

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

Maximum temperature, 62 degrees.
Minimum temperature, 50 degrees.
Precipitation, .65 inch.
Total precipitation from September 1st, 1896, to date, .77 inch.
Deficiency of precipitation from September 1st, 1896, to date, .35 inch.

TODAY'S WEATHER.

Forecast—For Oregon and Washington, fair weather.

TO READERS.—The "Daily Astorian" contains twice as much reading matter as any other paper published in Astoria. It is the only paper that presents its readers with a daily telegraphic report.

TO ADVERTISERS.—The "Daily Astorian" has more than twice as many readers as any other paper published in Astoria. It is therefore more than twice as valuable as an advertising medium.

AROUND TOWN.

Sometimes a subtle odor
Recalls some joy or pain,
Sometimes the pulse beats quicker
With a familiar strain,
Sometimes a faded flower
Will bring the unshed tears,
Sometimes a look or gesture
Will speak of other years.
Bessy Abbott.

Dr. W. L. Howard, Homeopathist, 533 Commercial street.

Col. A. H. Stone, of Knappa, was in the city yesterday.

Don't miss the church excursion to Clatsop Plains today.

If Snodgrass doesn't make your photos you don't get the best.

Rogers' Juniper Kidney Cure is nearly always a cure for lame back.

Gunther's famous Chicago candles in sealed packages at C. B. Smith's.

The young men Republicans of Astoria turned out in full force last night.

C. B. Smith makes the only genuine French boss candy in the city. Try it.

Miss Mabel Powell will give instruction on the piano and organ, 229 Sixth street.

Mr. M. C. Harrison, of the Sutton & Beebe Company, Portland, is visiting in the city.

Mr. C. F. Briggs, representing the Detroit accident insurance company, is in the city.

The Foresters of this city will attend the Portland Exposition in a body September 30th.

Reports and investigations show that there are still many holes in the streets that need repairing.

The Queen, the only heating stoves, at Fisher Brothers. Price \$16. Come and examine them.

For a box of choice candies, fresh and neat, go to C. B. Smith, Astoria's leading confectioner.

In the police court yesterday the only case was that of John Doe who forfeited \$5 for being drunk.

The repairs to the Ocean Wave's rudder were completed yesterday, and she resumed her regular trips.

Mr. F. C. Reed, superintendent of the cannerymen's salmon hatcheries on the upper Clackamas, is in the city.

Even hard times, it is said, cannot hold Astoria back. New industries have come and will keep coming.

Carbons are the only permanent photos as well as the most artistic, and Snodgrass knows how to make them.

The entire household furniture of Mrs. C. M. Cellar and S. Danziger, corner of 7th and Commercial street, is offered for sale.

Chas. C. McDonald yesterday celebrated his 21st birthday. To say that he did the matter up Brown scarcely expresses the idea.

One-half of the Young Men's McKinley Club will take part tonight in the exercises at Goble Hall, uptown, where a new club is to be organized.

Lost—A plain opal ring, somewhere between the High School and Mr. Tallant's residence. Finder will please leave at this office and get suitable reward.

Mrs. Ray, business and test medium, Circles Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday evening. Admission to circles, 10 cent, readings 50 cents. 449 Bond street, Room 1.

Mrs. Alice P. Hanson has opened dressmaking rooms at Mrs. Ruckers, Room 10, 508 Commercial street, where she will be pleased to see her friends and patrons.

The finder of the opal ring lost a few days since between the High School building and Mr. Tallant's residence, will please leave the same at the Astorian office.

The cheapest place in town to buy your groceries, eggs and butter and 10 pounds of sugar for one dollar at the Commission House, successor to Astoria Creamery.

Kinney's cannery received fish yesterday, and will commence packing today or tomorrow. Hanthorn's cannery has been receiving and packing fish as fast as they came in, but so far the run has been light.

Mr. H. B. Borthwick, the well known Goble timber man, who was in the city yesterday, stated that there was only one silver man in his logging camp, and that he was obliged to eat at a separate table.

Mr. J. H. Hamilton, of the civil service examination bureau, who will hold an examination on the 19th of October, of applicants desiring to enter the customs service, advises that it should be thoroughly understood all applications

must be filed in his office by the 21st inst.

