

LOCAL LORE.

For advertisements in this column the rate of 15 cents per line will be charged.

—Norris & Rowe's circus is to be in Corvallis May 10th.

—Independence is to send a carload of delegates in their own coach to the Development League convention to occur in Portland next Tuesday and Wednesday.

—Mrs. T. C. Case returned to her home in Albany Thursday morning after a week's visit with Corvallis friends.

—There will be Easter services at the Catholic church tomorrow. Mass at 10:30, and vespers at 7:30 p. m. All are cordially invited.

—Judge McFadden has purchased the Roland Fisher farm four or five miles west of Corvallis. The place comprises 256 acres. The price was \$1,070 plus a mortgage held by the state.

—The third trial of Nan Patterson for the alleged murder of Caesar Young is on in New York. The first trial cost \$22,000, the second, \$18,000 and the present one is estimated in advance to cost \$42,000. The jury at the second trial stood six to six. With six voting then for her acquittal, how could a court or jury at the present or any future trial be satisfied with a conviction? Would not the opinion of the six men voting for her innocence in the second trial be a terrible account to reckon with, in case of her conviction and execution?

—The city of Eugene is considering the advisability of acquiring and operating her own light and water systems, and is asking neighboring towns and cities for information on the subject. A letter of inquiry addressed to Corvallis officials inquires if the town owns light or water plant, what the expense of maintenance is and what the income, and along with many other questions, whether or not public ownership of public utilities is deemed advisable.

—Suits have been brought in the county court for collection of \$111 from L. H. McMahon and Sing On. The latter were partners in the hop yard on Kiger Island. One is a Salem lawyer and the other a Corvallis chinaman. The two engaged as partners in the hop yard, and in that capacity, on the 26th day of last April, purchased 696 pounds of hop twine of a Salem firm. The claim with interest, aggregates \$111, and for this amount judgment is asked by plaintiff.

—Easter Sunday will be observed at the Christian church as follows: Sunrise prayer meeting at 6 a. m., conducted by the Y. P. S. C. E. Decision day will be observed and a special sermon will be preached to the children at 11 a. m., subject, "Christ the Good Shepherd." Illustrated. A special Easter sermon will be preached at 8 p. m. Subject "The Great Truth and the Great Lie." Special Easter music will be rendered by the choir at both these services. The choir is now under direction of Mr. Hughes of the college, who is an experienced chorus leader and by whose help they are doing splendid work. Frank E. Jones, pastor.

—W. N. Fortner, a hydraulic engineer of Portland arrived Thursday and has been in consultation with the local council committee with reference to a preliminary survey for the proposed mountain water system. Yesterday, in company with several members of the water committee, he went out to Rock Creek, to look over the ground with a view of making an offer of a figure at which he would supply a survey and estimates. Mr. Fortner is recommended as a hydraulic engineer of much experience and first class ability. He recently completed survey and plans for a gravity system at Grays Harbor which is to supply four towns and is to cost more than \$300,000. It is understood that other engineers are expected in Corvallis on an errand similar to that of Mr. Fortner.

—A good opportunity to buy buggies, driving horses, saddle horses, carriages and other things at public auction occurs next Wednesday forenoon, when everything in the Fruit & Waggoner livery stable goes under the hammer. An enumeration of most of the items to be sold appears in an advertisement in another column. The sale will be without reserve, the auctioneer having orders to knock everything down to legitimate bidders regardless of the figure. Fruit & Waggoner are selling out because their lease of the brick stable is expiring, and the work of converting that structure into a big store building with plate glass front and other modern conveniences is shortly to begin. The sale occurs at 10 o'clock next Wednesday.

—Wool is quoted by local dealers at 22. It is said a first class lot would bring 22 1-2, if not 23. The price is the highest in a dozen years. A dealer remarked the other day that wool is higher right now than it has been in twenty years. It has passed the 20 cent mark twice or more during that time, but has never in that period climbed to 23. Dealers are guessing that good figures will not endure. In the big markets wools are three cents lower than they were in January. Some guess that when the clip is deliverable in June, the tendency will be downward. A quantity of Eastern Oregon wool sold the other day at less than 14, and a big lot in Montana went at 18.

—The Coffee Club Shirt Waist dancing party will occur Friday evening April 28th.

—Miss Mary Nolan returned Wednesday from a several days' visit with Portland friends.

—Miss Weller, a popular teacher in the public schools, left this morning to spend the Sabbath with her parents at Brownsville.

—Subject at the M. E. church South tomorrow—"Petition of the Greeks to see Jesus." An Easter sermon, services and music appropriate to the day.

