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THIRD ANNUAL CLEARANCE SALE COMMENCES MONDAY, JANUARY 12 And continues for 30 Days Albert Dunbar Cor. 9th and Commercial Sts.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER. Maximum temperature, 42 degrees. Minimum temperature, 32 degrees. Precipitation, none. Total precipitation from September 1st, 1896, to date, 47.97 inches.

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.

AROUND TOWN. Signs—See Swops. Want anything painted? See Swops. Want anything decorated? See Swops.

Decorated fern jars at the Palace Jewelry Store. Shoppers reap a rich harvest in the stores these days. Ekstrom has the only complete stock of jewelry in the city.

Have you any jewelry that needs repairing? Take it to Ekstrom's. The cry "Close the door" is now frequently heard in the street cars.

The most attractive and inexpensive light furniture of bamboo made to order at 618 Commercial street. Family tickets between Warronton, Flavel and Astoria will hereafter be sold by Agent Stone at the Telephone dock.

F. J. Schofield, general landscape gardener and sanitary engineer. All work guaranteed. Leave orders at Astorian office. We offer all our cast iron stoves at 10 per cent below cost.

I hereby give notice that I will not be responsible for any debts contracted on my account without a written order from me. R. F. ALLEN.

It is rumored that Alex. Grant has purchased the "Merchants" and will soon remove his headquarters from Bond street. The Liverpool Daily Journal of Commerce is now kept on file in the Astorian office and may be seen by shipmasters or others interested.

Mrs. M. Abraham, 469 Duane street. Rheumatism a specialty. Fisher's Opera House has been secured for Mrs. Clara Hoffman, almost without a peer on the lecture platform, who will appear in Astoria on the evening of February 11.

Corset covers 10c at Dunbar's clearance sale. An informal caucus was held last evening by the members of the city council in Mayor Taylor's private office, to consult upon the best means of reducing the city's expenses.

You will never be able to buy a good watch or clock or anything in the line of jewelry or silverware for as little money as you can now at the Palace Jewelry Store, as the entire stock must be sold by January 15.

Arrived, Dr. E. C. Collins, of Portland. Will be with the citizens of Astoria for a short time, and all who require the services of a first-class spirit medium will do well to call upon him. Parlor in the Mansell Building. Hours, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

A movement is on foot to close all business houses at 7 o'clock p. m. Clerks need some time for recreation, and it is thought by the proprietors of the various stores that the public can be just as well served before 7 o'clock as later in the evening.

J. H. Johannsen, Seaside; J. L. Waterhouse, Clatsop; M. Devereaux, Olney; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Durival, Pillar Rock; Oscar Jacobsen, Puget Island; Mrs. P. P. Jenkins, Mrs. Olof Eklund, Chinook, and H. A. Irving, Waukiak, were in the city yesterday.

Ladies' Union Suits 95c at Dunbar's clearance sale. Henry Lang, A. G. Barker, J. Joseph, H. T. Bohman, A. F. Rogers, Charles King, J. Smith, Robert Smith, Portland; F. Speiger, Chicago; F. E. Deatly, Fort Wayne, Ind.; M. W. Rosenblatt and J. M. Elstein, San Francisco, registered at the Occident yesterday.

Ida Pelton, a 12-year-old girl who a short time ago was taken from the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society, of Portland, by Mrs. G. W. Roe, of Seaside, was returned yesterday afternoon in care of Conductor Walker to Sheriff Hare, who took the girl to Portland with him on last night's boat and will again place her in the hands of the aid society.

Superintendent W. H. Watts, of Corey Brothers, left last night for Denver, Colorado, and will not return to Astoria in the immediate future. Mr. Watts has many friends in the city, who one and all will regret his departure. The firm of Corey Brothers lost many thousands of dollars here and have proved themselves the squarest of square people. Mr. Jones is left in charge of the business until their contracts are finally completed.

C. E. Ward was yesterday examined for insanity and was committed by Justice Abercrombie to the asylum. Some time ago the man was found to be insane but was harmless and was given over to the care of his brother. His brother found that he could not care for him longer and appealed to the court. The man was then placed in the hospital but the institution finding it could no longer care for him the case was referred to Dr. A. L. Fulton and the court, who decided to send him to Salem. Sheriff Hare left on last night's boat with the unfortunate man in charge.

Children's school hosiery 15c at Dunbar's clearance sale. They are the 25c quality. Mr. A. B. Hammond arrived in Portland yesterday and is expected in Astoria in a day or two. Mr. Curtis, who returned yesterday, says that he did not get to see Mr. Hammond as important business called him back to Astoria on the morning boat. Upon arrival here Mr. Curtis let the contract for ties for the A. and C. R. R. to the Oregon Pine Lumber Company, of Portland. Mr. Thatcher is the representative of that company in this city. The contract is for about 7,000 ties. A contract for freighting from Tongue Point to Knapapa, will probably be let to Clinton & Co., of Astoria. The matter simply rests upon their ability to furnish good bonds, which doubtless will be done at once. The contract for the freighting work through the city has not yet been decided upon as the matter is somewhat complicated.