Master Tommy Ferguson, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Ferguson, entertained a number of his young friends Thursday afternoon on the occasion of his third birthday. The little folks spent a very pleasant afternoon.

Mr. G. G. Crawford, one of the keepers of the Tillamook lighthouse is in the city, having just returned from a two months vacation. He will return to his duties on the Rock as soon as the Columbine returns from the Sound.

The Dirigo Flambau Club, or as it is now called, the Young Men's McKinley Club, will accompany Judge Taylor to Olney tonight on a special boat, where a Republican meeting will be held and a new McKinley Club organized.

It is reported that the movement started in Astoria and Portland looking to the establishment of a branch of the Chicago National Children's Home is a fake, conducted entirely in the interests of the gentleman who has been booming it.

Mr. Culross, who has been visiting Mr. James Finlayson, yesterday returned to his home in Minnesota. The gentleman will probably return to Astoria, as he was most favorably impressed with its future prospects, in order to engage in business here.

H. B. Parker yesterday returned from Seaside where he spent several days in making a number of improvements upon his cottage. Mr. Parker was of the opinion that if the work was done this fall, the cottage would be in readiness for occupancy early in the spring.

Miss Martha L. Gilbert, besides accepting a few more pupils desiring private lessons in French, will form a class for instruction in that language. Those who wish to join the class are invited to meet Miss Gilbert on any day this week, at her residence, 189 Third street.

County Judge Gray and Commissioners Peterson and Lewis leave this morning for Elsie, where they will examine the several bridges and fills which have been made on the new road and also the bridge across the Fishhawk at Jewell. They expect to return Monday.

These magnificent moonlight nights, the balmy weather, all lend a bewitching air to the Clatsop county nights, which, while not altogether according to Hoyle, and which are probably attributable to the absence from the city of the weather bureau man, are nevertheless most enjoyable.

Commencing Monday the grocery stores of the city will close their doors at 7 o'clock p. m. This arrangement will continue during the winter by agreement. The movement is one in the right direction and will no doubt be appreciated both by the clerks in the various stores and the public.

Capt. Tom Dermont, of the barkentine Portland, and his wife, are visiting their many friends in Astoria. Mrs. Dermont accompanied the captain from Los Angeles to Tacoma, where the Portland was put in the dry dock and thoroughly overhauled and caulked. The trim little vessel is now in first-class condition.

Active measures are being taken by the Western Union Telegraph Company for the building of the new line between Astoria and Seaside. Arrangements are being made for landing barges at Warrenton and the discharge of the poles. It is expected that the first large load will arrive down river in a few days.

Col. A. H. Stone, who was in the city yesterday, took back with him a large supply of McKinley buttons to distribute among his neighbors. It is well known that the colonel is a lifelong Democrat, having voted for that ticket in 1856, but he says he cannot stand the Chicago ticket and platform and will consequently vote for McKinley.

Today there will be an excursion party leaving Astoria on the regular morning train at 9 o'clock. The excursionists make the trip to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Clatsop Plains church, which was the first Presbyterian congregation organized on this coast. Its first members numbered the parents of many of our most prominent citizens. Special features will be an anniversary address by Rev. Mr. Forbes, of Portland, and letters from the former pastors of the church, all of whom are now living. During the day a luncheon will be served by the people of Clatsop. An exceptionally low rate of 35c for the round trip has been secured and tickets may be obtained at the office on the Telephone dock. The celebration will be of especial interest to the old settlers.

A gentleman who has just returned from a trip through the country and up the Willamette valley, made the pertinent remark yesterday that it was easy to distinguish between the sound money rancher and the free silver fellow. "It is not necessary to ask questions. All you have to do is to look at a man's place. If you see his mowing machine lying in the corner of the field, with a hay rack tumbled in a heap near by, a plow or two scattered about and possibly a threshing machine standing out in the weather, while the fences are in a dilapidated condition, ready to fall down if you touch them, you can safely bet that man is in favor of free silver, and is only waiting for the time when he can gather up the 50-cent dollars as he down the rocks on his farm and take them to pay the mortgage on his place. On the other hand, when you find a farm that is nice and tidy, fences in good repair, machinery and tools well housed and protected from the weather, houses and barns painted or white-washed, you may rest assured that that farmer believes in paying his honest debts with sound money."

