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Jno. T. Handley Co. are our Portland agents, and copies of the Astorian can be had every morning at their stand on First street.

It is with a feeling of satisfaction that we call attention today to the Astorian's new dress. The Linotype machine purchased by this office three years ago, a long while, it will be remembered, before any other Pacific coast newspaper secured such an innovation, has done its work from that day to this in a most excellent and satisfactory manner, and is in better running order now than when it was bought.

During the last month an entirely new keyboard has been added, and yesterday a complete set of changed matrices was placed in the machine. These alterations, together with every other improvement that has been patented since Linotype first came into use, have made our instrument perfect. A new dynamo and motor, with a number of electrical devices, have been added to the facilities of the press room, which will repay a visit from people interested in intricate and powerful machinery. The typographical work on the Astorian, as a result of these improvements, makes the paper the cleanest and neatest looking daily in the state of Oregon. This is a condition of things which our citizens in general, as well as the Astorian, may well be proud.

THE LIFE SAVING SERVICE.

The annual report of the superintendent of the life-saving service has just been published, and it presents a large number of facts of particular interest to people in this state and indeed all states bordering on sea coasts, showing the immense value of this most important branch of the public service.

It is all the more interesting because the United States government is the only government in the world that has established a life-saving service and supported it from the national treasury. In other countries this service is entirely voluntary, and is carried on by means of individual benevolence. Our service has been in successful operation since 1878, and has been the means of saving thousands of lives and millions of dollars' worth of property.

The present report shows for the year that is past that 43 vessels were wrecked, on board of which were 5,602 persons, and of these only twenty individuals were saved.

The value of the vessels and their cargoes aggregated more than \$10,000,000, and of this only about \$1,500,000 was lost. The number of vessels totally lost was seventy-three. Nearly a thousand shipwrecked persons were succored at the different stations, and an immense number of minor casualties to small craft and to individuals was prevented by the skill and alertness of the life-savers. There are many other features of the report that are of interest to the general reader.

The old stories of the wreckers on the Atlantic coast are not fables by any means, and many a vessel was in its days not so very remote lured to its ruin by the half truths of that time, but all that has long since been done away with through this most efficient government institution. Extensive as are our coasts and fraught with perils to sailors, the government protection has gone far as possible being thrown over the whole. The whole establishment now embraces 23 stations. Of these 181 are on the Atlantic, fifty-three on the lakes, thirteen on this coast, and one at the falls of the Ohio.

It is a most beneficent department of the government.

SOLID PROOF.

Two years ago the advocates of the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1 appeared to be growing in numbers and influence, especially in the Western and Southern states. Astute demagogues began to trim their sails accordingly that they might catch the wind of popular favor, and those who had presidential ambitions preserved an owl-like silence (like Vice-President Stevenson) that they might be ready at the proper time to adopt opinions dictated by the pulse of the moment. But a campaign of education was started, and already public opinion has settled down as opposed to the free coinage of silver, except under an international agreement entered into by the United States and the powers of Europe. This change of sentiment may be judged from the speeches of public men and the articles published in the newspapers, but more convincing proof is to be found in election returns. In Illinois the Democratic party had fallen into the hands of the advocates of 16 to 1 free silver coinage. The chairman of the Democratic state central committee has been especially active as a free silverite. He called a state convention, which declared for free coinage at 16 to 1, and tried to make it appear that the Democrats of the state were overwhelmingly in favor of this dogma. At the November election an opportunity was given to the Democrats of the Eighteenth Congressional District of Illinois to express their sentiments at the polls. An ex-congressman, one Lane, was named for congress on a free coinage platform and carried on an active canvass for votes. The first candidate named by the Republicans died, and the second was named barely in time to have

his nomination papers filed, so that he had no time to do more than make it known that he was a sound money man before election day arrived. The district was heavily Democratic, and the Democratic canvass was actively managed by home and imported silverites, including Bland, Bryan and Stone, with the result that the Republican candidate was elected by 3,000 majority, in a district that gave Cleveland 2,800 majority.

Mr. A. Bergman has "ordered" the Astorian to apologize for the following statement:

"It was caught in the act of erasing official figures in the books and was summarily dismissed."

We were wrong, it appears, in saying that Mr. A. Bergman was caught in the act. He wrote a letter to a Portland tailor, offering to settle his delinquent taxes for three or five dollars when they only came to eighty cents, and he told the same individual that if the party holding the tax titles made any fuss, he could fix it up. The party holding the tax titles was the county of Clatsop.

The money charge opposite Polivka's name was found to be erased. Mr. A. Bergman's letter to Polivka was sent to the county officials. Mr. A. Bergman had been working for several weeks on the county books. We will leave it at that. Mr. A. Bergman was not caught with the knife in his hands scratching out the figures. The sheriff thought the facts strong enough and the evidence conclusive enough to dismiss Bergman summarily.

This is our apology.

The adjourned Republican convention which meets tomorrow afternoon to nominate candidates for the coming city election has before it a plain duty which we have no doubt its members will bear in mind. The Republicans in Astoria were never stronger than they are at this time. They have the confidence of the people and, beyond all, they deserve it. The selection of a strong, clean ticket means an overwhelming victory. No unstable or incompetent man should be honored with a nomination, for his defeat would be certain and well deserved.

With bright, energetic and worthy candidates in the field the Republicans will, win easily. The delegates have, during the last two weeks, worked hard and conscientiously to secure nominees who will reflect credit on the men and the party that selected them.

Let the result of their deliberations tomorrow prove that they have succeeded.

Wanted to know:

When four individuals appoint themselves a committee to call a convention of a defunct and dishonored political party; when they call that convention with four delegates (same crowd); when that convention of four meets in the back of a saloon and nominates a ticket consisting of four (same crowd), and five others added—

whether there is any community anywhere that would not turn away in disgust and contempt from social, political or any other kind of intercourse with such pitiful mountebanks?

A wonderful mechanical device known as a heliostat which has just been added to the astrophysical observatory at Washington is said to "pump sunshine and weigh rainbows." This instrument will be valuable to the Citizen-Democratic law office—Flavel townsite—Election Company, Limited, although it is not known that there are any rainbows to weigh, and all the sunshine which the heliostat could pump by working overtime would not dispel the gloom that hangs over that powerful organization.

Mayor Kinney may as well understand that before he can get back into politics he will have to open those stock books to the public and telegraph for George Gould to keep his promise and come at once. At such a crisis as this in the mayor's career, Gould has no right to be skulking in New York.

The cold frosts these mornings are given us by a merciful dispensation of providence, which in this manner is gradually preparing the "Citizens" party (all four of them) for what will happen on the 11th of December.

The U. S. Gov't Reports show Royal Baking Powder superior to all others.

STOPPED HIS PAPER.

An acquaintance met Horace one day and said: "Mr. Greeley, I've stopped your paper." "Have you?" and come. "Well, that's too bad," and the old white hat went his way.

The next morning Greeley met his subscriber and said: "I thought you had stopped the Tribune." "So I did." "That's my mistake," said the old white hat, "for I just came from the office, and the printer's name, the clerks were as busy as ever, the compositors were hard at work, and the business was going on the same as yesterday, and the day before." "Oh," ejaculated the subscriber, "I didn't mean that I had stopped the paper; I stopped only my copy of it because I didn't like your editorials." "That's what I wanted," said Greeley, "it wasn't worth my time to tell me such a trifle as that. My dear sir, if you expect to control the utterances of the Tribune by the purchase of one copy a day, or if you think to find any newspaper words reading that will never express convictions at right angles with your own, you are doomed to disappointment."

A life of Prof. Huxley is being prepared by his son, Mr. L. Huxley.

A GOOD WORD.

Mr. J. J. Kell, Sharpshooter, Pa.

Dear Sir: I am glad to say a good word for Krause's Headache Capsules. After suffering for over three years with acute neuralgia and its consequent nervous prostration (which seemed to have the efforts of some of our best physicians) you suggested this remedy which gave me almost instant relief. Words fail to express the praise I should like to bestow on Krause's Headache Capsules.

Gratefully Yours,

MRS. E. R. HOLMES, Montrose, Pa.

Will somebody please tell us why our lawmakers are never arrested for passing worthless bills?—Boston Transcript.

OLD PEOPLE.

Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whiskey or other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alternative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby adding nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an

excellent appetizer and adds digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price 50 cents per bottle at Chas. Rogers' Drug Store.

"I'm sure I hit the last one, Parker. Didn't you see the feathers fly?" "Yes, sir, and took the birds 'wiv 'em."—Fun.

The healing properties of DeWitt's Which Hazel Balm are well known. It cures eczema, skin affections, and is simply a perfect remedy for piles. Chas. Rogers.

It is stated, says the Times-Mountaineer, that there are 25,000 Indian war veterans on the Pacific coast, who are entitled to pensions for services rendered in wars incident to the settlement of the Northwest. These men were of as much service to the nation in fighting the civil war, as were the veterans of the Indian war, and if men are to be rewarded according to services rendered, are entitled to recognition by the government. Many of these men are residents of Oregon, and their claims are certainly worthy the attention of Oregon's representatives in congress.

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.

When she was a child, she cried for Castoria.

When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.

When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Duluth has two of the tallest policemen in the country. Patrolman Royal McKenzie is 6 feet 10 1/2 inches high and is still growing. He is only 23 years old and weighs 275 pounds. He can reach a point ten feet from the ground. One of his five Thomas Hayden, also of Duluth, is 6 feet 7 inches tall. The two make a great team and the tough woodsmen of the vicinity who are inclined to be suspicious when either is around. Superior, Wis., claims to have a policeman a trifle taller than McKenzie, but he is past apartment and is in the hospital, hoping to beat him before the year is out.

BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE.

The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, and Sore Feet. For Sale by Chas. Rogers, 544 Fellows' building.

Galdos, the Spanish novelist, who is called great even by his contemporaries, is a bachelor of 50, who leads a very simple and retiring life. He has written two volumes of national histories, historical romances, etc., and they have been uniformly popular since the first of them, the "Trifalgar," was published in 1857.

ROYAL Baking Powder has been awarded highest honors at every world's fair where exhibited.

ECONOMY IN FUEL.

The Eureka Fuel Economizer is a scientific preparation which augments the intensity of coal and wood heat in the proportion of 33 per cent.

Each package is stamped on each package is carefully observed, the Eureka Fuel Economizer will give to any ordinary or middling coal the same value as that of the best.

The Eureka Fuel Economizer prevents the soot, the cinders and the formation of smoke, which may spoil, in an apartment, the curtains, paintings, etc.

The Eureka burns any kind of gas which might destroy the breakfasting air; and it is the only one in which it is used are consequently more healthy and comfortable. In less than five minutes, one can obtain a very brisk fire which will last for hours without being stirred up and without any addition of fresh coal. Hence an economy of coal, wood and money.

The Eureka Economizer produces a heat more soft and more concentrated; when a normal heat is wanted, the ventilation must be partly stopped, and the gas, an economy of fuel is to be related. We guarantee that our preparation produces no injurious effect on the health, and does not affect in any way stoves, ranges, or radiators.

Large consumers can obtain the product, which we do not hesitate in terming "marvelous," at much more reduced prices.

Each package bears, with very explicit directions, our trade mark, representing four hands crossed together above a star with this motto: "In union there is strength." Any counterfeiter shall be dealt according to law.

We recently received applications for our product, and it is with regret that we are compelled to refuse the sending of the same. Hereafter we have 200,000 packages of our product, but we cannot afford to support such heavy expense any longer. The moderate price of our product is the result of our policy, and we want to try it. It is for the same reason that we have decided to send it direct on receipt of 25 cents.

We are so convinced that our product is a triumph of science.

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ASTOR STREET GRADE NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of the City of Astoria have determined to establish the grade of Astor Street in Astoria, from the west line of 4th street, from the west line of 4th street, to the east line of 4th street, as follows, to-wit: At the crossing of 4th street, 25 feet.

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At the crossing of 61st street, 25 feet.

At the crossing of 62nd street, 25 feet.

PROVEN A BOON.

Gentlemen—I have always recommended Krause's Headache Capsules wherever I have had a chance. They have proven a veritable boon in my family against any and all kinds of headache. Yours truly,

J. E. WALTER, Leavenworth, Kansas.

For sale by Chas. Rogers, Astoria, Oregon, sole agent.

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