YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

Local weather for twenty-four hours ending at 5 p. m. yesterday, furnished by the United States Department of Agriculture, weather bureau.

Maximum temperature, 58 degrees.
Minimum temperature, 51 degrees.
Precipitation, 1.52 inches.
Total precipitation from September 1st 1895, to date, 32.59 inches.
Deficiency of precipitaiton from September 1st, 1895, to date, 1.44 inches.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Ito blend tea is the best. Ask your grocer for it, and take no other.

Meany is the leading tailor, and pays the highest cash price for fur skins.

Genuine Findon Haddocks, Imported Stock Fish, Anchovies and Holland Herring; also Fine Bloater Mackerel; try them. Foard & Stokes Co.

Go to 153 8th street, opposite the Court House, to have your umbrella repaired or re-covered in first-class style. A complete stock of fixtures and repairs always on hand.

Just received, St. Gervais, Neufchatel, Philadelphia Cream, Kronenkase, Sierra, Schloss Kase, Edam, Swiss, Jedyost, and many other varieties of fine American and imported cheese at Foard & Stokes Co.

Jno Hahn & Co., 473 Commercial street, have an excellent stock, from which to choose a handsome and useful Christmas present, consisting of quilted and felt slippers, gentlemen's assorted embroidered slippers, ladies' and gentlemen's storm Alaska felt lined rubbers and a complete and stylish line of boots, shoes, etc.

For 25 cents you can recure an excellent well served meal at the Bon Ton Restaurant, No. 571 Commercial street. They are also fully prepared to serve all kinds of fish, game and all delicacies of the season as well as oysters in evry imaginable style at the lowest living prices. Come once and you will continue to come.

Have you overlooked any of your friends at Christmas? If so, you can square yourself by presenting them with a nice bottle of perfumery as a New Years' gift. We received a large invoice of these goods too late for the Christmas trade, consequently have a fine line of fresh goods for the New Year. Estes-Crain Drug Co.

Charles Wirkkala's saloon, on Astor and 7th streets, which has long been one of the most popular and best patronized drinking places in the city has been moved from its present location to the lot immediately east of the Casino theatre. Many improvements will be added as Mr. Wirkkala intends keeping up the reputation his saloon has had since he assumed charge years ago. Only the best wines, liquors and cigars sold at the bar, a musical concert by the best talent in the city, under the leadership of Professor Schwabe, the well known pianist, given nightly. Call around and bring your friends with you.

No excuse for sleepless nights when you can procure One Minute Cough Cure. This will relieve all annoyances, cure the most severe cough, and give you rest and health. Can you afford to do without it? Chas. Rogers.

SHILOH'S CURE, the great Cough and Croup Cure, is in great demand. Pocket size contains twenty-five doses only 25 cents. Children love it. Sold by J. W. Conn.

AN ENIGMATICAL BILL OF FARE.

For a dinner, served on the Dining cars of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway, will be sent to any address on receipt of a two cent postage stamp. Apply to Geo. H. Heafford, General Passenger Agent, Old Colony Building, Chicago, Illinois.

FOR RENT.

Three comfortably furnished rooms with first-class table board, at Mrs. Holden's, corner 9th and Duane streets. board without room if desired.

A TWISTER.

A twister in twisting
May twist him a twist,
For in twisting a twist
Three twists make a twist;
But if one of the twists
Untwists from the twist,
The twist untwisting
Untwists the twist.
That is, when it's twisted with any other twine than MARSHALL'S.

FROM NOW UNTIL SPRING.

Overcoats and winter wraps will be in fashion. They can be discarded, temporarily while traveling in the steam heated trains of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway. For solid comfort, for speed and for seafety, no other line can compare with this great railway of the West.

THE DEFAULTER.

Lincoln J. Carter, the distinguished young American playwright, is a busy man this season, for he has nine big companies under his control. In this country he has one organization presenting his latest success, "The Defaulter," two appearing in "The Tornado," and two in "The Fast Mail." In Europe Mr.

Carter has four companies, tow presenting "The Tornado" and two "The Fast Mail. Each organization is being looked after by a trusted and efficient manager Mr. Carter, as usual, remains in Chicago, and is in daily communication with each of his representatives.

PURSUED BY A DEMON.

