

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

We are informed that certain parties are purchasing some of the old Jensen Can-filling Machines, with a view to repairing them by supplying any missing, worn or broken parts, and again putting them to use for packing salmon.

A recent legal decision of high authority has been rendered to the effect that to supply one or all of the above cannot be lawfully done without consent of the patent owner.

We are the sole owner by purchase of the Jensen Patent for these machines, and public notice is hereby given that any and all persons who undertake to so repair or use these old machines will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Good Things for This Week

- New line of Flush and Cloth Capes, at less than cost. Jackets sacrificed. No reserves. New line Handkerchiefs, 5 and 10 cents, worth 15 and 20 cents.

McAllen & McDonnell

P. J. Meany

Merchant Tailor and Exporter of Furs.

Highest Cash Price Paid for Fur Skins. Tenth and Commercial Sts. Astoria, Or.

TODAY'S WEATHER. Probably fair.

AROUND TOWN.

- Try Uoelen coal, Elmore, Sanborn Co. Candles 10 cents a pound at the Parlor. The government telegraph line to Fort Canby is down.

Largest assortment Xmas tree ornaments at the Parlor.

The British ship Myra left in tow for Portland yesterday.

The tug Relief left out yesterday morning for San Francisco.

Best 10-cent meal, Rising Sun restaurant, 23 Commercial street.

All holiday goods at reduced prices. Mrs. A. Rappley, 125 Tenth street.

In the police court yesterday Henry Laid was fined \$1 for drunkenness.

All coupons for the camera at the Spa should be in not later than 4 p. m. today.

Professor Wright, of the Franklin avenue school, has been quite ill for the past week.

Best California wine, 30 cents per gallon. Alex Gilbert, sole agent for Astoria. Telephone 2.

NOVELTIES IN CHATELAIN AND MONEY BAGS, PURSES, ETC., AT C. H. COOPER'S.

Walden coal and coke is the best for domestic purposes. For sale by the Astoria Gas Light Co.

The down train was nearly an hour late last night. The delay was caused by an exceptionally large amount of freight.

Don't pay high prices. See the Parlor for Xmas candies, warranted as pure and as good quality as any in the city and lower prices.

For Sale, 100 tons of Roslyn coal, the finest house and steam coal ever brought to Astoria. Elmore, Sanborn Co., Telephone, Main 1-1.

SEE THE HANDSOME SILK FETTI-COATS MADE OF TAFFETTA SILK, \$3.00 TO \$5 EACH. C. H. COOPER, ASTORIA, OREGON.

For Rent—Dwelling house containing nine rooms, with all modern improvements; located in a good neighborhood. Address A. Astorian office.

I have the largest assortment of perfumes for Christmas ever brought to Astoria; from 5-cent goods to the highest grades. Charles Rogers, druggist.

CLEARANCE SALE.

P. J. Goodman & Co. offer their entire stock of Boots and Shoes at prices never before heard of in Astoria. Sale will continue until the present stock is disposed of as we need room for a New Stock ordered from eastern factories.

P. J. GOODMAN & CO.

205 Commercial Street, Sign of Red Boot.

For Rent—Thad S. Trullinger's residence, furnished. For particulars inquire at W. G. Howell's, 611 Exchange street.

Your mother, sister, or friend would be pleased with one of those beautiful silver mounted purses for Christmas—at Ekstrom's.

NOVELTY ALL WOOL DRESS PATTERNS FROM \$1.50 TO \$3.00 PER SUIT AT C. H. COOPER'S, THE LEADING HOUSE OF ASTORIA.

Many new things in dolls, toys, games, etc., are shown in Griffin & Reed's toy department. Wagons, doll buggies, blocks mechanical toys, and everything else to please the little ones.

Jock Land and wife were allowed to land (no joke) from the steamship Columbia yesterday. Jock and his wife have been visiting in the old country for some time and the customs officer had no difficulty in establishing their identity.

W. A. Gaine's private stock whiskey, handled exclusively in Astoria by John L. Carlson, is one of the most popular beverages sold. Its purity and quality are guaranteed, and it is especially recommended for family use.

Griffin & Reed have a stock this year that is well worth your time to inspect, even if you do not buy. Books in all the late bindings, leather goods, medallions, Bohemian ware, celluloid goods, white metal and sterling silver novelties, and a thousand and one other articles not to be found elsewhere.

N. D. Raymond, the newly elected city surveyor, qualified before Auditor Nelson yesterday, and has assumed the duties of his office. The appointment of Mr. Raymond gives general satisfaction.

The A. F. C. eleven is still working hard for the approaching contest with the Fort Stevens team next Monday. It is possible that Staffed Young, who is star pitcher of the U. O. team, may be here for the game, and the position of quarterback is being held open.

