

THE WEST SIDE.

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THE PALACE OF ILLUSIONS.—One of the most brilliant and attractive entertainments that ever delighted an audience will appear in Independence on Monday evening, February 9th, and will continue five consecutive evenings. Prof. Chas. Catulle, the French illusionist, is the most remarkable artist in the world, and his marvelous performances have elicited the applause of the most fastidious Parisian, Berlin and London audiences. His performances will be a rare and delightful treat to the people of Independence. The illusions and impersonations will consist in part of the wonderful illusion called the "Angel of the Air" in which scene a beautiful young lady floats horizontally in the air without any apparent means of support. The remarkable feat has excited the wondering comment of thousands. Do not fail to see this wonderful show, for it is unique, weird and attractive. Other scenes (twelve altogether) will follow in rapid succession. Among them we are now enabled to announce the Miraculous Bower, the Secret of Pygmalion, the Roman Mystery, the Three Minded Lady, Roman History, the Spectres, and Living Desecration. In this last scene a man's head is apparently severed from his body, etc. Prof. Catulle is not sufficiently anglicized to be familiar with the English language. He is Parisian from head to heel and the most remarkable magician that was ever educated at the French capital. Do not fail to see his palace of illusions.

TO HOP GROWERS.—Prof. F. L. Washburn, of the Corvallis experiment station, wishes the hop growers of Oregon to answer the following questions in regard to the hop louse, etc. 1st.—Have your hops been affected the past year by hop lice? If so, to what extent, financially, have you suffered? 2d.—Are there cultivated prunes near your hops? What varieties? 3d.—Are there any wild plums, or prune seedlings near your hop field? What is their correct name? 4th.—What is the exact distance of these seedlings (mentioned in No. 3) from your hops? Cuttings are desired from cultivated plums and prunes near hops and from seedlings mentioned in No. 3 and 4 (send the new wood). In every case, give accurately, name of fruit and its distance from hop yard; whether a few yards, rods, a mile, two miles or more. An early reply is desired, and all replies should be in by Feb. 25th, 1891. Address, F. L. Washburn, Entomologist, Experiment Station, Corvallis, Oregon.

A METROPOLITAN APPEARANCE.—From the number of electric wires stretched along our streets this city is beginning to assume something like a metropolitan appearance. The arc and incandescent lights both require separate wires. It requires nine wires from the dynamo to supply the town with electric light, and more will have to be put in as the demand increases. A great number of private residences will be supplied with the beautiful electric light, and then all will be as merry as marriage bells. Just think of it! Only a few years ago we did our reading by the light of a tallow-dip, and then came the sperm candle and after while kerosene took the field, and now the incandescent light comes to chase away the dark shadows of the night.

HYMNICAL NOTES.—By reference to the marriage notices in this paper it will be seen that Rev. J. R. N. Bell had the pleasure of officiating at the recent marriage ceremony of Miss Clow, of Junction City. We also learn that our enterprising ministerial friend lifted the hymnical knot for two other couples during his recent visit to Roseburg, namely: Mr. Rufus Skipton, of Benton county, to Miss Simmons, of Roseburg, and Mr. Murphy, of Baker City, to Miss Jones, of the former city. Our city recorder thinks that Bro. Bell is decidedly too previous in getting in his work so early in the season. The young people around here must come to the recorder's rescue, or he will have to haul in his shingle which bears the proud challenge, "opposition to Bro. Bell in judiciously tying matrimonial knot."

A PLEASANT DANCE.—The social dance given at Dixie last Friday evening was a pleasant and successful affair. A number of young people from Independence and Dallas were in attendance. The dance was one of the largest in numbers (65 tickets sold), and the most polite and courteous in management that has been held in this part of the country for years. Everybody present seemed to enjoy themselves finely, and too much praise can not be said for the Dixie boys in their management of the dance. An elegant supper was served consisting of turkey, chicken, ham, cake, pie, etc., and the music furnished by W. E. Cressy's orchestra was, of course, first-class. The dance continued until a late hour.

