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John F. Handley & Co. are our Portland agents, and copies of the Astorian can be had every morning at their stand, 124 Third street.

The "Astorian" hereby offers to donate ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS to St. Mary's Hospital, payable on demand to Father Dietman, whenever legal evidence is produced showing that any afternoon newspaper published in Astoria has printed within the last ninety days expiring before this offer a single "special" or other kind of "telegraphic press report," received over the wires entering either of the telegraph offices in Astoria, from any point outside of Oregon.

The day of retrenchment, says Hon. J. Sterling Morton in the April Forum, or the day of ruin, for the government is awaiting the people of the United States in the not remote future.

We shall very soon step from the nineteenth century into the twentieth century. We shall carry with us either the germs of dissolution or decay or of life and conserved energy. To avoid the former and secure the latter the American people should begin at once in the household, in the factory, in the counting room, in the management of great lines of transportation, and in all other incorporations of capital, to practice something of the economy and frugality which characterized our New England ancestors. The cost of local governments must be lessened. Administration of county and city and village affairs must be made more and more business-like and economical. In short, the fixed charges of American citizenship must be cut down.

The flood situation along the lower Mississippi continues to grow worse. The rains continue and the waters are slowly rising. Thousands are homeless, and hunger and sickness add to the distress. There is no hope of an abatement in sight, as the rains continue over the watershed of all tributaries of the Father of Waters, and the ice in the upper Mississippi is beginning to melt, which means that further additions to the flood of water are on their way. There has already been considerable loss of life by drowning, and the end is not yet. The levees are in danger of giving way at a number of additional points, and the people living in the threatened districts are fleeing for their lives, abandoning their homes and property to the engulfing waters. The situation is rapidly developing into a calamity of such proportions that local aid will be unable to cope with the needs of the sufferers, and prompt aid from other sections will be needed. This will especially be the case if there is no abatement of the swelling floods which are turning the region south of the mouth of the Arkansas into a vast sea.

Associated Press franchises have lately had a boom in the market. The New York Journal has just paid a fancy price for the old Advertiser of that city, which fell their some time ago to the franchise formerly owned by the New York Star. There could not be two papers more dissimilar than the New York Journal and the Advertiser, and yet they are now combined together for the sake of the valuable franchise owned by the latter. Every body has heard the story of how Pulitzer, of his fortune, first laid the foundation of his fortune at St. Louis in the purchase at a low price and the re-sale at an enormous sum of the press franchise which belonged to a moribund German paper of that city. It has cost the Astorian a great deal of money to maintain its connection with the Associated Press, and it has seemed at times like an almost useless waste of money, but by a sudden turn of the wheel of fortune its franchise today has a prospective value which daily justifies the sacrifice incurred in holding on to it. The Salem Statesman, commenting on the effect of the failure of the United Press, said on Saturday:

The failure of the United Press makes the monopoly of the Oregonian in serving the people with the news from Portland more secure than ever before. It adds at least a hundred

thousand dollars to the value of that newspaper property. There is only one general news concern in America now, and the Oregonian is an original member of it. The only way for a second newspaper published in Portland to get the general telegraphic news is to secure the consent of the owners of the Oregonian thereto, or to go before the board of managers of the Associated Press and induce them to declare Portland an "open" city, in which any newspaper having the money might then buy the telegraphic news. Either of these undertakings would probably be attended with many difficulties, more especially the former. The Associated Press is now undisturbed, as it has been actually for years, the greatest news-gathering concern in all the world. The Statesman is a member of this gigantic news-gathering and disseminating agency.

FOOD ILL DIGESTED.

Imperfectly nourishes the system, since it is only partially assimilated by the blood. Pale, haggard mortals, with dyspeptic stomachs, impoverished circulation and weak nerves, experience a marked and rapid improvement in their physical condition by availing themselves of that sure resource of the sick and debilitated, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. This genial tonic and alterative lends an impetus to the processes of digestion which insures an adequate development of the materials of blood, fiber and muscular tissue. Moreover, it soothes and strengthens overworked or weak nerves, counteracts a tendency to hypochondria or despondency, to which dyspeptic and bilious persons are peculiarly liable, and is an agreeable and wholesome appetizer and promoter of repose. The infirmities of age, and of delicate female constitutions, are greatly relieved by it; and it is a reliable preventive of, and remedy for, malarial fevers.

