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LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

Farmers in town today say that it rained much harder in the country last night than it did here.

These be the mornings when the little fishes in the brook must be wary if they evade the various bait which is dropped for them.

Cedar Circle has always been famous for the entertainments given under her auspices, and no order can excel the programs which are gotten up principally within her own circle.

Some weeks ago Mrs. Ed Waud, whose home was directly across Mill creek bridge, died, leaving to the mercies of a husband scarcely worthy of the name.

Occasionally Dalles people have a little variation in the regular program, and awaken some morning to find that a store, shop, or some place of business has been opened and a few hundred dollars taken, perhaps less.

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Monday's Daily. Ernest Lundeman came in from Ab-

velope this morning and will take a position in French & Co.'s bank.

Messrs. J. H. Carlock, W. R. Manning and M. P. Page, of the U. S. Geological Survey, registered at the Umatilla House Saturday night.

Alex McLeod came in from his ranch at Kingsley yesterday. He says the farmers are nearly done with spring plowing, and some are already plowing their summer fallow.

A number of Dalles people were on passenger trains Nos. 4 and 2, returning from Portland last night, and upon reaching Cascades came to the conclusion that they were booked to take up their abode there for the night at least, a landslide being reported just this side of that place.

The loss of stock in Crook county during the winter of 1898-99 may be now safely estimated as not worthy of mention. From all sections of the country come reports of light losses, and stock in fairly good condition.

This year is to be the year for "going West," and there will be no end of immigrants coming our way. The railroads are doing their best to settle up the Northwest, and the Great Northern and Northern Pacific have made a rate of \$25 from St. Paul to Portland, going into effect today.

The Saturday soirees given by Smith Bros. have been a source of great enjoyment to a large number of dancers. Not only those belonging to the class, but many outsiders who appreciate a good floor and good music, attend every week.

First, last and all the time The Dalles boys hold the medal. This time they lead at the seventh annual Oregon intercollegiate oratorical contest, which occurred at McMinnville Friday night.

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Mrs. Ed Beck, who has been visiting in Portland, came up to the Cascades Sunday, and after spending a day with friends there, arrived home last night.

Rev. Evans, pastor of the M. E. church in Goldendale, accompanied by his wife, arrived yesterday from that place and will spend a day or two in the city.

Mrs. Sarah Reed, of the Viavi Co., arrived in the city last night from Portland. Read the notice of her lectures in another column and be sure to hear her, or you'll miss something good.

Miss Christine Farrelly, of Portland, accompanied her cousin, who was on her way to Walla Walla, as far as this city. She will spend today with her sister, Mrs. Ed Sharp, returning home tomorrow.

The Knights held another of their famous "fun and sociability" meetings last evening. These are becoming very popular, and 'tis not to be wondered at if the good times reported really occur.

Brigadier Marshall, of Portland, assisted by Staff Captain Willis, will conduct salvation army meetings at the army barracks on Wednesday and Thurs-

day evenings. There will also be an ice cream supper on Thursday night. Capt. Duthie will bid farewell the same evening. Everybody invited.

Letters received by friends from C. E. Bayard, who is now at Spokane, tells of the improved state of his health. When he left this city many were deeply concerned as to his condition, fearing his disease would haifa medical skill, but the change has seemed to greatly benefit him, and he is very hopeful.

Henry O'Flaherty, who enlisted in company L, at this place last spring, is numbered among the list of the recent dead at Manila. He is a son of J. E. O'Flaherty, who lives at Barberton, Wash., and was not known here as far as we can learn.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Chipp, who were married recently in Portland, came up yesterday on the boat and remained over in the city until the midnight train. In the meantime a pleasant reception was given them by the Epworth League, at the home of Mrs. Nelson on Third and Liberty streets.

Rev. Gentry Rushing, pastor of the Christian church of La Grande, will arrive in the city this afternoon, with a view of taking the pastorate of the Christian church of this place. Rev. Rushing is said to be a talented minister and an eloquent speaker.

Our senators and representatives are returning from Washington seemingly glad to get home again. Sunday Representative Tongue returned to his home in Hillsboro, while Senator Simon came Saturday night. Senator McBride will remain in the capital for about ten days.

At a meeting of the water commissioners last night bids were received for the construction of the man hole on Union street, near Seventh. Four bids were submitted, the two lowest by Messrs. J. C. Beudahl and J. Applegate, being for \$109.

"The Dalles is generally considered to be a pretty slow city but it has got ahead of Walla Walla by commencing a sewer system. The pipes are to be of terra cotta, and the cost will be charged to the property benefiting thereby."

In writing to the committee on entertainment in Portland, one of the editors, whom we remember as being one of the most enthusiastic and daring on the trip through Colorado, expressed a desire to see Mt. Hood illuminated. The committee has made arrangements to gratify the wish and W. G. Steel has consented to carry out the scheme.

The Noble Dramatic Company offers great inducements to the people of The Dalles. Being used to playing to crowded houses they offer the following inducements, that people may attend tonight and determine for themselves what their merits are.

Yesterday morning two farmers, whose names we did not learn, came into the city and left their team and wagon in Sexton's feed yard. Being ready to return home they went up to the wagon and placed a mackintosh and overcoat on the seat, going out of the yard afterward to make some purchases they had forgotten.

who called at his store. The mackintosh was finally given up, but not the overcoat. They were arrested, and now occupy the city jail awaiting a trial.