The Emergency Corps and Red Cross Society received word from Portland yesterday that 25 turkeys had been sent to the volunteers stationed at Fort Canby for Christmas. The Portland society requests the Astoria corps to send mince and cranberry pies. All members of the two societies are requested to make donations.

Fish Commissioner McGuire will not open his office in Astoria until after the approaching session of the legislature. This statement is given out by a man in a position to know just what will be done. The opening of the office here will be a matter of great convenience to fishermen and others interested in the industry.

Two accidents occurred on the steamer Columbia Monday night after she docked at the Flavel coal bunkers. As the longshoremen were about to put coal on board one of them fell off the ship into the river. He was hauled out and was found to have received a slight cut on the head.

An afternoon paper yesterday published a statement to the effect that the Progressive Commercial Association would send a deputation to the meeting Monday night, and that M. J. Kinney and M. Nowlen had offered a site at the corner of Sixth and Astor streets.

The French bark General de Charette is on the way down the river in tow of the Hayward. The Charette is wheat laden for Cape Town, South Africa, and carries 112,000 bushels, valued at \$67,500.

The books that can be purchased for a little money is simply wonderful. Griffin & Reed are showing a handsome line of cloth-bound books for 25 cents that are marvels of book-making; 300 different titles.

A very beautiful Chinese woman attracted considerable attention on Commercial street yesterday. Her features were perfect and with a lovely complexion, she caught the eye of every man who saw her.

WE ARE SHOWING AN ELEGANT LINE OF BLACK PEAU DE SOIE FROCKS IN LATEST LENGTHS, FROM \$1.50 TO \$12.50 PER PATTERN. C. H. COOPER, THE LEADING HOUSE OF ASTORIA.

The bills of lading for the two carloads of the Young's bay bridge were received by the contractors yesterday. It is not known what particular sections of the bridge are on the way, but its arrival is expected daily.

While you are wondering what to get your friends for Christmas, just step into Ekstrom's. His stock of watches, diamonds, jewelry and silverware is complete and up-to-date. Special sale of silver novelties this week.

Frank Woodfield, who has been quite ill for the past week or ten days, is able to be out. It was feared for a while that he would be attacked with typhoid fever, but fortunately it transpired that he was suffering only from grippe.

At a stated communication of Temple Lodge No. 7, A. F. and A. M. the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: J. N. Griffin, W. M.; W. T. Scholfield, S. W.; J. P. Bain, J. W.; J. Q. A. Bowley, Treas.; E. C. Holden, secretary.

FIFTEEN YARDS RICH BLACK SATIN DUCHESSE, THE QUANTITY REQUIRED FOR A LADIES' DRESS, AT THE FOLLOWING PRICES: \$16.50, \$20.50, \$25.00. WE RECOMMEND THE ABOVE QUALITIES FOR DURABILITY AND WEAR. WE HAVE CHEAPER GOODS AT \$12.00 TO \$16.00 PER SUIT. A HANDSOME XMAS PRESENT FOR ANY LADY. C. H. COOPER, THE LEADING HOUSE OF ASTORIA.

The action of the council in ordering the improvement of Astor street will be hailed with delight by taxpayers owning property there. The street is to be improved between Sixth and Ninth streets, in which portion is included the Bowery.

There are many saloons along the thoroughfare, all of which pay \$400 a year license, and the owners think the street should at least be made passable. The street is now in a terrible condition, and has been for some three or four years past. H. B. Parker and M. Nowlen remonstrated against the improvement, but the council filed the remonstrance and ordered the improvement. Work will begin immediately and must be finished within 90 days. Bids will be advertised for in a few days and the contract awarded.

The Astorian has received the following letter from Walter J. Honeyman, of the firm of Honeyman & McBride, of Portland: "Our attention is drawn to the account of the interview you had with me regarding the formation of the twine combine, in which you state that George & Barker would consent to act as agents for Finlayson, Bon-

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is due not only to the originality and simplicity of the combination, but also to the care and skill with which it is manufactured by scientific processes known to the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP Co. only, and we wish to impress upon all the importance of purchasing the true and original remedy.

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. SAN FRANCISCO, CAL. LOUISVILLE, KY. NEW YORK, N. Y.

GREAT SALE

Of Boys Fine All-Wool Clothing for This Week Only.

Having the best and largest assortment of boys' and youths' fine clothing ever shown in Astoria, we have decided to close them out before the first of January. We place them on sale for one week only. Note our sale prices.



- \$3.50-BOYS' CASHMERE VESTER SUIT, assorted colors, sale price \$2.50. \$5.00-BOYS' CHEVIOT VESTER SUITS, new patterns; sale price \$3.50. \$4.50-BOYS' SCOTCH TWEED VESTER SUIT, in neat checks; sale price \$3.00.

These few items are but a small amount of the bargains to be found at this great sale of boys' fine clothing. Come one, come all, and share in the many bargains.