Though plaid is not in high favor in the dress goods world, they are deemed very chic when seen in hosiery.

HOUSEKEEPING.

If a woman is in good health there is no more healthful employment than housework. Generally speaking, there is no happier woman in the world. But how different when every breath is pain, every step torture! This state of health, in nine cases out of ten comes from derangements of the delicate, feminine organs of generation. The family doctor inquires first concerning these. He most usually insists upon an "Examination." From this the modest woman naturally shrinks. She is right. Except in very unusual cases of "female weakness" examinations are unnecessary. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a simple, natural remedy for these ills. It cures safely, permanently.

Send 21 one-cent stamps to cover cost of mailing only, and receive free a copy of Dr. Pierce's Medical Adviser. Address: World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

Some of the gowns designed for early spring wear have peculiar elongated lines, making the skirt run up on to the waist in corset fashion.

UP TO DATE.

A great many Pacific coast people when contemplating a trip east and when bringing friends west, know very little about the interior line, and the object of this article is to afford reliable information. In the first place for good time and service, select a route via St. Paul and Minneapolis, because the lines that way are continuous under one system without any change of cars, and every man from peasant agent up is a courteous, reliable and experienced officer, ready to aid and protect you in every emergency and capable of making you feel at home and comfortable during the long journey.

Then see that your ticket reads via the Wisconsin Central lines, because that thoroughfare affords strictly first-class service, and the meals on its dining cars (always reasonable in price) are equalled by few and excelled by none. Geo. S. Batty, 246 Stark street, Portland, Oregon, is general agent for this company and will cheerfully furnish you a neat and handy calendar and full information on the subject of transportation, if addressed or called upon, and any agent will, upon application, sell you a ticket over the Wisconsin Central lines.

When women grow to know the value of promptness they will be more popular with the other sex.

CASTORIA.

The medicinal preparation of Castor Oil, is a very simple and effective remedy for all the ailments of childhood.

The new vials are called "beautifiers," and consist really of two vials in one.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Inactive Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. For sale by Chas. Rogers, Druggist.

Is the postman generous in the matter of bills those mornings.

Use Webfoot Corn Cure. No cure no pay.

Fannie Davenport's stage gowns are worth a good-sized fortune.

E. E. Turner, of Compton, Mo., writes us that after suffering from piles for seventeen years, he completely cured them by using three boxes of De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. It cures eczema and severe skin diseases. Chas. Rogers, Druggist.

A SNAP. For sale cheap and on easy terms, four choice building lots in McClure's Astoria. For particulars call on Howell & Ward, 219 Bond street.

FREE TO EVERY MAN

THE METHODS OF A GREAT TREATMENT FOR WEAKNESS OF MEN.

Which Cured Him After Everything Else Failed.

Painful diseases are bad enough, but when a man is slowly wasting away with nervous weakness, the mental forebodings are ten times worse than the most severe pain. There is no let up to the mental suffering day or night. Sleep is almost impossible, and under such a strain men are scarcely responsible for what they do. For years the writer rolled and tossed on the troubled sea of sexual weakness until it was a question whether he had not better take a dose of poison and thus end all his troubles. But providential inspiration came to his aid in the shape of a combination of medicines that not only completely restored the general health, but enlarged his weak, emaciated parts to natural size and vigor, and he now declares that any man who will take the trouble to send his name and address may have the method of this wonderful treatment free. Now when I say free I mean absolutely without cost, because I want every weakened man to get the benefit of my experience.

I am not a philanthropist, nor do I pose as an enthusiast, but there are thousands of men suffering the mental tortures of weakened manhood who would be cured at once could they but get such a remedy as the one that cured me. Do not try to study out how I can afford to pay the few postage stamps necessary to mail the information, but send for it, and learn that there are a few things on earth that although they cost nothing to get they are worth a fortune to some men and mean a lifetime of happiness to most of us. Write to Thomas Slater, Box 383, Kalamazoo, Mich., and the information will be mailed in a plain, sealed envelope.

One can't look young and pretty with worry as a night and day companion.