Late yesterday evening the news was received from Upperton that during Wednesday night a man had fallen overboard from the Eagle cannery dock and had been drowned. Up to the present writing no trace of his body has been found or news of his whereabouts received. The man's name is Inskip, and he was a fish buyer for shippers of sturgeon to eastern markets. Next to his cabin on the dock is that of Jack Carter, another well known fish buyer, who, it is reported, says that late in the night or early in the morning he heard cries which were repeated a second or third time. Going out of his cabin onto the dock he discovered that Inskip's door was wide open, the light burning, and his clothes and other things thrown about as he had let them some hours previously when he remarked to Carter that he was going out for a while but would not be gone long. The rumor could not be corroborated last night, nor was any further information obtainable. The main facts were well vouched for.

A LETTER FOR THE YEAR 1897 From Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Friends, Held at Park Avenue Meeting House.

To Editors and Journalists: Respected Friends—Our committee has met with so much consideration and encouragement that it enters upon another year of effort with the strengthened conviction that the cause it espouses is, indeed, a righteous one, and must more and more prevail. The abundant evidence that the need of reform has found lodgment with our prominent Journalists emboldens us to ask again their co-operation in so cultivating the public taste that it shall demand and shall receive from the press only that which elevates and refines.

The sentiment and the mode of thought of a community are largely a reex of its daily papers. So potent a factor is it in character molding, that the best welfare of the nation is dependent upon it. We crave that it shall bring into the home only that which is dignified and which shall inspire to purer, nobler thought and action. It will then prove truly the lever to lift the moral standard of its readers to a higher plane.

We appeal to you, as editors, for a reticence in the detail of crime and scandal; that the purely sensational shall be excluded; that pictures and advertisements, both personal and medical, which so insidiously lead the innocent and unsuspecting from the path of virtue shall find no place in your columns. We especially ask your influence in raising the moral tone of the edition issued as the "Sunday paper," till it become a power for good among the people.

The press, when pure and conscientiously conducted, becomes one of the greatest benefits to any land. May it then be steadfast to its sacred trust, and, conscious of its illimitable power, place itself unflinchingly ever on the side of the pure, the true and the beautiful. Grateful for the endorsement which our work has received from Journalists and from editorial associations, we ask a continuance of the interest and sympathy which have been an inspiration to our efforts.

We hope our views may find expression in your paper, and we shall appreciate any encouragement which you may give to the cause of pure journalism. With much regard, we are your friends. ISABELLA TYSON, Chairman. 1308 Madison ave., Baltimore, Md.

AN INQUIRY. Astoria, January 14.—(To the Editor)—I notice in the Astorian of the 10th an editorial statement that at the centers of capital money is plenty and easy, that even in the West loans may be obtained on good security, and that real estate borrowers find their applications welcome. May I ask you upon what information this statement is made?

In the very same issue a telegraphic dispatch states that the great accumulation of dividends in New York, making available cash of over \$3,000,000, is "unaccompanied by loans," and to this fact is attributed the unprecedented accumulation. Every recent statement of Bradstreet and Dun says that business enterprises are disappearing. In the Astorian of the 9th Bradstreet reports the greatest number of failures ever known for one week in the United States.

The abundance of money in New York is no doubt the fact. But an accumulation unaccompanied by loans is no sign of health, but of greater disease, as plethora of blood at the vitals does not show approaching recovery, but forebodes a relapse, and perhaps delirium. If dividends to the amount of \$90,000,000 have been accumulated at the money center, and it is true that this vast sum of cash remains there, the disappointing business and unprecedented failures are all one process along with the congestion of money. That \$90,000,000 cannot be at New York and yet at the same time outside doing business.

Still I make my inquiry alone in all seriousness, wishing to know what information has guided the editor; or, if Bradstreet, Dun and the Financier are wrong, or if I have misunderstood them, I wish to be set right. And I might also suggest that ynottehbqka might also suggest that only the most absolutely accurate statements anywhere, or by anyone, will be respected. H. S. LYMAN.

Cooper's Annual Sale The only Reliable Sale of Fine Dry Goods First-Class Clothing Furnishing Goods, Etc. Held During the Year Is now on and will continue during January

Positively No Goods Charged at Sale Prices Don't Miss This but Come Early and Select the Choicest Goods Before the Lines Are Broken This Is the Sale of the Year

C. H. COOPER LEADING HOUSE OF ASTORIA behind a newspaper, oblivious to all that is passing. Be it said to the everlasting glory of old Clatsop that her representatives are taking no part in the disgraceful proceedings enacted in the house. Both members from our own dear county are conspicuous by their absence whenever the approval of their presence to lend the approval of their constituents by aiding in the malicious prevention of business.

