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PRICE, FIVE CENTS.

Stocking Up



Was the prevailing style in in hosiery Christmas eve. Stocking up is what we have been preparing to do for some time by placing large orders to be ready for the large increased trade expected by the building of the railroad to Astoria in the spring, and to make room for the new goods and clear out 1894 lines we have marked down many such to great bargains in **Men's and Boys' Clothing, Furnishing Goods, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Trunks, Valises, etc.**

The OSGOOD MERCANTILE Co.

The One Price Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers

506 and 508 COMMERCIAL STREET, ASTORIA, OR.

One Week More

Many new and inexpensive articles suitable for Christmas.

For Him.

Smokers Sets, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Shaving Sets, Traveling Cases, Razor Cases, Cigar Cases, all styles, Fine Cutlery, Pocket Diaries, Pocket Books, Bill Books, Vioins, Guitars, Banjos, Dictionaries, Gold Pens, Fine Etchings, Fancy Inkstands,



For Her.

Toilet Sets, Perfume Sets, Afternoon Tea Kettles, Work Boxes, Writing Desks, Portfolios, Photograph Albums, Autograph Albums, Music Rolls and Wraps, Book of Poems, Fine Letter Paper, Fine Penholders, Fine Scissors, Maicure Sets, Jewel Cases, Scrap Books.

In our Toy Department opposite Hahn's shoe store

A Closing-Out Sale

Bargains in Toys, Dolls, Dishes, etc. We give up our Toy room the 1st of January and everything must be sold.

Griffin & Reed.

ODDITIES and NOVELTIES for CHRISTMAS.	Jewelry for less than half the cost price.	CHRISTMAS GIFTS in GOLD or SILVER.
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NEW YORK NOVELTY STORE.

Opposite the Occident.
ASTORIA, OREGON.

USEFUL and BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS CARDS.	Come and see our stock before purchasing elsewhere.	A FINE LINE OF TOYS, DOLLS, JUVANILE BOOKS, ALBUMS AND MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.
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BETTER COUNTY ROADS

Judge Gray Talks of the Proposed Improvements.

THREE NEW THOROUGHFARES.

Other Roads Can Be Built If the Property Owners So Desire—The Method.

Clatsop county is going to have better roads.

The wise policy inaugurated by the county court will be carried out to the letter, and within a year or two the old cry of "no roads" will be a thing of the past.

Shortly after the members of the present county court began their duties, they sent out a request that the several road supervisors throughout the county call a meeting in their respective districts and select delegates to attend a road convention to be held in this city. The purpose of the convention was for the discussion of the much-talked-of

Creek, thence via Knappa to Westport. This thoroughfare will open up a valuable and productive farming and timber country, and give many settlers access to this city. As it is in many instances they are compelled to travel by trail several miles to the river, from which place the only means of reaching the county seat is by boat.

"The third road is to reach south-westerly down Clatsop Plains into the Necanicum country. A minority of the committee of seven on roads, appointed by the convention, recommended that the road cross Young's Bay on the present line of the South Coast railway but the county court, after considering the great cost and that a large number of people on the west side of Young's river and the Lewis and Clarke country, would be left without roads, it of the opinion that the route from Astoria via Williamsport and Dager Point thence across the Lewis and Clarke near Heckard's school house, to the junction on Clatsop Plains, there intersecting the road to Sausalito, will be much cheaper and of service to a greater number of people than any other road. It is also nearer and more direct, being fully two miles shorter. It will stay in this regard that I am not opposed to the present plan of bridging Young's Bay near Smith's Point, on the line of the present railroad bridge, providing a separate district is made of the country on the west side of the bay and Astoria, to be taxed for its construction.

"No opposition is expected in having

GOULD WAS HIS FRIEND.

Supt. Byrnes Explains Where He Obtained His Wealth.

THE COMMITTEE ADJOURNS.

Supt. Byrnes Submits a Copy of His Resignation—The Whole Department Rotten.

Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 29.—When the Lexow committee took up its work today, Mott, of the United States district attorney's office, asked leave to make a statement regarding the charges made by the green goods man Louis Strop and his brother, Lexow said it would be hardly fair to allow Mott to make an explanation when a similar privilege was refused Comstock. Mott took of his coat and advancing toward the desk, where had been stricken from the records, Lexow told him he could only make a denial on oath. Mott put on his coat and flounced out of the room, shouting as he started for the door, "I will not disgrace myself by submitting to your rudeness."

Captain Ryan was called and gave his bank books to Goff. To captain denied he ever accepted any money, and added, "Sure, it would be very foolish for any one to offer me money for protection. I would not touch it, for I'm an honest man."

The captain was excused. Superintendent Byrnes was called to the stand.

