

Personal and Local.

A. L. Vinyard, of Canby was in the city Monday. Mat Smith, of this city visited the state capital the fore part of the week. G. B. Dimick, who has been suffering from an attack of the grip, is improving. Many Oregon City people are taking in the Irish fair at Portland this week. E. A. Brady will ship 200 sacks of fine Oregon Burbank potatoes to Frisco next week. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Clark spent Sunday last with Mrs. Clark's mother at Mt. Tabor. Mrs. Richard Davis is prostrated over the news of the death of her husband in Alaska. Miss Sadie Seavers, of Portland, spent her birthday, Friday, with her parents, at Gladstone. Genevieve, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Harding, is very sick with typhoid fever. John W. Loder, one of the leading attorneys of this city, spent several days in Salem during the week. H. Hart left Wednesday evening for Washington, where he has a logging contract, on the Cowlitz river. Al Reynolds, a well known citizen of Mackburg, was in the city on business the fore part of the week. W. L. Snidow and A. C. Tower left yesterday for Pendleton, where they go to work on a building contract. Joseph Reid, of this county, has gone to Prescott, Washington, where he thinks some of permanently locating. T. F. Fisher, formerly a merchant of Oregon City, but now doing business in McMinnville, was in this city Monday. Joseph Wilson sold two fat cows to dealers in this city this week for \$71.00; and that, too, under the gold standard. John Ecklund, a Portland business man visited Oregon City yesterday in the interests of Court Scandia, F. of A. Drs. Carl & Somers performed a surgical operation for Mrs. Jacob Koler, of Sellwood, formerly of Oregon City. L. L. May, of Rockwood, was in the city Tuesday on his return home from a visit with his father, W. W. May, of Carus. Chas. Albright, the butcher, recently purchased over \$700 worth of stall-fed cattle from Coolidge & McLean, of Silverton. Miss Maud Ward, of Halsey, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. E. L. Ross, of this city returned to her home Wednesday. A. E. Newcomb, of Grass Valley, son-in-law of T. A. Bacon, of this city, has been visiting relatives in this city and Logan. Mrs. Walker, wife of A. Walker, the painter, slipped and broke her arm Sunday. The fracture, although painful, is not serious. Luke Comer, who fell down stairs and broke his leg some time ago, may not recover on account of his age and the exposure he sustained. Peter McIntyre, in the employ of the Oregon City Mfg. Co. is doing business in Salt Lake City, Utah, requiring his absence for several weeks. It pays Albright, the city butcher, to buy only choice stock for his trade; it will pay you to buy your meat of Albright, the city butcher. The friends and relatives of Mary Purcell, of Gladstone, extend their thanks to those who so kindly assisted her in her recent illness. J. R. Marks was in the city Tuesday. He was on his way to Oawego to load two cars with potatoes for shipment to Texas by W. S. Horst & Co., of Aurora. A family reunion was held the first of the week at the residence of Clarence Porter's in Gladstone. Mr. Porter will return to Skagway within the next few days. Mrs. Sarah Gilmore, of St. Helens, who has been visiting her daughters here, Mrs. Geo. T. Howard and Mrs. Seward Rasmussen, returned home Sunday. She was accompanied by Mrs. Howard. W. W. Jesse, of Barlow, was in the city Monday. Mr. Jesse reports everything in good shape at Barlow. He is arranging to plant several acres on onions in the spring. E. McMichael, of Portland and Willard Newton, of Wilhoit, were in the city yesterday. Mr. Newton is a member of the firm of Newton Bros., manufacturers of Newton's gum, San Francisco, and is staying at Wilhoit for his health. Last week some cruel person poisoned a dog belonging to the Chinese tailor. The case is being investigated by the Humane society and any information in regard to the matter will be thankfully received. The cowardly act of torturing a dog with poison is a crime that should not be encouraged in a civilized community. Miss Birdie Walker, foster-daughter of Mrs. J. W. Norris, left on the overland Monday evening for San Francisco where she goes to become the bride of Ernest Harrington, formerly of Ely. The wedding was to take place at the home of Mrs. Norris' daughter, Mrs. D. D. Shindler. Mr. Harrington has a superintendency in the woolen mills at San Jose. Full particulars of the wedding next week.

