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THIRD ANNUAL CLEARANCE SALE COMMENCES MONDAY, JANUARY 4. Last continues for 30 Days

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YESTERDAY'S WEATHER. Maximum temperature, 52 degrees. Minimum temperature, 43 degrees. Precipitation, .88 inch.

TODAY'S WEATHER. Portland, February 4.—For Western Oregon and Western Washington, occasional rain; cooler.

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. Oh in bright dreams of poetry Let me forever tread; With earth a temple where divine Birth oracles are shed.

Even the dogs and horses of the city have the epidemic.

Dr. Howard, Homeopathist, office 286 Commercial street.

Ekstrom has the only complete stock of jewelry in the city.

Great masses of flowers will be seen on all the spring beds.

Twenty pounds of granulated sugar for \$1, at 455 Duane street.

Have you any jewelry that needs repairing? Take it to Ekstrom's.

Mrs. Short last evening entertained the choir boys at her residence.

St. Valentine's Day promises to be one of unusual interest in Astoria.

to his house, but hopes to get down to business within a day or two.

In the county clerk's office yesterday a marriage license was issued to Julius Olsen and Caroline Lundblad.

The only "Queen" heater for sale only by Fisher Brothers. Call and be convinced. Beware of imitations.

Mr. Charles Davis, of Chinook, and C. Drilling, of Warrenton, spent yesterday visiting their Astoria friends.

Mr. Henry W. Gleason, representing the Chamberlain Medical Company, of San Francisco, is visiting in the city.

Family tickets between Warrenton 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.

The great crowds which have been thronging C. H. Cooper's store for the past two or three weeks, will only have two more days in which to secure bargains.

General Auditor F. D. Kuetner, of the A. and C. R. R., returned yesterday from Corvallis. He reports business on the Oregon Central as being in good condition.

Mr. Swiger, the well known Portland contractor, was in the city yesterday and reported that business generally was slightly improving, with good prospects for the near future.

It was reported yesterday that Chas. E. Ward, who was accused of forgery and a short time ago was sent from Astoria to the insane asylum at Salem, died in that institution yesterday.

The smoker at the A. F. C. tonight is strictly for members only and any outsiders who should be refused admittance must remember it is only in compliance with the by-laws of the club.

Retail stores report a steady improvement in business. It is remarkable that in the dullest month of the year, and in a particularly dull year in Astoria, there should be anything like an improvement.

A gentleman upon being asked yesterday how his wife was, replied that she was doing quite well, and that he had just put her in the graveyard. It struck the one who made the inquiry as being a cold-hearted reply.

Captain Charles Mace, Vancouver, B. C.; W. R. Payne, Detroit, Mich.; L. N. Lott, Skamokawa; E. M. Corvallis, Oregon City; and W. H. Bruner, Seattle, were at the Parker house yesterday.

Mr. H. G. Smith and wife returned yesterday from Portland and while on their vacation visited Vancouver, Wn. Mr. Smith says business is looking up a little, but that all interest now centers in the senatorial fight at the state capital.

Miss Jessie Jewett, who was reported yesterday as being ill in Salem, has been removed to the Good Samaritan Hospital, Portland, where she is under the treatment of Dr. Baker. Miss Jewett is affected with what threatens to be a case of typhoid fever.

The contractors commenced work on the railroad trestle opposite the O. R. and N. dock yesterday. A big pile-driver and two scow loads of lumber and timber put in position for the work. The railroad company is pushing construction all along the line, and next week will let additional contracts.

In the police court yesterday Wm. Larson was fined two dollars for being found drunk in a public place. Emil Peterson was fined \$2 for being drunk and Charles Peterson, accused of being drunk and disorderly, and kicking in the door in a down-town place, was fined \$5. None of the prosecuting witnesses appeared.

Foreman Morrison of the Western Union Telegraph Company, completed the stringing of the government telegraph wire between this city and Flavel. The line is entirely new, much shorter than the old line, which went out over the hills and under Young's river by cable, and is in no danger of being knocked out by a storm.

