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ROMANICABLE CURE OF RHEUMATISM. Kenna, Jackson Co. W. Va. About three years ago my wife had an attack of rheumatism which confined her to her bed for over a month and rendered her unable to walk a step without assistance. Her limbs being swollen to double their normal size. Mr. R. Macdonald insisted on my using Chamberlain's Pain Balm. I purchased a 3-cent bottle and used it according to the directions, and the next morning she was able to break fast without assistance in any manner, and she has not had a similar attack since. For sale by Charles Rogers.

NOTICE FOR BIDS. Bids will be received by the county clerk of Clatsop county until the 21st day of May, 1899, for the board of prisoners confined in the county jail. The food must be of good, wholesome quality, two meals a day, and delivered at the jail between the hours of 8 and 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 4 and 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Bidders are to state the price per meal. H. J. WHEATLEY, County Clerk.

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TWO STEAMERS IN COLLISION

The Hokushin Foundered and 36 Persons Went Down to Their Death.

GERMAN KING ON CHINA SOIL

Emperor William Said to Be Desirous of Making Prince Henry Ruler of Shang-Tung Province.

VICTORIA, B. C., April 15.—The German steamer Hokushin and the Japanese steamer Kitami Maru off Odayu, in the province of Tsushu, Hokkaido, early on the morning of the 13th, collided. The Hokushin sank a few minutes after she was struck and, all on board, 36 persons, went down to death with the steamer. The other vessel made for the shore and succeeded in getting into the shallows, where she stranded. From the strait settlement it is reported that there can be no longer any hope entertained by the captain and 12 members of the crew of the British ship Port Adelaide, which met her fate on a coral bank in mid-afternoon while en route from Java with sugar for Philadelphia, Breakwater.

After standing by the wreck for 24 hours, Captain Macdonald saw her fate was sealed and abandoned the ship, with his company divided in three boats. One of these containing six sailors was picked up at Ampepan Island, while the other two have never since been reported. They contained the captain, first officer, steward, cook, carpenter and eight sailors.

EMPEROR WILLIAM'S PLAN. VICTORIA, B. C., April 15.—According to the Pekin and Tien Tsin Times, copies of which were received here by the steamer Hokushin, it is generally believed by the foreign element at Peking that the emperor of China, who is now in Germany, was a first step toward the realization of a scheme of Kaiser William to place a German king on Chinese soil.

Prince Henry, the emperor's brother, who is in the Orient in charge of the German Asiatic squadron, it is alleged will be the king and the Chinese province of Shan Tung his kingdom. The occupation of the interior of the province, it is pointed out, is a direct move toward the establishment of German sovereignty over the whole of the 400,000 square miles around Kiao Chiao, which was taken out of the Chinese domain by Admiral Von Diederichs after the battle of Kiao Chiao. Baron Von Helling, the German minister, has gone to Kiao Chiao to consult with Prince Henry. The German expedition, which was sent into southern Shan Tung to quell the anti-foreign disturbances there, occupied Kiao Chiao, 24 miles from Kiao Chiao, the original objective point, without opposition. Chinese military officials in Shan Tung are confident that they will annihilate the foreigners, and it is understood, have asked permission from the Peking government to proceed against the force of occupation.

According to the Japanese papers, there is grave apprehension in British-German diplomatic circles regarding the situation in China, which is heightened by the fact that Russia is again making overtures for the control of affairs in Korea. In consequence of recent developments the Chinese domain has been granted to Claude Macdonald, British ambassador at Peking, to remain at the Chinese capital.

SOME VIGOROUS PROTESTS AGAINST THE OIL WORKS. Residents of West Astoria Want the Council to Prohibit its Operation in the City.

ASTORIA, April 15.—Editor Astorian: In the Astorian this morning is an item mentioning the fact that an attempt will be made to have repealed the ordinance preventing the operation of oil factories within the city limits. If you will kindly permit me the space, I would like to call attention to the great injustice that would be done to the inhabitants of the western part of the city if this action should be taken and the operation of the oil factory near the old West shore mills should be permitted. When the operation of this oil factory was commenced, three or four years ago, most of the people in the western part of the city presented to the council a petition asking that it be suppressed. I think that there were about 500 names on the petition. It was signed by the owner of the factory that he had machinery of such a kind that there would be no stenches or obnoxious odors from his works, but, as a matter of fact, the odors were so strong that they frequently made people living in the vicinity sick at the stomach and caused them to vomit. I can refer to Axel Carlsson, living on Astor street; Charles Hough and John Sundquist,