—At the home of Mrs. A. Peterson last night, the Intermediate League of the Evangelical church gave a reception in honor of the new pastor, Rev. Hurd, who has arrived from Salem and now occupies the parsonage.

—The Jeffersonian Literary society last evening had as guests the Sorosis young ladies. Dancing, with a literary program interspersed, constituted the entertainment.

—The 18 acre tract of land belonging to W S McFadden, situated on Mary's river, was purchased this week by Albert E. Bell, who resides on College Hill. The deal was closed Thursday. The consideration was \$1,100. The sale was made by Robinson & Stevenson.

—New arrivals in Corvallis Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. George Shafer and Mr. and Mrs. John Turner, all of Fayette, Iowa, and relatives of the Franciscos, in this city. The new comers are to remain at least a year in Webfoot, and if satisfied with the country, they will dispose of their property in the East, and locate permanently.

—The Frank Francisco ranch of 100 acres, located about three miles from Corvallis, in Linn county, changed hands Wednesday. The new owner is D. C. Pierce, who arrived a few days ago from Oklahoma. The consideration was \$3,000 and the sale was made by Ambler and Watters. For the present, Mr. Pierce and family occupy a part of the Charles Everett house, on north Main street.

—The seventh annual session of the Women's Home Mission Society of the Columbia Conference, M. E. church South, will convene in this city, Friday afternoon April 28, and will continue until Sunday night. Annual missionary sermon by Rev. C. D. McCastland at 11 o'clock Sunday. Missionary address at night by Rev. John Reeves and R. Wright. Much business of interest will come before this meeting. The public is cordially invited.

—A new master clock, eight feet high, was installed in the local Western Union office Thursday. It is connected by wire with the electrical clocks in use at the post-office, jewelry stores and other places about town. The regulating is done every hour, when if the branch clock is off even the slightest part of a second, it is automatically changed by electric current to agree with the master clock in the local telegraph office. At noon every day the master clock is regulated from Portland. Each of the branch clocks winds itself every hour. It makes a curious noise in the process that invariably interests the observer who hears it for the first time.

—Sheriff Burnett has received for his Rogues gallery a photo of Torturici the murderer who is being hunted with bloodhounds and every other means of detection known to man. He murdered a young man named Vilardo, cut off his head, arms and legs and threw them in San Francisco bay. He was in the act of carrying the headless and limbless trunk to the same place in a sack, when surprised by the police. He dropped the ghastly burden and made off, successfully eluding pursuit up to the present. The body of the murdered man was warm and the flesh still quivering when found by the police.

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For Sale.
Two work horses. W. K. Taylor.

HOW IT FLUCTUATED.
Bake Oven One Day and Iceberg the Next—The Mercury at Kansas City.

W. D. DeVarney arrived Tuesday from a three weeks' business trip to Kansas City. After a year in Oregon, the old familiar Kansas City weather nettled him. It was this way: The sun shone bright on a Sunday morning, but Mr. De Varney could not, because it was so wrinkled, wear his new spring suit. So he went out in his heavy double breasted affair. As the sun rose higher and higher, its heat and that of the double-breasted worried him. Before the afternoon wore away, the mercury had risen to 93, and Mr. D. was a badly wilted and faded flower from Webfoot. That eve his spring suit went to the tailor with hurry instructions. It was handed into his room next morning before he had arisen, all pressed and ready for use. By the same hand that brought it, the double-breasted went to the tailor. Then he had to wear the light suit. And when he got outside, he found the day as cold as the day before had been hot. It was, indeed, fierce. Cold blasts from the north whistled through DeVarney's rigging and made him shiver like a spring lamb in a refrigerator. His teeth chattered and his nose was blue whenever he ventured outside. He borrowed a friend's overcoat, but it only kept his upper works warm. By nightfall, he was guessing over the question of whether he was a tender Webfoot bud in Kansas City, or in an ice cream freezer. The experience, after the even temperature of Willamette leads Mr. D. to declare that he wouldn't give six bits for Kansas City if he had to live in it as the price of ownership.

BUILDING A MINIATURE CITY.

Spokane will Show Herself in Hand-Carved Reproduction at Fair

One of the exhibits at the Lewis and Clark Exposition will be the city of Spokane, Wash. Spokane in miniature is now being built. A civil engineer and an artist are the builders, and the Spokane Chamber of Commerce is the sponsor. The minute city, a beautiful reproduction, with a stream of water to represent Spokane Falls, will occupy a room in the balcony above the mining exhibit in the Washington state building at the fair, and Spokane people will proudly point out the places of interest in their city without finding it necessary to take the tourist thither. To the sightseer, the city will appear as if seen from an elevation over the river at Jefferson street, and he will be looking away to the north, the east and the south.

