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The attention of the city council has been repeatedly called to the importance of adopting and enforcing some stringent form of regulation respecting the custom so prevalent of holding semi-public meetings and giving crowded entertainments in the various fraternal and private halls of Astoria. Since the frightful disaster at Silver Lake some weeks ago, public attention nearly everywhere has been aroused to the danger of permitting large assemblages of people in places of entertainment unprovided with proper means of escape in case of fire, and the calamity which overtook this little Oregon hamlet has possibly been the means of saving valuable lives in some of the proudest and greatest of the earth's places. But here in Astoria not the slightest impression seems to have been made by the terrible warning, and our people continue to take risks that should cause the whole community to shudder. On last Wednesday evening nearly five hundred people, principally women and children, were allowed to assemble in a room not intended, and wholly unadapted for the accommodation of large crowds. A long and narrow, third-story room, with but one entrance, and that at one of the far ends, one stairway, and unprovided with any means of fighting fire or any escape whatever. The mere suggestion of what might have happened in case there had been even a false alarm of fire, is enough to make those who were there yet feel nervous. A panic once started would have inevitably caused the loss of many lives, and an actual fire would have resulted in the sacrifice of three-fourths of all present. It is folly to say people ought to have sense enough to stay away from such places; they will go, and will crowd themselves almost to suffocation for the sake of being there. Such, indeed, is the perverseness and recklessness of people seeking pleasure, that it is said there were those present at the gathering alluded to who got indignant and almost impolite in the warmth of their remonstrances at the efforts of Chief Foster to keep at least the aisles cleared of chairs. Now that the only building in Astoria at all suitable for giving entertainments of any size has passed into other uses, it is probable the tendency to overcrowd other halls will be more frequent than ever, and it is the duty of our local law makers to take prompt and vigorous steps to prevent the happening of some accident that may bring regret and mourning to many happy homes throughout the city.

There is no better illustration of the benefits resulting from the progress thus far made in civil service reform than in the marked improvement of the postal service since the civil service rules have been applied to the subordinate branches of the service. All the postmasters have become converts to it. But these rules do not prevent the removal of the most faithful and competent employees whenever the head of the department wants to find places for his friends. There is a bill before congress which prohibits the removal of any postoffice clerk, letter carrier, or railway postal clerk, except for crime, until after written charges have been preferred against him and properly examined into, although he may be suspended meanwhile. It is to be hoped this bill will pass. There is no more meritorious class of government employees than those mentioned. Their work is hard; their pay small. They are intelligent and faithful. Their duties are purely non-political. There is no reason why they should be subject to removal merely to find room for the dependents of some politician who has influence in the department or office.

No intelligent man in Astoria need be deterred from expressing his opinion in favor of Senator Dolph's re-election by the report now in circulation that Mr. Dolph has made certain pledges regarding the disposal of federal patronage in Astoria under the next administration, contingent upon his election. In the first place, Mr. Dolph is too wise and astute a politician to make any promises of that kind in advance of his election, and in the second place he would not enter into such a combination with an element which he well knows could exert no influence in the direction which would now be the most useful to him. But whether probable or improbable, there are those in Astoria who are in a position to positively deny the story. Let no Republican be deceived by this fresh attempt to prejudice and mislead public sentiment. Attend the business men's meeting and you will be entirely satisfied on this point.

There should be no further delay in calling the proposed business men's meeting in Astoria to endorse Senator Dolph and pass resolutions requesting the Clatsop county representatives to vote for his re-election. The men who are at the head of the movement are among the most influential in town, and there can be no doubt whatever that such a meeting would be a sweeping success. Whether Messrs. Curtis and Lester should see fit to act in accordance with the demands of the meeting makes no difference; let the meeting be called, and Astoria afforded a chance to set herself right before the state in this important matter.

The fish bill has been made the special order in the legislature for today, but it is said by those in a position to know that a number of radical amendments will be proposed, and carried, which will completely alter the bill as agreed on by the joint committee in Portland last Sunday. It is further said that the legislature will not be hampered by any consideration of what the Washington people may agree to, as there is a prevailing impression at Salem that Oregon is entitled to exercise exclusive jurisdiction over all the waters of the Columbia.

An exchange says in a little over twelve months hence delegates to the national conventions will begin to be shown. There is reason to believe some of the good and faithful Republicans now in the Oregon legislature will be compelled to go to the Populist meeting if they attend any national convention in the capacity of delegates.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that I have been appointed executor of the last will and testament of L. W. Case, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate are requested to present them duly verified, within six months from this date, at Astoria National Bank.
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Executor.

Buffalo Courier: "I say, doctor, tell me what the difference between the grip and a cold really is."
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Dated this 8th day of February, 1895.
F. W. BALTES,
Administrator of the estate of Casper Baltes, deceased.

Representative Stone, of Kentucky wears an enormous cream colored ulcer that is the envy of the house and makes him the cynosure of all eyes. It is apparently patterned after the familiar gray surtout worn by Santa Claus on his annual Christmas rounds.

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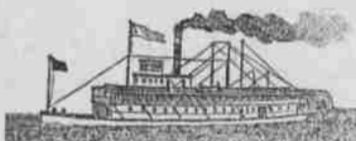
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