WORKING FOR THE CAN FACTORY AT THIS TIME

and others, who were so affected. There are about 150 employees in the can factory. About 65 are girls living in this city and there are nearly as many of the employees that are boys of this city. It is when the oil factory was in operation employees of the can factory could not eat their dinner because they were so nauseated by the stench of the oil mill. Moreover, they were deprived of the benefit of the sea breeze and cooler air from the water that was often needed when the summer heat was oppressive, because the windows would have to be closed down to keep out the stench from the oil mill. Places of business were affected by such odors so that they would have to close their doors against it as far west as the Parker house.

Are the people of the western part of this city to suffer in this outrageous way for one day of mill that never get to have been allowed in the city one day? We read a great deal now about embalmers that was fed to soldiers in the excitement of war, but the stench that we have in this city is not to be expected to suffer again in a worse article and is without the shadow of an excuse for its existence. ALEX. GILBERT, State of Oregon, County of Clatsop; P. F. Kendall and N. Trover, being first duly sworn, that under oath that we are respectively the superintendent and foreman of the Pacific Sheet Metal Works in Astoria, Oregon; that the factory of said company is about 750 feet distant from the oil factory near the old West shore sawmill; that we have about 150 employees in the factory, about 65 of whom are girls and nearly the same number are boys, and practically all the employees are residents of Astoria; that when said oil factory was in operation about three years ago the stench and odors therefrom were so strong and nauseating at said factory that at times employees of said factory were so affected thereby as not to be able to eat their dinner, and that we have been informed by different employees that they have been made so sick at the stomach by the stench and odors from said oil works that they actually vomited as a result thereof; that in the spring and summer seasons we ought properly to raise the windows of our said factory, so as to allow the ocean breeze and cooler air into the same and prevent the heat of spring and summer from being so oppressive upon the employees as it would otherwise be; but that, when said oil factory was in operation, it would compel us to keep the windows closed, which would be the same as a result thereof we have been prevented in warm weather from affording such employees the cooler air and ventilation that their actual comfort required.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of April, 1899. ALBERT M. SMITH, Notary Public for Oregon.

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THE EVENT OF THE WEEK. "A Summer Fancy," a Comedy Produced by H. H. Talbot.

On next Thursday some of the best talent of Astoria will produce the above named play at Fisher's opera house. The play is brief, the participants capable and the cause for which it is produced is worthy.

The box seat will open at Griffin & Reed's on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. Be sure to reserve your seats early as the house will be crowded.

Some of the young men of the A. F. C. are preparing some elegant bouquets to be presented to Harrison Allen at Thursday's performance. "Cabbage must be getting cheap."

THE COLUMBIA ORCHESTRA will play some new music at the A. F. C. performance.

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GRANDMA HAD CONSUMPTION

and I am afraid I have inherited it. I do not feel well; I have a cough; my lungs are sore; am losing flesh. What shall I do? Your doctor says take care of yourself and take plain cod-liver oil, but you can't take it. Only the strong, healthy person can take it, and they can't take it long. It is so rich it upsets the stomach. But you can take SCOTT'S EMULSION. It is very palatable and easily digested. If you will take plenty of fresh air, and exercise, and SCOTT'S EMULSION steadily, there is very little doubt about your recovery. There are hypophosphites in it; they give strength and tone up the nervous system while the cod-liver oil feeds and nourishes. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

TO ASK RELIEF FOR PORTO RICO

Senor Rivera Will Suggest a Plan for Betterment of the Island's Condition.

CIVIL GOVERNMENT WANTED

Porto Ricans Place Implicit Faith in the Americans and Are Not Rebellious.