The Rev. P. K. Hammond of St. Paul's Episcopal Church will preach next Sunday morning on the topic "Is God Real?" In the evening on "Peace." The congregation is steadily increasing from Sunday to Sunday. All seats are free and a cordial invitation and welcome is given to all. Christian Science services are held in Willamette Hall every Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. Subject for Sunday, Jan., 29th, "Spirit." "Sunday School at 12:10. A cordial invitation is extended to all who desire to attend these meetings. Capt. T. F. Cowing of this city called on G. B. Ward and wife of Alexandria and Geo. H. Reynolds and wife, of St. Cloud, Minn., at Portland Tuesday. Mr. Ward is cashier of the First National Bank at Alexandria and Mr. Reynolds is an attorney for the Great Northern. The latter is a brother-in-law of Mr. Cowing's. The party is visiting the coast for recreation and pleasure. Absolutely pure is the claim made in every advertisement of the Royal Baking powder and absolutely pure is the verdict of every housekeeper in the land using the Royal. It is the standard among baking powders, worth the price sold at, because of its purity, healthful bread-making qualities and the strength that makes a small quantity go a long way. No trouble about delicious biscuit and pastry when the Royal is used. Miss Gwendolen Overton has contributed an entertaining story to the Argonaut of January 23d entitled "A Conyer's Zeal": The story of a Mexican Maiden's Fruitless Love. Lolita, the Mexican maiden, who is a Roman Catholic, falls in love with a Protestant, a proselyte in the hope of winning him. She discovers, that he loves another and after a pathetic interview she again reverts to her own religion. A sensational bill is in preparation by Fordney, populist, of Wallowa. It is to the effect that a man wishing to be married must go before a notary public with witnesses and swear he has not smoked a cigarette for three years previous. Mr. Fordney claims that unless some such measure is taken the entire American people will soon be annihilated through the evil influence of the deadly cigarette. He is considering extending the bill so as to exclude consumptives and victims of other hereditary diseases. TWO SOUVENIRS.—J. A. Price, of this city, has received a silver mounted cane and a coin pin from G. W. Mills, an Oregon volunteer now at Manila. The cane is a beauty and bears the following inscription: W. A. Mills to J. A. Price, Manila, Aug. 13, 1898. The pin is made from four Spanish coins, bearing date of 1800, 1801, 1802 and 1803. THE MODERN WOODMEN.—Deputy J. R. Hughes and about forty members of Oregon Fir Camp, of Portland, visited Oregon City Camp No. 5666, last Tuesday evening. It is needless to say that there was a lively session of the home camp or that the two candidates who were initiated got the full benefit of the occasion. Neighbor Hughes was prevailed upon to give a lecture on behalf of the order on the second Tuesday evening in February to which all are invited. LARGE COTTONWOOD CONTRACT.—Arthur Clift, of Stone, closed a contract with the Willamette Pulp & Paper Company this week, to furnish it 20,000 young cotton wood trees. These saplings will be pulled from a low bottom along the Clackamas river, and will be transplanted at different points along the Upper Willamette, where the large cottonwoods were cut and used for the manufacture of white paper. Mr. Clift will get \$4.50 per 1000 for pulling and delivering the trees. Howard's Hill. The meeting held in the county court-room Monday evening to consider the proposition of competing the road leading to the Molalla section was attended by a large number of representative men, together with delegations from Carus and Molalla. The meeting was called to order by H. E. Cross, and T. L. Charman was installed as secretary. President Cross stated the object of the meeting and had communications from Molalla and Carus citizens read. The result of the meeting was a better understanding between the parties interested and prospects of securing a good grade and help from Oregon City in building the road. The following committee was appointed to examine further into the matter and co-operate with the country people in the matter: E. G. Catfield, C. O. T. Williams, C. H. Dye, H. H. Johnson. Bernhard Walther, solo violinist, Madame Walther, English balladist, Fraulein Laura Eschleman, solo pianist, and Harry W. Fay, humorist, will give a concert at Shively's opera house Monday evening, January 30, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society, of the Congregational church. General admission 35 cents; reserved seats 50 cents.

