

LOCAL LORE.

(Advertisements in this column charged for at the rate of 15 cents per line.)

—Miss Eva Day entertained a number of friends at a St. Patrick's party, Tuesday evening. About twenty-five were present.

—The First Spiritual Union of Corvallis, will hold services at the Barrett Lyceum on Sunday at 3 p. m. All friends cordially invited.

—Services will be held this week by the pastor at the M. E. church, South, and will likely continue throughout next week. Services morning and evening tomorrow.

—W. F. Keady has filed his bond as administrator of the estate of James A. Cauthorn. The amount is \$2,000 and the sureties are Chester V. Dolph and Richard Nixon.

—Rev. J. B. Holmes, the State evangelist for the Christian church will occupy the pulpit in the Christian church tomorrow, both morning and evening. Rev. Holmes is an able man and all ought to hear him.

—New deeds filed for record are Oscar Healey to Harriet Healey, two lots in block two county addition, \$1. Marion F. Wood and wife to Anna Bethers, west half of lots seven, eight and nine in block 22 county addition \$10.

—Oscar Star, a relative of Mrs. Hurt, came up from Portland a short time ago to reside in Corvallis, and on Wednesday, accepted a position with Sheasgreen & Buxton of the Central Planing Mill & Box Factory. Mr. Star is an all round wood-worker.

—Mrs. L. A. Dennick, formerly a resident of Corvallis, but whose home is now at South Beach, Yquilla Bay, is here on a visit to friends. She is a guest at the Herbert home. Mrs. Dennick's son, Logan, is employed at the South Beach life-aving station.

—Albany Democrat:—The Democrat has received a communication from Benton county about a young man there whom it is declared is not wanted with his brass knuckles, sandbags and pistols, but the article is too personal for publication and is omitted.

—A family of nine persons passed through Corvallis Thursday on their way to Philomath. The head of the family is W. H. Cheley, and they are from Seattle, whither they went from the East a year ago. Mr. Cheley expects to remain in Benton and purchase a farm when he becomes somewhat acquainted with this section.

—A surety bond, the figures of which are so large as to make the ordinary citizen dizzy, has been filed at the clerk's office. The amount is \$88,000. The instrument is the bond of Caroline Hayes administratrix of the estate of James Hayes. The sureties are, John W. Hayes, Clyde Hayes, John Rickard, N. B. Avery, Hugh Herron, P. Avery, S. B. Bane, Mrs. E. W. Phillips, Mrs. Eliza Hayes, Mrs. Ann Smith and Mrs. Ollie Bell.

—Assessor Bush was in town Thursday. He is assessing in Wrenn and Kings Valley precincts, having completed his work at Summit. In the former precincts he is assessing tillable land at \$15 to \$20 per acre or at about twice its former valuation. "Taxpayers so far," said Mr. Bush, "have not as I assessed them, made any complaint in the increase in the valuation. They say it is a corresponding advance made in the valuation of all property that it will be satisfactory to them."

—The editor of the Times, published at Paulina, Iowa, has been driven to desperation by the town gossip, and he rejoins thus:—"We have been reminded by a claimant to God's kingdom that the Times is not fit to take into a Christian home. We don't want the mucklehead to worry about the paper or the editor, who he says, 'is working for the devil.' The editor has a charter from the state to act as a punching bag for everything in the community. The paper will be printed somehow and stand up for the churches, stand up for the office seeker, lie about your pigeon-toed daughter's 'swell wedding,' blow about your dance of a son when he gets a \$4-a-week-job, weep over your shriveled soul when it is released from your stony body, and smile at your giddy wife's second marriage. The Times and its editor will get along. The Lord only knows how—but they will get there somehow."

—At the City Stables may be seen a number of likely young horses which belong to various individuals in the county. They are in charge of Austin Lafferty who is breaking and handling them with a view of determining their capabilities. Mr. Lafferty has had much experience in this class of work, having before coming to Oregon, handled and raced a number of quite noted trotters. He has in charge now Robert E. owned by Robert Huston. As a two-year-old this animal won the breeder's stake at the State Fair. A full sister, Helen H., is a three-year old in charge of Mr. Lafferty, who is breaking her to harness this spring. Dick Kiger is also having handled, Coral Lane, a three-year old filly by Coeur d'Alene. Among the animals in charge of Mr. Lafferty is a three-year old pacer owned by Fred Buchanan. Her sire is Sunrise 2:19 1/2 and her dam has a mark of 2:25. There are also two young roadsters, one of which is owned by Thomas Callahan and the other by Mr. Lafferty himself. Interested persons may call any time and see the animals.

—Miss Louise Weber left Wednesday for a visit of several months with her sister Mrs. Irish, in Michigan.

—Misses Mildred and Ethel Lovill entertained a number of friends at a St. Patrick's party Tuesday evening.