NEW YORK, April 15.—Senor Nunez Rivera, a prominent Porto Rican, who has arrived from the island, talked very freely last night concerning financial and commercial conditions on the island where he owns and directs several newspapers. He said: "I come to the United States as one of the leaders of the greater and more influential party of the island, the liberal party. Besides I stand for the agriculturalists who represent a large amount of capital and labor. "The financial condition of Porto Rico," he said, "is both difficult and painful at present. After the war tobacco, which is one of Porto Rico's chief productions, lost its market which was in Cuba and Spain, so that while the crop is stored and production has been stopped throughout the regions which were developed by raising the rice leaf, the miseries growed out of these conditions is causing conflicts which it is necessary to avoid. "Regarding the production of sugar, the same may be said. The owners of sugar estates can scarcely make their expenses, although labor is cheap and abundant in the island. In some places there has been strikes and operators cannot increase wages of laborers because they do not get an increase in the value of their produce, strikes will be of common occurrence. Everybody knows what this condition may bring forth if proper measures are not taken for the relief of the operators and laborers. "Sugar pays in the United States a duty of 15.00 per pound and although considerable sugar can be reduced or annul this duty, agriculturists in Porto Rico would be glad if President McKinley should reduce this duty 25 per cent, according to the right treaty by the federal constitution. "With regard to the political situation of the island, Senor Rivera was recent. He will submit his views to President McKinley before making any public statement. He says, however, that the earnest wish of the Porto Ricans is to have civil government. "Senor Rivera will proceed to Washington before leaving America and trust in their love of liberty and democracy. The Porto Ricans, he said, have accepted with pride and pleasure their new nationality and will never ask for anything inconsistent with the interests of the United States. "It has been considered sometimes," said Senor Rivera, "that rebellious ideas prevail in the island, but this is utterly false. I vouch for the peaceful ideas of my fellow countrymen. "Senor Rivera will proceed to Washington in the course of the next fortnight and will present his views to President McKinley. "CITY'S FINANCIAL CONDITION. The quarterly report of City Auditor Nelson for the quarter ending March 31, 1899, was completed and filed yesterday. It shows the following financial condition of the city: DEBTS AND LIABILITIES. Municipal bonds outstanding \$174,000.00 Municipal street bonds 24,250.21 Vouchers (expended) 2,852.86 Street warrants 9,412.28 Total indebtedness \$209,515.35 RESOURCES. Cash on hand as per treasurer's report \$15,194.85 Taxes outstanding 27,489.19 Street assessments outstanding 2,477.12 Total resources 43,161.16 Net indebtedness \$166,354.19 THE MORPHINE HABIT INCREASING. It is stated by prominent physicians that the number of morphine addicts is increasing. Owing to their delicate nervous organization, the habit finds the greatest number of its victims among women, as much more than 100, are not exempt. They take the deadly stuff whenever they feel depressed or have a slight ailment, and before they realize find themselves in the grasp of a practice which can but end in the grave. This morbid craving comes from a run-down condition of the nervous system and blood. Fowler's Stomach and Bowel Remedy will tone up the system, strengthen the stomach and make the blood pure, and it will help the liver and kidneys to do their work. It is good for everyone, especially at this time of the year.

THE LOUVRE CONCERTS. The Amme Ladies' Orchestra is drawing a crowded house at the Louvre. The program is taken from the best musical composers and is rendered in faultless manner by the orchestra. Few orchestras have ever played in Astoria that have brought forth such unstinted praise. Music-lovers who appreciate high class music and talented artists should not fail to hear the Amme orchestra. The program for the week follows: PART I. 1-March, "The Bride-Elect".....Souza 2-Waltz, "Andalucia".....Thiele 3-Quadrille, "Carmen".....Muller 4-Polka, "Grass Knuth Girl".....Z. Ber 5-Quadrille, "The Thoughtful".....Drillon 6-Selection, "The German Folk-Songs".....Andauer 7-Waltz, "The Cavalier".....Birnbaum 8-Selection, "Ermine".....Jaschinsky 9-Polka, "All Her Luck".....Fahrbach PART II. 10-March, "The Chalkdove".....Bocsevici 11-Overture, "The Daydream".....Auber 12-Waltz, "Artist's Life".....Sittman 13-Intermezzo, "Dance Antique".....Hans 14-Polka, "None But Her".....Fahrbach 15-Selection, "Paul Jones".....Planquette 16-Quadrille, "Das Ernte Horstli".....Ebenberg 17-Medley, "Ebbes from Ireland".....Schubert 18-Waltz, "Sally".....Corbin

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Many People Ridicule the Idea of an Absolute Cure for Dyspepsia and Stomach Trouble.

