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TODAY'S WEATHER.

FORTLAND, Dec. 27.—Western Ore. and Western Washington, occasional rain today.

AROUND TOWN.

H. A. Hawkins of Hwaco is in town. Geo. B. Story of Fort Canby is in town. W. A. Ford of Chinook is in the city. S. Sparks of Fort Columbia is in the city. H. Headley is over from Fort Columbia. J. W. Watson of Portland is at the Parker. C. C. Clark of Seaside was in town yesterday. Crawford, cooked in wine, at the National Cafe. H. M. Conanghy of Portland is at the Parker. H. B. Langworthy of Chicago is at the Occident. Leonard Walberg of Fort Columbia is in the city. Joe Swan of Portland is registered at the Parker. F. Stewart of Lone Rock was in town yesterday. Aug. Sandberg of Nehalem was in town yesterday. Captain J. J. Pyle of Fort Columbia is at the Occident. J. Scott of Portland is registered at the Occident. John Carlson of Hanter was at the Parker yesterday. Sam Lundberg of Nehalem was in the city yesterday. Theodore Wygant and wife of Portland are in the city. Will H. Walker and wife of Portland were in the city yesterday. John B. Blount of San Francisco was at the Occident yesterday. Mrs. Will Haymond of Portland is visiting friends in this city. The German ship Margretha is loading with grain at Portland. Strictly pure home-made nut candy of all kinds at the Bonbonniere. H. St. John and Miss B. St. John of New York registered at the Occident yesterday.

Three sailors were fined \$10 each in the police court yesterday for being drunk. A football game between Shively's school and Uppertown is now proposed. The steamship Abergeldie, with a cargo for the Orient, went to sea yesterday. Mrs. Wethered, grand organizer, Native Daughters, is the guest of Mrs. James Welch. Found—Old silver ring with setting. Owner can have same by calling at Astorian office. Prof. Thornton went up on last night's train to Portland where he will spend the week. Fresh Columbia river smelt; the first of the season, are now on sale at the "PAT" market. For Rent—Cottage of 6 rooms. Now, with modern conveniences. Inquire at No. 119 Eleventh street. The steamship State of California arrived yesterday from San Francisco and proceeded up to Portland. Dr. Mullinix, the democratic politician, says Bryan will be re-nominated and lead again the party to defeat. The Signal, with 300,000 feet of lumber from the Knappton mills for San Francisco, cleared at the custom house yesterday. A marriage license was issued yesterday to Frank Stewart of Gilliam county and Sarah E. Smalley of Clatsop county. Pure whisky Harper Perfect Whisky Harper every bottle guaranteed. Sold by Ford & Stokes Company, Astoria, Oregon. The Norwegian steamship Thyra, with a cargo of flour for the Orient, left Portland yesterday morning. She will cross out today. Our prize \$75 organ will be drawn New Year's eve. Chances given on every \$250 purchase of holiday goods. H. F. ALLEN & SON. Erick Henderson, who was recently arrested on two charges of theft was given 60 days in the county jail for each offense by Justice Hughes. Roslyn coal lasts longer, is cleaner and makes less trouble with stoves and chimney flues than any other. George W. Sanborn, Agent. Telephone 1311. Mrs. Wethered, grand organizer of the Native Daughters of Oregon, is in the city giving special instructions to the members of Nancy Welch Cabin No. 4. Prof. Higgs gave a delightful fancy-dress party and Christmas tree to the members of his children's dancing class at Ford & Stokes hall last night. Roslyn coal is the best and most economical coal for household use in Astoria. Try it once and you will have