"How long have you been on the police force?"

"About 23 years. I was appointed captain in 1870; inspector in 1880, and was made superintendent April 12th, 1894."

"What property have you?"

"The superintendent gave the location of the property, which he said was in his wife's name. It amounted to \$230,500, all free and clear."

"How did you become possessed of such an amount of wealth?"

"Well, at the time I was placed in charge of the detective department I was thrown amongst many prominent Wall Street men, and I bought stocks. The late Jay Gould was my friend, and he acted as my broker. He made me \$230,000, and since his death his son George has made \$42,000."

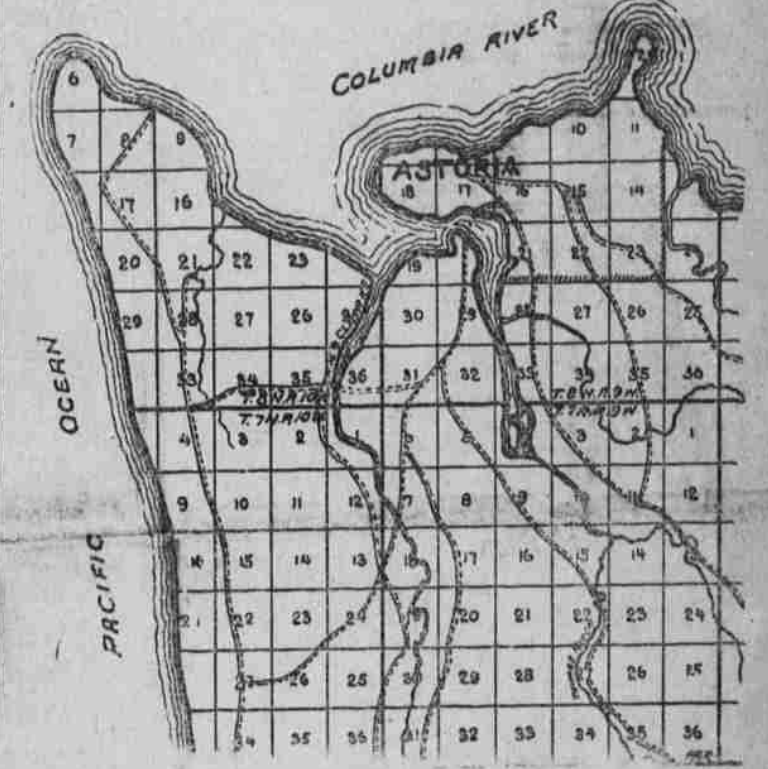
"Where did you first get your money?"

"A friend of Senator Palmer, named Burdette, a very old man who lived in Dutchess county, left me \$7,000. I bought property and sold it and made some money. Old Commodore Vanderbilt asked me on one occasion if I had any money, and I said yes, I had \$2,900. He asked me for it, and I brought it to him. About six or twelve months afterwards I got \$6,000 back, as he had invested it very successfully for me. This made me worth some \$20,000 in 1875."

The witness then told a long story as to how he became acquainted with Jay Gould. It was through catching men who wrote threatening letters. Gould offered him a present, but he refused. Then Gould, he said, offered to buy stocks for him, and he did not want to accept any money, but Byrnes insisted. He put up \$10,000 with the result that the amount was increased to \$270,000. He said he could not remember just how he got the \$10,000, but he had it, he declared. At present he held 5,400 shares of stock, some in his own name, and some on margin. "Every turn of the wheel," he said, "means \$200 lost or gained." He estimated he was worth \$350,000. He refused to tell the names of the stocks, as many people might go down town Monday and lose their money.

"If you willing to give the names in confidence, to the committee and counsel, but I don't want them to be made public."

At ten minutes to 9 o'clock, the Lexow committee adjourned subject to the call of the chair, thus closing a session of investigation which was brimful of startling revelations. Just as he was through answering Goff's probing questions, Superintendent Byrnes handed a letter to Chairman Lexow, and said it was a copy of one he had sent to Mayor-elect Hays early in the month. It was his resignation from the force of which he has been a member for the past 22 years. The superintendent said that on two occasions since he was appointed in Superintendent Hays's place he was on the point of resigning, owing to a continued conflict between the commissioners and himself. The superintendent, he said, has absolute charge of the discipline of the department, but all his efforts to that direction were frustrated by the commissioners. The department was happy-crafted with chaos, which had been growing for 30 years, and they could be remedied only by radical legislation. Local politicians, he claimed, were the cause of the department, and as long as politics was a factor in the force, such a state of things would exist. The superintendent said he would resign with a better than good opinion and to be bought and back most of us.



