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WEATHER.

Oregon, Washington, Idaho—Possibly showers, and cooler.

"ITEMS AND ATOMS."

"The Oregonian is informed by the esteemed Astorian (newspaper) that 'Portland is not the sole and inseparable atom and item of final adjustment.' No doubt Astoria is, though we should be glad to be more specifically enlightened, on the indubitable authority of the Astorian, whether Astoria is merely an item or an atom, or both."—Oregonian, 7th.

We assume the function of supplying the "specific enlightenment" sought, by declaring that Astoria is indubitably an atom and item, and both, since it could not be the one without being the other.

In the eyes of the Portlander and his Oregonian, (their atomic theory prevailing) this city is an atom, not yet having reached the dignity of itemhood; we are conscious of this and it moves us, at times, to resentment. Astoria is something very potent, prejudicial, almost threatening, in the inner consciousness of the Portlander and his Oregonian; but she is not on their maps; not if they can help it, as witness the half-column editorial in that great paper yesterday, wherein every coast town, city and county, in the state is heralded to the reading world except Astoria and her fine old county. This, in the one all-potent journal of the great state of Oregon, indicates pretty plainly, its policy at least, to submerge, deny, discredit the one city it fears enough to compel a resort to such glaring tactics.

Astoria is an atom in the conglomerate whole for which the Oregonian is supposed to stand, though that paper would have it otherwise; Astoria has helped to build up the commerce and wealth and prestige of the metropolis through long years of contribution and she does not believe she has had value received, a predicament shared by many other communities in the state. She has been atom enough to pour her quota of tribute into the coffers of Portland through half a century of neighborliness, and if Portland has ever missed an opportunity to direct its influence against this city the record does not prove it. Just now Portland, via its megaphonic sheet is slopping over with suddenly acquired interest in "Oregon's rich coast country," but never a word has it to say of this section, save one "atomic" allusion, a bare, beggerly, printing of a single word, "Clatsop." Well, it had best keep its eye on the rich coast country of Oregon, for as that shall fully and certainly forge to the front of state commerce, so surely shall Portland come to a bitter remembrance of its hide-bound policies through the years it has contemned and neglected these "atoms" along the coast. That it is hedging now, is only too apparent. It will have "items" enough to deal with in the near future, in this very relation.

GIVE HIM THE GLAD HAND!

Astoria has made a splendid record in 1906 for liberality in many directions, wherein charity and good-fellowship have figured as the leading motives. She has done her whole duty in the matter of San Francisco's suffering thousands; she has given handsomely toward a loyal demonstration on the "glorious fourth;" she has contributed other thousands to the perpetuation of her fine record as an hospitable entertainer in the regatta way. And now, there rises

up in her midst a man of God, asking a small modicum of her wealth, to found an institution in her very midst, to comfort and befriend the men who, by their arduous profession, the sea, contribute to the making of that wealth; men, who, for want of the home and family life enjoyed by others, are compelled to resort in places large with peril for their souls, having no other recourse at hand for shelter, entertainment, nourishment. Rev. Peter Elefson, the chaplain of the newly founded Seaman's and Fishermen's Institute of this city, is about to ask of Astoria and Astorians some small share of their abundance, toward the securing of the ground whereon shall be built the home of the Institute, and for the credit of the City-by-the-Sea it is hoped he will not have to go far, nor long, in this sea-town, for the largess that shall make the venture a quick and genuine success. Give him the glad hand, and be sure it holds something tangible when you put it forth; the cause is good and just, and a credit to Astoria! He wants but \$1,000.

BIG ITEM OF COST.

The war department cost the people of the United States in 1904, \$117,500,000; the navy department, \$103,500,000; the postoffice department was run at a cost of \$132,250,000; the interior, \$167,000,000; while the department of agriculture cost less than \$6,000,000. The expenses of the interior are nearly three times as much and the postoffice department two and one-half times as much every year as the agricultural department has cost for all of the sixty-six years of its history. One battleship costs enough to run the whole agricultural department a year and yet Congressman Landis of Indiana thinks the scientists of this department are writing farm bulletins to see their names in print, and that the government must economize in their publication.

The work of this department benefits 5,700,341 farming families. Nearly twelve and one-half million copies of the 972 separate government agricultural publications were issued in 1906. Six hundred of these publications were reprints, showing their popularity. These books tell the farmer what, when and how to plant; how to fertilize, when to reap; and this with never a piece of guess work but always with definite scientific precision, the result of untiring investigations and experiments. It is not too much to say that it is due mainly to this government assistance that the value of the farm crops has increased one hundred per cent in 4x years. In other words, from 1899 to 1906 the increase in the value of the crops of the American farmer aggregated about the same as the sum total of the increase from 1492 to 1899; and from 60 per cent to 48 per cent of all the exports of the United States each year since 1800 have been products of the American farm.

BEWARE!

Just at this time the mail order houses are active in flooding the country with big handsomely gotten up fall catalogues, quoting attractive prices on staple articles and making all sorts of big sounding claims for your cash. They do not offer to exchange their goods for the farmers' eggs, poultry or other produce. They don't trust a penny's worth, but make you pay cash before you get the goods and the freight besides. If any thing is wrong with the goods or they do not suit, they will not exchange them for you. They pay no taxes into your city or county treasury, with which our schools are maintained, roads, bridges, and sidewalks built. They do not contribute to our churches, charitable institutions, nor to our poor. Then why should you be so willing to patronize them? You know that they must make large profits and that their bargains are usually bargains of repentance for the buyer. Two of the large mail order houses of Chicago are rated worth from ten to twenty million dollars each, and they have made these vast fortunes by selling inferior goods at prices of superior articles. Still farmers and others are constantly sending their money to get mail order bargains, and when they get bit they say nothing but bite on the next tempting bait.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

Down in Texas, according to the Houston Post, the man who has three Pasadena cantaloupes for breakfast, a peck of Elberta peaches for dinner, and a forty-two pound watermelon for supper, can hand the hoarse hoot to the beef trust every day in the week.

A western man who has had considerable experience in raising potatoes, says that by planting two or three flax seeds in each hill not a bug appeared in the patch. He claims to have tried it for several years in succession with always the same results. This is a simple and inexpensive experiment and is worth trying.

There are about eight classes of town killers and every town is afflicted with one or more of them. First, those who go out of town to do their trading; second, those who are opposed to improvements; third, those who prefer a quiet town to one of push and business; fourth, those who imagine they own the town; fifth, those who deride public-

spirited men; sixth, those who oppose movements not originating with themselves; seventh, those who oppose every movement that does not appear to benefit them; eighth, those who seek to injure the credit or reputation of their neighbors. Morning Astorian, 60 cents per month, delivered by carrier.

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