no other. George W. Sanborn, Agent, Telephone 1311. With the view of closing out my entire stock of latest improved air-tight heaters, I am now offering them for sale at a discount of 15 per cent. W. J. SCULLY, 431 Bond Street. Today being St. John's day, Temple Lodge, No. 1, A. F. A. M., will hold a regular communication and install the officers-elect for the ensuing year. Sojourning brethren will be welcomed. A number of Astoria's football enthusiasts will go to Portland to see the game between Multnomah and Stanford. It is the general impression here that the Portland team will win. For a few days only, cream-mixed candy 15 cents a pound, plain American candy 10 cents a pound, Chocolate creams 20 cents a pound, and everything else in proportion, at the Parlor. These goods are made fresh for Christmas. The arrest of Alex. Jackson who was taken into custody by Sheriff Linville Saturday was made at the instance of his bondsmen. He was out on bail pending the action of the grand jury on the charge of burglary preferred against him by residents of Mishawaka precinct. The Spanish cannon, intended for medals for the Oregon volunteers, has arrived at San Francisco. The brass however is not of a temper suitable for the proposed use, so the gun will be brought to this state and recast at Salem. The medals will be made of brass gathered by the boys in the Philippines. These will come to Astoria. The Shively school boys are happy. Their football team defeated the Scow Bay eleven yesterday afternoon, 26 to 9. The Scow Bay lads were somewhat heavier than the Shively's but the latter understood the game better. Towards the end of the game with 24 minutes to play and Scow Bay's kick-off, one of the Shively boys secured the ball and ran down the field for a touch down, making it in one minute. Prof. Thornton coached the Shively boys. At a convocation of St. John Chapter, No. 14, R. A. Masons, held last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing Masonic year: Companion W. S. Short, high priest; O. J. Peterson, king; K. Osburn, scribe; J. Q. A. Bowley, Treasurer; E. C. Holden, secretary; B. Van Dusen, C. of H. H. C. Thompson, P. S.; J. S. Dellinger, R. A.; J. Tuttle, M. 2nd V.; G. W. Lombardy, M. 2nd V.; F. W. Ferguson, M. 1st V., and L. Hardwig, guard. This evening Astoria theater goes will have a chance to witness one of the best and most beautiful plays ever produced in this city, entitled "Human Hearts." No one will regret the time spent in witnessing this production of the lives of simple folks who have witnessed the greatest of sorrows, separation and injustice; and all will not only be charmed by pity for the afflicted, but will be refreshed

by laughter in plenty, for which the playwright has skillfully planned. The company carry their own scenery for each act. Seats are now selling quite rapidly at Griffin & Reed's. The Oregonian of yesterday had a two column article, illustrated by a map, on the Columbia harbor. In conclusion it says: This is not Astoria's harbor. It is not Oregon's. It is not even the bar and harbor of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Utah and Southern British Columbia as the paramount interest. It is primarily Portland's harbor, not so much for the capture of the Oriental trade but chiefly because of the monopoly on manufactures for more than half the world which her great water power will give her through that great entrance and safe harbor. According to the New York papers, Representative Daily of New York will introduce a bill in the house after recess intended to abolish the present system of piloting vessels into port by pilots licensed by states. He would transfer this business to local Federal inspectors of steam vessels. Under the proposed bill, masters of vessels entering or leaving ports of the United States are to be allowed to navigate vessels unaided by pilots, a right contended for by masters and owners of vessels for many years. Under the existing law, piloting on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts is largely directed by local inspectors, who regulate the number of pilots and determine who shall serve as such. Under the proposed bill, any skipper who can pass the required examination before the local inspectors may act for any vessel arriving at and departing from designated ports. Masters of foreign vessels not bearing United States licenses must take on pilots as now. The movement for the change in the law was started by the United States Masters' and Pilots' Association of New York, to which many captains belong. A strong fight will be made against the change in the present law. The steamer Gamecock, Captain Janssen in command, and towing the lumber sloop Waukiakum, it is stated by bridge-tenders and pedestrians, held the draws of the various bridges open yesterday morning from 11 to 12 minutes each, blocking traffic and causing a storm of indignation by the street car passengers, pedestrians and persons in wagons and other vehicles, says the Oregonian. The line of delayed cars on the Morrison street bridge reached from the stopping signal on the bridge to the eastern spans. There were three Mount Taber cars west bound and many others, and the line of teams, bicyclists and foot passengers was of about equal proportions. The steamer Gamecock, with its tow, left Inman, Poulsen & Co's mill about 8:45 o'clock, and it was about 10 o'clock before the last draw, that of the steel bridge, had been passed through. The bridge men say that the Madison street bridge draw was kept open 34 minutes, the Morrison street 35 minutes, the Burnside bridge 11 minutes and the steel bridge draw open 20 minutes. Opinions differ as to the ability with which Captain Johnson managed his craft. The lumber-laden sloop is to be towed from Astoria to San Francisco by Hale & Kern's tug Samson.

