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

There is but one place on the whole Northern Pacific coast where the government can hope to successfully construct a dry dock and maintain a naval establishment, and that is at the mouth of the Columbia river.

Every well-informed person in Oregon and Washington knows this, and it occasions no surprise that the millions of public money spent in the foolish undertaking at Port Orchard has been absolutely wasted.

The great advantages of Astoria harbor could have been passed by when the location of this important work was under consideration. It is a mystery which deserves investigation as much as the question of whose corruption or incompetency is responsible for the miserable failure of its actual construction.

There can be no doubt if it had not been for Portland's insane jealousy of Astoria, and the willingness so often manifested by her people to forego the indirect advantages which would result to them from the proper development of the mouth of the Columbia, the government would have been saved the humiliation and immense loss involved in the Puget Sound experiment.

The construction of the Oregon and other vessels of the Pacific coast fleet now renders a dry dock of the largest class on this coast indispensable, and the Astoria harbor will surely get it if a way can be found to prevent Portland's obstruction. If the Oregon delegation in congress does not do its duty to both the state and the nation in this matter, the citizens of the state outside of Portland should take it up and see that the government does not repeat elsewhere the costly error just made in the marshes at Port Orchard.

The spring elections in Rhode Island for the past three years show clearly the feeling of the people on national issues, and give the lie to the pretensions of the democrats, built upon the results of a few municipal elections in which local issues predominated.

In April, 1895, the republican plurality was 10,539. In 1896 the republican plurality rose to 14,411. This year the republican plurality is over 14,000—the greatest ever given in the state for a candidate at the spring state election.

There is in these figures no reason for republican discouragement. City elections hinge on local conditions; state contests are waged on straight party issues. If Mr. Bryan or his deluded followers can gain any consolation out of the Rhode Island figures, they must be akin to that philosopher who extracted sunbeams from cucumbers.

The illustrated bulletin just issued by President H. B. Miller and Chemist G. W. Shaw, of the Corvallis Agricultural Experiment Station on the culture of sugar beets is one of the most comprehensive treatises upon the subject ever written, and should be read by every farmer and commercial man in the state. The document reflects great credit upon the experiment station and its able officers. By such methods alone can Oregon expect to gain prominence as an agricultural state, and only by intelligent cultivation can her wonderful resources be fully developed.

The demand for prompt action by the senate on the tariff bill grows apace. Members of that body are receiving communications from republicans and democrats alike, urging prompt action. The finance committee, which expected to put a couple of months on the bill, will finish it within this month, and the plans for elaborate discussion in

the senate are being materially retarded.

Millions of capital is now awaiting the action of congress on the tariff bill. Its enactment will be a signal for activity among the factories of the East, in the best-growing sections of the West, in the cotton fields and factories of the South, in the manufacturing establishments of the Mississippi valley, and on the fertile fields of the Pacific slope.

New York expects a million visitors at the dedication of the Grant monument. It would be strange if that many Americans should not go there to honor the memory of the greatest of American generals.

The fact that the sugar trust is importing all the raw sugar it can buy all over the world fully refutes the democratic falsehood that the Dingley bill is more favorable to its interests than the Wilson law.

Have you noticed there is no trouble over maintaining the gold reserve since McKinley's inauguration?

Healthy, happy children make better men and women of us all. A little care and a little planning before birth is often more important than anything that can be done after. On the mother's health and strength depend the life and the future of the children. A weak and sickly woman cannot bear strong and healthy children. Most of the weakness of women is utterly inexcusable. Proper care and proper medicine will cure almost any disorder of the female organism. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has been tested in thirty years of practice. It is healing, soothing, strengthening. It is perfectly natural in its operation and effect. By its use thousands of weak women have been made strong and healthy—have been made the mothers of strong and healthy children. Taken during gestation, it makes childbirth easy and almost painless and insures the well being of both mother and child. Send 21 cents in one-cent stamps to World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y., and receive Dr. Pierce's 108 page "Common Sense Medical Adviser," profusely illustrated.

Yet all the blooming, rare and rich. The Easter season may disclose cannot compare to glories which, with wonderful hues and cunning stich. Her spring-time millinery shows.

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.

