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CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Parties desiring offices in The Oregonian building may inquire of Portland Trust Company of Oregon, No. 129 First street, or the superintendent in the building.

IN THE INTEREST OF CHARITY.—The annual meeting of the associated charities at the Marquam Grand theater Friday evening is likely to be an important affair. In other cities, notably in Denver, the annual charity meeting is one of the events of the year. The most prominent ladies occupy the boxes and the whole theater is filled with the representative men and women of the city. No attempt is made to raise money. It is purely a public meeting for Friday evening. Considerable expense has been incurred in arranging attractive features. The moral effect of a great mass meeting of the charitably-disposed people of the city is considered by the projectors so great that no effort will be spared to make it largely successful. In addition to the other speakers, Judge H. H. Northrup will speak regarding the charitable work of last winter in the wood-yards and on Jefferson street will be given. The employment of several thousand different men in work of this character is of itself an interesting thing, and many interesting incidents, both comical and serious, in connection with it, will be fully told. The relation of the Salvation Army to the work will also be explained.

SANTA CLAUS A FAILURE.—There is one little girl in this city to whom Christmas was a ghastly failure, and who has not yet done grieving over her grievous disappointment and her misplaced confidence in Santa Claus. She had been told that if she would write to Santa Claus and tell him what she most desired as a Christmas gift, she would be quite certain to receive it. She did not wish for much, but she did want a pair of wings and wrote to Santa Claus to that effect, but no wings were forthcoming, and her little heart was broken. Between her sons, she told an uncle yesterday of the scandalous manner in which Santa Claus had come back on her, and when asked why she wanted the wings so particularly, she said so that when her mother caught her in any mischief she could fly up in a tree and escape being punished. Her chief grievance, however, is that Santa Claus ignored her request. She has black listed the "old myth" and intends, when she grows up, to marry a Chicago Sunday school superintendent, and join a church in Spokane.

DOUBTLESS A SUICIDE.—There is no longer doubt concerning the cause of Jesse Lang's death, at the residence of Benjamin Wood, Sixteenth and Commercial Monday. The young man committed suicide by swallowing a dose of "Rough on Rats," but his friends in Portland know of no reason why he should have thus ended his life. Yesterday Mr. Wood found a box in the room occupied by Lang, which had contained the poison, and informed Coroner Cornelius of the discovery. Dr. Bell, who was to make an analysis of the stomach, found a large quantity of the poison in making an examination, which conclusively proved that Lang took "Rough on Rats" as a means of ending his existence. Deceased came from San Francisco some weeks ago, and roomed at the house of Mr. Wood, whose wife was a relative.

His Sentence.—Thomas Crowley, a fisherman, was brought to this city yesterday by Sheriff C. F. Doan, of Columbia county, to serve a sentence of days in the county jail for larceny. Crowley was convicted before Justice J. H. Seaver, at St. Helen's, of stealing a fishing net from a man named Church. Crowley, as a defense, claimed he had purchased the net from a third person. Because of the fact that he has lived at St. Helen's for several years, and has never been in trouble before, and there being a semblance of truth in his story, Crowley was given a light sentence. He is incarcerated in Multnomah jail because there is no suitable jail in Columbia county, and besides, by reason of the few prisoners Columbia county has, it is a matter of economy to secure jail accommodations here.

NEW SAFE FOR POSTOFFICE.—The postoffice received a New Year's gift yesterday in the shape of a fine iron safe for the postmaster's private office. This is a piece of furniture which the office has long needed. Although but little money is kept on hand, there is often a large amount in stamps, which is the same as money. A few days since there was \$30,000 worth of stamps in the office, and no one in charge could see as the old safe is of but little account. The new safe stands about seven feet high, is fire-proof, and contains a chilled-steel burglar-proof cabinet. In moving it into the office great pains were taken not to break the marble tiling in the hall, which has been lately repaired, having been badly wrecked in days gone by through heavy safes moved over it without precautions to protect it.

Mr. Bays' Promise.—The recent cool weather dried up the pavements on Third and Washington streets, and the dust has been all blown out of the holes in the tumulous-rock coating, giving a fine view of the concrete beneath. Mr. Bays again says he is going to put these streets in good condition as soon as the cold weather is over. Probably there will be snow or rain to interfere when the frost is gone, and it requires fine weather to lay such pavements properly. This is not likely to be had until next spring or summer. Mr. Bays' promise was positive, and the property-owners will be on the lookout to see the pavements repaired.

BROWN WILL ESCAPE.—A. C. Brown, the man arrested at Lakeview Saturday, on a requisition from Governor Penoyer, will not be brought back to Oregon. Brown was charged with larceny, committed in Lane county, but there appears to be something crooked in the manner of his arrest. On Saturday last, Governor West, of Utah, withheld action on the requisition, as he thought some one concerned in the arrest of the man was acting in bad faith. Governor Penoyer has also recalled the requisition issued by him, and Brown will be allowed his liberty.

Misson.—Walter Noble, American, aged now about 25 years; height, 5 feet, weight, about 175 pounds; nose and chin prominent, fair complexion, light brown hair, blue eyes, large dimple in chin; muscular and well-built; speaks German fluently. Was, when last heard from, May, 1888, at Portland, Or., engaged on a coal barge on the Columbia river. Any information in respect to him will be most gratefully received by his father and family, and will be for his interest. Address Lockwood & Hill, attorneys and counselors-at-law, No. 115 Broadway, New York city.