How many suicides, think you, reader, have been committed by persons driven distraught and hunted to their doom by the demon of chronic ill health? Countless. For instance, we know, do we not, that hypochondriasis is a monomania—a sort of minor madness produced by chronic dyspepsia? Again, insomnia, or sleeplessness, often a result of the same cause, culminates in a derangement of the reasoning faculties. It is, therefore, of momentous consequence to prevent the arrival of disease at its chronic phase, when it daily and nightly scourges the sufferer to a dangerously uncertain goal. No medicine known to science, as a means of arresting the maladies to which it is adapted, exists equal to Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Among these complaints are chronic indigestion and insomnia, kidney and rheumatic ailments, constipation, and liver trouble. Appetite is improved by the Bitters, the blood fertilized, and bodily substance and vigor increased by it.

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

Annual

Clearance Sale!

Everything Reduced in Price!

Ladies' Wool Vests and Pants, reduced from 75 cents to.....	58c
Ladies' Wool Vests and Pants, reduced from $1.15 to.....	86c
Ladies' Wool Vests and Pants, reduced from $1.50 to.....	$1.13

Albert Dunbar.

AROUND TOWN.

THE POETRY OF WINTER.

Little crystal snowflakes
Kissin' of the feet—
Mighty, roarin' fat man
Settin' on the street.
—Cleveland Post.

The gentle zephys on a tear.

Sales are the order of the day.

John Harrison, of Olney, is in the city.

Dr. Kinney leaves this morning for Flavel.

G. W. Holcomb, of Portland, is in the city.

The Chamber of Commerce meets tonight.

C. Paulson, of Deep River, was in town yesterday.

W. C. Church, of Portland, is at the Occident.

Job printing of all kinds at the Astorian job office.

I. Bissinger, of Portland, was in town yesterday.

N. Wentworth, of Nasel, was in the city yesterday.

Sheriff Hare returned yesterday morning from the Capital.

A. J. Cohn, a prominent merchant of Tillamook, is in the city.

Munyon's Homœopathic Remedies. Full line at Olsen's Drug Store.

There were no cases in either the police or justice's courts yesterday.

James Alexander, of Portland, registered at the Parker House yesterday.

For the best of commercial job printing call at the Astorian job office.

E. Hagrup and James Jempkins, of Frankfort, were in the city yesterday.

Rogers' Dead Shot corn cure never fails to cure corns, and don't forget it. Chas. Rogers.

"Frog in Your Throat," 10c, will cure your hoarseness in a minute. Olsen's Drug Store.

Parties desiring to locate on government land will please call at our office. R. L. Boyle & Co.

Isaac Erickson yesterday forfeited $5 in the police court. He was arrested for drunkenness.

Charles R. Thompson and Harvey Mathews, both of San Francisco, are registered at the Occident.

Pretty evening waists are of delicately-colored Dresden silk or of chiffon over tinted faille or moire.

Said a business man yesterday, "What we want in this place is more of the men whose acts are perpendicular."

Suit was filed today in the circuit court against Mrs. F. Feaks for the payment of $50 due on a promissory note.

LOST—On Commercial street, leather and silk handbag. Please return to the Astorian office. Rev. T. Trumbull.

One box of Rogers' Electric Paste will destroy all the cockroaches in your house in twenty-four hours. Chas. Rogers.

The Elks held their regular monthly meeting last night and had a good attendance. One candidate was initiated.

"Frog in your throat." An innocent and instantaneous remedy for coughs, colds, and hoarseness. Olsen's drug store.

The steamer Telephone arrived down yesterday afternoon at 1:30, making a very quick trip. Her passenger list was small.

Parties desiring the best of job printing at the lowest prices should call at the Astorian job office before going elsewhere.

Just now is the time for concerts. Every singer ought to procure a box of "Frog in your Throat." Olsen's Drug Store.

Miss Meta Davis, who has been visiting for the past two weeks in this city, returned Monday evening to her home in Portland.

Regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce this evening. Election of officers for the ensuing year. A full attendance is requested.

If you don't believe Astoria is the best location on the coast for a large city, look at our map in our window of the Pacific coast. R. L. Boyle & Co.

Oscar Wicklund, of the Fort Stevens life saving crew, has been appointed captain of the Coos Bay station. He will begin duty at his new station at once.

"Some women bow," remarked a merchant, "as though they had a string attached to their heads which they pulled from the hidden recesses of their cloaks."

