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THE PARK QUESTION.

It is to be hoped the agitation and interest which a few devoted spirits have succeeded in arousing over the public park idea may not be allowed to subside without producing some tangible and permanent results in the direction of the early consummation of that project.

From the favorable expressions of opinion heard on all sides and the numerous and enthusiastic communications on the subject appearing in the newspapers, it is evident that the first step has been taken; public sentiment has been sufficiently awakened, and what is now imperatively needed to insure the success of the movement is some form of organized effort and action.

Everybody admits the importance to the future Astoria of a fair-sized and conveniently located public park. It seems, also, to be generally realized that if we are to have such a park in Astoria that it is high time something were done towards setting apart a site for that purpose and acquiring title to it.

The right thing to do, therefore, is to cease further desultory talk and interchange of opinion, as to the desirability and importance of having a park somewhere in Astoria, and to get in and do something for it. It has been urged that some one or more of our large property owners ought, and would, if approached properly, donate a site for a park to the city gratuitously.

The way to get the matter started is to call a public meeting of citizens, appoint a park commission or committee, to be partly composed of ladies-for it has been found in other communities that women make the very best kind of workers for enterprises of this kind, let this commission select the most eligible and feasible location for the park, and determine the ways and means to obtain it.

THE ART OF DINING.

Chauncey Depew, in a recent extract published some days ago in the Astorian, is reported as saying that the greatest achievement of civilization is the education of man in the art of dining.

We regret to notice that the esteemed Chicago Herald spells the name of the Briton who failed to capture New Orleans in 1815 "Packingham." It looks too much like talking shop.

THE SMALLEST OF ALL.

Chicago Post. "Of course, there are various grades of man men," said the thoughtful man. "Of course," replied the careless one. "That being so," continued the thoughtful man, "what character of a man would you consider the smallest, meanest and most contemptible of all known to modern civilization?"

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THE MINISTERS.

Their Names and Places of Residence. Rev. W. S. Ballinger, 5th street, between Hillman and Irving.

CHURCH SERVICES TOMORROW.

There will be services at Kinore's chapel in Uniontown, tomorrow at 11 a. m. in the Finnish language.

MERCANTILE JACK.

"I have been fourteen years to sea," says Captain Nares in 'The Wrecker,' "all but one trip under American colors, and I've never laid eyes on an American foremast hand."

Swedish Lutheran Church-Services on Sunday at 10:30 a. m.

Subject, "Paul, an Apostle of the Gentiles." The Portland district of the Columbia Conference will hold a mission meeting on Sunday evening at 7:45 in Swedish by J. W. Skans, and J. E. Westerland, Wednesday at 2 p. m. there will be a discussion on the subject, "The Family."

First M. E. Church-Predicating at 11 a. m.

Subject of morning at 11 a. m., "A Good Race." Evening subject, "Some Religious Requirements that Cannot Be Obeyed." All departments of our church life are in a healthy and flourishing condition.

But the American sailor has practically disappeared.

The men who in 1812 made the American flag the pride of the ocean and carried it triumphantly into every corner of the sea, the men who made the names of the Constitution, the Macedonian and the Constellation glorious forever, are no longer being recruited from the merchant navy.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

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