

HOME NEWS.

There will be a grand ball and supper at Harrisburg on Christmas.

Read the advertisement of Harper's Magazine in another column.

We can now enjoy the pleasure of a ride upon a street railroad for ten cents.

We'll take supper with our friend Sprenger, at the St. Charles, and write him up grandly, when he sends in his ad.

The loss of the Oregon City manufacturing company by the late fire is \$31,530.61.

All the Sunday Schools of Hillsboro will unite in the approaching Christmas festivities.

Dr. J. W. Watts has, we learn, been appointed Postmaster of Lafayette, vice R. L. Simpson, resigned.

The new Court House at Hillsboro is finished, except the seating, and is a credit to Washington county.

A. Ferrera has a fine stock of family groceries, etc., at his store on Front st., between Yamhill and Taylor.

Dr. Hill has succeeded in raising about \$20,000 for the endowment of the Baptist College at McMinnville.

The Albany Collegiate Institute opened on the first Monday of last week with over one hundred students.

B. Hamburger, corner First and Yamhill sts., is offering his stock of dry goods, etc., at greatly reduced prices.

Between four and five thousand dollars of subscriptions to aid in rebuilding the woolen mills have been raised at Oregon City.

The citizens of Roseburg propose to build a plank road from the traveled streets to the depot at that place. It will cost about \$400.

Don't forget Santa Claus and McCormick. These two dealers get on splendidly together, and they are ready and waiting for Christmas.

At J. C. Messinger & Bros., corner Front and Morrison sts., can be seen a great variety of hats and caps for the approaching holidays.

A petition will soon be in circulation for the establishment of a mail route from Union via Cove, Summerville and Indian Valley, to the Wallawa.

The Enterprise says the locks at Linn City will be completed within three weeks from this date. But one gate remains to be hung and another partially.

Mr. A. B. Mencham, who was selected by the Electors as the messenger to carry the returns to Washington, started last Thursday overland by way of Boise City and Kelton.

The steamer Onward is slowly working her way up the Tualatin river. A large quantity of wheat is stored at Hillsboro awaiting shipment, when the rains open the river.

Business men are beginning to awaken to a knowledge of the strength and influence of the New Northwest. As evidence of this we call attention to our long array of new advertisements.

The Water Pipe Company at Salem, according to the Statesman, have got their machinery to working finely, and that they are turning out per day from thirty-five to forty logs, eight feet long, with six-inch bore.

Go to Alsabe & Hegel's confectionery and restaurant for Holiday presents of candy toys, ornamental cakes and everything tempting you can think of to court your sweet-hearts on. Articles range in price from half a dime to fifty cents.

Manager Waldron has secured Miss Kate Denin, the popular and talented actress, under a star engagement. She will appear next Monday night for the first time. We have no doubt but she will have crowded houses, which she certainly deserves, if reports concerning her are true.

W. T. Shanahan is out with a new ad, and a new business. His assortment of new jewelry and silverware is extensive and varied, and his prices are suitable to the times. Miss Mananara, in the same building, has a fine stock of millinery, and is having the good run of custom which she deserves. Her hats and bonnets are gotten up in exquisite taste.

The Eugene City Journal is very uneasy about the State University, and asks the question: "Shall the effort to secure the State University at Eugene fail?" The bill locating the State University at Eugene provides that the people of Lane shall provide grounds and erect a building which shall be worth \$50,000; \$30,000 of this amount is to be raised by a tax; leaving \$20,000 to be raised by subscription. So far the citizens of that county have shown but very little disposition to subscribe, and the gentlemen appointed to solicit subscriptions have been very unsuccessful.

At the meeting of the Board of Managers of the State Agricultural Society, held at Salem last week, the proper officers were instructed to negotiate a loan sufficient to clear off all the liabilities of the Society, though it may be necessary to mortgage the Fair grounds. Mr. Robert Irvine of Linn county was elected Grand Marshal for the ensuing year; the premium list was overhauled and re-arranged for 1873, with offers of medals in excess of money premiums. The rule requiring all visitors to wear badges, was abolished; and such other orders were made, of a subordinate character, as will enable the officers to go forward with the affairs of the Society.

Prof. Chaney is giving a course of astronomical lectures in Philharmonic Hall to small but attentive audiences. His views of the Bible are very peculiar, and are based upon the Sanscrit, which nobody knows anything about, so of course he has his own way about his

conclusions. The paintings that he exhibits nightly are well worth the admission fee. They are the work of a young Mr. Parrot, of Salem, who as an amateur, self-taught artist deserves more encouragement than he is receiving. His pictures are truly wonderful. The lectures will continue over Saturday and Monday, also Sunday night.