SHANAHAN BROTHERS 580 COMMERCIAL STREET.

Bohemian Glassware

Just What You Want for Christmas.

Albert Dunbar, Cor. 9th and Commercial Streets.

Fairbank's Fairy Soap...

The best money will buy, and Sold at Popular Prices.

Coupons for Handsome Books of Fairy Tales, with each 5c purchase.

Handsome Calendar with photos of War Heroes with 25c purchases

ROSS, HIGGINS & CO

Holiday Goods

AT THE BEE HIVE.

Only a few days before Christmas. We have everything in the toy line—Fancy Goods and Novelties, Capes and Jackets, and Dress Goods and Fancy Slippers, which make acceptable gifts.

Holiday Goods

Arriving Every Day, at Portland Prices.

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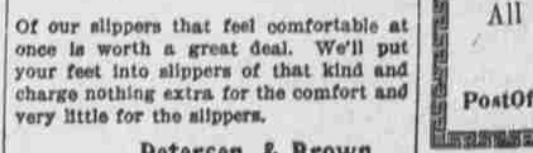
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Finest Meals in the City

Special Attention Given to the Preparation of Banquets.



Of our slippers that feel comfortable at once is worth a great deal. We'll put your feet into slippers of that kind and charge nothing extra for the comfort and very little for the slippers.

Petersen & Brown.

H. F. Prael Transfer Co.

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field & Company's twine and hand on January 1, on which date their contract expires. This is not correct, as far as I am concerned, for I am not aware when their contract expires, or if they even have one, and am not posted on how Messrs. Doyle & Company will manage the business when they get the control.

I did mention that Kittle & Company, who have the Pacific coast of the Finlayson's twine, would turn over all their stock on January 1 to Doyle & Company, who will then conduct the agency for the coast, and likely make their own arrangements, which, of course, in a large agency like this, will take time. I had not the slightest intention of suggesting any changes which Doyle & Company may make in conducting the business outside of San Francisco; hence, in justice to all parties concerned, I think you should make public this correction.

It is apparent from Mr. Honeyman's letter, which was actually filed in the presence of a combination among twine manufacturers must be conceded, contrary to denials published here and elsewhere.

John Fernleaf, a 14-year-old lad, arrived at New York from Liverpool the other day, with a story that suggests a check for truth. The boy says he lived near Dayton, Wash., and that his parents left their home last May to stake out a claim on an Indian reservation. He was left alone in the house, and, feeling lonesome, went to Portland to look for a brother who had left with a coat in his pocket, and wandered aimlessly about the metropolis. Finally he was approached by some sailors, to whom he communicated his troubles, and they told him they would provide him with lodgings. He was taken aboard the British bark Crompton and sent to Seattle, Wash. What he saw of the vessel was skimming over the bilgey deep, and the captain refused to take him back to port. The ship was bound for Cardiff, Wales, which port was reached in five months. From Cardiff he went to Liverpool and then to New York, carrying with him 5 cents in his pocket. Johnnie's story is probably a fabrication. If he went to sleep when the Crompton was in Portland and did not awake until the vessel was far out to sea, he indeed must be a wonderful lad. An ordinary boy, even from Washington, would starve to death in the time required for a ship to come from Portland to the sea. Maybe Johnnie was in a trance and didn't know it.

\$500,000 LOST ON HORSE RACES.

It is stated that a man won and lost \$500,000 on horse races. For 20 years he kept at it, and most of the time he was successful. At last fortune turned against him, and today he is penniless. Gambling is a good deal like neglect of health. It can be kept up a long time, but in the end it is disastrous. Fortunes are harder to restore than health. The first step toward winning back lost health is to restore the digestive organs to a normal condition. For this purpose Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is far ahead of anything else. This remedy is a specific for indigestion, dyspepsia, fever, ager, nervousness and sleeplessness. It is a wonderful tonic. Druggists sell it everywhere.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Ociden—Charles H. Carey, B. M. Smith, P. A. Valkenburg, H. A. Wells, Frank King, B. R. Smith, Portland; M. L. Friedenthal, St. Louis; George O. Wentworth, Chicago; George M. Franks, Philadelphia; A. F. Elliott, William T. Groas, San Francisco; W. E. Bagen, McMinnville; W. C. Barrett, Seaside.

THE MODERN MOTHER.

Has found that her little ones are improved more by the pleasant Syrup of Figs, when in need of the laxative effect of a gentle remedy, than by any other. Children enjoy it and it benefits them. The true remedy, Syrup of Figs, is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

A. E. Allen and wife to A. & C. R. R. Co., three-fourth of an acre in the John Thomas donation land claim, township 7 north, range 10 west... \$7 Ella Runyon to Charles E. Runyon, blocks 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11, Adair's, and lot 7, block 12, McClure's... 700

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