MAP SHOWING PROPOSED COUNTY ROADS.

road question, and making recommendations to the county court, for the best manner of building, and the most suitable location for at least three main roads from Astoria out into the country. As will be remembered, there was an enthusiastic gathering from every district in the county, and they discussed the matter thoroughly from every point of view, finally recommending the Cross road law, as the best means of raising money for building roads in this county.

Along the numerous streams in Clatsop county are excellent beds of gravel that can be used to macadam roads running parallel to these waterways, but back from the streams, where the whole country is covered with a dense growth of timber, it would be an expensive undertaking to attempt to construct macadam roads. The convention discussed this point at length, and finally decided that the least expensive way to construct durable roads throughout the county would be to make use of the abundance of fine timber, and build either parson or plank roads, or both, where convenient. A committee was appointed to prepare a bill to present to the next legislature, amending Section 1 of the Cross road law, giving the court power to use "planking or puncheon," as they see fit in the construction of roads. This would prove least burdensome to the property holders, where the gravel would have to be hauled a long distance before being used.

A SAD ACCIDENT.

One Hunter Shoots Another While Deer Hunting.

Marshfield, Or., Dec. 29.—Frank King was accidentally shot yesterday by Wm Lawhorn, while the two were out deer hunting. Lawhorn, who had separated from King, saw a deer and opened fire. The second shot hitting King. Lawhorn says that he was within thirty yards of King and that the latter was thirty yards out of line of the deer. The bullet, which was from a .44 calibre rifle, struck King on the inside edge of the right shoulder blade and ranged downward and forward through the right lung, remaining in the body. King still lives, but in a critical condition.

THE POPULIST CONVENTION.

St. Louis Dec. 29.—This morning's session of the Populist conference opened on regular business on hand. Considerable time was occupied by remarks upon various subjects, including the recent election in Alabama, educational campaigns, etc. The committee on educational campaign reported in favor of the club or tycoon system as auxiliary to the regular campaign work. The report was adopted. Upon motion, Mrs. Striker, of the Kansas national committee, requested in sending out literature, upon the Omaha platform, to include therewith a proper proposition of literature upon woman suffrage. The conference then took a recess to await the report on an address to the party.

AN EXTRA SESSION PROBABLE.

Washington, Dec. 29.—It is believed that if the urgent deficiency bill, making an appropriation to carry the income tax into effect, and the Currency bill fall at this session, the president will call an extra session of the 54th congress.

OFF FOR THE ORIENT.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Secretary of State Foster started from here today for Japan, where he will join the peace commissioners of the Chinese government to act as their legal adviser.

ANTHONY COMSTOCK WRITES.

He Scores Goff and the Rest of the Committee.

New York, Dec. 29.—Anthony Comstock has addressed a letter to the Lexow committee regarding the state case made by a witness named Strop on Thursday that he (Strop) paid Comstock \$1,000 to prosecute against him for swindling. Comstock asks that, as he has been denied the right to refute upon the witness stand the allegations of Strop, whom he characterizes as a perjurer and thence convicted criminal, his letter be given the same publicity as was the allegation of the witness, Strop. "The assault was made upon me by the connivance and consent of the counsel of your committee," Mr. Comstock writes, "and is a monstrous perversion of personal rights." After further denunciation of Goff, Comstock states at length the work he has accomplished as an agent of the society for the suppression of vice.

AMERICAN CHINESE STUDENTS.

They Are Honored for Bravery in the Yalu Battle.

Washington, Dec. 29.—United States Minister Denby has sent to the state department an interesting sketch of the history of a number of Chinese students who were educated in the United States and afterwards returned to China. Charges were made that they were traitors, or had lost their patriotism, and in 1882 they were all recalled, and unfortunately for China, their system of education was abandoned. Minister Denby says it affords him pleasure to report the distinguished bravery and gallantry displayed by some of the American students in the great naval battle off the mouth of the Yalu Sea, September 7, 1894. Of ten persons recommended for distinction by Li Hung Chang, four were former American students.

THE SAN FRANCISCO TRACK.

Spreckles' \$10,000 Handicap Won by China's Lassak.

San Francisco, Dec. 29.—The ten thousand dollar Spreckles handicap was run today, and as was expected, Col. Jack China's two-year-old colt Lassak won. With 166 pounds up, the black colt jumped to the lead at the start and was never headed, winning by a length from Cadmus.

Five furlongs—Tigriss, 1:10 1/4.

Five furlongs—selling—Flagstaff, 1:11 1/4.

Sweepstakes, mile and a quarter—handicap—Lissak, 2:25.

Steeple chase, mile and a half—Jim Norval, 4:1 1/4.

Five furlongs, selling—Robin Hood No. 1, 1:10.

THE OREGONIAN DAY.