There are few in the city who know that it possesses a genuinely artistic tenor voice. Mr. Al. Fifth, formerly with an opera company, but now with Mr. Al. Beaufort, is the lucky possessor of a very rich and sympathetic voice. He might make his fortune if he only would cultivate himself for the stage and stick to legitimate opera.

Florist A. J. Johnson, who returned a few days ago from California, was engaged yesterday in laying out and decorating the Col. Taylor lots at Clatsop Cemetery. Next week Mr. Johnson will commence work at the Flavel Hotel, where he will set out three hundred rose trees, besides thousands of tulips, hyacinths and pansies. He left last night for a short visit to Portland.

Yesterday afternoon, while standing in front of a Chinese store on Bond street, a team attached to Sherman's hack became frightened by the explosion of a bunch of fire crackers which had been ignited under them, and ran away. No special damage was done, although it was a wonder that the horses were not badly injured on the rough streets and the hack torn to pieces.

A movement is on foot among the cyclists of the city to establish a bicycle path along the beach between the city and Tongue Point. They are undoubtedly figuring that in the near future a public park will be built at the point, and that they can rely upon public subscriptions to aid in the construction of

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the roadway. The enterprise is certainly one deserving of support and one in which all athletic people will take great interest.

Yesterday it was understood that some arrangements had been agreed upon between the fire and water committee and the foremen of the various fire companies, in regard to cutting down the expenses of the fire department. The matter will probably be taken up at the meeting tonight. The electric light problem will also probably be given a hearing on the proposition of the water commission to furnish the city lights.

One of the society young ladies of Uppertown, has a fad for stuffed birds. Yesterday she received five magnificent white Arctic owls. Another young lady on the hill has fifty owls of all varieties, mounted and perched in various parts of her boudoir. Another and later fad among young ladies is the collection of beer glasses. One of society's favorites already has a large number of all sizes and kinds, gathered from all quarters of the globe.

As the Manzanita went in to the Parker House dock yesterday afternoon, two white-breasted sea gulls perched, one on each masthead, and there remained until after the vessel was tied up to the dock. The sight was a very pretty one, and repeated in the early morning when three birds perched upon the three mastsheads of the Jennie Estella. Waterfront men say that when the seagulls seek high perches it is a sign of good weather.

Next Saturday evening at 8 o'clock, in the basement of Bethania Church, in Uppertown, the Bethania Missionary Society will celebrate its third anniversary. The members of the society are nearly all Norwegians, and they have been doing a good work in the city. An entertainment will be given during the evening, the proceeds of which will be devoted to the China mission. No admission will be charged, but coffee and cake will be served at ten cents.

A heavy gale was blowing yesterday morning on the bay, and as the steamer Thompson came across from Tongue Point she struck several heavy swells and encountered two or three large seas which made the staunch boat career and thump about in a lively manner for a short time. Several of the passengers were awakened by the noise and motion and got out of their berths to learn the cause of the trouble. No damage was done, however, and the Thompson arrived safely at her dock.

Astoria now has telegraphic connection night and day with Fort Canby, Ilwaco and Fort Stevens. Formerly the government office, in charge of Mr. Grover, has closed at 5 o'clock, but arrangement has been made with the Western Union Telegraph Company, so that the line can be cut in as soon as the government office closes. Mr. Johnson yesterday completed the work. Mr. Grover is deserving of great thanks for this accommodation, as it will be a matter of much convenience to shipping men. Recently, when a vessel went ashore at Long Beach after the government office had closed, it was impossible to obtain immediate relief, but now a message may be sent or received any time of the day or night.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U. held a very interesting meeting yesterday, de-

PIMPLY FACES Cuticura TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. For sale by Chas. Rogers, Druggist. Mr. Bryan says he "doesn't know when 'The Friar Battle' will come out." But he knows just how it came out.

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TEACHERS' EXAMINATION. Examination for certificate to teach in this county will be held at High School building, Astoria, Or., beginning at 1 o'clock p. m., Wednesday, February 10, 1897.

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