The funeral of the late Miss Lizzie McLean will take place tomorrow from the Presbyterian church, at 1 o'clock. The interrment will be at Greenwood Cemetery.

Storms and gales are becoming so common that they cause no surprise and the weather clerk seems determined to keep up the fun, if his predictions are any criterion.

It is said that every woman should adopt an individual perfume instead of mixing fashionable scents, as is often the case. The perfume of violets is refreshing.

The milk boats which regularly supply this city with milk have been subjected to considerable delay on account of the prevailing storms. No casualties have been reported.

Misses Frances Holden and Maud Stockton, who have been spending the holidays with their parents in this city, returned Monday evening to Monmouth, where they attend school.

The "hoodooed" pile driver at the railroad bridge was for the fifth time turned topside down and almost completely demolished in yesterday's gale. Contractor Jacobsen seems to have a white elephant on his hands in this particular piece of machinery," said one of his friends yesterday.

"No man is a heretic," said a well known professional man, the other day, "if his life is right. He may be a heretic among our theologians, but his orthodoxy is not disputed by the angels."

G. Wingate returned yesterday from Salem, where he has been in attendance on the board of equalization. He says there is a general complaint over the state on account of high taxes.

County Clerk Dunbar yesterday began the work of revising the 1895 tax roll under the recent rulings of the state board of equalization, of which G. Wingate, of this city, was chairman.

Fifteen years ago Tacoma had a population of 500 people; today she has 30,000. Asotria is far better located for a large commercial city, and now is the time to get in on the ground floor. R. L. Boyle & Co.

Business men, if you want to fix up your office for the coming year, with the best of letter heads, bill heads, statements, etc., call at the Astorian job office where you will find the best of stock and material.

The ladies of Grace Episcopal church will give a musical in the basement of the building on the evening of January 23. The best local talent will participate and the entertainment will undoubtedly be a grand success.

The wind whistled during Monday night's storm at the rate of about 75 miles an hour, and yesterday at the rate of 50 miles an hour. Several sign boards around town were blown down, but no extensive damage was done.

Manager Beggs, having decided to retire from the profession of dancing, in which field he has so long been eminent, will shortly enter the real estate and brokerage business, in connection with his opera house, and has formed a partnership with a young man of push and energy. The firm will be known as J. N. Beggs & Co.

In spite of rain and storm the week of prayer is being observed with a fair attendance. The two meetings at the M. E. Church have been seasons of great religious fervor and joy. The subject for tomorrowing evening will be Natoins and their rulers, praise for civic patriotism, and advancement made in the higher tone and authority of conscience.

The largest remnant sale that has ever taken place will begin Monday morning, to continue for fourteen days, at Cohen's Low Price Store. Now is your chance to get fine dress goods for less money than ever before offered. I have also a few more capes and jackets which I have concluded to sell at 50 per cent off.
I. COHEN,
Low Price Store, 401 Bond Street.

R. L. Boyle returned yesterday from a business trip to Portland. In conversation with an Astorian reporter yesterday Mr. Boyle said that people living outside the city of Astoria had far more confidence in her future prosperity than did the Astorians themselves. Capitalists all over the state are awaiting an opportunity to invest in Astoria real estate, and the coming spring will undoubtedly see things on the move.

Back in the country the farmers kill their hogs at this time of the year, and have a gala time over roast pork and delicious sausages. It is the same down south, if one may judge from this bit of verse:

For the cotton is gathered—
The corn's in the bin,
An' the fiddle's invitin'
The boys to walk in;
The blue smoke goes curlin'—
There's reason an' rhyme,
An' sorrow goes whirlin'
In hog-killin' time!

Following is the monthly meteorological report from the station at Fort Canby for the month of December, as compiled by Weather Observer J. J. Kelliher: Total precipitation, 14.17 inches, which is the greatest that has occurred in the month of December for the past ten years; mean atmospheric pressure, 30.02; highest pressure, 30.64, which occurred on December 28; lowest pressure, 29.40, on the 14th; mean temperature, 44; highest temperture, 56, on the 11th; lowest, 31, on the 17th; greatest daily range of temperature, 15, on the 15th; least daily range of temperature, 5, on the 24; average precipitation for this month for 12 years, 8.72; total excess of precipitation during the month, 3.29; accumulated excess in precipitation since January 1, .05; number of days clear, 6; partly cloudy, 4; cloudy days, 27; dates of frost, heavy, 15th; killing, 16th.