THE NEW COUNTY CRAZE.—Petitions are afloat among the people of this state for the organization of several new counties. The people of Wasco want a new county and petitions are in circulation for carving a new county out of old Linn; also a report is going the rounds of the press that Lane county is anxious to be chopped up into several pieces—into another county at least. Well, the people of Polk county are very well satisfied with its present geographical limits, but if there is any sliding to be done old Polk wouldn't mind adding to her territorial domains.

THE WEST SIDE JOB OFFICE.—Public attention is called to the splendid facilities offered in the job printing line by this office. We are prepared to do as cheap work and of as fine a quality as any job office in the valley outside of Portland. Anyone wanting first class work will please give us a call before going elsewhere. We do not hesitate to say we are prepared to do better work than any job office in the county, and at the lowest living prices.

THE TRADERS' CARNIVAL.—On Tuesday evening, February 2d, the brilliant Trades Carnival will be given at the opera house for the benefit of the Independence public schools. The program will consist in recitations, reading and singing. Also forty beautiful young ladies dressed in elegant, unique and brilliant costumes will represent the different business firms of the city. This dashing brigade of beauty, wit and youth will be under the command of Mrs. N. C. McAdams. Miss Nellie Hill will deliver a recitation entitled "The Good District Fathers," and Mrs. Dr. Butler will read a carnival poem. There will also be a representation of a Gypsy camp, composed of twenty characters in costume. Music furnished by Prof. Cressy's orchestra. Admission 50 cents, children 25 cents.

A LARGE IMMERSION.—Last Tuesday afternoon the good Christian people of Monmouth gathered at the river side of the Independence ferry to administer the ordinance of baptism to some fifteen young candidates who had professed religion under the ministrations of Elder J. H. Hughes, who is now holding regular services in that city. The candidates were Misses Lella Parish, Dora and Susie Howell, Ada Bailey, Opal Hall, Mattie Douglas, Sadie Briggs, Martha DeWitt and Miss Hall. Messrs. Frank Boothby, Martin Rexford, Lionel Fisher, Frank Haley, Woody Vance and Elmer, Rexford.

INTERESTING DISCUSSIONS.—A number of our town folks went over to Monmouth last Sunday to hear Rev. J. H. Hughes' discourse on dancing. The sermon was quite forcible, and the speaker made a number of strong arguments from a theological standpoint. The series of lectures delivered by Rev. Dohls in this city last Friday and Saturday evening are highly spoken of by those who attended them. His sermons delivered in the Methodist church on the Sunday following are said to have been quite interesting.

FIRE ALARM.—On Tuesday afternoon the town bell rang out the starting alarm of fire, and at once people began to rush out on the streets and everybody was asking the question "where is the fire?" It was soon located at Mr. R. Shelly's residence, and upon repairing to the spot our reporter ascertained that the alarm was occasioned by a burning fire which had ignited some of the shingles of the roof near the fire. Prompt work by the fire company soon extinguished the fire. No particular damage was done the building.

THE CITY COUNCIL.—At the council meeting last Tuesday evening, Mayor Conaway appointed the following standing committees: On ways and means—Gibson, Merwin, Krenzel; on ordinance—Peutland, Wheeler, Shinn; on finance—Shinn, Wheeler, Krenzel; on streets and public property—Krenzel, Shinn, Gibson; on license—Wheeler, Peutland, Shinn; on fire and water—Merwin, Wheeler, Gibson; on health and police—Krenzel, Merwin, Peutland.

SCHOOL TAXES.—The school tax on the first assessment levy for the new public school building is now due, and in the hands of the school clerk for collection. It is hoped that our citizens will promptly pay the same without causing unnecessary trouble to the school board. The new building is a credit to the community, and it should be the pride of our citizens to assist in lifting the debt whenever legally called upon to do so.

BLACKBOARDS.—Good, solid blackboards are essential to satisfactory work in the school room, but it is quite difficult to secure first-class boards. The new college at Monmouth has fine hard boards, but the old college has poor boards. The blackboards in our new public school are quite soft—too soft for satisfactory work. The directors hope to remedy the defect without much extra cost.

ESTRAY NOTICE.—Estrayed or stolen from the farm of the undersigned two miles south of Monmouth, one strawberry roan horse, about 14 hands high and end of tail clipped. Said horse has been missing about ten days, and anyone giving information in regard to the whereabouts of said animal will be liberally rewarded. L. Lemmon. Jan 30 4t.