—A. F. Peterson is in Gilliam county, where he went to be present at the opening of bids for certain extensive improvements in the building line.

—Nolan and Callahan have just installed two new plate glass counters and show cases combined, in which are glass shelves. The frames are of polished oak, each eight feet long and 40 inches high. Their cost was \$175. They constitute a valuable and attractive addition to the store.

—G. F. Garshwiler, who arrived in Corvallis from Indiana about a year ago, left yesterday with his family for Medford, looking for a location. The move from the East was made on account of ill health in the family, and the new change is for the same reason. Mr. Garshwiler and all of the family liked Benton but removal to another climate seemed necessary for reasons of health.

—J. Wraga, the merchant tailor, who has been in Corvallis five or six years, has disposed of his business, and in a few days will take his departure for Portland, where he expects to reside in the future. A. E. Wilkins, a Portland tailor, is the purchaser, and takes possession next Wednesday. Mr. Wilkins has also bought much of Mr. Wraga's household goods and is to occupy the Griff residence on Sixth & Washington streets, the house in which Mr. Wraga has lived for sometime.

—There was something of a family reunion at the home of Bryant Young, Thursday, when three absent members of the family returned. Wiley and Miles, sons, returned from Stockton, Calif. The former has been employed there as a carriage painter during the past two years, while the latter had been away only a short time. Wiley had been away from home nearly six years. Mrs. J. H. Reid, a daughter, came from San Francisco, where her husband is engaged in building.

—Corvallis is to have an Interstate oratorical contest. It happens in the College Army within a few weeks. It is the Pacific Coast contest of the College Y. M. C. A. organizations, the state contest of which occurs at Dallas, April 6. The winner of the state contest in the various states of the Coast are to hold a final contest at OAC for selection of a representative to send East to take part in a national contest.

—Application was made Thursday to Chief Alexander for relief to raise the quarantine at the home of J. W. Crawford, where the 11-1/2 son of Mr. Blackburn has been a sufferer with scarlet fever for the past 10 or 12 days. The matter was referred by the chief to Dr. Farra, physician in the case, and by him the application was denied. Dr. Farra said that the last, though the rash was all drying up, still had fever and that for the present, raising of the quarantine would be unsafe. It is expected that conditions will change in a day or two.

—Sheasgreen & Buxton are constructing for D. C. Rose & Son a combined glass counter and case. Its dimensions are, length 12 feet, height 45 inches, and width 26 inches. The top, sides and ends are of glass, and the frame is of oak. It is a two-story structure the lower portion being for ordinary display of goods, while the upper part is for the cigar display. The top is fitted with glass doors which open in pairs. The completion of such work as this in Corvallis is a source of pride to our citizens, and then manufacturers ought to receive due encouragement.

—Horsing Bros. have about completed for J. R. Smith & Co., a plumber's wagon, to be run in transporting the tools and material used in the plumbing branch of their business. It is to be drawn by a single horse. The box is seven feet long, 42 inches wide, 26 inches deep, and has a railing. At the rear it rests on platform springs and a cranked axle, and is connected with the front axle by an extensive "goose neck," on which rests a spring seat. It looks to be a very durable vehicle and cost about \$100.

—Thursday there was unloaded at the Central Planing Mills 5000 feet of oak logs which the C. & E. brought in from Blodgett. This timber is to be worked up into shives for carrying the cable of the Albina ferryboat. The ferryboat company advertised a short time ago for bids for making a large number of these shives, and Sheasgreen & Buxton secured the contract. These articles are grooved wheels for pulleys. Those under contract by the Corvallis factory are to be 16 to 20 inches in diameter and seven inches across the face or edge. The contract amounts to \$500.

—George Fawcett, of Portland, has removed with his family to the home of his son, Thomas Fawcett, owner of the Bryson farm near Dusty. He passed through town en route there Tuesday. Years ago, Mr. Fawcett was mail agent on the Westside. That was in the days when the late G. M. Stroud and A. K. Colburn were conductors, and Al. Hussey was the other mail agent. The three latter are all dead now. Mr. Hussey being the last of the trio to go to his account. Thirteen years ago, Mr. Fawcett retired from the mail service and was for a long time in the internal revenue service, and latterly an employe of the municipal department at Portland. The latter position was given up on account of ill health in the family.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Flame Caught the Little Girl's Clothing While her Mother was Absent.

A little girl enveloped in her flaming clothing, rushing from the farm house door screaming as she fled across the lot was a terrible scene at the Cooper place a mile north of Corvallis late Wednesday afternoon. It's melancholy sequel was, a hearse, with the whitecasket and the flowers inside, slowly journeying to the Odd Fellows cemetery Thursday afternoon.

The child was little Grace Cooper six-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cooper who came to Corvallis from Oklahoma a year ago and settled on a small farm, purchased of Joseph Bryant in the northwest corner of the Eglin place. Twenty minutes or half an hour before, her mother left the house and went to the Westside crossing to mail a letter. Remaining at the home were Grace, her brother, aged four and the baby boy, aged two and a half years.