The Statesman says: "Some time, we think last year, a discovery of electro-silicon was made in Polk county by Mr. Al. Buckingham. Small quantities of it were tested but we are not aware that anything was done at the time to render the discovery of practical value. Lately a small lot of it was tested at the Oregon and California Railroad car shops. The Chief Engineer at once pronounced it an excellent polishing material, and stated to our informant that if, upon further test, it should prove as good as he then believed it, he should immediately order a large quantity for staple use in the shops. We have since learned the Engineer did order a considerable quantity, and that he has expressed the opinion that the deposit will prove valuable to the owner."

A HARD ANSWER.—At a recent trial the counsel for the prosecution, after severely cross-examining a witness, suddenly put on a look of severity, and exclaimed: "Now, sir, was not an effort made to induce you to tell a different story?" "A different story from what I have told, do you mean?" "That's what I mean." "Yes, sir; several persons have tried to get me to tell a different story from what I have told, but they couldn't." "Now, sir, upon your oath, I wish to know who these persons are?" "Well, you've tried about as hard as any of them."

For the very best photographs, go to Bradley & Roloff's Gallery without STAIRS—ASCELD IN THE ELEVATOR, 423 Montgomery St., San Francisco.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

Call and examine Badger's Music Store, Snow & Roos' Art Gallery, 73 First Street, Portland, Oregon.

ANNUAL GRAND OPENING

Hallet, Davis & Co. Pianos. Geo. Woods & Co. Organs.

SANTA CLAUS' BUDGET,

McCormick's Book Store, 103 Front Street.

TOYS,

Fancy Goods, Books, Christmas Gifts.

ACKERMAN'S DOLLAR STORE,

Oregon Business Directory.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS,

Ever displayed in Portland, at the lowest possible prices.

OREGON BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

Business Directory of the State of Oregon.

JUST RECEIVED

C. S. Silver's, 123 First Street.

OREGON STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S NOTICE.

Boats of the company will leave Portland as follows:

For the Dalles: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6 o'clock A. M.

For Astoria: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5 o'clock A. M.

For Monticello: Daily at 7 1/2 o'clock A. M.

PORTLAND ADVERTISEMENTS.

HOME SHUTTLE Improved Sewing Machine. Reasons why it has taken the preference over its competitors.

There is reason in all things, and the most reasonable thing just now is that every family may own a First Class Sewing Machine.

Remember! That the prices are just the same, whether you buy for cash or on the installment plan.

Remember! The Grover & Baker Machines make the Shuttle Stitch and Elastic Stitches, and purchasers can at any time exchange should they desire to try both kinds.

Remember! That the above excellent terms are offered by W. T. Shanahan, Agent Grover & Baker's S. M. Co.

Remember! The Vanquished Competitors, disheartened and discouraged, admit the superiority of the Wilson Machine.

Remember! The Wilson Machine is always ready for honest competition, and is always victorious.

Remember! Sewing Machine Agents and their respective Machines have now taken the back seat, while the Wilson has gone ahead of everything in the market.

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GRAY'S MUSIC STORES! Clay St., San Francisco, 101 First Street, Portland, Oregon.

Steinway & Sons, Kracht, Bach & Son's, Haines Bros., and M. Gray's Pianos.

THE World Renowned BURDETT AND SHONINGER ORGANS.

"HOWE'S" Sewing Machine.

Butterick's Celebrated Patterns for Ladies' and Children's Garments.

Agents Wanted in Every County on the Coast. G. L. DePrann, Manager, Oregon Branch House.

500 00! WE DEFY COMPETITION! THE WILSON AGAIN VICTORIOUS! Fourteen First Premiums.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

DR. VAN DEN BERGH'S Sovereign Worm Syrup.

THIS TRULY WONDERFUL MEDICINE is warranted to expel all worms from the bowels and stomach, except Tape and Chain Worms.

The proprietor has taken much pains to test the comparative merits of the principal Worm Medicines of every kind, and he has found that none of them are so effective as this.

Prepared and sold wholesale and retail, by DR. VAN DEN BERGH and Agents in all cities and towns.

By consulting and undergoing a simple examination the afflicted can learn if their disease is worm or not.

Dr. Van Den Bergh can be consulted on all diseases that the human system is heir to.

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