ON WHEELS AND MOVING.—The Farmer's Alliance is following the route of Berkeley's "star of empire," and has already established itself at Rock Hill, Linn county, Oregon, with a membership of twenty. This "little cloud no larger than a man's hand" will within a few years burst forth into a political storm all along the Pacific coast.

COME AND SEE.—There is an exhibition at this office several fine photographs of the timber region above Falls City. If anyone has any doubts as to the existence of the timber belt along the Little Luckiamute, or if they wish to get an idea as to its extent, etc., come and see these photographs and be convinced.

ADJUDGED INSANE.—S. C. Ruble, of this county, was examined last Tuesday morning before Judge Waldo, and Drs. Cusick and Rowland, of Salem, for insanity. Young Ruble is 29 years of age and a son of Wm. Ruble, Esq. His insanity is said to have been caused by exposure.

THE FIRE MINSTRELS.—Don't forget the fire minstrel entertainment on the 29th of February. The entire troupe will be composed of local talent, and as the entertainment is gotten up for the benefit of the city fire company it should be well patronized by our citizens.

LOCALS.

John M. Bacon died at Oregon City January 10, 1891. He was one of Oregon's early pioneers, and was postmaster at Oregon City, for the past 20 years. He was grand secretary of the grand lodge of I. O. O. F., of Oregon for the same length of time. Mr. Bacon's son, Grant C. Bacon and wife, (nee Miss Mable Sparks), are graduates of the State Normal school.

I desire to herewith express my sincere thanks to the members of the hook and ladder company for their prompt action in extinguishing what might have been a serious fire at my residence on January 27, 1891. R. Shelly.

Henkle & Walker, having enlarged their store room, are now carrying one of the largest and best stocks of family groceries and glassware in Polk county, and are selling the same as cheap as the cheapest. To be convinced call in and see them.

Mr. J. Burton purchased from J. G. VanOrsdel last week twenty acres of land north of town, paying therefor \$65 per acre. Mr. VanOrsdel paid \$40 per acre for the land about one year ago.

Say, Sam! Where is the best place to buy groceries? Well, John, we buy at J. D. Irvine's. He keeps the best stock of groceries in town and sells cheaper than any man this side of Portland. Cumtux.

Mrs. J. W. Richardson returned home from Spring Valley last Saturday. She has been attending the bed-side of her father, Mr. John Phillips, who is seriously ill, but is feeling some better now.

Remember when in Salem to call in at Strong's restaurant, now Westcott & Irwin, and get a meal not to be excelled on the Pacific coast for 25 cents, at 271 Commercial street.

The funeral and burial services of Mr. Thomas Burch's little child at Dixie last Sunday were largely attended. Rev. D. V. Poling of this city conducted the religious exercises.

Many persons in this vicinity are suffering from the prevailing influenza that is going over the country. Bad colds, neuralgia, sneezing, etc., seem to be the normal complaint.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Wells' dwelling house in Tacoma was burglarized while they were on their recent holiday visit among friends in this city. We have not learned the particulars of the theft.

Workmen have been busy for the last two weeks putting up the poles and stretching the electric wire for the incandescent lights. It will be several days before their work is complete.

Mrs. Belle Ross, of Portland, who has been visiting relatives in this city for the last ten days, returned home on Tuesday afternoon's train of this week.

Say! Where did you get that watch? Why of course I bought it of H. R. Patterson and on the installment plan too—No trouble to own a watch that way.

If you are in need of anything in the clothing line from a red bandanna to a fine wedding suit, go to J. L. Stockton's for he always has them.

Mrs. O. Bagley, of this city, who has been quite ill, we are glad to say is now convalescent, and will be up and around again in a few days.

Mr. B. M. Atkins and his bride returned from their Portland trip last Saturday. Mrs. A. B. Atkins, also returned with them.

BETHEL ITEMS.

J. K. Sears was visiting at Bethel last Friday. Grain is looking well owing to the fine weather. Everybody enjoyed the dance at John Hill's last Friday night. Prof. F. E. Emmett has returned home from a trip to the college at Corvallis last week.