After posting her letter the mother stopped in at the house of a neighbor for a moment, and then started home. As she approached, little Grace came running out of the door of the house with flames enveloping her entire person. The sight was awful, and the mother sped to the rescue. She reached the child and with her own garments began an attempt to smother the flames. A few moments later, Mr. Griggs, a neighbor, who had seen the burning child, arrived with a horse blanket and by the efforts of the two, the flames were quickly extinguished.

The assistance for the poor victim came, however, behind time. The burns sustained were too much for the vitality of the young life. Almost every portion of the little body was involved in fiery burns. Only a portion of the abdomen escaped the pitiless flames. The whole back, the neck, the arms the lower limbs and even one hand as far as the little finger were scorched and in some instances actually baked. The skin rolled up and broke in many places.

The little victim was carried into the house, and physicians were summoned by telephone. Within 25 minutes Dr. Rowley arrived, and he was followed shortly afterward by Dr. Farra. The child was in horrible agony, and to alleviate her pain, opiates were administered. She was terribly thirsty and called almost constantly for water.

In spite of the treatment applied by the medical men, the little victim grew constantly worse. A pack of soda and linseed oil was placed on the scorched and scarred body, but the suffering was so great that, when the physicians arrived for a second visit shortly after six o'clock it had become separated from the burned parts. It was again applied and sewed in place, where it remained until a merciful death ended the suffering of the little one at 10:20 o'clock.

Nothing is known concerning how the clothing caught fire, beyond the childish statement of the little four-year-old. He says his sister stood for a moment on the stove, and that in moving she pushed the teakettle from over the opening in the top, and through the aperture the flames appeared and touched the sister's dress.

The funeral occurred from Wilkin's undertaking parlors at three o'clock Thursday afternoon. The interment was in Odd Fellow's cemetery. Little Grace was a pupil in Miss Kern's room at the public schools. The grade was dismissed and children and teacher attended the funeral. The little victim was a bright child, and her terrible death has occasioned many an expression of regret, and of sympathy for the bereaved family.

For Sale.

A span of young draught horses. Weight 2700 lbs. At my ranch six miles west of Philomath on Alsea road, B. G. Pugsley.

Call for Warrants.

Notice is hereby given that there is money on hand at the county treasurers office to pay all orders endorsed and marked not paid for want of funds up to and including those of March 15th 1903. Interest will be stopped on same from this date.

Dated Corvallis, Mar. 15th, 1903.
W. A. Buchanan,
Treasurer of Benton County, Oregon.

For Sale.

A choice lot of Scotch Collie pups at \$5 each.

Spencer Eicknell,
Corvallis.

Live Poultry Wanted.

Highest market price paid for chickens, turkeys, geese and ducks.

Hodes' Grocery.

UP AGAINST IT NOW.

School Board Hasn't Room for It's Pupils—Proposing New Building.

The school board and the people of Corvallis are confronted with an old problem. There are more school children in this town than facilities in the way of buildings for their accommodation. Mr. Hout of the school board said yesterday: "We haven't room for the pupils we now have. We are crowding fifty and sixty children into rooms built to accommodate only 35 and 40 pupils. We have had use of the old Evangelical church building for the primary grade, but the chances are that it will not be available hereafter. Besides, it is not fitted for school purposes. We need at least three additional rooms at the present time, and we are going to ask the people of the district to make provision for them."

In June, the matter will be submitted to a vote. It is probable that an issue of bonds will be asked for. The plans have not yet been perfected, but the board is working every day on them. The district owns a block of land near the Southern Pacific station. A building could be erected there, if the people desired it. That would probably make the erection of an additional building in the northern part of town, necessary. The latter would make the purchase of land necessary, and with two buildings, involve a considerable outlay. Still this is one plan the board is considering. There is talk also of building an addition to the present edifice.

The new school law provides for the regular annual election in June. By that time the board will have several plans to submit, and the people be given opportunity by popular vote to select one or reject them all. At the present time, including the measles contingent, the school has 460 pupils.

A Washington dispatch says: "The secretary of the interior has mailed to John D. Daly, recently appointed surveyor-general for Oregon, his bond in blank, with the request that the same be filled out and returned immediately. As soon as the bond is approved, Daly will be instructed by wire to take charge of the office, relieving Meldrum."

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New patterns and colorings are arriving daily and we have an excellent representation of the season's wanted kinds. Wash Silks, the best qualities in the newest and most popular styles. Checks and stripes in all colors, also plain white and black, at 50c. per yard. Black Peau de Soie and Tullefas at 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 per yard.

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Barred Plymouth Rock and Brown Leghorn eggs from thoroughbred chickens, good as can be had. Price fifty cents per dozen.
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