CASTORIA.

Try being perfectly independent from the first, and shun debt in all its forms.

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Suspicion degrades two people.

The burden of labor is constantly being lightened by new inventions, but nothing new has yet been discovered to lighten the hours of labor, and make life worth living like Simmons Liver Regulator does. It's the King of Liver Medicines. A sluggish liver depresses one's spirits and causes languor, besides upsetting the whole system. But Simmons Liver Regulator tones up and strengthens the body.

Try not to look at richer homes and covet their costly furniture.

The rapidity with which croup develops calls for instant treatment; and yet few households are prepared for its visits. An admirable remedy for this disease is Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. It has saved hundreds of lives and should be in every home where there are young children.

Tinsel gauze is the very latest thing for spring millinery.

Two years ago R. J. Warren, a druggist at Pleasant Brook, N. Y., bought a small supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He sums up the result as follows: "At that time the goods were unknown in this section; today Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a household word." It is the same in hundreds of communities. Wherever the good qualities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy become known the people will have nothing else. For sale by Estes-Conn Drug Co.

How very few women know how to do up a bundle properly.

It may save you time and money to be informed that when you need a blood-purifier, Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the kind most in favor with the medical profession. It is the standard and, as such, the only blood-purifier admitted at the Chicago World's Fair.

Acetone-plated skirts are again with us.

Don't let the lungs be impaired by the continuous irritation of a cough. It is easier to prevent consumption than to cure it. One Minute Cough Cure taken early will ward off any fatal lung trouble. Chas. Rogers, Druggist.

How easy it is to be good tempered when everything goes your way.

Minutes seem like hours when a life is at stake. Croup gives no time to send for a doctor, delay may mean death. One Minute Cough Cure gives instant relief and insures recovery. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. Chas. Rogers, Druggist.

So! Smith Russell would be much more readily mistaken for a minister than an actor.

MEN of all AGES

Quickly, Thoroughly, Forever Cured. Four out of five who suffer from nervousness, mental worry, attacks of "the blues," are not paying the penalty of early excesses. Victims, reclaim your manhood, regain your vigor. Don't despair. Send for book with explanation and proofs. Mailed (sealed) free. ERIE MEDICAL CO., Buffalo, N. Y.

OUTWARD BOUND OREGON GRAIN FLEET—1896-7.

Table with columns: SAILED, FLAG, NAME, TON, CLEARED FOR, ARRIVED, CEMENTS, VALUE, SHIPPERS, DATE. Lists various grain ships and their destinations.

VESSELS ON THE WAY TO OREGON.

Table with columns: PORT SAILED FROM AND NAME, CAPTAIN, TON, RATE, CONSIGNEES, DATE. Lists ships en route to Oregon.

MANHOOD RESTORED "CUPIDENE"

Advertisement for Cupidene medicine, claiming to restore manhood and cure various ailments.

INDIO

Advertisement for Indio cottages, highlighting the dry and pure tropical climate and comfortable accommodations.

BLOOD POISON A SPECIALTY

Advertisement for a blood-purifying specialty, claiming to cure various skin and systemic diseases.

PATENTS

Advertisement for patent services, offering assistance in securing and protecting intellectual property.

INDIO

Advertisement for Indio cottages, providing contact information and location details.



Established 1873

THE WEEKLY ASTORIAN

Advertisers Who Wish to Reach the Country People

should call to their aid the columns of the Weekly Astorian. There are several reasons why the Weekly Astorian's circulation is so large. One is that its columns contain more reading matter than any other paper in Oregon except the Portland publication.

The News of the World

foreign, interstate and local, is published in its columns. It is absolutely reliable; hence its popularity. The Weekly Astorian contains 56 columns of reading matter every week. Just think! All the news of the world for \$2 a year. If you are not a subscriber to this great paper you should send in your name at once.

Second Oldest Paper in the State

As an advertising medium the Weekly Astorian is unsurpassed by any paper in the State outside of Portland. Thirty-three hundred copies are mailed each week to every home in the territory, both in Oregon and Washington, tributary to the City of Astoria.

Beaver Hill and Gilman Coal

For Family or Steam Purposes. ELMORE, SANBORN & CO. Agents, Astoria.