The foundation of the city, which will include the streets, curbs and sidewalks, will be of cement from two inches to six inches thick. The district to be represented will be on an absolute scale of 30 feet to the inch, which will make the exhibit 10 x 12 feet.

The buildings will be hand carved from pine. Each city block will be made separately and will be fastened upon the cement foundation by levels. That will permit the whole thing to be taken apart for shipment. After the details of all the business buildings are carved they will be painted in the actual colors of the structures. The bridges will be produced of wood and wire. The outlying portions of the city will be painted on canvas and adroitly joined to the little city so as to appear in actual perspective.

Blocks for chimneys at Whitney's.

The S. P. is selling round trip tickets between Corvallis and Portland for \$3 good going Saturdays or Sundays and returning Sunday or Monday following, either on East or West side, but good only on afternoon train from Albany to Portland on Saturdays if East side is taken. Passengers to pay local fare between Corvallis and Albany.

Largest line of matting in the city at Blackledge's.

YATES & YATES.

Bert Yates and W. E. Yates have formed a partnership under the firm name of Yates & Yates. They expect to do a general insurance and abstract business. They represent good reliable insurance companies, and will furnish accurate, neat and complete abstracts of Benton county property at reasonable prices. Call on or write to Yates & Yates, Corvallis, Or.

COUNTY OWNS IT.
New Road Grader—Its use Watched by Many in Demonstration Tuesday.

Demonstrations by an expert of the virtues of a new grader last Tuesday and Wednesday resulted in the purchase of the machine for use by Benton. The demonstration took place on the Oak Creek road between the bridge and the first turn near the hill at the westward. A number of the road supervisors, both county commissioners and County Judge Watters, as well as a considerable number of citizens, were witnesses for greater or less periods of the performance. Six horses were used, and a day and a half was given up to the demonstration. It did not end until the stretch of road from the bridge to the turn had been completely graded. The machine was shown to possess virtues that the ordinary graders in use by the county do not have. A hinge or pivot enables the wheels to be cantled at any desired angle. They can be so set that the machine may be on a side hill grade at an angle of 45 degrees and yet all the wheels stand straight up. The value of the device is best known to men accustomed to use graders. By means of it the shoulders of a ditch two feet deep were cut away, and the dirt thrown to either side as desired. The machine is to be used in special instances where the other county graders cannot do the work. Its cost was \$425.

BUT ONE SURVIVES.

The Red Fox in Benton.—What Hounds and Hunters did.

The career of the red fox in Benton was short lived. Times readers will remember that two local citizens imported two pair of them from Dakota last year. Of the pair taken by Ed Davis, one was strangled by its chain before it was set at liberty. The other was chased by hounds in the vicinity of the Locke hill, and shot for a coyote. Of the Avery pair, one got away while it was yet in confinement at the owner's home in this city, and the other was at once set at liberty. That happened shortly after arrival from the East. Nothing was heard of them until last week, when, the story is, a red fox was chased by hounds and shot in the vicinity of J. M. Staats' place near the southern boundary of Polk county. If, as reported, the animal was a red fox, it must have been one of the Avery imports. What indicates this to be true is that Mr. Staats, who was in town Wednesday, says that there were two of the animals in the chase at the time the one was killed. If the story is true, of the four animals imported, but one survives.

Stockholders of Corvallis Independent Tel. Co.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Corvallis Independent Telephone Company will be held at the office of the Company in Zierolf building in Corvallis, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 10th day of May, 1905, at the hour of eight o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may legally come before the meeting.
Robert Johnson, sec.
Corvallis, Or. April 8, 1905.

Lost.

Lart Tuesday on the Wyatt road, between Philomath and the John Wyatt gate, a black purse containing \$20. Finder will please leave the purse at the Times office and receive reward.

Six dozen school hats for children, 30 cents each at Mrs. J. Mason's 3rd st.

All new wall paper at Blackledge's.

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For first class piano and organs at prices unheard of elsewhere see or phone M. A. Goodrough, 4th st. 2nd door north of court house.

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The repair department of my bicycle and sporting goods business is again open for business second door south of postoffice. Quick repairing or first class work a specialty.
James K. Berry.

Estimates cheerfully given on any kind of concrete work at Whitney's.

For Sale.

Seed wheat and Burbank potatoes.
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