

TODAY'S WEATHER. Forecast for Washington and Oregon. rain, gales on coast.

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Well Pleased With the War



Men's Imported Clay Worsted Wool Suits, now at \$9.50. Men's Cheviot and California Cassimere Suits, at \$7.50. Men's Wool Suits and Wool Mackintosh Coats, at \$5.00.

lises, Umbrellas, Etc.

I. L. OSGOOD,

The One Price Clothier, Hatter and Furnisher.

506 and 508 COMMERCIAL STREET, ASTORIA, OR.

Souvenir of Astoria.

Have you seen it? A beautiful and artistic booklet, containing twenty pages and about fifty views of Astoria and vicinity. Price, 50 cents.

Diaries for 1896. New Year Cards.

Would you like a nice set of books by standard authors? We will sell them to you from now until January 1st at 25 per cent discount.

Griffin & Reed.

THREE LOTS. In a desirable location, 2 blocks from High School. A BARGAIN.

CHOICE LOTS IN HILLS FIRST ADDITION. On the new Pipe Line Boulevard—Just the place for a cheap home.

A Block In ALDERBROOK. STREET CAR LINE will be extended this summer to within 5 minutes walk of this property—Will sell at decided bargain.

ACREAGE. In 5 or 10 acre tracts inside the city limits, also adjoining Flavel. GEORGE HILL, 471 Bond St., Occident Block, HILL'S REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE.

Big Dry Goods and Clothing Sale!

Commencing January 1, 1896, and for 30 days only.

Great Reductions in All Lines! Prices Smashed to Atoms!

Table listing various clothing items and their prices, including woolen cloth, scarlet flannel, ladies' gloves, and men's shirts.

\$1.25 - - Men's Shoes - - \$1.25

Space forbids the mentioning of only a few articles. But every piece of goods in our large and well-assorted stock has been reduced in price from 25 to 40 per cent during this sale.

AT THE OREGON TRADING CO., 600 Commercial Street.

THE GRAND CHANGE

City Officials Go and Come Amidst General Good Feeling.

TWO MAYORS' MESSAGES READ

Mr. Kinsey Says Farewell and Mr. Taylor Makes His Official Bow to the New Council—Annual Reports.

At 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon was held the last meeting of the old city council, the retiring mayor presiding. Messrs. W. Thompson and Bergman were appointed a committee on credentials, to report upon the certificates of election of the new members of the council, and city officers. The committee retired and in a short time reported that Mayor Frank J. Taylor, the new members of the council, Messrs. Thompson, Parker and McGregor, and the various officials, were duly elected and entitled to their seats.

Having estimated the revenue to be collected by means of licenses and fines, they recommend a tax levy of 7 1/2 mills upon the one dollar of the assessed value of the taxable property within the city.

Upon the conclusion of his message Mr. Kinsey introduced Mayor Frank Taylor to the council, who took the chair and assumed control of the municipal body. On motion of Mr. Welch, the message of the retiring mayor was ordered to be read.

Mr. Taylor then delivered his inaugural address and message to the council, with his suggestions and recommendations as to future legislation as follows: Astoria, Ore., January 6, 1896. To the Common Council of Astoria: Gentlemen: As we enter upon the new year, it becomes my duty to communicate to you a general statement of the condition of the city's affairs, and to recommend the adoption of such measures as may be deemed expedient and proper.

Authority is given to the city to issue and sell bonds to pay for the improvement of streets, under the law as now exists, but experience has demonstrated that such bonds cannot be sold. Bond buyers will not buy them. You are, therefore, confronted with the fact that, under existing laws, all street improvements...

NO FEAR OF ATTACK

Spanish in Havana Feel Safe From the Insurgents.

LOUD DISCLAIMERS UTTERED

But the Infusion of Panic Stricken People in the City Spreads the Alarm on All Sides.

Havana, Jan. 6.—Spanish officials assert that there is no probability of a fight in the near future between the Spanish troops and the insurgents now around Havana. The Spanish officials are confident in bringing westward all the troops available, and if this movement is completed it is not thought that an attack will be commenced.

Little news is received in this city regarding the movements of either the Spanish or Cuban forces. The line of communication being cut in every direction out of Havana. The infusion of panic stricken people into the city is now in the province of Panama. Last night a torpedo was exploded in front of the Corona cigar factory in the city. No one was hurt, and the resulting fire was extinguished without much damage.

