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IN SOUTH AFRICA.

England, in her hour of sorrow, centers all hope on General Sir Redvers Buller, who commands all the British forces in South Africa, and directs the attempted advance of three armies.

Four lines of railway run from the coast of South Africa into the interior. One runs from Cape Town, a second from Port Elizabeth on Algoa bay, and a third from Durban.

The British forces under Methuen and Gatacre having been blocked in their attempted advance along two of the three available lines of communication with the interior, it becomes of tremendous importance that Buller drive an opening along the third line into Ladysmith.

The terrible losses the British armies have suffered in the South Africa campaign would be sufficient to make a nation less dogged suspend operations. In no engagement have the British had the better position.

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IT IS IMPORTANT.

Senator Simon is given the chairmanship of the committee on irrigation and reclamation of arid lands, about which subject he probably knows as little, and in which he takes as little interest, as any that the senate will consider.

This is a very important committee. It is not so for the Willamette valley, considered in a provincial spirit. But it is important for Eastern Oregon, and what benefits one part of the state is helpful to all other parts and to the commonwealth as a whole.

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is the report. This terrible condition is said to be due in a great measure to the fact that many freight teams were almost to the hubs, which necessitates digging them out. Instead of again filling in the immense holes thus made, the teamster proceeds on his way, leaving a pitfall into which the unsuspecting driver who follows in the wake finds his wheels plunged. It produces anything but a pleasant sensation.

Gifford's Mt. Hood pictures makes a hit wherever they go, and the greatest difficulty now is whether it will be possible to supply the Christmas demand, as so many are sending them to friends in the East. When Harry Lonsdale left for his home in Columbia, Mo., he carried, along with a number of other views of Oregon scenery, a large Mt. Hood picture. He had been home but a day or two, when he sent an order to M. Z. Donnell for two of the same views for friends there who had been captivated with it. Thus not only the pictures are becoming famous, but Oregon as well through the splendid advertisement thus given.

Monday's Daily. J. C. Baldwin has been confined to his home by sickness for the past few days.

It looks as if Christmas trees might be more numerous this year from the number which have been brought in today.

The latest postoffice heard from is that in the Wamic district called Smeek. Had the been an a, they might be charged with playing "postoffice."

Wong Quong, whose case has been mentioned in connection with the bank robbery here nine years ago, and who has been tried in Walla Walla for grand larceny, was found guilty of that charge on Saturday, so that he will at least suffer for a minor offense, whether Wasco county prosecutes or not.

A happy crowd, chaperoned by Babe Mays, departed last Saturday for Hay Creek, where for two days they were royally entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sommerville and Mr. Edwards. It was a merry house party, and the delightful hospitality of the hosts and hostesses made every moment one of unalloyed pleasure.

This morning the marshal arrested Oakley Harkins, a young man charged with vagrancy, and in lieu of his \$2 will spend the day in the city jail. Harkins is not a complete stranger here, having been a frequent visitor in former years, when his uncle was in business here.

On complaint of his step-father, J. H. Matthews, Carl Cutting was this morning committed to the charge of the state reform school at Salem, and will be taken down in the morning. Carl is a boy of about 14 years, who has proven himself a truant, untruthful, dishonest, incorrigible and vicious, so that his parents find they are unable to control him, and therefore deem it for his future benefit to place him where he will be subject to more strict surveillance.

Just as the first boat whistle tooted forth this morning the horses attached to the laundry delivery wagon came to the conclusion that they were tired of this washee washee all the time and would runny runny for a change, so they lit out on the road leading from the dock. They had, however, calculated without the beautiful muddy roads, and by the time they reached the top of the grade had expended enough steam to run two or three laundries and were ready to quit and "be good."

This afternoon M. T. Nolan received a telegram from Congressman M. A. Moody, dated Washington, December 18th, which says that Tongue has been appointed on the river and harbor committee, and also is chairman of the irrigation of lands. Mr. Moody is a member of the committee on public lands, also mines and mining and expenditures of interior department. Oregon is receiving liberal recognition, which is highly satisfactory to its members.

Passenger train No. 1 won't do to bank on, and is perhaps the most fickle number in the bunch. If you want it to be late, it's early; if you want it to be on time, it's off. So say two of our prominent citizens who intended to take it Saturday but instead got taken in. They hustled into the Umatilla House a short time after it ought to be done, asked no questions but proceeded to wait for No. 1. They chatted about, and to a person up a tree it looked as if the better looking of the two was intending to visit schools in the neighboring district, while the younger and more stylish was about to make a record of proceedings in another section of the county. If the clerk (at the hotel) had any suspicion of the state of affairs he was cute enough to keep mum. Finally about the bewitching hour of 6:30, one of them informed Mr. Fish that they were to be present at lodge exercises at Hood River that evening. Being asked what train they would take, he replied "No. 1." With that peculiar twinkle in his eye, Judd said, "You'll have to wait till tomorrow then. No. 1 left several

hours ago." The door wasn't opened very wide, they managed to get out, and next time will ask the old, old question, "How about No. 1?" Tuesday's Daily.

The facts are, prices are selling our big line of holiday goods for us. Jacobson Book & Music Co.

Winter finds what summer conceals—a larger line of holiday goods than ever at the Jacobson Book & Music Co.

The school in District No. 30, near Dufar, taught by Miss Mabel O'Brien, closed a very successful term last Friday. Though a small school, the pupils contributed \$9 toward the library fund.

The annual election of Wasco lodge No. 15, A. F. & A. M., took place last night, with the following result: M. Z. Donnell, W. M.; Frank Chrisman, S. W.; Victor Marden, J. W.; O. D. Doane, Sec'y; George A. Liebe, Treas.

Brown and Wilson, the desperados who were captured by Deputy Dell Howell a week ago, were arraigned in Justice Bayard's court yesterday afternoon charged with larceny. They waived examination and were bound over in the sum of \$500 each to appear at the February term of court.

Some may feel that it doesn't seem like Christmas is so near at hand, but Sunday school workers are aware of the fact and are busy making preparations.

On Saturday night the Christian Sunday school will have a Christmas chimney. On Monday at 6 o'clock the Episcopalian pupils have a tree, and later in the evening the Methodist and Congregational schools each celebrate with trees; while the Salvation Army will have a tree for the poor.

A bad sidewalk is always a disgrace to the city, and a dangerous one at that; but when the snows of winter cover it to an extent, concealing the pitfalls for pedestrians, it becomes doubly dangerous. Such walks are those on Court street above the bluff.

It would probably be the proper thing today to remark that "now is the winter of our discontent." But most everyone seems to feel that winter has tarried a sufficient time so that we really have no kick coming. Last night was the coldest of the season.

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small boy has hid himself to the small ponds near the city, with kites in hand, and several visitors from the country have come in in sleds, which shows that the snow must be deeper in their districts. It is also much colder than in the city.

From Mrs. R. I. Young, who has just returned from a week's visit at her old home in the Fairfield district, we learn that society is lively in that neighborhood. Having been absent for over a year she greatly enjoyed meeting her old friends. Among other things she attended a farewell party given in honor of Miss Cheadle at the home of W. A. Campbell.

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