STOMACH TROUBLES ARE SO COMMON

and in most cases, so obstinate to cure that people are apt to look with suspicion on any remedy claiming to be a radical, permanent cure for dyspepsia and indigestion. Many such people pride themselves on their astuteness in never being humbugged, especially in medicine. This fear of being humbugged can be carried too far, so far, in fact, that many people suffer for years with weak digestion, rather than take a little time and money in faithfully testing the claims made of a preparation so reliable and universally used as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. Now Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are vastly different in one important respect from ordinary proprietary medicines for the reason that they are not a secret patent medicine, no secret is made of their ingredients, but analysis shows them to contain the natural digestive ferments, pure aseptic pepsin, the digestive acids, Golden Béal, bismuth, hydrastis and nux. They are not cathartic, neither do they act powerfully on any organ, but they cure indigestion on the common sense plan of digesting the food eaten thoroughly before it has time to ferment, sour and cause the mischief. This is the only secret of their success. Cathartic pills never have and never can cure indigestion and stomach troubles because they act entirely on the bowels, whereas the whole trouble is really in the stomach. "Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets take after meals digest the food. That is all there is to it. Food not digested, or half digested is poison as it creates gas, acidity, headache, palpitation of the heart, loss of flesh and appetite, indigestion, other troubles which are often called by some other name. They are sold by druggists everywhere at 25 cents per package. Address F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich., for full book on stomach diseases, sent free. The proclamation of the American commissioners to the inhabitants of the Philippine archipelago hits the nail squarely on the head—another evidence of Uncle Sam's unflinching marksmanship. In almost every neighborhood there is some one whose life has been saved by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, or who has been cured of chronic diarrhea by the use of that medicine. Such persons make a point of telling of it whenever opportunity offers, hoping that it may be the means of saving other lives. For sale by Charles Rogers.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ASTORIA.

At Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business April 15, 1899. RESOURCES. Loans and discounts \$104,853.06 Overdrafts, secured and unsecured 2,397.64 U. S. bonds, secured circulation 12,500.00 Premiums on U. S. bonds 990.00 Stocks, securities, etc. \$8,891.82 Other real estate and mortgages owned 2,228.54 Due from national banks (not reserve agents) 23,194.27 Due from state banks and banks 29,930.55 Due from approved reserve agents 127,265.74 Revenue stamps 209.66 Notes of other national banks 373.90 Nickels and cents 185.91 Lawful money reserve in bank Specie \$109,600.00 Legal tender notes 65.00 Total \$391,214.53 LIABILITIES. Capital stock paid in \$100,000.00 Surplus fund 10,000.00 Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid 35,428.38 National bank notes outstanding 5,450.00 Due to state banks and banks 146.91 Demand deposits sub. 436,673.32 Deposits certificates 50,473.32 Certified checks 45.00 Total \$391,214.53 STATE OF OREGON, COUNTY OF CLATSOP. I, S. S. Gordon, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. S. S. GORDON, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of April, 1899. C. R. THOMSON, Notary Public. Correct—Attest: JACOB KAMM, J. O. HANTHORN, W. F. MCGREGOR, Directors.

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PROPOSALS FOR FRESH BEEF AND MUTTON. Office chief commissary, Vancouver Barracks, Wash., April 4, 1899. Sealed proposals for furnishing and delivering fresh beef and fresh mutton for six months beginning July 1, 1899, will be received here and at offices of commissaries at Fort Stevens, Oregon, Boise Barracks and Fort Sherman, Idaho, Fort Canby, Spokane, Walla Walla, Vancouver Barracks and New Fort Spokane, Wash., and Dyea and Fort Wrangel, Alaska, until 11 o'clock a. m., May 4, 1899, and then opened. Information furnished on application. Envelopes containing proposals should be addressed to commissary at post to be supplied, or to commissary at post to be supplied. HENRY P. MC CAIN, First Lieutenant A. C. C.

NOTICE, ASTORIA B. & L. ASSOCIATION.

ASTORIA, April 9, 1899.—To the stockholders Astoria Building and Loan Association: Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Astoria Building and Loan Association will be held May 9, 1899, being the first Tuesday after the first Wednesday in May—in accordance with Article IV, Sections 1, 2, and 3 of the by-laws for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting. At 8 p. m. on the day of said meeting the shareholders will consider the ratification or rejection of the action of the board of directors in accepting the proposition of the Equitable Savings and Loan Association of Portland—for a transfer of the business and assets of this Association to the Equitable, W. M. BARKER, President. Attest: W. L. ROBB, Secretary.

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