A large number of friends attended the funeral of Roderick McNeil, which was held at the Catholic church this morning at 9 o'clock, and regret was expressed by all as they contemplated the suddenness of the call which had come to one who was in the best health, and who it seems was so sadly needed by the large family of children who survive him.

Yesterday afternoon the case of the commitment of the three Waud children to the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society came up before Judge Mays. The complaint had been that the father was not a fit person to have the care of the children and that he was unkind to them.

The character of the play last night at the Vogt probably accounted for the small house which greeted the Noble company. Dalles people were never known to be taken with a play of that description, preferring rather one of the quieter kind, such as the one to be given tonight, "The Gold King."

As to the company. It contains some good actors. Noble himself, with his wonderful talent of impersonating, is a whole show, and in the several climax where he found himself completely cornered, his acting was immense.

If there is one place above another which should be clean and inviting it is a physician's and a dentist office. Dr. Sanders must realize this fact from the manner in which he has beautified the office recently purchased from Dr. Frazier.

Dr. Sanders is now ready to begin dental work in earnest, which fact will be appreciated by Dalles people who are acquainted with the work done by the Dr. when in practice here before. He has now the latest methods known for crown and bridge work, as well as every feature of dentistry, having kept up with all the recent methods employed.

La Grippe Successfully Treated. "I have just recovered from the second attack of La Grippe this year," says Mr. Jas. A. Jones, publisher of the Leader, Mexia, Texas.

Genuine White sewing machines at Mays & Crowe's at \$35. These machines are sold by agents at \$65.

FELL TO HIS DEATH.

A Dreadful Accident Which Caused the Death of Roderick McNeil.

The deepest regret is felt throughout the entire city over the dreadful accident which occurred Sunday morning, taking in an instant the life of one who for years has been known as one of the most honest, hard-working men in the city—Roderick McNeil.

We, the jury summoned by W. H. Butts, coroner of Wasco Co., Or., to inquire into the cause of the death of the body now before us, after a careful examination of the body of the deceased and after hearing the testimony of the witnesses produced before us, and after due and careful consideration and deliberation find as follows: That the name of the deceased was Roderick McNeil, whose age was about 50 years and that his residence was at The Dalles, Or., and that he came to his death on the 12th day of March, 1899, in the Dalles, Or., by accidentally falling off the railroad bridge immediately west of Main street, about 45 feet into Mill creek and drowning in said creek about the hour of 4 o'clock a. m. of said day.

It seems that it has been a custom of Mr. McNeil to occasionally walk to his farm near Mosier, where his family resides, either going on Saturday evening or Sunday morning. About 4 o'clock yesterday morning William Allart says that he met Mr. McNeil going down Second street, and that he turned the corner at Union. It is supposed that he started to cross the new bridge on his homeward journey and reaching the end of the walk, in the darkness stumbled and fell, the distance being about 45 feet, falling on his back in the creek, and stunning him so that he had no power to help himself.

For the past twenty years Mr. McNeil has been foreman in the carpenter shop of H. Glenn, and no more trusted employe could be found. His life has been one of constant work in the endeavor to support a large family, and having done his duty well, it seems hard that such an end should have been his. He was particularly thoughtful, assisting in many ways the family of his deceased brother, A. McNeil. He made provision for the wants of his children when he should leave them, having \$2000 life insurance with the Catholic Knights of America.

A year ago last November his wife died, leaving to his care ten children, who are now orphaned. The oldest, John, is now a sergeant at Fort Robison, Neb. Another, Walter, aged 18, is at Weiser, while Joe, who is about 20, assists a 15-year-old sister in caring for the farm and six younger children. Mr. McNeil was 48 years old last January, and a man in good health and willing to bear his share of life's burdens, which were not light in his case.

THE SCHOOL ELECTION. C. L. Schmidt for Clerk and J. G. Farley Our New Director.

Where were all the voters in the district yesterday? Did they imagine it was collection day and take to the woods? Out of 500 voters, only 85 were in the city, for surely had they been here they would have taken enough interest to vote for a clerk and director for our school district.

Mr. Schmidt had no rival candidate for the office, but had there been a number he would no doubt have received the majority of votes, being just the man for the place, and one who will keep a thorough and complete account of the school records of the district. All are satisfied with the choice.

Plumbing, tinning and bicycle repairing at Maler & Benton's. Mechll-1w



An Excellent Combination.

The pleasant method and beneficial effects of the well known remedy, SYNTHETIC FIGS, manufactured by the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO., illustrate the value of obtaining the liquid laxative principles of plants known to be medicinally laxative and presenting them in the form most refreshing to the taste and acceptable to the system.

where the ashes cold than plans were being formulated for a new building, and today the last load of goods will be moved into a hardware store which is not equalled on the Pacific coast.

The entire structure is 100 feet square, the implement and hardware department each being 50x100 feet. A large gallery encircles the lower floor, and from the floor to the ceiling, twenty feet, extends shelving with which is intermixed hardware boxes, all veneered with oak.

The ceiling of the building is of figured steel artistically painted, while the tints are very delicate and tasty. While every part of the store is worthy of mention, the large office in the back and to the center of the building strikes the eye at once, being surrounded with glass and fitted up completely.

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