Fifteen Thousand Children Visit the Exposition on the Oregonian's Ticket.

Portland, Dec. 29.—Fifteen thousand people, most of them children, were at the exposition today as guests of the Oregonian. They came from this city and points in the Willamette Valley. The children were given the freedom of the building, each one holding a ticket presented by the Oregonian entitling him to admission to the fair and all the side shows.

OUR GOVERNOR IMPOSED UPON.

So Thinks the Governor of Utah Territory.

Salt Lake, Dec. 29.—Gov. West has withheld action on the requisition of Governor Penoyer for G. A. Brown, charged with larceny by bailee. Gov. West thinks Governor Penoyer has been imposed upon, and that the evidence showed that some body behind the requisition is acting in bad faith.

A TARIFF WAR.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Signs multiply to show that the United States is on the verge of a great tariff war with all Europe. France now appears to be following in the lead of Germany in placing restrictions and obstacles in the way of the importation of American food products, and as in the case of Germany, this is the development of the agrarian policy, and is intended to help the French farmer, although possibly put forward as a measure in the interest of public health.

STANFORD VS CHICAGO.

Los Angeles, Dec. 29.—Thirty-five hundred people witnessed the second football game between the Chicago University and the Stanford University, which took place here this afternoon. Stanford won. Score—Stanford, 12; Chicago, 0.

ALLEN ENDORSED.

Walla Walla, Dec. 29.—The Populist county central committee today passed a resolution endorsing ex-Senator J. B. Allen for United States senator.

FAIR'S MANY MILLIONS.

His Two Daughters Are the Principal Beneficiaries.

SOU. PAC. LIMITED WRECKED.

A Sad Story Connected With the Lost Keweenaw—Chinese American Students Honored.

Associated Press.

San Francisco, Dec. 29.—The will of Jas. G. Fair, the noted "Bonanza" millionaire and ex-United States senator from Nevada, whose death occurred here last night, was filed in the superior court here this morning. The will disposed of an estate the value of which is estimated at \$4,000,000. Under the provisions of the millionaire's will, the greater portion of the estate falls to persons now living outside of California. The biggest share will go to the two daughters living in New York and other relatives residing in Iowa. The only gift of a public nature are three, aggregating \$125,000, to orphan asylums of San Francisco. It is directed that the net monthly income of the estate shall be equally divided among the three heirs during their lives. Not until the death of the three children is the estate to be finally divided. The request to his son Charles L. and with his death.

The will cuts off the widow and possible children of the son, Charles L. Fair, from any portion of the estate beyond the one-third part of the net income which he will receive during his lifetime.

About a year ago "Charley" Fair married a notorious woman of San Francisco, and became estranged from his father. It was only a short time ago that a partial reconciliation was effected. Young Fair is in poor health, suffering from kidney disease, and his physicians do not believe he can live long. In view of the scandalous will contents that have arisen in California upon the death of so many of the millionaire pioneers, one clause of Senator Fair's will is particularly interesting. He writes:

"I do solemnly declare that I am not married; also that I have no children other than my son Charles L. Fair and my daughters Theresa A. and Virginia. I have noted the facility with which sworn testimony may be procured and produced in support of the claim of alleged widows and adopted children, and the frequent recurrence of such claims in recent years. I therefore make the express provision in this, my will, as follows: I give and bequeath to such persons as shall be found, proved and established to be my surviving wife or widow, whether marriage be found to have taken place before or after this will, the sum of \$50, and to each and every person who shall be found, proved and established to be my child by birth, adoption, acknowledged or otherwise, and whether before or after the execution of this will, the sum of \$50, and to each person who shall be found, proved and established to be the child by birth, adoption, or acknowledgment, or otherwise, of my deceased son, James G. Fair, Jr., and whether before or after the execution of this will, the sum of \$50, and I declare that I do intentionally omit to make for any of the persons in this paragraph referred to, any other or further provision."

In conclusion it is provided that if any of the beneficiaries named in the will shall at any time commence any proceedings to contest the will, they or he shall receive nothing.

THE SUNSET LIMITED WRECKED.

Los Angeles, Dec. 29.—The Southern Pacific Company's Sunset Limited, the well known fast train between San Francisco and New Orleans, was wrecked and burned in southeastern Arizona this morning, but according to advices received through the railroad headquarters, none of the trainmen or passengers were injured. The wreck was caused by a bridge or trestle work being burned through, carrying the train along.

A SAD STORY.

San Francisco, Dec. 29.—Arcade Kellock, second assistant engineer last on the steamer Keweenaw, and Dees Yuchan were so have been married four days before Christmas. The son is now supposed to be at the bottom of the sea, and the other is bereft of reason.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE