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THE IDAHO ATROCITY.

If there is no hell, there ought to be. Only in an eternity of burning, is there retribution for the cowardly assassins of ex-Governor Steunenberg, of Idaho. The man's sin was that several years ago as governor, he enforced the law and preserved order in Idaho, striking miners to the contrary notwithstanding. For that, human rattlesnakes, after years of waiting, struck him to death with an explosive as he passed, unawares, through the gate to his residence. The atrocity, visited upon the victim as he was leaving the busy world of business for the shelter and comfort of his home, is all the testimony that is needed to prove that there ought to be somewhere, a very accessible, and a very hot, hell.

HAWLEY.

The character of the statement in which W. C. Hawley's candidacy for congressman from this district is announced, ought to leave no room for the republicans to doubt as to which man they ought to name as their candidate. Hawley's platform, except for its unnecessary length, is the production of a statesman. His mental horizon is that of a m-a-n. His grasp of conditions is from the plane of bigness and breadth of view. His words are not those of a carping politician, but of a constructive leader. Above all, he is a clean man, whose hand would never be out for the graft that is already over much in vogue in Washington.

They say however, he cannot be elected, because he is not politician enough. Heaven help the republicans if they cannot recognize the difference between a statesman and a politician and if they come to the pass where they will turn down the one and glorify the other.

L. L. Porter wants to be next senator from Clackamas, and so does Brownell. All Porter has so far said about Brownell, is. that he is the paid agent and attorney in the senate of the railroads, that he openly admits that as senator he has taken fees from the corporations and that he is the only man in the United States who would try to run for senator with a landfraud indictment hanging over him. This isn't much of course, but if Porter keeps up the pace, Brownell is likely to be called East soon, to run a big insurance company.

In announcing his candidacy for congress, Mr. Huston, former democrat and former republican, of Hillsboro, says in effect, that a man ought to stay with the party that elects him to office, as long, at least, as he occupies the office.

At Oak Grove, Yamhill county, the amateur dramatic club produced "The Black Heifer," but only realized $13 from the performance. "The Black Heifer never does draw well, and next time the club might do better by putting on that sparkling comedy, "The Old Gray Mule with the Stub Tail."

For Rent.

Nice office rooms to rent in my concrete building. Aiso cheap back room.

B. R. Thompson.

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 West or East side, bnt 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.

Remember Nolan's Great Annual Mid-winter Sales will begin Saturday morning December 30th at 9 o'clock. This will be a Bona Fide Sale in every respect.

LINCOLN'S ASSASSINATION.

Something About it by one who was in Washington When the Tragedy Occurred.

One of the new additions to current literature is a book of Memoirs by Miss Rose Eytinge, now sojourning in Corvallis. It is a narrative of great personages, and there are many with whom the well known actress has come in contact, during her forty odd years on the American stage. Standing always in the front rank of her profession, and living at a time when names like Booth. McCullough, Wallack, Florence, Davenport, Jefferson and many others were familiar words in every household, the narrator has had vast opportunity for seizing the materials with which to adorn the pages of such book as she has written. Added to this, is a graceful flowing style, made pungent with frequent wit, and above all a power for the most graphic touch of the subjects under portrayal. Many of the illustrious men of the past half censury, have come at one time or another, and in some way or another under the personal observation of Miss Eytinge. Moreover, she has visited most of the places of note on two continents, and with this preparation and that other concomitant, a keen, intelligent and active mind she has given to her book a place of its own and a character of striking interest. A fact that tells how well the narrator has done her work, is that, when in the perusal, each chapter is finished, the reader involuntarily wishes that the author had made it longer.

The assassination of President Lincoln by John Wilkes Booth, an actor, is briefly treated in the book, The effect of the tragedy in Washington, is thus recounted by Miss Eytinge:

I now approach one of the most awful and aweinspiring periods of my life,—the night on which President Lincoln was assassinated. At the time I was taking a brief vacation, and was visiting the family of an army officer who was in charge of a military hospital a few miles out of town. On that dread occasion my hostess and I had been in town for the day and evening and it had been arranged that an orderly, with a carriage should call for us next morning and drive us out home,

Suddenly some of the men of the household where we were visiting, dashed into the house, bringing intelligence of the crime.