Miss Mary Pike, of Zena, has been visiting the McKee family in this neighborhood. Last Friday evening the Websterian society elected officers, after which there followed some good speaking. Messrs. J. K. Sears and Z. Denny responded to a call for a speech. Mr. Sears addressing his remarks to the young people, and Mr. Denny dilating on the importance of Bethel as an educational center.

Henry Woods will get through logging at the Helmick bridge this week. The weather perfectly beautiful and most of the farmers are busily engaged plowing for spring grain. Dr. Parrish, of Monmouth, has been noticed in this vicinity quite frequently of late.

Miss Emma Mulvaney, who has been stopping with the family of W. E. Dalton, will leave for her home in Benton county this week. Marshall Suver and W. E. Dalton have each built them a large hen house. It appears that they are running opposition in the poultry business.

W. E. Dalton, who has been confined to his bed for the past ten days with an abscess on his hip, is slowly recovering under the care of Drs. Lee & Butler. Quite a number of the farmers are talking of putting in large gardens to furnish the Independence cannery with vegetables next fall, provided the cannery is a sure thing.

Wm. Steele has succeeded in purchasing a body of timber from Mr. Tetherow on the Luckiamute, and will commence logging it off this week. It is reported that Messrs. Foster and Martin are to get the logs. The coyotes have been doing a good deal of damage to sheep near Walls station lately, and a lively crowd of men went after them with about fifteen or twenty hounds. They expect to continue the chase for at least three days.

Mr. James Wheeler on examining his fruit trees a few days ago, found that a great number of the trees were badly damaged by what he calls borers. Some of the trees were killed outright. Mr. Wheeler at once examined some of his neighbors trees and found them the same, only not so bad. He manured his trees heavily with barn manure and thinks this is the cause of his orchard being in such a depilated condition.

Miss Nellie Harris returned home Saturday from a months visit in Roseburg. Several of our young people attended the dancing club at Independence last Saturday. Mr. Ira Miller, of Independence, was visiting among his friends a few days last week.

Mr. Columbus Tetherow is carrying his hand in a sling on the account of a badly mashed finger. Mr. I. M. Simpson is improving the looks of his farm by repairing his fences and having a slashing done. Mr. John Hillbrand contemplates a trip to Tacoma in a few weeks. He expects to remain there for some time.

Mr. Muscot has rented J. F. Groves farm and is now plowing preparatory to setting out a large hop yard next spring. The railroad bridge across the Luckiamute is being rapidly repaired, and is now safe. It is surprising that it stood so long as it did.

The farmers are very busy plowing, and sowing grain. If the weather permits them one month more good weather they will have very little plowing to do in the spring. The mumps have been raging in our vicinity for some time. Mr. B. W. Harris was the first victim, but he has recovered and out of danger. It is reported that Mr. W. E. Dalton's family are down with the dreaded disease.

Last Thursday Mr. Lee Barnard met with a very painful accident. He was riding on a hand-car and his foot slipped and was caught in a cog wheel which nearly cut off his big toe. We are glad to note he is doing as well as could be expected.

HAVE YOU FORGOT IT?—A brilliant Masquerade ball is to be given at the opera house on Friday evening Feb. 9th. Tickets \$1 each, spectators 50 cents. FOR SALE.—Hay, seed oats and wood for sale one mile south of Independence. Maple, ash and two foot oak grub wood will be delivered on short notice. Apply to L. M. Sloper. Jan 30 4t.

NOTICE.—All persons indebted to Cooper Bros. will call at the First National bank and settle within ten days from the date of this notice. All amounts unsettled at that date will be placed in the hands of a collector. Jan 30 2t. COOPER BROS.

A GOOD SET OF RESOLUTIONS.

