

NEWS FROM THE WEST SIDE

WATER WORKS FOR WARRENTON

The Bicycle and Carriage Contract Let-Seaside and Flavel Gossip.

Last week the Astorian made mention of the need of a system of waterworks on the West side, and outlined the proposed plans of the citizens for obtaining one. Since then Mr. Frank Warren has been experimenting in another direction, with more than even chances of success. He has a force of men at work on his East Warrenton property driving a well, and it is his opinion that when a depth of 40 or 50 feet has been reached a sufficient flow of good water will be found. Should Mr. Warren's efforts meet with success others will try the experiment. Even in the event of a water system on the West Side these wells will prove valuable, for it will take a year or two to put in an adequate supply system. Astoria's water commission made the West Side a proposition not long ago, for the surplus water supply from their plant, but it is not probable that they will entertain it. From the Lewis and Clarke, a few miles from Warrenton, enough water could be obtained to supply a city the size of San Francisco, and those who have studied the matter say that it would be little more expensive to put in a pipe line from there than across the bay from Astoria. In the course of a few days work on many of the streets on the west side will be well under way. As it is, a number of streets in Warrenton have already been planked and have added greatly to the appearance of that thriving place. At Flavel, New Astoria and Sunnymead some work has already been done on the streets, and at the latter place considerable work has been laid out for the summer. The largest single contract to be finished this year will probably be the bicycle and carriage road from Flavel and Warrenton to the beach. It will run in a southerly westerly direction from a point just north of Warrenton, coming out on the beach near the old Cairns wreck. A good plank road street between Warrenton and Flavel will connect with the bicycle road. Since Mr. Hammond purchased the motor and cars of the Bay railway at Astoria, there has been considerable speculation as to how soon he would put on the new motor train service between Flavel and the East Side. From the most reliable information obtainable it is thought that June 15th will see the first motor train over the new line, and it will certainly be hailed with joy by everyone living on this side of the bay. An hourly service, commencing early in the morning and running until late at night, will prove a great convenience to persons visiting as well as living on the West Side. It is to be hoped the railway company will see its way clear to making a commutation fare that will be within the reach of the workmen, for to that class of people the West Side will look for the bulk of her support and prosperity. So far this season a great many people either to or from Seaside have taken advantage of the excellent train service and stopped off at various West Side points. Many of them have purchased property, and eventually many of them will undoubtedly take up permanent location. One of the points of interest to Sunday visitors is the government fortifications at Point Adams. Although visitors are not allowed to roam at will through the works, it is of considerable interest to them to note the many changes from the outside, and speculate on the probable strength of the fort when completed. Certain it is that when the fortifications shall have been finished and a full complement of men stationed there, Fort Stevens will be a new and most interesting place to visit.

WARRENTON.

One of Warrenton's great necessities, is a police force. Not that the place is given over to rowdies and toughs, for as a rule there is no more peaceable burg on the coast. But Warrenton has its tough element, and it is being augmented as a new population is fast springing up. A few worthless fellows are making a habit of hanging around places of public entertainment, nights, and using the most vulgar and profane language. One evening this week several ladies were on their way home from the W. C. T. U. meeting when a gang of these pestiferous hoodlums grossly insulted them with their vile and indecent language. Tar and feathers is a pretty good punishment for such fellows, though the presence of a good brawny policeman who knows how to wield a club would have a very edifying effect on their future behavior.

Campbell Brothers, the enterprising Warrenton merchants, are preparing for a big summer trade. They are putting in a full stock of general merchandise.

Postmaster N. J. Crain is going to have a new store building in the near future. His drug business is picking up so fast that he is compelled to have more room.

The Warrenton Hotel has changed hands, having been purchased by Mrs. Smith and daughter, lately of Montana.

Several more new and handsome cottages are to be erected west of the railroad depot in the near future. It is expected that many Astoria families will move over to Warrenton this year.

The bridge across Holbrook slough has been completed. When Adair's creek shall have been bridged, the creeks from Warrenton to the bay along the thoroughfare to be improved, will have been spanned.

Dr. J. W. Katten, of Omaha, is here and will locate permanently. His family will arrive in a few weeks.

Mr. M. L. Judd, of Iowa, will probably locate in Warrenton in the near future.