A prominent business man was heard to remark yesterday that the suggestion of Mayor Taylor in his inaugural address to the common council, concerning the advisability of the city's purchase of a suitable site for a park was a very wise one, and caused much favorable comment. "While property is cheap," said the gentleman, "the city should purchase a tract for such a purpose, and not delay until the present large individual interests are diversified, at which time property would cost 100 per cent more than at present. While there is every prospect of some lively moves in real estate, there are, however, several suitable properties which could be purchased for a very reasonable amount. In a year from now this property will be valued at nearly double its present worth and delay in the park matter will be greatly to the disadvantage of the city. I sincerely hope the common council will take immediate action in this matter."

AT THE BOARDING HOUSE.

New York World.

The man with the V-shaped nose was glancing over the evening paper which the man with the barbed-wire beard had thoughtfully subscribed for.

"Will you——"

The landlady spoke his name with infinite sweetness, for she fondly hoped he would pay his board after dinner.

"Have some oyster stew?"

The man with the V-shaped nose tilted back in his chair in defiance of the laws of etiquette and gravitation.

"No, thank you——"

A far-away look came into his eyes.

"I'm not thirsty."

It is a matter of conjecture whether it was emotion or stage fright that caused the man with the yellow whiskers to sneeze so violently that he upset the salt cellar.

The Rev. Mr. Douwell—My poor fellow! Why do you drink? Walker—It's the only way I can relieve me thirst, boss.—Harlem Life.

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair, Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair.

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

Most Perfect Made. 40 Years the Standard.

HAVE YOU TRIED IT?

When suffering from biliousness, bad headaches, tired feelings, bearing down sensations, and all the other symptoms of a disordered liver, kidneys and urinary organs, have you ever tried the best of all remedies, Warner's Safe Cure?

DO YOU KNOW?

That this remedy has done more for weak, worn out men and women than all the other remedies ever known to medical science?

Do you not know that it has received the strongest endorsements from eminent medical men by whom it has been tested in the severest cases of liver and kidney complaint?

THAT IS WHY

Warner's Safe Cure is the best and most reliable remedy for putting the system in sound condition at this time of the year.

PERTINENT SUGGESTIONS

Contained in Judge Gray's Semi-Annual Report to Tax-Payers.

Astoria, Oregon, December 31, 1895.

To the Taxpayers of Clatsop County:

Your county officers again present for your consideration their reports for the six months ending December 31, 1895, which you will find published with the county court proceedings.

I must again call your attention to the expensive and iniquitous "Butler Fee Bill, passed by the legislature of 1885, which clogs our circuit court and compels the county to pay more than half the expense of petty litigants. Only men pledged to repeal this law should be elected representatives to the next legislature.

The present law compelling the county to pay the expense of making the city and school assessment is a large item in our warrant account the past year. The items paid in 1895 to make out the assessment and collect the county and city school taxes are for the six months ending June 30th, as follows:

The Assessor	$ 621 00	
Deputy Assessor	201 00	
Extdg. tax roll	417 75	
Maps, postage, etc.	26 80	$1,266 55
Paid in 1895, for expenses of collection and costs for 1893 and 1894, suitClatsop county and city vs. H. A. Smith	336 55	
H. A. Smith, collection of taxes	3,500 00	
H. A. Smith, costs and collection refunded	457 24	
Sheriff Hare, collection of taxes	1,242 40	$6,036 19 $7,302 74

For the six months ending December 31, 1895, as follows:

Assessor	$674 00	
Deputy Assessor	442 55	
For assessment rolls	130 00	
Copying assessment rolls	151 40	
Clerical assistance, sheriff for collection, '94 taxes	187 50	
Advertising	896 25	
Posting tax notices	3,149 12	
Land lists and maps	13 90	$ 5,646 72
A total paid in 1895 of		$13,249 46

Approximately one-fourth of this amount should be chargeable to the city, one-fourth to School District No. 1, one-fourth to the county purposes in the city and one-fourth for county purposes outside of the city. Therefore the county should have credit for $6,624.73 which it would have cost the city and school district to assess and collect their own taxes. The county has also transferred to the city of Astoria $4,983.15 special road tax, which the charter permits the council to expend in the city limits. These amounts, less $467.58, the amount received by Sheriff Hare, 2 per cent on collection of city and School District No. 1 taxes, leaves $6,157 15 which is not an equitable expense of the county and should be chargeable to the School District No. 1 and to the city government.

