AROUND TOWN.

TUESDAY.

Cheerfulness is like money well expended in charity; the more we dispense of it, the greater our possessions.

Try Schilling's Best tea and baking powder.

Initial handkerchiefs at C. H. Cooper's.

Captain Alsop went to Portland last night.

Pure sweet cider, 25 cents gallon, Star Grocery.

Mr. C. C. Master, the logger, is in the city on business.

Captain Doig returned yesterday from San Francisco.

The choicest candies and nuts can be found at the Parlor.

The Parlor has received a full line of Xmas goods. Call and see.

Purses, chatelaine bags, and other novelty goods at C. H. Cooper's.

Our prices are the lowest in the city. Call and see us. Pacific Grocery Co.

Umbrellas covered and repaired by a practical workman, at 185 Ninth street.

You can always find the best creamery butter and sweet, fresh cream at the Parlor.

P. J. Meany, the leading merchant tailor, 127 Tenth St. The highest price paid for fur skins.

Delicious home-made candies of many kinds. Find the candy table the first thing. Methodist Bazaar.

Dolls' hats and wraps on sale at Methodist Bazaar this afternoon and evening. Sale opens at 3 p. m. at the church.

During the storm yesterday there were two or three runaways and one wagon upset. A few minor accidents occurred.

It was rumored yesterday that there would be a contest over the late election in the second ward, but last evening the report was denied on authority.

The new musical novelty "Roll on that cotton, darkies," rendered by Gribbler's orchestra after the ball the other evening, caused no end of amusement.

You have a number of presents to make, and necessarily must limit the amount to be spent on each gift; therefore you must go to Shanahan Bros', the only store that sells cheap.

The Norwegian bark Ophelia, which arrived down Sunday, was libelled by the deputy United States marshal, on papers received from Portland, at the suit of Christensen & Co., sailor boarding house keepers.

Tissue paper is of such artistic excellence in its colors and texture that there is no limit to the dainty and desirable articles made from it. See some of them today at the Methodist Bazaar at the church.

There was a rumor current yesterday that two ships had gone ashore on North beach, and others were on Sand Island, but just before the government wires went down yesterday afternoon the offices at the cape said there was no truth in the report.

Children who own dolls and mothers who intend to buy dolls for Christmas presents, must not fail to see the dolls at the Bazaar today, and fit every doll with a hat and wrap, from the millinery department which has the "opening" today at the Methodist Bazaar.

A frequenter of the water front, and a well-posted man, said yesterday that in his opinion had the hawse pipe in the flagship been put on an angle, instead of horizontally, there would have been no snapping of the two big anchor chains. The strain falls on a single link. In both accidents to No. 57 it is said the chains snapped close to the hawse pipe.

Fresh pop corn at Star Grocery.

Go to the Star Grocery for your sauer kraut.

Embroidered handkerchiefs at C. H. Cooper's.

Hot Scotch and hot Tom and Jerry at the Office.

Mr. John Heldt, of Gray's river, was in town yesterday.

At the A. F. C. alley, yesterday C. H. Cooper scored 54.

Groceries at the lowest prices at the Pacific Grocery Co.

Why buy Christmas presents when Devoe is giving them away.

Bicycle and repair shop at 128 Ninth street. Charges reasonable.

A picnic in the winter. Basement of Congregational church, December 17.

Ask for sample of Chase & Sanborn's famous teas, at Ross, Higgins & Co.'s.

Mr. C. C. McGowan and wife of Chinook, are in the city, registered at the Occident.

John Holmer, a native of Russia, was admitted to citizenship before Judge Gray yesterday.

Oysters! Oysters! Coffee and cake on sale at the Methodist Bazaar during this evening at the church.

A pretty souvenir given with every order for coffee and cake. Congregational church sale, December 17.

Dr. Bishop has removed his office and rooms to 562 Commercial street, over the Co-operative Grocery Co.

The famous Centemeri kid gloves in all the new shades and sizes—every pair guaranteed—at C. H. Cooper's.

New crop dried fruits, new crop raisins, figs and assorted nuts—all extra fine quality, at Ross, Higgins & Co.

Plum pudding, cranberries, sweet cider and a large line of other seasonable staple and fancy groceries at Ross, Higgins & Co.