Colonel John Adair is very busy looking after street improvements in Sunnymead. He expects a decided boom in that locality this summer.

Mason & Warren have been kept busy the past week showing visitors over their East Warrenton property. They closed up several sales.

Mechanics have thoroughly overhauled the old motor engine recently purchased by Mr. Hammond from the Bay Railway Company. As soon as the drive wheels arrive back from the shops the motor will be ready for service.

Mr. Graham has a large amount of work ahead at his boat house. He expects to keep a full force of men working steadily during the summer.

Work goes steadily on in East Warrenton on the buildings now under course of construction. Mason & Warren are working up a good-sized boom on that side of the Skipanon.

There is some talk of dredging the mouth of the Skipanon. Since the railroad has been

and also had an interview with the leading people regarding the police duty for the summer months.

A petition has been circulated asking for the appointment of Jerome Dillon as justice of the peace, vice P. Condit, resigned, and Elmer Kleinmuth as constable. Both are good men, and the public peace will be in good hands.

Sheriff Harte visited Seaside during the week and assured the people that everything will be done by him necessary to maintain law and order at this popular watering place.

Mrs. T. H. Newman is spending a week in Portland.

R. R. Cole of the Lewis and Clarke intends putting up a new building.

J. H. Johansen is building a large six-room cottage and has already rented the same for the season.

George Noland has lumber on the ground for two new cottages.

Mr. Cole, formerly in Dick Davis' barber shop, has opened a shop here.

Mrs. J. E. Ferguson is here while Mr. F. S. Sutherland is building the building of the two county bridges.

The pile driver was moved to the old railroad bridge on Thursday.

John L. Carlson's cottage is considered the finest in the grove.

All cottages now under way will soon be finished.

Mr. L. Knikhoff spent Wednesday with J. H. Johansen.

Mrs. Alex. Campbell has opened her beautiful summer home for the season. It is not only a summer home, but Mrs. Campbell spends a good many days there even in the winter season.

Charles Brown spent Sunday last with his brother Clarence.

No one on the beach enjoys himself more than Mr. Jeffrey and his family, who are daily seen with their handsome horse and wagon taking a drive.

Surf fishing is all the go now, and pogies and crabs are caught in abundance.

Perry Trullinger has resigned his position in Logan's mill and his brother, D. N. Trullinger, has taken his place.

Mrs. J. T. Ross is at the old Gearhart farm.

Mrs. W. S. Kinney and Miss Louise Bennett are at Gearhart Park.

John X. Griffin has returned from his Cannon Beach place, where he has just completed the finest cottage on that beach.

Mrs. L. A. Austin, of Cannon Beach, passed through here on a week's visit to Astoria. Mrs. Austin looks for a good many visitors to Cannon Beach this summer.

Steve McDonald and family have left the beach after a two weeks' stay.

Among the arrivals during the week were F. P. Kendall and family, who are now at home in their cozy new house.

Mrs. L. A. Carlisle arrived on Wednesday and opened her cottage (Locky Hall) for the season and is now ready to receive visitors.

Youthful Ambition.

The Western Union now has an office in the Flavel hotel. This enterprising move will be met with great favor by the many guests who are expected there during the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowers, of the Hotel Portland and Mrs. Wright, sister of Mrs. Bowers, are at the Flavel.

SEASIDE.

This is going to be a banner season at the seashore, everything pointing to a large accession from the interior. Never before in the history of Clatsop's summer resorts has there been so many people at the ocean's beach, or so many inquiries for rooms, cottages and camping grounds. This can be partially attributed to the improved means of reaching the beach from the river steamers, and next year, when through trains are running from Portland over the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad, it can be expected that a still larger number of people will visit the beach.

Year after year the Astorian has called attention to the negligent and careless manner in which the business men of Seaside provide for the safety of bathers. One would naturally think that men interested in and doing business at a resort patronized by thousands of strangers each summer, and upon whom they depend largely for support, would seek every possible means to make the place attractive and inviting to them. As surf bathing is one of the principal features at the beach, and is indulged in by nearly all who go there, it would seem that every precaution necessary to the safety of the bathers would be provided by the residents and business men. The underdog at Seaside is a sometimes dangerous, and lifeline should be placed in position at the beginning of the season. An extra precaution a policeman or guard should be stationed on the beach during bathing hours, and when the tide begins to ebb, give warning to the bathers.