SCALE OF WAGES PAID IN MEXICO

What Railroad Employes Receive for Their Work in a Silver Country.

SOME FIGURES THAT TALK

An Introduction to the "Adobe Dollar" Would Convince Every Free Silverite of the Error of His Way—Interesting Facts.

Bonne Terre, Mo., Aug. 27, 1896.

To the Railway Age:
Can you through your paper advise what the pay is on Mexican railways for the following classes of labor:
Locomotive engineers and firemen, conductors, brakemen and shopmen, showing what their Mexican wages would amount to in United States money?
J. BURNS.
We believe the following table to be accurate. The "gold" value is what the wages would amount to in the United States:

	Silver.	Gold.
Carpenters	\$.20	\$1.00
Bricklayers	1.00	75
Blacksmiths	2.00	1.00
Painters	2.50	1.25
Masons	1.75	87
Printers	1.75	87
Clerks in stores	2.50	1.25
Unskilled labor	.40	20
House servants	.33	17
Hotel help	.50	25
Cooks	2.50	1.25
Factory Hands	.50	25
Farm hands	.50	25
Car drivers	.75	37
Conductors	1.00	50
Police men	1.00	50
Miners	.50	25
Railroad engineers	6.00	3.00
Firemen	4.00	2.00
Conductors	5.00	2.50
Brakemen	1.50	75

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ing comparatively few of an intermediate station. In a brief way I shall attempt to give some idea of the effect of the country's policy upon these two great classes. Some ten years since the Mexican dollar was worth 50 cents gold, and the laborer or "moza" was paid from three to five reales (75 cents to 62 1/2 cents) a day, according to location and occupation. But with the decline in the value of silver, the dollar too has lessened in worth until now it brings only 33 cents. With this decline in the value of the money in which they are paid, have the laborers' wages been increased? "No, senior, they have not." The effect, then, upon the "Senior Don," the grandee and owner of the great haciendas, must also have been bad. He, too, must have suffered. Again the answer is an emphatic "No!" His coffee, pineapples, bananas, indigo, rubber, chocolate, vanilla, beans, Spanish cedar, mahogany, dyewoods, etc., are not for home use or consumption, but for exportation. These things he produces or buys from the small planter on a silver basis, and sells them for gold. The poor wage-earner it makes poorer; the wealthy exporter it makes richer.

Think of it, you workmen under these glorious stars and stripes! Here tomatoes are seventy cents per can; flour \$6 per 100 pounds; an ordinary lamp chimney 50 cents; Ivory soap, 40 cents per cake; green coffee, 40 cents per pound, and ordinary brown sugar 10 cents per pound.

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Butter is so dear as to make it a luxury to all classes, and it is ordered in restaurants as radishes, lettuce and other dainties are not. Beer, which is standard drink here, sells for 15 cents a glass, and the only liquor which is to be had by the laboring classes is a native drink called "patque," a milk like looking beverage which produces some of the results of the most potent without possessing any of its virtues. Imagine a laborer in the United States unable to get sugar in his coffee, or worse still, imagine an American laborer unable to secure even his cup of coffee!

The clerk in the store who draws monthly \$25 or \$50 thinks himself prosperous. The best waiters in the restaurants get \$10 a month, and find themselves. The most expert seamstress gets only 25 cents a day and must bring her own dinner if she goes out by the day. The best cook can command \$2 a month, but house girls and men servants get only from \$2 to \$4 a month.

The spinners, yarners, dyers and others employed in the various factories get from 15 to 30 cents a day. Rents in every part of the republic are very high, higher than they are in the United States, and a respectable house or room even half as good as those occupied by our factory hands is entirely beyond the reach of the best paid labor. There is no exaggeration in this. The whole seeming mass of labor live for the most part in adobe or mud-made huts, and to all intents and purposes sleep on the ground. Furniture is so high that it would take half a year's salary to buy a bedstead.

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