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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Wednesday's Daily.

The Elks charity ball promises to be the grand event of the season.

The Good Templars will have a Wheel-of-Fortune social in their hall next Saturday evening.

Governor Rogers of Washington took the oath of office today and assumed the reins of government.

Dudley Eshelman, brother of Dr. Eshelman of this city, is secretary of the Washington senate.

A peach tree in bloom in January is a strange sight in this latitude, yet there is one near the bridge across Mill creek that, looted by the weather, has blossomed as though it were April.

According to the statistics there were 6,520 suicides in the United States last year. An appalling number, yet when one looks over the country they really wonder that they were so few.

Mrs. VanBibber drove in from her home last night and left her horse hitched back of Worsley & VanBibber's store. When she got ready to go home she discovered that someone had stolen the harness, all except the collar.

We were misinformed yesterday in regard to Truman Butler taking a place in French & Co.'s bank. There is no vacancy in that institution, and the rumor was cut from whole cloth. Mr. Butler has not yet arranged for the future, but will not be out of employment long.

The house committee on public lands yesterday authorized a favorable report on the bill providing that settlers on Northern Pacific lands, whose rights would have been forfeited Jan. 1, 1897, shall have an additional two years in which to comply with the regulations.

It was ladies' night at the club last night, and the bowling alley was crowded with the fair sisters, bent upon out-bowling the male members of the club. There was a larger attendance than there has been for some time. The new lights had something to do with the large gathering.

Sacramento now receives a 15,000-volt current of electricity from a plant 30 miles distance, and had previously secured a partial supply over 24 miles of wire. The California city has apparently demonstrated for itself that a long-distance supply of the current is practicable in every way, and also economical.

Mr. Samuel Walton, who came up from White Salmon today, says the fruit trees in that neighborhood were not injured by the November cold snap. As closer examinations are made on this side, the damage on this account is pronounced much less than was at first supposed.

J. E. Mattison, of Fargo, North Dakota, in an interview published in the Telegram yesterday, asserts that there are fine gold fields in the Olympic mountains, and that he and a man he calls "Scotty" took out quite a handsome sum last summer. He predicts there will be a big rush into the Olympics within the next year or two.

Princess de Chimay, who eloped last summer with Janos Rigo, a Hungarian gypsy musician, has been engaged to appear in tableaux vivants at the winter garden at Berlin immediately after her divorce from her husband has been secured. She will be paid \$750 per night, which is certainly a big price to pay for looking at a divorced Chimay.

Mr. Campbell has a large elk in the building on the corner of Federal and Third streets, which he has about finished mounting. Mr. Campbell killed the elk in Tillamook county last year, and it is certainly a monster. He estimated it as weighing 1400 pounds, and it certainly looks as though it would do it. The mounting is quite well done, and the skin is one of the handsomest we have ever seen, the coat being remarkably smooth and heavy.

West of the Blue mountains, in Eastern Oregon, very wet weather has been experienced, but east of the Blues, in Grand Ronde and Powder River valleys, the winter has been very dry. In speaking of it the La Grande Chronicle says: "During the fall considerable rain fell, but since the fore part of November the weather has been remarkably dry." In Umatilla county there has been a heavy rainfall, more so than usual in fall and winter.

Frank Murphy and J. C. Hopkins were arrested in Siskiyou Sunday, charged with having burglarized the store of D. R. Winker & Son, in Ashland, Saturday night. On their persons were found, among other things, thirty-nine pocket knives, seven razors, \$15.55 in cash, skeleton keys, toothbrushes, etc. The adventurers are now in jail

and seem to be booked for Salem. They have but little to say, but intimate that a third man was with them and shared in the cash taken.

An old gentleman named W. L. Campbell, who resides at Mitchell, put up at the Columbia hotel last night, and his morning reported to Mr. Tooney that he had been robbed of about \$40, which he had placed in a purse under his pillow. He had looked, he said, carefully for his money and could not find it. In a short time the chambermaid came down stairs with the purse, which she had found in making the bed. Campbell had rolled the purse in the corner of the sheet in the super-abundance of caution, and not finding his money at first glance, became excited and thought he was robbed.