One of the finest drives in the country could be made at Seaside with comparatively little work. Commencing on the ridge overlooking the beach near the old Seaside beach, the road runs north along the ridge to the extreme northern part of the former grove, thence around to the Seaside side of the grove, south to the old railroad bridge crossing. The road could be planked as it is now, and would make a fine driveway, with a full view of the ocean the entire distance along the beach.

The Red Men's excursion on July 4th it is expected, will bring a big crowd to Seaside. Every preparation is being made to have a big time, and if the weather clerk will do his part there is but little doubt that Seaside will enjoy the biggest Fourth of July celebration in her history.

Mr. Logan is putting the Toll Road in good shape.

W. E. Edwards, agent for the Globe lumber mill, was in town during the week.

Dr. Steiner has taken rooms in the Logan building.

Captain Fisher is repainting the fence around his cottage.

Several new cottages are being built at Gearhart.

Among the visitors during the week were H. B. Ferguson and Judge Gray. The latter inspected the roadwork done in this district.



Billy (triumphantly)—When I gets er man, I'm going ter hev all pa's farm en makes piles of money, there now. Jimmie—Aw, that's nothin. I'll be er bunco-steerer in thar city en git yer money ez fast as yer makes it.—New York Journal.



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LIBERTY IN FRANCE.

The retiring ambassador to France, before leaving Paris gave out the following interview regarding his opinion of French institutions.

"My four years residence in France has afforded me a very favorable opportunity of studying French institutions. It has been a most interesting study, as it has enabled me to contrast the workings of republican government in France and constitutional government in the United States. There are some points of dissimilarity. They are called sister republics, but as to fundamental principles they are not closely related. In the advocacy of personal liberty France has never produced a single great man, the fact being that no master law exists in France and a Frenchman may be and how great may have been his devotion to the political rights of the people, he does not seem to be able to form the slightest conception of what are known in the United States and England as the fundamental rights of personal liberty. They make a resolution to destroy one master, but they have never made any attempt to put an end to the political rights of the people, but they present the strange anomaly of a self-governing people being fond of the constant and interfering interference of the government in their personal affairs and personal relations and being indifferent to the rights of personal liberty. An eminent Frenchman with whom I was discussing this question most truthfully said:

"The ignorance of the public men in France with regard to the working of an constitutional government has often amazed us. As regards the French people, my residence in Paris has increased my admiration for them. I admire them most marvellous people as regards their intelligence and their habits of sobriety, their wonderful resources and devotion to political liberty, and as we do, they allow their free institutions to develop instead of dwarfing the individuals, their national power would be much greater than it is."

ONE ON GOVERNOR ATKINSON.

One of the best stars yet heard on Governor Atkinson was that of himself to a party of admirers who were chatting with him in the parlor of the hotel at Warrenton, on his return from his recent visit to the Chautauqua at Hawksville. The story is such a good one that it is worth repeating. The governor said:

"It was during my recent inspection of the convict camps. Among other places I visited were the coal mines, and in order to make a thorough inspection it was necessary to go down into the mines and see the convicts at work. Two guards accompanied me down into the mines. They showed me everything of interest, and finally took me to where the convicts were at work. As we approached them one of the convicts rushed toward me crying: 'Good Lord, Bill Atkinson as you as I live! I never expected to see you of doing.' I readily recognized the man as one I had known since my boyhood."—ASTORIAN, OREGON.

WOMAN'S CHANCES.

"After all," said the new woman, "I don't see what particular cause to complain woman has now. It seems to me when I look over the field, that she has a great many chances in life.

"I should say she had," returned the old woman with emphasis. "She has as many chances as there are in the lot of any man of her acquaintance."

THE SKY IS A DRINKING CUP.

The sky is a drinking cup,
That was overturned of old,
And it pours in the eyes of men
Its wine of airy gold.

We drink that wine all day,
Till the last drop is drained up,
And are lighted off to bed,
By the jester in the cup.

—Richard Henry Stoddard.

"Have you seen the new water stop?"
"No, what is it called?"
"The 'Prison Conscience!'"
"Yes. You see the man who dangles it always moves backward."

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IN BEAUTIFUL SUNNYMEAD

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