All kinds of handkerchiefs for ladies gents and children—new designs—at bottom prices. The finest selection in town, at C. H. Cooper's.

S. H. Brown, Jr. J. H. Walker, Portland; H. H. Hess, Denver; Walter B. Day, Chicago; R. A. Kuner, C. F. Fisher, are guests at the Occident.

FALL AND WINTER OPENING OF DOLLS' HATS AND WRAPS—METHODIST BAZAAR, CHURCH, DECEMBER 14, AFTERNOON AND EVENING.

Gus Hildebrand's "wild man of Borneo" was accidentally destroyed yesterday before being put on exhibition, but he promised to make another before Christmas.

The Lurline towed the launch Canby to Portland Sunday night. It is understood the Canby will be fitted with steam engines to replace the present gasoline plant.

Remember the drill at 8 p. m. by sixteen young ladies in costume, one of the features of the Bazaar, this evening, at the Methodist church. No charge for admission.

NOTICE: The public should remember that there is but one original, airtight, Queen heater in the market, and that Fisher Bros. are the exclusive Astoria agents.

Mr. Spelzer, representing the Western Wheel Works, of Chicago, makers of the Crescent bicycle, will be in town today and exhibit models of the '98 Crescent at the office of Sherman & Thing. Call and see them.

Largest and most complete assortment of air-tight heaters in the city. All the kinds advertised in this paper may be seen and compared at our store, then your selection will be satisfactory to you. Foard & Stokes Co.

To those who drink whiskey for pleasure: HARPER Whiskey adds zest to existence. To those who drink whiskey for health's sake: HARPER Whiskey makes life worth living. Sold by Foard & Stokes Co., Astoria, Oregon.

Tom Linville yesterday received a letter from the lower Nehalem stating that his friend Laughlin is breaking a team of goats for the Klondike. There will be ten or a dozen animals in the team and they make good sledge pullers.

A well defined rumor late last night had it that one of the defeated candidates in the late election for councilmen was to succeed to the seat of one of the hold-over members who is about to resign. The truth or falsity of the report could not at that hour be learned.

Mr. S. H. Brown, Jr. of Boston, and Manager L. B. Seeley, of the White Collar line made a flying visit to Astoria on the Gatzert yesterday. Mr. Brown, who will return to Boston on Thursday, said that everything looked promising for Astoria in the immediate future.

County Judge Gray suggests that a meeting should be held and a society formed to look into the care of, and to furnish aid to people who are reported destitute this winter. The county court has already assisted families who were found to be needy through the sickness or death of the head of the family. Much good could be done by a society of this kind in assisting the court in looking after cases of destitution.

At a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce last night a resolution was adopted looking to the propagation of all fish coming into the Columbia river and asking the co-operation of the fish commissioner in the matter. Mr. E. W. Tallant was appointed to act with Mr. Elmore of the citizens' committee and Mr. Kendall of the Progressive Association to confer with the Merchants' association of San Francisco, in regard to the Cramp line of steamships, and advertising the city.

Silk handkerchiefs at C. H. Cooper's.

Large assortment new crop nuts. Star Grocery.

Children's handkerchiefs at C. H. Cooper's.

Wanted—To rent upright piano, cheap. H. this office.

New neckwear, in bows, chiffon fronts silk and chiffon scarfs—latest styles—at C. H. Cooper's.

For Sale—A small piano: price $50. Inquire at S. Kirchoff, corner Twelfth street and Franklin avenue.

Two young girls intending to attend school during the holidays can find a good home at Mrs. E. C. Holden's in return for service rendered in light housework. Call at 495 Duane street.

Whiskey to be good must be born pure and old. Without age whiskey cannot be mellow, and is not safe to use as a tonic, nor is it pleasing as a beverage. Cyrus Noble is never bottled until it is aged six years in cask. It is the only American whiskey of international reputation.

CALIFORNIA HATCHERIES.

What Our Sister State is Doing to Propagate Salmon.