Our charity expenses are increasing, and I earnestly hope that steps will be taken by our citizens to organize a board of charities that can assist not only the needy but the officials of the county from impositions or charge of neglect to do our duty.

We find, notwithstanding the discriminating legislation and conditions above referred to that during the past year we have reduced the amount of outstanding warrants and called in all prior to December 8,1892, as shown by the following:

Outstanding warrants January 1, 1895	$88,118 07	
Less cash in general fund January 1, 1895	3,996 76	
Net warrants outstanding		$84,121 31
Total outstanding warrants December 31, 1895	88,540 85	
Less cash in general fund	6,510 95	
Net warrants outstanding		$82,029 90
Net gain of		$2,091 51

To which should be added our just credit from the city above, $6,157.15.

The State Board of Equalization has fixed Clatsop county's valuation at about $3,703,869.00; our levy of 12½ mills for county and road purposes will raise $46,298.36. We estimate that fees of officers, licenses, etc., at least what were received last year, $9,028.92, making a total of $55,326.28. From this we will pay the state $10,000.00 due on 1891 and 1892 taxes, leaving $45,326.28.

Estimating one-third of this amount to be paid for taxes in warrants, will leave over $30,000.00 cash with which to redeem outstanding warrants and will enable the treasurer to call up to July 1st, 1894, in six months from this time.

I notice of late that erroneous statements were made in the "Budget" that county warrants were worth only 85 cents that is not so. At least two banks in the city are paying 95 cents cash for Clatsop county warants. I have heard of several private parties who were anxious to get them at one or two cents more on the dollar. Respectfully submitted,
J. H. D. GRAY.

FOR CLEAN CITY.

Astoria, January 7, 1896.

Dear Editor:—

Every clean citizen will commend the course of the Astorian in speaking out boldly against the encroachment of the disgraceful element of society on the thoroughfares over which decent men, women and children are compelled to pass two or three times a day. It is a standing blot on our city government that houses of ill fame are tolerated anywhere in our city. But iniquitous greed is absolutely insatiable. Tolerate it anywhere and it soon leaps over the bounds you may set for it, and empty its sewage into the very presence of innocence itself. It seems astounding that any man with a clean wife and a family growing up around him should be so blinded by a few paltry dollars as to deliberately sell himself and his good name to and permit his property to be used for such ignoble purposes.

And while passing this stricture let us remember what we are doing by licensing and tolerating the social leper in our city practically unmolested. First of all we are giving a most forcible object-lesson to our girls and boys of our own low moral tone. Our boys and girls naturally get the impression that we are not much shocked by the exhibition of vice to be seen nightly on our streets.

What wonder then if girls scarcely in their teens are nightly found around the corners of "Swelltown," and at least one of these brought up and trained in a good respectable home, is now nightly making an exhibition of herself in that leprous spot in our city, the Casino. If nothing else was done to demand the defeat of the late city government that one act against the protests of earnest fathers and mothers who are only asking for a fair chance for their children, was enough to merit their defeat. Now what will the new board do? Can they consistently license such a blot on our fair city? We will watch events with deep interest.

But let Bond street be cleaned out of all objectionable characters without delay.
CITIZEN.

WATER COMMISSION.

Regular Meeting Held Last Night.

Last night the regular meeting of the city water commission was held, Chairman Parker and a quorum being present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Superintendent Smith's report of work done and supplies furnished and misplaced referred to Engineer Adams for report. Some discussion was had as to who was responsible for the old pipe which had been taken away and unaccounted for. Mr. Fisher suggested that a stock yard or storehouse should be established where this extra material can be looked after.

The clerk reported a large number of water rents which were uncollectible and reduced in rate during December, 1895, amounting to $93.45. The amount collected was $15,305.85. The report of the clerk of the purchase of certain right of way was approved.

The report of the committee on printing of the new rates filed and approved.

The treasurer's report filed showed cash on hand, $4,084.14.

The clerk reported the sale of a lot of scrap iron to the Scow Bay Foundry for $15, which was approved.

Engineer Adams reported that the engineer's department had undertaken the erection of the iron fence around the reservoir by workmen formerly under Contractor Lucas, men without money or credit, and recommended that some arrangement be made for the payment. The engineer was instructed to complete the work on day labor, and that the men be paid once a week by the clerk, on the approval of the engineer.