The first reports were that the president and every member of the cabinet were murdered. The community was wild with horror. Everybody, as if moved by one impulse, rushed into the streets. the church bells were tolled, and all social and conventional barriers were levelled in the general horror. Utter strangers talked together in hurried accents, exchanging the various rumors with which the air was filled. One report had it that Washington was in the hands ot the rebels. Strangers accosted each other and asked for the last news; and when one or the other confirmed the dreadful truth of the president's murder they cried like children.

Soon it became bruited about that the crime had been committed by an actor, and woe to the actor who had been found on the streets that night! My friends and I, in common with everybody else, rushed into the street, but we were soon filled with fear lest I should be recognized.

Toward midnight, to our added alarm and horror, an army ambulance lumbered up the street and stopped at the door of the house where we were. It developed that as had been arranged, the carriage had been so often stopped and searched, and the orderly who was driving had been put through so many and such rigid examinations that he had decided to turn back and get the ambulance instead, hoping that the sight of this familiar and authorized vehicle would attract less attention.

By this time the city was declared under martial law, every point of egress was closely guarded. and the theatrical guild were looked upon with universal disfavor. The air seemed rife with murtler and the suspicion of murder.

It was a time to burn itself into one's memory I pray that I may never be called upon to go through its like again."

The question of what became of the remains of President Lincoln's assassin is alluded to in Miss Eytinge's memoirs of Edwin Booth. In these memoirs also, is recounted the terrible effect produced on the immortal actor by the awful tragedy in which his own brother played the leading role. In her own words Miss Eytinge, during her sketch of Edwin Booth, tells the story thus.

"I have no doubt, that, if I carled to do so. I could string together innumerable anecdotes about Edwin Booth. But he was so sensitive and he so shrank from general public notice, and it seems that to discuss him or his peculiarities would be to take a liberty with his memory.

It was not long after the close of that Winter Garden engagement, I think, that the awful crime of John Wilkes Booth shocked the world. and fell on the country like a pall. We all remember how Edwin Booth, shrinking and cowering under the weight of that great sin and shame, for which he was in no way responsible, but the consequences of which he suffered deeply and bitterly, withdrew himself from the world and avowed his determination never to appear in public again, and how it was after a long time, and after not only his friends and admirers but the whole country clamoured for him, that he reconsidered that determination and consented to again appear upon the stage.

There is one detail of that great horror about which I speak with certainty,—the disposition which was eventually made of the body of John Wilkes Booth. Some months after the close of the terrible tragedy, when public excitement was somewhat allayed and public feeling had become calmer, the body of John Wilkes Booth was secretly exhumed, conveyed to Baltimore, and given to his mother, who—poor broken-hearted woman!—had never ceased to beg for it. This favor was granted to Mrs- Booth by the government, not so much out of sympathy for her, but as an expression of respect for her son Edwin, and of the faith which the nation had in him."

MEETS TONIGHT.

In Interest of Electric Light Franchise —City Council Does.

The city council is to meet tonight in special meeting to pass finally on the electric light and power frauchise, which has been pending several weeks. As is generally known, the plan is to grant to Mr. Welch of Salem, a franchise for 30 years for both a power and light plant, the lighting franchise not to take effect until after the expiration of the Porter franchise eight years hence, Differences are said to exist in the council over the matter. Some councilmen hesitate to grant a franchise for lighting for so long a period as 30 years. They say if no franchise existed at the expiration of the Porter franchise, the city could then, out of the competition that would result, get better rates.

The councilmen who are for granting the 30 years concession reply that the present company will not come to Corvallis with their current unless granted a 30 years franchise. The rejoinder from the other side is that if the company will not come to Corvallis unless the present franchise be extended to a period of 30 years that there must be something of much value in the extension, and that, therefore, the council has no right to give it away.

Again in reply, men in favor of the franchise say that the reason that the benefits to be derived from presence here of the electric power will counterbalance the values given away in a granting of a 30 years franchise. To this, the others rejoin that even the railroads are to be run soon by electric power just as the Pennsylvania system is now beginning to do, and that power will be provided by other companies in unlimited abundance within the near future.