San Francisco, Dec. 9.—(Editor Astorian.)—Your favor reached this office this morning. The output of our salmon fisheries this year is 12,905,000 salmon. We also have in our hatcheries 24,000,000 salmon eggs that will be hatched and liberated in 1898. The effect of our salmon laws is very clearly marked by the collection of salmon eggs at the egg collecting stations on head waters of the Sacramento river. At the Baird station 9,000,000 eggs were collected. At the Battle Creek station 48,000,000 eggs have been collected and the season thus has not closed. Fifty-seven million salmon eggs in one season. Last year the total collection of salmon eggs at all the stations on the coast only produced 27,000,000. From this you can see what a remarkable season we have had in this state. Under wise legislation—approved by fishermen and canners alike—and propagation, the output of salmon taken from the Sacramento river is rapidly increasing—the only river on the coast that shows an increase year after year for the past six years.

Yours respectfully,
CALIFORNIA FISH COMMISSION.
By John P. Babcock.

A COLORED SUPPLEMENT.

Dear Mars' Santy Claws:

Dunno if you's gwine to member dis yer chile on Xmas morn, cause I knows I's pow'fully wicked. I is; but if you's gwine to put in a thing 'tall in my large Xmas socks, I hopes you'll not forget to bring sumthing nourishin. Mirandy, she allus say: How Herman Wise he keep a pow'fully large 'sortment of comftable presents; nittal handkerchiefs, lamb wool and sheep wool and all wool undersuits, sort dat am darned and darned if you don't wear em; he's done bought a heap site of nectties speeders, mighty warm overcoats for big uns and young uns; umbershoots and parashoots; and a heap of other bateful things to wear and all other wares.

Anybody dat knows anything 'tall knows dat Herman Wise he sells things a heap site cheaper than anybody else. So dear Mars Santy, please sidder dis yer little chick, and I swahr never to be wicked no mo'; I'se good, 'markably good now. Smilingly yours,

GEORGE WASHINGTON THOMAS JEFFERSON LAUGH A YET.

ASTORIA SCHOOL OF SUGGESTIVE THERAPEUTICS.

Established for the Treatment of all Functional and Nervous Diseases.

NEURALGIA and RHEUMATISM, Asthma, Obstinate Constipation, Dyspepsia, Headache, Insomnia, Melancholia, Mental and Sexual Disorders, Nervous Prostration, Paralysis, Stammering, St. Vitus' Dance, Vicious Habits and DRUG HABITS (tobacco, alcohol, morphine and cocaine), successfully treated.

Instruction given.

W. I. HOWARD, M. D.
Medical Director.
Commercial street.

NEW THEATRE DEAL.

San Francisco, Dec. 13.—Friedlander Gottloob & Co., proprietors of the Columbia Theatre, have signed papers giving them full control of the Baldwin and California theatres in this city, and the MacDonough Theater in Oakland.

ESTERHAZY CASE.

New York, Dec. 13.—A dispatch to the Herald from Paris says:

The Esterhazy inquiry is proceeding with the strictest secrecy and it is said it will take three weeks before it is decided whether the affair will go before a court-martial. The Figaro says that Young Esterhazy has been examined by Major Ravary, an hour after his arrival at the Cherche Midi prison, where the inquiry is taking place. Mathein Dreyfus was seen to arrive and it is believed the accused and accuser were confronted. The investigating official also saw a number of experts. Interest in the case for the moment subsided though the authorities are still guarding the approaches in case of a recurrence of the student demonstration.

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY.

Man Kills His Wife and Daughter and Gives No Reason for His Deed.

St. Louis, Dec. 11.—A special to the Globe-Democrat from San Antonio says: News was received today of a terrible tragedy which occurred in the settlement known as Fiddletown, 25 miles south of here. Fred Barth, sr., a prosperous German farmer, without warning, took his shotgun and placing it at the back of his wife fired a full load of shot into her. Her daughter upon hearing the shot ran into the hall, and seeing her mother lying on the floor with her clothes burning bent over her to extinguish the flames, when her father, who in the meantime had secured a razor, stepped up behind her and remarking: Now 'tll finish you also," took hold of her and attempted to cut her throat. His aim was too high and he cut her throat from ear to ear down to the chin. The girl ran out and called for help. When the neighbors arrived they found that the man had cut the throat of his wife and had also cut both of his arms at the wrists. She was bleeding to death when the neighbors arrived. Barth was arrested and placed in jail. He assigns no cause for the deed. He is apparently sane.