There has been a massing of forces of the troops in the northwest province of Havana today, which is immediately west and southwest of Havana. Loud disclaimers are being uttered by the authorities that they have any fear for the welfare of the city. It is pointed out that the city is well fortified, being protected by the strong fortress of Morro, and being garrisoned by Cuban, Principe, Alares, Santa Clara and Reina troops, with heavy artillery, and by 20,000 men now in the province of Pinar del Rio, the advance guard being at Pastoral and at Jaco Anaco.

Production of Yellow Metal Thought to Be 47,000,000. Washington, Jan. 6.—The director of the mint has received approximate estimates of the gold and silver production of the United States in 1895, showing the total gold output to be \$25,614,000, and the silver output, \$31,088,000. The value of gold and the number of fine ounces of silver produced by the principal gold and silver producing states and territories is estimated to be as follows:

DR. BROWN'S TROUBLES. His Case Has Now Reached a Stage of Anonymous Letters. San Francisco, Jan. 6.—The case of Rev. C. O. Brown against Mrs. Davidson, who is charged by the minister with adultery, has now reached a stage of anonymous letters. Today Davidson's attorney received an unsigned letter from a person well acquainted with Miss Mattie Overman. A detailed account of Miss Overman's doings in Sound cities was contained in the letter.

RIOT IN LONDON. London, Jan. 6.—Disturbances occurred in the east end of London today, growing out of the fact that German and Dutch sailors about the docks were hissed. Windows of shops kept by German Jews were broken, and several German clubs were closed.

WILL RETALIATE

United States Will Close Out German Insurance Companies.

DIFFICULTY WITH PRUSSIA

American Companies Harassed Because They Were Thrusting Local German Companies to the Wall.

Berlin, Jan. 6.—Official information from Washington has been received in Berlin that the United States government will close out all German insurance companies doing business in the United States unless Prussia rescinds her measures against American insurance companies preventing them from doing business here.

TRAGEDY NEAR SPOKANE. Spokane, Jan. 6.—A special to the Spokesman-Review from Rockford says: Mrs. Frank Denton was probably fatally shot by her husband last evening about 9 o'clock. There had been trouble between the two for a number of months on account of Mrs. Denton's refusal to live with him and his jealousy of Pat Hickey, whom he has repeatedly threatened to kill, unless his wife left and returned to him. His victim was trying to escape when shot, receiving both shots in the back. Denton is in jail and says the only thing he is sorry for is that he did not kill both his wife and Hickey.

STATE NEWS. Interesting Items Cullied From Oregon's Leading Newspapers. The new hotel at Bandon is nearly completed. There are sixty-four pupils now enrolled in the state school for deaf mutes in Salem. Gold Beach is to have a new hotel. The Masonic building will be reconstructed for that purpose. A schoolhouse has just been completed at Port Orford with funds raised by popular subscription.

THE PROPOSED LOAN. Small Banks Throughout the Country Eager to Subscribe. New York, Jan. 6.—The World tomorrow will say: In response to inquiry sent Sunday night by the World, the national banks of smaller cities and towns of the country, within ten hours yesterday, pledged themselves to take over \$5,000,000 of government bonds upon a 3 per cent basis. These were hard and fast offers, specifying the amounts to be taken. In addition, hundreds of banks declared their willingness, and indeed, eagerness to subscribe, but for various reasons were unable to name any particular amount. It cannot be doubted that these banks represent at least another \$5,000,000. All the answers were made in reply to a query as to what the banks would invest in bonds on a 3 per cent basis. This means practically the payment of about 116 or 117 for the bonds proposed in Secretary Carlisle's call.

GEN. LEGGETT DEAD. Cleveland, Jan. 6.—General M. O. Leggett died this evening of apoplexy, aged 74. He became aide on Gen. Grant's staff at Fort Donelson, and was brevetted major-general for gallantry at Corinth, and major-general at the capture of Vicksburg. He was commissioner of patents under President Grant.

BOLLIN'S DELINQUENCY. Omaha, Jan. 6.—The report of the experts submitted to the city council tonight shows that the entire delinquency of ex-City Treasurer Henry Bollin amounts to more than \$115,000.

THE DEFAULTER. (Tacoma Ledger.) Mr. Lincoln J. Carter, the gentleman who writes plays, likes action. He has stocked his latest play, 'The Defaulter,' and called it enough for seven ordinary productions. Last night 'The Defaulter' was given by a capable company at the Tacoma Theatre. The production ran smoothly enough up to the last act, when the 'thrilling leap for life' on horseback across a rocky gorge took place. The 'mechanical effect,' which comprised the 'leap' was made of canvas and showed a disposition to curve up in the middle as if the backbone of the noble animal had been broken.

WILL REPORT FAVORABLY.

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

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