MR. WISE'S CHRISTMAS DRAWING. A large number of Herman Wise's customers congregated at Fisher's hall yesterday afternoon to witness the drawing for the 10 elegant Christmas presents which Mr. Wise presented to them. The audience selected the following five gentlemen to conduct the drawing: Messrs. Thom. Pannon, Peter Johnson, M. J. Farham, Oscar Nordstrom and Mayor Bergman; the committee called a little boy who drew the numbers one by one. The first number drawn was 143, and Mrs. Richard Harry won the fine bed lounge; next came the beautiful oak extension table which was won by No. 1419, held by Fred Young, who was also so lucky as to win the third present, a combination book case and writing desk; the fourth present, heating stove, went to one of Mr. Wise's customers out of town, Mr. G. Gunderson, of South Bend, who held No. 1422; Mr. Y. Yonodola, of this city, who held No. 1666, won the fifth present, a fine suit of clothes; No. 1247, held by Mrs. Captain Randall won the sixth present, a fine overcoat; the seventh present, a good mackintosh was won by No. 294, held by Harry Graham, the star football player; No. 299, held by S. Westbostad, won the fine hat and Mr. L. Anderson, of Uppertown, who held No. 135, won the ninth present, a suit of good underwear, and Charlie Wise won the tenth present, a dozen woolen socks on No. 588. "I don't want to hog it all," said Mr. Wise. "I give my customers the best assortment, the best values and return to them part of the profits in the way of presents; I realize that a merchant has to be wide awake nowadays and keep on good terms with the people."

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SUICIDE IN JAIL. A Prisoner Hangs Himself on Account of a Woman. Thomas Anderson, a carpenter, committed suicide in the city jail early yesterday morning by strangling himself. Anderson had been having trouble Tuesday evening with a woman named Mary Kearney, with whom he had been intimate, and he threatened to kill her. Upon complaint of the woman he was arrested about 10 o'clock and, being intoxicated, he was placed in one of the tank cells. When Officer Kimball went on duty early yesterday morning he opened the cell door and saw Anderson in a sitting position with his neck hanging from a pair of suspenders attached to an iron bar in the window. Dr. Fulton was summoned but the man was dead. Deputy Coroner Pohl took charge of the body. The iron bar where the suspenders were attached is only about four feet from the floor and only constantly exerted weight of the body produced strangulation, showing the determination of the man to make a success of his ghastly job. Anderson was a native of Norway, unmarried, and so far as known had no relatives in this country. At one time he was an active and enthusiastic member of the Salvation Army. It is supposed that jealousy was the cause of the tragedy.

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A NEW YEAR'S GUIDE. There is one book everyone should make an effort to get, for the new year. It contains simple and valuable hints concerning health, many amusing anecdotes, and much general information. We refer to Hostetter's Almanac, published by The Hostetter Co., Pittsburgh, Pa. It will prove valuable to any household. Sixty employees are kept at work on this valuable book. The issue for 1900 will be over eight millions, printed in the English, German, French, Welsh, Norwegian, Swedish, Holland, Bohemian and Spanish languages. It contains proof of the efficacy of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, the great remedy prepared by the publishers, and is worthy of careful preservation. The almanac may be obtained free of cost, at any drugist or general dealer in the country.

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