Many changes have been made in the proposed franchise as originally published in the TIMES. Mr. Welch, representing the company, was recently in Corvallis, and agreed with the council committee as to alterations. It was agreed that the rates after expiration of the Porter franchise, eight years hence, shall not be greater than those now in vogue It is agreed that the power rates snall not exceed those now in vogue in Portland.

Notice of Stock Holders Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stock holders of The Great Eastern Mining Co. will be held in Corvallis, Oregon, at the store of Wellsher & Gray, Jan'y. 8th 1906 for the purpose of electing a board of directors and transacting such other business as may properly come before such meeting.

"What are you laughing at?" we said to a fellow this morning, with a broad grin on his face, so broad that it made the top of his head look like an island surrounded by mouth. "What in the world are you laughing at?" "I was just thinking of that show I saw last night, 'Jerry from Kerry'."—Boston Traveler.

36th ANNUAL 'CLEARANCE SALE 36th

AT

The People's Store

Time to clean up now, before spring goods begin to arrive; time to cut the prices deep enough to make sure the work of Clearance in the next thirty days. Every department contributes special features. Money-saving sales are to be lurched in every section. Your interest is obvious if you want to save money.

Corsets

In order to make room for new styles of Thompson's glove fitting corsets, we have gone through our stock and sorted out broken lines of W. B's. which we shall discontinue.

Regular price $1.00, Special 39c
" " 1.50, " 74c

Men's Suits and Overcoats

All our mens high grade suits and overcoats, in worsted, fancy tweeds and cheviots styles of this season showing in Hart, Schaffner & Marx hand tailored garments.

$25 00	suit and overcoat	$19 95
20 00	"	15 95
18 00	"	14 40
16 50	"	13 00
15 00	"	12 00
12 50	"	10 00
10 00	"	7 95

GROCERY SPECIALS

Some people don't know that we have a grocery department, so we are making prices that will cause you to get acquainted.

Diamond C soap regular 5c, special 8 bars 25c.
16 oz. cans Schilling's Baking Powder, special 45c.
"Best" Cornstarch regular 10c, special 5c.
15 candles full weight 12 oz. 25c.
30 pounds best beans $1.00.
K. C. baking powder 25 oz. 25c.
16 pounds best No. 1 Rice, $1.00.
1 pound package bird seed with bone 8c.
I X L Tamales regular 15c, special 10c.
I X L maccaroni and cheese regular 10c, special 5c.
Elite, Bixby, or Whiztemore's Shoe Polish regular 25c, special 14c.
Long's Woodlawn maple syrup, guaranteed best grade on the market, regular 75c, special 60c.
Star tobacco per package 45c.
Armour's washing powder regular 25c, special 15c.
Cut nails per pound 2c.
1 pound oysters per can 10c.
Decorated mush bowels each 5c.
"DAIRY SALT" 50 pounds regular 50c, special 30c.

Great Clearance Sale of all Waists

Wool, flannel, albatross, and fancy waists, plain and trimmed, black, white, red, blue and green. All the newest and prettiest styles.

$1.25	waists,	each	.69
1.50	"	"	.78
2.00	"	"	1.19
2.00	"	"	1.38
3.00	"	"	1.53
3.50	"	"	1.74

Values up to $10.00 each, all at low prices

Rubber Boots

We have an over supply of rubber boots and we don't want to carry over a pair. We are going to let "Clearance Sale Prices" do the work.

Men's	Thigh	Snag Proof	Boots	$5.21
"	Short	" "	"	3.58
"	Thigh	Friction	"	4 17
"	Short	"	"	2.81
"	"	Pebble	"	2.81
Boys'	"	Friction	"	2.22
Women's		Pebble	"	1.64

Knit Goods

Ladies knit skirts all wool blue, red, brown and black

Regular 85 cent, special 64 cents
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Regular $1 25, special 93 cents
Golf vests regular $2, special 98 cents

You can save money by visiting our store during the next 30 days.

Every department offers surprising values. Watch this space for further bargains next issue.

25 per cent discount on remaining holiday goods

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