Thursday's Daily

The county clerk is engaged in mapping and recording the road districts of the county as they exist at the present time.

Two hoboes were before the recorder this morning. They said nothing, and are now sawing wood to settle a bill of \$5 each.

There will be a business meeting of the Epworth League this evening in the lecture room of the M. E. church at 8:30. All members are requested to be present.

The city council met last evening, but on the roll being called it was found Jonathan Bourne's tactics had been adopted and there was no quorum present. The meeting was adjourned to Friday evening.

The senate at noon today adjourned over until Monday. It is thought that by that time the lower house may get together. Until it does, it can only adjourn from day to day. After tomorrow the members can draw no pay until the organization.

Chris. Meier is agent for the Excelsior Burglar Alarm. It is a compact little affair that can be carried in ones pocket and can be applied instantly to any door or window. The opening of the door or raising of the window at once sets the alarm going. It is a neat device and never hangs fire.

The sun came out beautiful this morning, tinting the snow-clad hills of Klickitat with a pink blush like a Dalles girls' first effort in the line, and introducing The Dalles people to long lost shadows. As the weather clerk has promised us fair weather tomorrow, we may get used to this sort of thing, but it is decidedly strange to see the sun in full shine as it was a while today.

Friday's Daily

There are now five prisoners in the county jail.

There is snow all around The Dalles, but none here.

Thomas C. Platt has been nominated in caucus for senator from New York.

Albert S. Willis, United States minister to Hawaii, died at Honolulu, Jan. 5.

The cost of the election in this county in November, outside of rent for polling places, printing of ballots, etc., was \$16.60.

The public schools are holding their half yearly examinations, which will continue through several days of the coming week.

There have been several arrests in connection with the Obarr robbery, but after sweating the suspected persons, they were all discharged, there not being evidence enough to justify their being held for examination.

George Aleck and Indian Jim were arrested yesterday morning at Hood River, charged with breaking into a hooee belonging to another Indian and stealing a lot of things therefrom. They had their examination before Justice Prather, and were bound over to appear before the grand jury in the sum of \$250 each. They were brought up on the Regulator last night, and are now in the county jail awaiting trial.

Senatorial Elections.

Senator Perkins was re-elected at Sacramento yesterday, receiving 73 out of 120 votes.

Charles W. Fairbanks is the caucus nominee for senator from Indiana.

Orville Platt has been re-elected senator from Connecticut.

The Illinois legislature will ballot on the 17th for a senator to succeed John M. Palmer.

Mrs. Obarr Robbed.

Last night, or rather this morning, at 1:15 two men entered Mrs. Obarr's lodging house and took \$132 from under her pillow. They entered the hall and then with chisels pried open the door to her bedroom. She heard them, but was too frightened to call for assistance, but lay perfectly quiet while the thieves reached under her head and robbed her of her money. She has but little to say about the matter, and evidently does not have any suspicion as to who robbed her.

A Cure for Lame Back.

"My daughter, when recovering from an attack of fever, was a great sufferer from pain in the back and hips," writes Loudon Grover, of Sardis, Ky. "After using quite a number of remedies without any benefit she tried one bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and it has given entire relief." Chamberlain's Pain Balm is also a certain cure for rheumatism. Sold by Blakeley & Houghton.

U. P. SAM.

His Fiddle and His Songs. Recall the Old Mining Days.

U. P. Sam came in from his winter quarters at Dufur yesterday, and amused an idle crowd with his music last night. Sam is a character, a relic of by-gone days, and his strident voice and 'not always harmonious fiddle, recall the visions of other days. As the sonful strains of "Sweet Betsy from Pike," leap from the tortured catgut and pulsate the shuddering East Oregon ozone, one recalls the bearded miner, the long trains of patient pack animals following the giddy old gray bell-mare, the covered wagons, the big teams, and the swearing machines that drove them. One can again hear the hurdy house music, and the wisp and thud of booted feet as they whirled the hand-painted daisies of those days in the worldly waltz, and the clink of glasses as the music ceased and they all slid up to the bar to get their three fingers of coffin varnish straight. But those days are gone, only to be recalled in memory, when such as U. P. Sam lift the curtain that hides the long ago.