CENTURY WAR BOOKS.—The bound volumes of the Century War Book, for sale by The Oregonian, are almost exhausted. If you wish to make a useful Christmas present, you can find nothing better than one of these Century War Books, neatly bound in cloth. Call and see them before they are all gone.

LAST OPPORTUNITY.—If you have not completed your series of "Glimpses of America," you should call at The Oregonian office at once and get the numbers you lack, as this will be the last opportunity you will have, as The Oregonian will soon discontinue handling them. P. E. BISHAM will commence his annual clearance sale Wednesday, January 2, and will offer his entire stock at reduced price, excepting a very few lines controlled by manufacturers. 106 Third street, Abington building. "WEDNESDAY CLUB," New Year's "German" tonight.

THE ECONOMIC CLUB.—Portland has a new club, bearing title of the Economic Club. The name is fairly indicative of the objects of the association. In addition to making a study of economics and kindred scientific subjects, the club will endeavor to secure, from time to time, and bring to Portland, the ablest lecturers of the continent upon economic and other scientific questions. An unusual, if, indeed, not a unique, feature of the Economic Club, is that wives of active members are honorary members at pleasure. The club is semi-social in its functions, and there will be occasional informal meetings at the residences of members. Business meetings will be held monthly in The Oregonian building. The officers of the club are: President, S. B. Riggs; first vice-president, C. A. Rohrbacher; second vice-president, F. E. Beach; secretary, H. D. McGuire; treasurer, J. T. Mullin.

A DISPLAY OF NGONETS.—The rather unusual spectacle of a miner's prospecting pan, half full of golden nuggets, was displayed in a prominent show-window yesterday. The gold came from the Sterling mine, in Jackson county, eight miles from Jacksonville, within a few miles around which city many millions in gold have been received in days gone by. The largest of the nuggets is worth \$50, and there were dozens worth from \$5 to \$100. These nuggets were picked up in the flume during the season, and laid aside for fear they might be blown away. The water was shut off the mine in July, and it took 16 men nine weeks to clean up the bedrock. Just what the output of the mine was this season is not given, but it is understood to be upwards of \$50,000. The mine is owned by Vin Cook, Henry Ankeny and others, and has been in operation for 15 years.

ONE MORE PARDON, MATHE.—Yesterday it was currently rumored that Governor Penoyer had commuted the sentence of William Brown, who was awarded two years in the penitentiary by Judge Stephens, for extorting \$50 from Lyda Bryce and Belle Forrest, in complicity with R. Goodkind and W. McMillan. Only Monday Brown was sentenced by the United States authorities to \$50 fine for impersonating a United States internal revenue officer, as a part of this extortion transaction. Brown has all along maintained that he did not visit the women in their rooms, and was not in any way connected with the steal, but was, instead, aided by McMillan and Goodkind out of \$2 at the same time they victimized the woman.

TRIMMING UP SHADE TREES.—The shade trees around the courthouse, and in the courthouse grounds, will be more presentable in the future than for some time past. For a number of years they were sadly neglected, and their branches spread in all manner of shapes, and a more unsightly lot of trees it would have been hard to find. Last summer, an effort was made to beautify them, and the trees were trimmed and cut, down and made to look quite well before the season expired. Yesterday, gardeners with ladders and knives subjected the trees to a second general pruning, and when next they take on new leaves and branches, something in the way of proper form may be looked for.

RIVERS GO DOWN.—The rivers have gone down rapidly in more ways than one since the cold weather set in. The cold has checked the flow from the small streams, and lessened the volume of water; but river men say the strong east or down-stream wind which prevailed for several days hurried the water down the Columbia and lowered it so much that it caused quite a perceptible fall in the river here. The sphygmograph from the east is a fair sample of what is called "the dry cold which you do not feel," and is claimed by inland dwellers to be preferable to the damp cold of this section.

DEED FROM FROST HOME.—The funeral of Mrs. Catherine Hagley, of Illinois, who came here a short time since to visit her son, John Evans, and was taken sick and died somewhat suddenly at his residence, will take place at 9 o'clock this forenoon, from Finley & Reiger's, under the auspices of Columbia lodge, K. of P., of which Mr. Evans is a member. This is rather an unusual thing for a lodge to do, but the members have undertaken it out of sympathy for their brother, and in respect to his mother, who died far away from home and in a strange land.

HUNTER GERS BAIL.—A. L. Hunter, one of the parties arrested on a charge of perjury, committed in making an affidavit to the death of Richard Barker, succeeded in securing bail yesterday. His brother, Richard, and a neighbor named Patton, were accepted as sureties in \$2000 for the appearance of Hunter in the municipal court for examination, which is set for today. Harry Hunter, also held on a similar charge, still remains in custody at the central station, not having been able to furnish the required bail.

FIRST CLASS CRANES.—The name of the wholesale liquor firm doing business at First and Buraside streets, was yesterday changed from the A. P. Hotelling Co. to Rothschild Bros. The change was made known to the public by the delivery-wagon of the new firm making its round of "New Year's calls" with four horses attached, the wagon being newly painted and bearing the firm name. The horses were handsomely decorated.

ATTENTION, TAXPAYERS.—There will be a mass meeting of taxpayers in the Chamber of Commerce on next Friday evening, January 4, 1895, at 7:30 o'clock, to enter their protest against the issue of any more bonds, and also to request the legislature to remedy some of the laws that cause such heavy taxation.

PORTLAND MEDICAL SOCIETY.—Regular meeting postponed to Wednesday, Jan. 9. Next meeting of the "Living Whist Club" at Foreman hall, January 11.

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