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W. W. Parker was an old-timer. His death is another pathetic reminder how rapidly the fathers of Astoria are passing away without realizing their fond hopes of sharing in the new and greater city of the future.

A NEW DODGE.

The latest dodge of the O. R. & N. Co.'s emissaries for the suppression of Astoria's demand for common rates with Tacoma is the idea, put forward in an evening paper, that Astorians should not bother about that question; that it will work itself out, because our "great natural advantages" will force the exports here.

That it is "a railroad proposition" or that an "open river" is our need; or that our primary need is developing out near-by local resources—all these, and the like, are but devices of a wily foe to defeat our just claim to be put on a par with Tacoma as to wheat and lumber rates.

Lord Salisbury has not always been a non-smoker. In his younger days he smoked nothing of consuming ten cigars and an odd number of cigarettes a day.

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The advice to act like ninnes, to wait for what may come, to refuse to utilize the power we have in the premises to force the O. R. & N. Co. to make this the report, is the advice of an enemy.

The FACT THAT AN "OPEN RAILWAY TO ASTORIA MEANS FOUR MILLIONS ANNUALLY TO THE CO. LUMBIAN PRODUCERS, with an increasing tendency, is a fact that is irresistible in forcing the desired result.

One people should beware of these insidious schemes to lull them into inertia.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Hatcher. A Perfect Remedy for Constipation, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea, Worms, Convulsions, Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP. NOT NARCOTIC.

MANHOOD RESTORED by Dr. J. C. Hatcher's Yellow Nerve Pills. Guaranteed to cure all nervous diseases, such as Weak Memory, Loss of Brain Power, Headache, etc.

The Duke of Westminster has a great objection to people walking about his rooms with their outdoor boots on, which accounts for the thirty pairs of slippers that are kept at Grosvenor house for the use of visitors.

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Hatcher. Emperor William viewed the eclipse of the other evening. From general remarks the impression was gathered that he approved of it.—Philadelphia North American.

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To CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

Pears' Soap. Pretty boxes and odors are used to sell such soaps as no one would touch if he saw them undisguised. Beware of a soap that depends on something outside of it.

All sorts of stores sell it, especially druggists; all sorts of people are using it.

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Askins—What do you think of Puff-blast Grimshaw—Oh, he's the kind of a man who thinks that when he steps on one end of the country the other end flops up in the air.

BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE THE BEST SALVE IN THE WORLD FOR Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chills, Burns, Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Estes-Conn Drug Co.

MILLIONS GIVEN AWAY. It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering.

Most people know what they don't want—also that they don't often get what they do want.

HOW TO PREVENT PNEUMONIA. You are perhaps aware that pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of the grippe.

FLALED OUT. Dull headache, pains in various parts of the body, sinking at the pit of the stomach, loss of appetite, feverishness, pimples or sores are all positive evidences of impure blood.

WILLIAM'S KIDNEY PILLS. Will you equal in diseases of the kidneys and urinary organs, have you neglected your kidneys? Have you overworked your nervous system and caused trouble with your kidneys and bladder?

W. S. GILBERT'S WORKING DAY BEGINS AT MIDNIGHT. The shoes worn of George IV at his coronation, a breakfast cup and saucer from which he was accustomed to drink and a lock of Wellington's hair were among the collection of curios recently sold in a London auction room.

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The Choicest Table Wines... Carlson's Family Liquor Store

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NOTICE OF FILING OF ASSESSMENT ROLL AND MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

Notice is hereby given to all persons who have been assessed for the city of Astoria, Oregon, by the board of assessors of said city, a special assessment for the improvement in said city known as the improvement of Eighth Street, between Grand and Harrison Avenues, and which assessment is shown on the special assessment roll for said assessment, which is now on file in the office of the undersigned, is open for inspection, and will so remain until Saturday, the 14th day of January, 1900, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. of said day, at which time the board of equalization for said assessment, consisting of the said board of assessors and the committee of streets and public works of the common council of said city, will meet in the council chambers of said city in the city hall thereof, to review and equalize said assessment.

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