Sam is on his way to Salem, he says, to assist in organizing the lower house of the legislature. "Music hath charms to soothe the savage breast," and Mayhap Sam may prove exactly what is needed. At least he cannot make things worse than they are.

THE CHRONICLE suggests that he be employed as amusement committee for the unorganized. For \$5 per day Sam will show each side up to the other in doggerel verse and hog-cornal music, that will make both sides sorry they are alive. We look for a successful organization of the lower house in less than six hours after Sam gets in the crowd.

Concerning a Dog.

"Think nought a trifle, though it small appear. Sands make the mountains; moments make the year. And trifles life."

So said the poet, and history indorses his statement. Bologna went to war over a bucket; Troy fell on account of a woman; Grecian mythology tells how heaven was upset by an apple inscribed "To the Most Beautiful," which, by the way, was the first cause of the siege of Troy, and sacred history records the stupendous effects caused by plucking one small apple. Why, then, should we turn up our cultured noses because someone comes to the front with a half column of private woe on account of a dog. A dog is larger than a bucket, much larger than an apple. This being true, we gladly give space to the subjoined letter, which is presumably the simple, unvarnished tale of a dog. THE CHRONICLE said the dog was a cur dog the trouble arose over, but it seems it was mistaken. It didn't occur that way. Mr. Jackel's letter, hereto appended, speaks for itself, also for the dog:

CENTERVILLE, Jan. 11, 1897.

EDITOR CHRONICLE: SIR:—In reply to an article published in THE CHRONICLE of Jan. 9th, and headed "All About a Common Cur Dog," I wish to make the following correction: The said canine was a well trained sheep dog, and had been in my possession for four years past last November. About the 18th of December, 1896, Henry Yeackel and Henry Ritschke came to my sheep header and took forcible possession of the dog, claiming they had bought the dog from young Wheelhouse. The statement claiming that Con. Yeackel had possession prior to this time is a lie. In regard to the suit to replevin and possession of the dog, the actual owners, as per evidence, disclaimed the dog in controversy, his testimony proving that it was a different dog altogether than the one in dispute. But the justice of Centerville court decided the case against me, on the grounds that Mr. Wheelhouse was too good a man, that he couldn't discountenance his testimony.

JOHN JACKEL.

The Charity Ball.

Arrangements for the ball to be given by the Elks on the 2d, are about completed. Tickets will be \$1.50 per couple. Committees have been [appointed as follows: Executive—J. S. Fish, W. H. Wilson, C. L. Phillips, Grant Mays, G. W. Phelps, H. W. French. Reception—J. Mitchell, G. C. Blakeley, T. A. Hudson, E. M. Kelsay, P. W. DeHuff, E. O. McCoy and W. L. Bradshaw. Floor—J. Hampshire, H. Riddell, T. J. Seuffert, H. Lonsdale, M. Vogt, Jr., J. Hertz. Decoration—Geo. Ferguson, E. Jacobsen, E. Sherar, C. Stubling, T. J. Driver, J. A. McArthur. The lady patronesses, who will assist the executive committee, are: Mesdames W. L. Bradshaw, Geo. C. Blakeley, W. H. Moody, J. B. Crossen, P. W. DeHuff, W. H. Wilson, H. French, C. L. Phillips, J. S. Fish, T. A. Hudson, and Misses Mary Lay, Etta Story, Beniah Patterson, Ida Wakefield, Elizabeth Sampson, Dorothy Fredden, and Mattie Cushing.

Mr. Story Was First.

EDITOR CHRONICLE: In your article of Tuesday I think you have done an unintentional injustice to Mr. Story in relation to the matter of the case of King vs. The Eastern Oregon Land Co. It is true that I was interested in the case of White and Ward against Higenbotham and Powell, which involved the same question; but those cases have not, as far as I know, as yet been decided by the secretary of the interior. The commissioner of the general land office decided against us in the Hig-

enbotham cases, as he did against Mr. Story in the King case, and we appealed to the secretary of the interior. I do not know in what order the cases were taken up about the same time. I presume the ground taken in the brief was about the same in all the cases, although I have not seen Mr. Story's brief.

