As soon as he removed the parsley the vines regained life. Then he ate parsley and drank wine, and discovered that it killed the effects of the vinous product.

Mr. Atkinson, in his article in the May Forum, undertakes to establish three very important conclusions: First, that the statistics of land mortgages show prosperity and not disaster; second, that there is no tendency toward the development of a landlord-and-tenant class in the United States; but, on the contrary, that land-ownership tends strongly toward small individual holders; and third, that the farmers are coming to hold the political power in the United States, and that there is no need to fear the consequences, because of their conservative character and general prosperity.

When you feel that you want a good smoke, go to Charles Olsen's, 527 Third street. He keeps the Belmont, Ideal, American, Gerona, Schiller in Caballero size, Sir Edwin, Reina Luisa, Flor de Stanford, Hoffman House, Uppman, La Corona, Pride of Key West and all the latest brands of 5 and 10 cent cigars in the market, and the best stock of pipes, tobacco and smokers' articles in the city.

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.

ABSOLUTE MERIT.

No other plaster has been produced which gains so many testimonials of high value as those continuously accorded to Allcock's Porous Plaster, and the only motive for these exceptional commendations is the fact that it is a medicinal and pharmaceutical preparation of superior value. Beware of imitations. Ask for and insist upon Allcock's. Brandreth's Pills are a good corrective.

COFFEE

Is rendered more wholesome and palatable if instead of using milk or cream you use the Gail Borden Eagle Brand Condensed Milk, or if you prefer it unsweetened, then Borden's Peerless Brand Evaporated Cream.

BEAUTIFUL SLEEP is an expression used for sound sleep. Nothing is so gratifying to the nerves, heart, and head, as perfect sleep—a companion of good digestion and a healthy liver. A fixed digestion fails to assimilate, or take care of the food we eat. Something bracing or invigorating is needed for the liver, stomach, and intestines. This is where you will find Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets do the most good. They are tiny, sugar-coated pills, scarcely larger than mustard seed, made of concentrated botanical extracts. These "Pellets" are easily dissolved in the stomach and absorbed into the blood, stimulating a flow of bile from the liver, and arousing to activity all the glandular secretions. Thus they act in nature's own way.

They're guaranteed to give satisfaction, or money refunded, in all Bilious Attacks, Sick Headache, Constipation, Dizziness, and Indigestion.

When you have Catarrh, use the sure remedy—Dr. Sage's. \$500 for an incurable case.

Those who have a Good Digestion

have little sympathy for the dyspeptic. They can eat everything that comes along. While they can eat rich food without fear of the dyspeptic's bad experiences, they nevertheless greatly appreciate a delicate flavor in their pastry.

Cottolene

when used as a shortening, always produces the finest flavored pastry, which is entirely free from the many objections which the use of lard always produces. Test its value by one trial. Refuse all substitutes. Send three cents in stamps to T. K. Fairbank & Co., Chicago, for handsome Christmas Cook Book, containing six hundred recipes, prepared by also eminent authorities on cooking. Cottolene is sold by all grocers. Made only by N. K. FAIRBANK & CO., ST. LOUIS AND CHICAGO, NEW YORK, BOSTON.

Cures Scrofula

Mrs. E. J. Rowell, Medford, Mass., says her mother has been cured of Scrofula by the use of four bottles of S.S.S. after having had much other treatment, and being reduced to quite a low condition of health, as it was thought she could not live.

INHERITED SCROFULA

Cured my little boy of hereditary Scrofula, which appeared all over his face. For a year I had given up all hope of his recovery, when finally I was induced to use S.S.S. A few bottles cured him, and he is now free from all the disease. Mrs. T. J. MATHEWS, Mathersville, Miss.

PRESIDENT LINCOLN Eagle Brand Condensed Milk. used to say that you could fool some people all the time, and all people some of the time, but you cannot fool all the people all the time. This principle accounts for the fact that people who have been humbugged by trying unknown brands of Condensed Milk are sure to come back to the old reliable Gail Borden Eagle Brand Condensed Milk, which leads with a reputation of over 30 years for unexcelled quality.

ASTORIA WOOD YARD INJUNCTION THREATENED. But we wouldn't quit. The car lines complain that we are hurting travel by not hurrying feet. Our shoes are made for comfort. All sizes for all people. JOHN HAHN & Co

FAT PEOPLE. THE advantages of a bank account are numerous. It is not to business men we are talking—they know all about it—but to salaried men and women. There's safety—if the bank is a good one. There's convenience—the money always ready and always out of harm's way, out of the reach of your own petty squandering. It is easy to spend small sums when you have a large sum in your pocket.

The Fire's Out! The hired girl's out; the cake and biscuit is out. Company has come. "Nothing to eat in the house." What's to be done? Why, send the eldest boy out the back gate, down to Cleveland's Bakery on Main street, and get what you need for just such emergencies.

STAMPS Have changed colors very frequently of late; but our competitors change colors every time they see our work. We make wagons, shoe horses and do all kinds of general BLACKSMITHING. Perhaps you know this already. Certainly you do, if you have ever employed us. G. A. Stinson & Co.

The C. P. UPSHUR Co., Shipping & Commission Astoria, Oregon.

ASTORIA IRON WORKS, Concomly St., foot of Jackson, Astoria. General Machinists and Boiler Makers. Land and Marine Engines, Boiler work, Steamboat and Cannery Work a Specialty. Castings of All Descriptions Made to Order on Short Notice.

Push a Lucky Man Into the Nile, says the Arabian proverb, and he will come out with a fish in his mouth. Our Buyer was elated last month, and when he returned home he says: "I got 'em; got 'em cheap; got 'em to sell; got 'em so as to undersell all other dealers in Fine Kentucky Whiskies on the Coast. Over fifty demijohns of it went out yesterday—but customers went with them." HUGHES & CO.

J. A. FASTABEND, GENERAL CONTRACTOR, PILE DRIVER, HOUSE, BRIDGE AND WHARF BUILDER. Address, box 10, Postoffice. ASTORIA, OR.

THE ORIGINAL AND GENUINE (WORCESTERSHIRE) LEA & PERRINS SAUCE. Imports the most delicious taste and best to EXTRACT from a MEDICAL GENTLEMAN of Malaga, to his brother WORCESTER, May 1865. "LEA & PERRINS" that their sauce is highly esteemed in India, and is in my opinion the most palatable, as well as the most wholesome sauce that is made.

NEW CARPETS. We can say of carpets what was said of furniture a day or two since—that this stock is not only the best in Astoria, but twice over the largest. There's Laying inspiration in our prices, too. No matter what kind of carpets you want, come to us, for we have it. Chas. Heilborn & Son.

UNION PACIFIC OVERLAND ROUTE. The Fast Mail Route. PUTS YOU in Chicago Omaha, Kansas City, St. Louis and all Eastern Points.

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Astoria to San Francisco. OCEAN STEAMERS. SAILING DATES. Columbia, Wednesday, April 4. State, Monday, April 9. Columbia, Saturday, April 14. State, Thursday, April 19. Columbia, Tuesday, April 24. State, Sunday, April 29. Astoria and Portland Steamers. Steamer R. R. Thompson leaves Astoria at 6:45 a. m., daily except Sunday, via Washington side of the river; returning, leaves Portland at 8 p. m., daily, except Saturday. The Thompson makes landings on both sides of the river above Waterford, on both up and down trips.

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