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## MARINE MATTERS.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
	A. M. P. M.	A. M. P. M.
Saturday	11:45 7:15	11:45 7:15
Sunday	11:45 7:15	11:45 7:15
Monday	11:45 7:15	11:45 7:15
Tuesday	11:45 7:15	11:45 7:15
Wednesday	11:45 7:15	11:45 7:15
Thursday	11:45 7:15	11:45 7:15
Friday	11:45 7:15	11:45 7:15

The Relief will tow the four-master in this morning.

The steamer Elmore sailed yesterday from Tillamook and Nehalem.

The Yallor leaves up the river this morning. She will load grain.

A four-masted ship was reported in the offing yesterday afternoon.

The British bark Linden, wheat laden is expected down the river today.

The Columbine sailed yesterday morning for Destruction Island and Gray's Harbor.

The British ship Poltaloch arrived down the river yesterday. She has 140,537 bushels of wheat, valued at \$116,150 for the United Kingdom.

The Poltaloch, which arrived down from Portland yesterday dragged her anchors in the swift current last evening, but no damage was done.

The steamship Columbia arrived down from Portland early yesterday morning and sailed for San Francisco. She carried a large amount of freight.

The recent heavy rainfall has caused the river to rise several feet and vessels may now come down with a reasonable assurance of reaching Astoria. It's a good thing that it rains in the fall.

The five-masted schooner Louie, Captain Hatch, sailed yesterday for Melbourne, Australia, carrying 761,045 feet of lumber, valued at \$5,807.84; 118,400 laths, valued at \$132.80; 2200 pickets, valued at \$18.81; total value of cargo, \$6,059.45.

The Yarana arrived at Falmouth on the 12th, 153 days from Astoria, with 3,600 tons of wheat. There is now only one vessel of the Oregon grain fleet of 1895-96 to be heard from. This is the Metropolis, which sailed at the close of June.—San Francisco Bulletin.

The San Jose sailing up the harbor yesterday morning in the face of the strong east wind was a beautiful sight. Every stitch of canvas was spread and it was necessary to make many tacks across the channel before the pilot boat was brought to anchor off the city.

The American ship G. W. Wolf yesterday finished discharging all but 900 barrels of the cement for the government at the O. H. and N. wharf and will probably leave up the river today. The 900 barrels were so covered with Portland freight that they could not be unloaded and will have to be discharged at Portland.

As a rule American ship captains spend little time instructing apprentices, but when the ship Shenandoah left this port last time Captain Murphy took half a dozen boys as apprentices and had such success with them that he will take six more on his next voyage, which soon begins. Already four young men, August Wilson, son of a New Orleans pilot; Harry Stevenson, a New York car builder's son; Henry Lum, who came here in the Centennial, and Petr Hughes, whose parents live in Galway, Ireland, are aboard the ship and two more will go on her before she leaves. Of the six boys Captain Murphy took out before one is now first officer of the St. Paul, another is master of a lake schooner and all are holding good positions. Today the Shenandoah goes to Port Costa to load grain and a party of guests of Mr. and Mrs. George W. McNear will go up on her, returning on the towboat.—Chronicle.

The British ship Grenada that arrived in port yesterday from Departure Bay with a cargo of coal, came too late by twelve hours to save her charter, contracted for when vessels were demanding and receiving 25 shillings and 3 pence per ton for wheat to England. Now she will have to take her chances in securing a load with the big fleet of disengaged vessels now anchored in the bay, and at a price that today was quoted 5 shillings lower than that stipulated in the contract her delay had broken. The vessel was at Puget Sound when G. W. McNear chartered her to load wheat for Europe on condition that she should be in this port by November 1st. She had nearly a month in which to make the voyage from the Sound, but her agents figured on using her for that time to be advantage of her owners. She was towed to Departure Bay under contract to bring a cargo of coal to San Francisco, expecting that she would have no difficulty in making the voyage in time to save her charter. Instead, there was a long delay in loading her. Then, after she shook out her sails, she met with strong southeast gales that held her back and she did not make the port until her charter had expired. In the meantime many vessels had been making the port seeking cargoes, and in the scramble for loads prices kept going down.—Examiner.

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## NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Willamette River, Channel to Portland, Oregon.

Notice is hereby given that the Swan Island Bar (lower), three-pile post-light beacon, also the Swan Island bar (upper) single-pile post light beacon, were carried away by the present freshet, and will be replaced as early as practicable.

This notice affects the Lists of Lights and Fog Signals, Pacific Coast, 1886, Page 24, No. 1087 and 1089, also the List of Beacons and Buoys, Pacific Coast, 1886, Page 50.

By order of the Lighthouse Board.  
JNO. P. MEHILL,  
Commander U. S. Navy,  
Inspector 18th L. H. District,  
Office of U. S. Lighthouse Inspector,  
Portland, Oregon, 17 Nov., 1896.

**CASTORIA.**  
The only reliable sign of a cold is a dry throat.

## In Medieval Days

When people wanted anything they knelt down and prayed for it. However, that was some time ago. Along about 1400 a fellow named Gutenberg, who had "come de Rhine over," was monkeying around a carpenter shop in Lantz. He whitened some little blocks and actually made an alphabet. Then he rigged a sort of—well, a machine that would look something like our letter press of today. He arranged his blocks in order, put some ink on them, also a piece of paper, and then screwed his press down. That was called printing. Old Gutenberg made a howling success of the racket, and his head became so swollen that he really snubbed the king one day. The king overtook it, however, for he had an idea what kind of fellows printers would be. Well, finally they got the printing system down pat, and as the centuries rolled by, began printing newspapers—first person, invariably singular number, any gender and hard case.

## In This Enlightened Day

There are many newspapers—as a matter of fact. But it is an utter impossibility to get a newspaper to admit it. The advertising patronage of a newspaper depends largely—yes, wholly—upon its circulation. A newspaper is a great deal like the human body; if its circulation is good, it prospers; otherwise, it dies. Some papers publish

## Want Columns

That is, a column, or a number of columns, devoted to small advertisements. If a fellow wants anything—trouble, a wife, a house—don't make any difference what it is—he can get it by means of a small ad. Included in the "want" column are "For Sale," "For Rent," "Lost," "Found," "Stolen" and "Miscellaneous." Now, just see what chumps some people are! Why, a man has been known to hunt over a city—this city—for days looking for a house in which to live. Had he come to The Astorian office and asked for a want ad, he could have gotten his house without the least bit of trouble and for about 25 cents.

## It Is Needless

To tell of The Astorian's circulation. The paper has been established for a quarter of a century. Why, old Concomly read the first rumor of the building of a railroad to his braves from it. Circulation is The Astorian's long suit. Consequently, when a fellow comes into The Astorian office, looks pleasant, throws down 25 cents on the counter and says he wants a house, he gets it.

## Why, Just Think!

The Astorian goes into every house in Astoria and a great majority of those in the surrounding sections of Oregon and Washington. Hence, if you insert an ad in The Astorian, it is equivalent to engaging a man to go around to all those houses and telling the inmates that you want something or have something for sale. Why, talk about a snap!

## A Bit of Advice

When you want anything—no matter what it is—when you have anything for sale; when you lose, find or steal anything, come around and tell your trouble to The Astorian. Bring 25 cents with you, and, above all things, look pleasant. Tell the clerk that you want a want ad. In the want column give him your 25 cents and go away happy. As Herman Wile would say, a want ad will restore the blind, the bald and the bowlegged to manhood.

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May twist him a twist,  
For in twisting a twist  
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