Mr. Story is entitled to the credit of having obtained the first decision from the secretary of the interior favorable to our contentions in these cases. I am not entitled to any credit for the decision in the King case. I write this out of a spirit of simple justice.

Very Respectfully, A. S. BENNETT.

A Free-Silver Club Meeting.

The Union Bimetallic League of this city, the Bryan campaign organization, held a meeting at the old Odd Fellows' hall, in the Turner block, last night. Quite a number of the faithful gathered in the hall to listen to addresses and keep informed on the work of the club. District Attorney J. E. Jeffrey of Hering, Jackson county, ex-representative, and State Lecturer H. E. Hayes of the grange, made addresses on the political situation and needed legislation.

W. M. Hilleary of the state grange was also present.

Action was taken by the club to further legislation in the interest of the common people of the state. After considerable discussion the following resolutions were adopted by the club:

"Resolved, By the Union Bimetallic Club of Salem, Oregon, that we heartily endorse the conduct of those members of the legislature who are refusing to assist in organizing the house against the interest of the people and the interest of the bootlickers.

"Resolved, That we, as citizens, mindful of the corruption which has existed in previously 'organized' legislatures, lend our moral support to the effort now made to organize the house in the interest of good government."—Salem Statesman.

Politics makes strange bed-fellows The Union Bimetallic league and the Oregonian are now standing in together.

The Lecture Course.

The committee of ladies in charge of the matter of arranging for a series of lectures to be delivered in the Congregational church, have not yet completed arrangements for the entire course, but have the matter well in hand, and the first of the lectures will be given January 19th. The lecturer is Col. Jas. Jackson, U. S. A.; subject "James Russell Lowell. The second will be given one week later, on the 26th, by Mr. Lydell Baker, on "The True versus the False Monroe Doctrine." February 21, Judge Stephen A. Lowell of Pendleton will handle the subject "Thou Shalt Not;" and on the 16th, President Penrose, of Whitman college, Walla Walla, will discuss "A new Chapter of American History."

The topics are well chosen, and those who will discuss them are all gentlemen well worth listening to. There will be one or two others to complete the course, whose names and subjects will be given later.

O. E. S. and Its Officers.

Columbia Chapter, No. 33, O. E. S., held its first meeting under its new board of officers last evening. They are: Mrs B Jane Russell, W M; E K Russell, W P; Mrs Alice Crossen, A M; Mrs Sallie Clark, Treas; Miss Lena Snell, Secy; Mrs Emilie Sanders, Cond; Mrs Martha E Biggs, A C; Mrs Mary Clark, Chaplain; Mrs Mary Blakeley, Marshal; Miss Bertha Glenn, Adah; Mrs Almira Burget, Ruth; Mrs Evelyn Eshelman, Esther; Miss Salina Phirman, Martha; Mrs Eliza Kelsay, Electa; Miss Edna Erhart, Warder; Harry Clough, Sentinel; Mrs Alice Varney Organist.

Fish Law of Washington.

Koehler of Chehalis has introduced a bill to abolish fishwheels, traps, etc, and proposes to make a vigorous fight to make it a law. His bill provides that it shall not be lawful for any person to use or operate any pound-net, trap, weir, wheel or other fixed appliance for the purpose of taking fish in the public waters over which the state has exclusive or concurrent jurisdiction, provided that set-nets may be used for such purpose at any time that it may be lawful to take fish in such waters and streams.

I. O. G. T. Social Program.

The following program will be given by The Dalles Lodge, No. 2, I. O. G. T., tomorrow evening commencing at 8 o'clock.

Male Quartet—"The Two Roses" Recitation—"The Two Glasses" Solo—"Sweet Brown Eyes" Ethel Deming Select Reading Wm. Harper Solo—"He's a Drunkard Tonight" J. S. Landers Recitation—"A Course of Love too Smooth" Mabel Riddell Solo—"Rock-a-bye Birdie" Edythe Clarno Recitation Walter Reavis Duet—"Don't Go Out Tonight My Darling" Susa Chase and Edna Barnett

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