Mr. Dement brought up the question of enforcing the rule in regard to shutting off water when dues are not paid. He stated that the former superintendent had been lenient in the matter and that now there was a new superintendent he thought the law should be enforced. On motion of Mr. Elmore the superintendent was instructed not to collect any water rates outside of the water works office, and to see that all services not paid for by the 10th of each month are promptly turned off, in accordance with Sections 29 and 30, and the rules governing the rates.

The monthly pay roll of the engineer's department, amounting to $1,125, was approved and ordered paid. This gives some idea of the expense of conducting the work outside of the contracts for construtcion.

The city service payroll, filed by the superintendent, amounting to $285, was approved and ordered paid. This represents the regular expenses of running the city water service department. In addition to this is the cost of pumping at $175 per month, which will be obviated under the new system.

Supply bills were allowed and ordered paid amounting to $179.42. The bill for the new iron fence for the reservoir, $598.05, was presented.

It was ordered that the treasurer be allowed $12.00 per year salary. On motion the bill of Taylor, Young & Co., for the ten per cent withheld on the contracts for cement, $753.94, was ordered paid.

The matter of the care of the headworks was referred to the engineer for report.

PIANO TUNING.

Finest work guaranteed by Thor. Fredericksen, 2071 Bond street. Griffin & Reed, Commercial street, will take orders.

SUPERIORITY OF MIND OVER MATTER.

Exchange.

"Say," plaintively asked the belated citizen who was standing with his hands up, "would you mind opening that pocket-book and counting the contents?"

The footpad who had held him up at the muzzle of a revolver complied.

"There is $1.65," he said.

"Thank you," rejoined the other. "Now will you be kind enough to write a receipt for the amount and sign it 'Highwayman,' or anything else you please? I don't care for the money, but I want my wife to know what has become of it and just how much there was. If I can't show her some documentary evidence on the subject there'll be trouble. You don't know my wife, perhaps?"

"I haven't that honor."

"Well, if she were here you would have a lot more trouble in getting away with that stuff than you've had with me—I can tell you that. Now if you'll feel in the inside pocket of my coat you'll find a small blank book. I'll be obliged if you will take it out and tear a leaf from it. Thanks. Now write a note explaining the circumstances. State the exact sum of money you found in my possession and how I came to part with it, and you'll save me a great deal of bother."

The footpad obligingly took a pencil from another pocket of his victim, and by the dim light of the street lamp he began with dirty fingers to write the desired receipt.

"Now, you infernal villain!" exclaimed the belated citizen, snatching the revolver from the crook of the highwayman's elbow, "hold up your hands. Thanks. Now move a muscle and I'll blow your brains out. . . . One dollar and sixty-five cents. That's right. Don't move. I've got the drop on you still. . . . What's this? Two watches and another pocketbook. . . . A lot of loose silver. . . . How far do you live from here? No matter. . . . Here's five cents to pay your car fare in any direction you may want to take. I've a great mind to give you a hearty kick, but you're not worth kicking. You're only a sorry amateur at this business. Now go!"

With this remark Mr. Fellaire—formerly Rusty Rufus—terminated the interview and stood with his revolver pointed at the retreating figure until it disappeared in the darkness.

WONDERFUL EYES OF INSECTS.

Exchange.

The "facets" of the eye-masses of some species of insects are exceedingly numerous; in some cases, in fact, the number is entirely beyond belief. Each of these separate "facets" is a perfect eye, and they are so arranged as to give their insect owner a commanding view of all the cardinal points and every conceivable direction at one and the same time. In the ant, the little creature which we have so many "curious notes" concerning, there are not to exceed fifty facets in the great compound eye. It has been argued that this is nature's provision, because the ant spends so much of its time underground. This may be true, but what is the naturalist going to do about Illaps mucronata, the most sluggish of the European beetles? This last-named creature spends ninety-nine-hundredths of its time in the dark, yet has 250 eye facets! Meloe, another insect of similar habits, has 500 facets in each eye-mass.

In certain varieties of the dragon flies the aggregate of facets in the compound eye often exceeds 12,000. It appears to be a general rule, notwithstanding the exception noted above, that the swiftest insects have the greatest number of eye facets. The swift-winged butterflies have from 10,000 to 17,000 in each eye-mass, and the Mordella, the swiftest and most active known beetle (a resident of Britain), has no fewer than 25,000 facets in each of its enormous compound eyes.