BETTER THAN EVER. The Coming Chautauqua Association is Securing Splendid Talent. The Willamette Valley Chautauqua managers have been at work during the winter and with the aid of the Ashland assembly and the two in California, one at Pacific Grove and the other at Long Beach, have succeeded in booking Sam Jones, J. DeWitt Miller, Frank Beard and Camden Coburn, the latter who is filling the pulpit recently vacated by Robert McIntyre the great Denver preacher. This is the strongest array of talent ever procured by the coast assemblies this early in the lecture year. The Chautauqua management are hard at work on the many features of their varied program which takes months to elaborate and work out. The assembly held at Gladstone each year is one of the strongest in the United States except the old Chautauqua at the lake by that name in New York state, where the daily attendance is numbered by the thousands. Everybody knows Sam Jones, but J. DeWitt Miller has had more calls from the same assemblies than any man on the lecture platform today, he has been to some of the assemblies ten different years, he has been recalled to the old Chautauqua eight different times. Frank Beard, the cartoonist of Puck and Judge, is inimitable in his "Chalk Talks" and Rev. Camden Coburn comes with a well sustained reputation. The dates for the Gladstone assembly have been fixed at July 18 to July 25 inclusive, Sam Jones will lecture on the two first days of the assembly July 18th and 19th. The Willamette Valley Chautauqua people believe in making the opening day a big one and with Sam Jones, that is assured. The Southern Pacific Railroad Company have signified a willingness to run excursion trains on the great days of the assembly this year giving those who cannot be in attendance all of the time or camp on the grounds an opportunity to hear the greatest living lecturers at a nominal cost. These trains will run doubtless as far south as Eugene. The number of letters received from persons seeking engagements with the Chautauqua is surprising. Few persons realize the amount of advertising that Oregon gets through her two assemblies, the one at Gladstone Park and the other at Ashland. The managers of the Gladstone assembly claim from a comparison with the catalogues of all others in the United States that they give more instruction, more entertainment and more amusement for the price charged than any of them, this means the lowest charge for admission for the work done of any assembly in the world. Those who paid \$1.00 to hear Talmadge at Portland last fall will appreciate this when if he had been at Gladstone park the charge would have been 25 cents admission with a whole days instruction and entertainment besides; while the holder of a share of stock or a season ticket would have reduced this amount considerably. The managers are planning a far greater assembly than ever and expect an average daily attendance of five thousand people, brought together from all over the Pacific Northwest. In Older Times. People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently overcome habitual constipation, well-informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system. Buy the genuine, made by the California Fig Syrup Co. Oregon City Market Report. (Corrected weekly.) Wheat—No. 1 merchantable, 54 cents per bushel. Flour—Portland, \$3.45; Howard's Best, \$3.45; Fisher's Best, \$3.45; Dayton; \$3.70; Peacock, \$3.80. Oats—in sks, white, 40 cents per bushel, gray, 40. Millstuffs—Bran, \$17.00 per ton shorts, \$18.00 per ton. Potatoes—60 to 70 cents per sack. Eggs, 25 cents per dozen. Butter—Ranch, 35 to 50 cents per roll. Onions, 90c. per sack. Green apples, 35 to 50 per box. Dried Fruits—Apples, unbleached, 3 cents; 50-pound boxes, evaporated, 6c. prunes, 2 to 4 cents; plums, 2 to 4c. Bacon—Hams, 8 1/2 to 8 3/4 cents; sides 8 to 8 1/2; shoulders, 7 to 8; lard 8 to 9. Livestock and Dressed Meats—Beef, live, 3 1/2 to 3 3/4c; hogs, live 4c; hogs dressed, 5 to 5 1/2c; sheep, 3 1/2 to \$4.00 per head; lambs \$1.75 to \$2.50; veal, dressed 7 to 7 1/2c. Poultry—Chickens, old \$3.00; turkeys, alive, 12 cents per pound. CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of

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