Passed by the State Chamber of Commerce at Salem, January 15, 1901. ON THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE WILLAMETTE RIVER. WHEREAS, The unobstructed navigation of the Willamette river, from Portland to Corvallis, will not only prove a great commercial convenience to the people of the Willamette valley, but will result in the material reduction during the months of July, August and September; and

WHEREAS, The bars in the said Willamette river, to-wit: one just below Salem, the capital of the state; one near Wheatland, one near Independence, the so-called Half-moon bend, between Albany and Corvallis, and the Clackamas rapids are the only obstructions now preventing the free navigation of the Willamette river from Portland to Corvallis; and

WHEREAS, These bars and obstructions being susceptible of permanent improvement and the free and unobstructed navigation of the Willamette river being the key which regulates all freight charges in the middle and upper Willamette valley during the summer season; therefore be it

Resolved, That our Senators and Representatives in congress are hereby urged to use their earnest endeavors to secure the immediate examination of these bars by a government engineer, to the end that an intelligent and correct estimate of the cost of their improvement may be made.

Resolved, That believing as we do, that the assistance asked for in this regard will result in material and permanent advantage to the producers and shippers of the Willamette valley, we therefore urge upon our Senators and Representatives in Congress to demand immediate attention to this matter and that they ask for such assistance as will secure the result desired.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board be instructed to forward, without delay, a copy of these Resolutions and Resolutions to each of the Senators and the Representative in Congress from this State.

NATIONAL BANKRUPTCY LAW. Resolved, That in this sense of this Board that a National Bankruptcy Law should be enacted, and we respectfully request the Senators and Representative in Congress from the State of Oregon to give their support to the bill pending in Congress known as the "Torry Bankruptcy Bill."

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF IT? In view of the fact that at the present time in almost every civilized country in the world there are political agitations, both between countries and individuals of the same country, where subjects complain of their rulers and rulers complain of their subjects, and thrones seem to be tottering, and governments seem to be preparing for bloody wars with each other, not as much to destroy one another as to call attention away from home and thereby prevent insurrections, disruptions and the downfall of their own governments; and, in view of the further fact that hundreds and thousands of mal-contented are leaving countries where they have jeopardized their safety, are pouring into this country, bringing with them the political doctrines for the promulgation of which they had to leave their own country—it may be well to call attention to our country here and remind ourselves of the true character and purpose of the government under which we live.

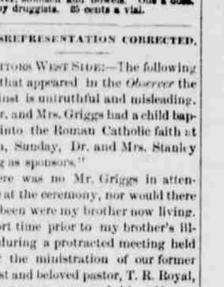
The principles and conditions on which this government was organized as a civil society, are set forth in our federal and state constitutions. These must be regarded as fundamental. All statutory laws must conform to them if we have the rights of man well protected, according to these constitutions are solemn covenants or contracts made by the people, one with another, through representatives or agents appointed by themselves to do their work. The people being the principals and the representatives their agents. In order to determine whether this or that particular enactment by legislative bodies, be in accordance with the constitution of any particular state, or the federal government, the people directly or indirectly select men supposed to be learned in the law, to form supreme courts to determine the question; and all executive officers are directly or indirectly under the control of the majority of the people. Hence the necessity for the people, all the people, being intelligent and virtuous. Intelligence without virtue is a power for evil, while virtue without intelligence is sure to be misled. This government of ours cannot be carried on, according to the original intent, without intelligence, no more can it be done without virtue, honesty, honor and a high sense of justice and fairness. No one will deny but at this time the spirit of communism and anarchy is abroad in the land. It exists both openly and hiddenly, and is founded in, and really forms the foundation of many of the societies, unions, confederations and the like, now so numerous, with a tendency to multiply. The members of these organizations repudiate the doctrines of communism in theory, and yet every intelligent and close observer acquainted with human nature and able to draw legitimate conclusions from given premises may plainly see that while they repudiate the theory, they are actually cherishing, unconsciously it may be, the doctrine in practice. Let this be continued and sooner or later the practice will overcome the theory, and we will have the thing in all its hideous deformity.

What then is the remedy, or rather the preventive? We need to have a sound state of morals, conjoined with the spread of true intelligence, that the two blended together may inspire our public servants with a devotion to the peoples interests, and to the perpetuation of our form of government in all its grandeur and purity. It is said, and we suppose, truly said, our country is now prosperous, but we should remember that material prosperity, if tending to moral degeneracy, is a curse, and unless our moral improvement keep pace with our commercial prosperity, degeneracy will be sure to ensue. It therefore becomes necessary that extra attention be given to the culture of sound morals, and a more faithful adherence to the principles of constitutional liberty.



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