NOW 99 YEARS OLD.

Mrs. Grinnell Credits Her Vigorous Old Age to Paine's Celery Compound.

It is an uncommon thing to learn of persons reaching the age of Mrs. Emyle Hyde Grinnell, and years of good health such as hers come only to those who make use of the very best means of keeping well.

No one wil wonder that the bright-eyed old lady, whose mind today is as alert and clear as ever, should be anxious for others to try Paine's celery compound.

Mrs. Emyle Hyde Grinnell was born in Bennington, Vt., July 6, 1796, and is today living with her granddaughter, the wife of Martin Fowler, of Colchester, Vt., a beautiful town near Fort Ethan Allen. Her father was a farmer and hotel keeper, and she lived upon the farm until her marriage. Mrs. Grinnell has none of the infirmities of old age. She rises at daylight, works about the house, and when the weather will permit walks outdoors. Her eyesight is so good that she threads a needle and spends many hours crocheting and doing fancy work. She keeps abreast of the times, and is remarkably well-informed upon many subjects. She declares that she does not feel any older than she has for years, and if people half her age enjoyed such good health as she they would consider themselves fortunate. She has seven children, four boys and three girls, two of whom are living today.

Mrs. Grinnell writes:

Colchester, Vt., Oct. 11, 1895.

"Paine's celery compound has been my health preserver during the past few years. Whenever I have an ache or a pain a few doses of this medicine gives me relief and strength. Few women, even though much younger than I, enjoy as good health, for my appetite is natural, my sleep refreshing, and I can walk quite a distance without feeling tired. People are surprised at my vigorous appearance and activity, which I believe, is the result of my using Paine's celery compound. It has cured me of constipation, and is of great help to me when over-tired. Gratefully yours,

MRS. EMYLE HYDE GRINNELL."

Paine's celery compound is especially valuable for recruiting the strength and spent energies of men and women advanced in years. It is the one preparation considered worthy the name of a true nerve food and blood remedy by physicians throughout the country. It is prescribed by them in every state in the Union to tone up the system, regluate the nerves and restore health and strength.

Nothing in the past has ever approached it in power of building up weakened nerve tissues and giving strength to the tired body. In severe cases of persistent headache, dyspepsia, neuralgia and sleeplessness, due to nervous feebleness, Paine's celery compound has a record of rapid and lasting cures that embraces every city and town in the wide sweep of the United States.

Its remarkable power over disease lies in its active replacing of worn-out parts by new, healthy ones, and in its healing and purifying action among the most minute tissues of the body. It searches out the weak parts at once, and sets to work to build them up. The tired body feels the strengthening effects of Paine's celery compound forthwith.

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NOTICE.

The members of Astoria Lodge, No. 50, A. O. U. W., are requested to meet at their hall today at 12:30 sharp to attend the funeral of Lizzie McLean.

By order of the Master Workman.
D. CAMPBELL, Recorder.

NOTICE.

Is hereby given that the referees' public sale of the property known as the Tighe Hotel—which was postpond November 9th, 1895, for 60 days—will again be offered for sale at the Clatsop county court house door, at 10 a. m., January 8th, 1896. Terms and conditions the same as before.

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MENU FOR THURSDAY.

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Breakfast.
Fruit.
Cerealine, Cream.
Fried Smelts, Tomato Sauce.
Beefsteak, with Anchovy Butter.
Potatoes, Fried in Dice.
Spanish Waffles.
Coffee.

Luncheon.
Fish in Cases.
Thin Cold Mutton. Celery Mayonaise.
Brown Bread and Butter.
Stuffed Dates.
Tea.

Dinner.
Turtle Bean Soup.
Celery Sardines.
Fillets of Sole. Baron of Hare.
String Beans, with Cream.
Roast Veal.
Stewed Tomatoes. Mashed Potatoes
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Small Cabinet Pudding.
Camembert. Wafers.
Coffee.

BUYERS AND SELLERS.

The following transfers of real estate were filed in the office of Recorder Gunderson yesterday:

H. C. Thompson and wife to Maud M. Warren, Lot 1 A, Block 15, Warrenton	$ 200
H. C. Thompson and wife to Maud M. Warren, Lot 5, Block 16, Seal Rock Beach	20
D. K. Warren and wife to Maud M. Warren, Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, Block 4, Warrenton	1

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