LEADS THE WORLD. Accidents Befalling the White Family in Forty-Eight Hours. Atchison, Kan., January 14.—John White, a farmer living at Dentonville, has had more than his share of this world's troubles for forty-eight hours. Briefly told, his afflictions are as follows: He slipped and fell, breaking his right arm and left leg; his wife fell and broke her collar bone; his 10-year-old daughter dislocated her hip by a fall, and his mother-in-law tumbled down a long flight of stairs and was seriously injured. To cap the climax of his misfortunes, three of his horses fell down in their stalls and died.

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ROYAL Baking Powder. Highest of all in leavening strength—U. S. Government Report

Warrenton Is the Best... THE CENTER OF DEVELOPMENT ON THE WEST SIDE Everybody knows that Warrenton values will soon be doubled. It is distinctly the best property on the market. Fine large level lots, surrounded by many improvements, at very low prices. Is it not a fine investment?

Columbia Harbor Land Co. CORNER... BOND and ELEVENTH STS. Maps on application.

CRUELTY TO COWS. Dear Mr. Angel: During the past summer my attention has been called, in several instances, to the keeping of cows stalled, day and night, without exercise, and of course without grazing. This, too, in the country, where good pasture was to be had within a few rods of the barn.

FABULOUS FIND AT RAGGED TOP. Deadwood, S. D., January 14.—Ore worth \$2,600 a ton has been struck in the Ragged Top shaft, which was sacked before being sent to the top of the shaft. This strike is the richest ore yet found in the Ragged Top camp.

FARMER OUTWITS A THIEF. Penetrates His Female Disguise and Drives off with His Plunder. Philadelphia, January 14.—To succeed in robbing a burglar disguised in woman's clothes was the unique experience of James Young, a Kitterville farmer while driving home yesterday. Along the road a woman asked him to let her ride. He gave permission, and she got in with her satchel. Penetrating the disguise, Young saw his passenger was a man. He dropped his whip and asked the stranger to please pick it up, saying he dared not drop the reins of the fractious horses. The man worked, and as Young started his horses off at a gallop the skirted burglar shot several bullets after him. Young escaped. When he got home he found in the satchel besides burglar's tools, about \$500 wrapped in brown paper.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS. The following deeds were filed for record at the recorder's office yesterday: F. S. Webber to C. W. Shively, certain lot described by metes and bounds in Shively's... M. J. Kinney and wife to Frank Dabrowski, Lot 19, Block 34, New Astoria... THIS IS THE LAST DAY. Mr. Mark Wilinski, the optician, leaves here Saturday morning. Don't miss this opportunity to have your eyes scientifically fitted.

Salton Sea Salt for baths at the Estes-Conn Drug Store 10c and 25c per package. The first telegraph wire was hung in 1836. WANTED. WANTED—A young woman to do housework and nursing. Apply by mail with references to Mrs. E. A. Miller, Port Canby, Washington. SITUATION WANTED—Japanese boy wants a situation where he can attend public school. Address or call at 618 Commercial street.

FOR RENT. FOR RENT—Furnished room with fire, centrally located, 414 Exchange street. FOR RENT—Four rooms with board or board without rooms, at Mrs. Holden's, 9th and Duane streets. Four rooms to rent, 901 Exchange street. Adolph Johnson. FOR SALE. ALL KINDS OF FANCY AND JAPANESE Goods for Christmas and the holidays, at Wing Lee's, 548 Commercial street. FOUND. FOUND—A small sum of money. Owner can have it on proof and payment of notice. J. J. Walter.

Cedar Shingles SEASIDE LUMBER YARD. OFFICE 225 COMMERCIAL ST. ALLEN'S Cut Rate Ticket Office THEATRICAL BOOKING A SPECIALTY. 136 THIRD ST., PORTLAND, OR.

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Snap a Kodak. at any man coming out of our store and you'll get a portrait of a man brimming over with pleasant thoughts. Such quality in the liquors we have to offer are enough to please any man. COME AND TRY THEM. HUGHES & CO. A. V. ALLEN, DEALER IN Groceries, Flour, Feed, Provisions, Fruits, Vegetables, Crockery, Glass and Plated Ware, Loggers' Supplies. Cor. Tenth and Commercial streets.

Astoria and Columbia River Railroad TIME CARD. Trains leave Seaside for Astoria at 7:30 a. m. and 2 p. m. daily. Trains leave Astoria for Flavel at 9 a. m. and 4 p. m. daily. Trains leave Astoria for Seaside at 10:30 a. m. and 4 p. m. daily. Trains leave Flavel for Astoria at 9:40 a. m. and 2:58 p. m. daily.

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