People were sweating with the thermometer at 80 degrees in the shade in San Francisco last Friday, while a snow-storm was raging in Indiana. It takes all kinds to make weather in this country.

It should be made a matter of public knowledge that DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve will speedily cure piles of the most standing. It is the household favorite for burns, scalds, cuts, bruises and sores of all kinds. Charles Rogers.

The leaves of the trees are today at that delectable stage watched for by artists when they are just about the size of a little mouse's big ears.

Croup and whooping cough are childhood's terrors; but like pneumonia, bronchitis, and other throat and lung troubles, can be quickly cured by using One Minute Cough Cure. Charles Rogers.

What a different place the house looks with its draperies down.

Torturing, itching, scaly skin eruptions, burns and scalds are soothed at once and promptly healed by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the best known cure for piles. Chas. Rogers.

Probably Rohmberg was the name of the first man dressmaker, and he lived in Paris in 1730. He was a Bavarian by birth, and was the son of a peasant. On the panels of his carriage door was painted an escutcheon of a pair of open scissors and a pair of shears. He left an immense fortune.

For more than twenty years we have been telling how Scott's Emulsion overcomes the excessive waste of the system, puts on flesh, nourishes and builds up the body, making it the remedy for all wasting diseases of adults and children, but it isn't possible for us to tell the story in a mere stickful of newspaper type.

We have had prepared for us by a physician a little book, telling in easy words how and why Scott's Emulsion benefits, and a postal card request will be enough to have it sent to you free. To-day would be a good time to send for it.

SCOTT & BOWNE, New York.

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.

By the pangs of rheumatism, the joints eventually become grievously distorted, and sometimes assume an almost grotesque deformity. To prevent such results by a simple and agreeable means is certainly the part of wisdom.

A tendency to rheumatic ailments may be successfully combated with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, a medicine with the prestige of a long and successful career, of unbounded popularity, and of emphatic professional endorsement.

It removes from the blood those inflammatory impurities which pathologists assign as the cause of rheumatism, and not only purifies the life current, but enriches it, promoting vigor by fertilizing its source. Direction, the action of the bowels and the secretion of the bile, are aided by it, and it impels the kidneys and bladder to a regular and active performance of their functions. It is besides a thoroughly reliable remedy for, and means of preventing, periodic fevers.

The season has arrived when a man feels like a fool if he wears an overcoat, and realises afterward that he is a fool if he didn't.

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Salton Sea Salt for baths at the Estes-Conn Drug Store 10c and 25c per package.

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NORTHWEST CONSTRUCTION COMPANY.

U. S. PROPOSALS FOR PROVISIONS. OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 15TH DISTRICT, PORTLAND, OREGON, APRIL 19, 1897. Proposals will be received at this office until 12 o'clock p. m. on Saturday, the twenty-fourth day of April, 1897, for furnishing and delivering provisions for vessels and light stations in this district during the fiscal year to end June 30, 1898. Forms of proposals and printed instructions giving full particulars as to the articles required, and the terms of delivery and payment, can be obtained at this office. The right is reserved to reject the whole or part of any or all bids, and to waive any defects.

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Notice is hereby given to all parties holding Clatsop county warrants indorsed prior to April 2, 1895, to present the same to the county treasurer for payment, as interest ceases thereon after this date.

Dated this 12th day of April, A. D. 1897.

B. L. WARD, Treasurer of Clatsop County, Or.

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Easy and natural grades; little or no grading needed.

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ASTORIA INVESTMENT CO. 482 Bond Street.

VESSELS ON THE WAY TO OREGON.

(Revised and corrected every Friday.)

Table with columns: PORT, BARRER FROM AND NAME, CAPTAIN, TON, RATE, COGNOMEN, DATE. Lists various ships and their destinations.

Total tonnage on the way—12,899. Same date to 1896—28,301. Same time in 1895—14,592.

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WHITE COLLAR LINE. STEAMER "BAILEY GAZERT" Portland—Astoria.

Commodious and Comfortable Cottages. have just been erected at Indio station, that will be rented to applicants at reasonable rates.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. Ladies Who Value A refined complexion need use "Pearl" Soap.

INDIO. Is 612 miles from SAN FRANCISCO and 130 miles from LOS ANGELES. Fare from Los Angeles \$5.00.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF COMMERCIAL STREET.

Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of the City of Astoria, Clatsop county, State of Oregon, have decided and determined to extend Commercial street, in the City of Astoria, the beginning, terminus and intermediate points, and the land to be condemned being hereinafter described and set forth, and as more fully appears by the report, maps, plans and surveys of said proposed extension of Commercial street, now on file in the office of the Auditor and Police Judge, and embodied and described in Ordinance No. 223, entitled "An ordinance confirming the report, plan of survey, of the proposed extension of Commercial street," approved March 22, 1897, and the Common Council of the City of Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon, having ascertained by investigation and inquiry and an examination of the records that J. H. Mansell, C. W. Stone and T. O. Trullinger are each distinguished freeholders of the City of Astoria, and no kin to any of the owners or persons interested in any property to be appropriated for as provided by Ordinance No. 223, entitled "An ordinance confirming the report, plan of survey, of the proposed extension of Commercial street," approved March 22, 1897, and that each of said persons possess the qualifications of jurors of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Clatsop, in that they and each of them are white male citizens of the United States and of the State of Oregon, over the age of 21 years, and are and have been residents and legal voters of Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon, and of the wards in which they now reside, for more than one year last past, and each of their names are on the tax roll of said Clatsop county, and that each of them are subject to jury duty, and that each and all of said above named persons, after investigation made, are entitled and qualified to act as jurors as required by the charter of the City of Astoria, and possessing all the qualifications necessary therefor as fully and satisfactorily appears to the Common Council, after the investigation made aforesaid, and each of said named persons having by a written statement, filed in the office of the Auditor and Police Judge, having declared that they possess the necessary qualifications to act as jurors aforesaid, the said J. H. Mansell, C. W. Stone and T. O. Trullinger be and they are hereby appointed jurors to view the proposed extension of Commercial street in the City of Astoria, as described in the Surveyor and embodied in his said report, which said report was adopted by the Common Council of the City of Astoria in said Ordinance No. 223, and are hereby authorized and empowered to make the assessment of benefits and damages in opening and condemning said Commercial street, as required by the charter of the City of Astoria; that said jurors herein appointed are hereby required and instructed to meet at the office of the Auditor and Police Judge in the City Hall of said city of Astoria on the 30th day of April, 1897, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, and then and there to qualify as such jurors as required by the charter of the City of Astoria.

That the boundaries, beginning, terminus, intermediate points and description of the property to be entered upon and condemned for the proposed extension of said Commercial street are described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point marked by a tack in the east line of Seventeenth street, at its intersection with the 8th line of Commercial street, which point is 700 feet north, 4 degrees 25 minutes west and 39 feet north, 83 degrees 22 minutes east of a stone monument at center of the intersection of Seventeenth street with Franklin avenue, in Shiveley's Astoria; thence running easterly and parallel with the north line of Exchange street to the west line of Twenty-third street, extended, a distance of 2100 feet; thence northerly and at right angles to the north line of Exchange street 60 feet; thence westerly and parallel to the north line of Exchange street 2100 feet, to a point of intersection with the east line of Seventeenth street, 60 feet northerly from the place of beginning; thence southerly 60 feet to the place of beginning. Said strip of land north of and adjacent to lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 132; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 131; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 130; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 129; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 128, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 127, all in Shiveley's Astoria, and also lying north of and adjacent to Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first and Twenty-second streets. That all of said described real property and all of said lots and blocks are situated in the district embraced in said proposed extension of Commercial street and all of said portions of said lots will be condemned and an appropriation of the benefit and damages resulting to the owners of said property will be made by said viewers aforesaid. All persons owning or interested in any part of said property to be condemned for said proposed extension of Commercial street are hereby duly and legally notified of the actions of the Common Council pursuant to the resolutions and ordinances heretofore adopted by said Common Council for said extension of Commercial street.

This notice is published by order of the Common Council and pursuant to the provisions of the charter of the City of Astoria relating thereto.

Dated at Astoria, Oregon, April 18, 1897.

H. E. NELSON, Auditor and Police Judge.

Some days life seems too hard to be borne and in twenty-four hours perhaps the sun comes out and we think this world a very pleasant place in which to live.