

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

CORRAT'S THEATRE. (Washington street—
"At Gay Coney Island."

OSBORN'S EXHIBIT AT NEW ORLEANS.—The Portland Press Club yesterday received word from the Washington delegation to the National Editorial Association, at New Orleans, that the members would join the club in its special car. Miss Laura E. Jones, of the Drain Watchman, a delegate from the Oregon State Association, called to express her desire to accompany the club, and reported her considerable interest in the proposed display of Oregon products among citizens of Louisiana county, who will supply cuts of scenes in the Umpqua valley. Mrs. Weatherford has just returned from an extended trip through Eastern Oregon, where she visited the mining districts, and she found a deep interest in the work. Representative mining men have taken hold of the matter, and are preparing a large number of fine ore samples, artistically arranged on cards for distribution. They will also provide cuts of mining scenes, besides pictures of mines and mills. The La Grande Commercial club tendered its services and will provide a large number of sample bottles of Oregon sugar, besides samples of wheat, apples and minerals. Pendleton is preparing samples of wool, and other localities are moving in the matter. Mrs. Weatherford expects to go as far South as Ashland this week in the interest of the proposed exhibit.

ASSESSMENT WORK.—Several crews of men have been at work for several days on the assessment roll prepared by Assessor Greenleaf, and making a tax roll to be placed in the hands of the assessor for collection. Their work is practically completed, and the last crew finished its allotment yesterday, and was discharged. There is considerable anxiety in several quarters to learn what the assessed valuation of city property is, but this cannot be known definitely till some time next Monday. The assessor, as a general thing, never foots up his roll, but this year he did make a crude estimate of the assessed valuation was likely to be, but no official footing up has yet been done. The assessed valuation of the county can soon be told, but the figures for the city cannot be known exactly until the valuation for the school districts is separated, and then the figures for school district No. 1 will be the assessed valuation of city property. It will not be long before the assessor will be able to ascertain the assessed valuation for the Port of Portland district. There is an enormous amount of work connected with assessing property, making out the tax roll and collecting the taxes, and it is a wonder that when this is all paid for there is anything left.

CONDORADO BARGES SOLD.—Three of the large modeled barges built to carry rock for the jetty at the mouth of the Columbia, were recently condemned on inspection by Colonel Mansfield, United States engineers, and ordered sold. The sale took place at the United States engineers' headquarters yesterday, under direction of Captain Langford. One of the barges was bid off by Nickum & Kelly, for \$200; another by the Star Logging Company, of Rainier, for \$225, and the third by George L. Fuller for \$25. Two of the barges were built in 1885, and the other two or three years before. They were the best of their kind ever seen here before Hale & Kern built regular schooner barges at a cost of \$25,000 each in 1895, and the same quality to the jetty at Gray's harbor. Each of the three barges carried rock enough to earn their cost many times over. When the jetty at the mouth of the Columbia is extended, new barges will have to be built, but it will not be necessary to build such expensive ones as are used in making the trip out of the Columbia and around to Gray's harbor.

GROCERS HOLD UP.—Money for licenses has not been coming into the city treasury with a rush, and there will be a big rush to pay licenses today and tomorrow, as the days of grace allowed expire tomorrow, and after that a penalty of 10 per cent will be added to all unpaid licenses. It is well understood that there is no way of escaping this penalty. Some tried to dodge it last quarter and failed, so they will not be likely to try it again. So far, none of the white grocers have paid the \$400 license for retailing liquors, and it is rumored that they will contest the law. Six out of the 10 Chinese grocers have paid the \$400 license, and five others have paid it. If these Chinese grocers, and five restaurants can pay the \$400 for retailing liquors, it is asserted, certainly several of the white grocers could if they had a mind to, but they are afraid to do so. They have been imposed on and so intend to fight. Perhaps they may decide to take out licenses before tomorrow night, and if they do, everything will be lovely.

ALL FLYING HIGH.—Sportmen who went duck-hunting Sunday report having had very fair sport, and say that the ducks have not yet gone north, that is, not all of them, by a long shot. The gang at Morgan's secured five ducks, and at Jewett's about the same number. The hunters along Columbia slough killed from 20 to 40 ducks, and report seeing thousands, flying high. Several persons report seeing ducks by the thousands on Sunday, more than they ever saw before, but, if they were not out of sight they were out of range, which amounted to the same thing. It begins to look as if the ducks know when Sunday comes, and are lured by the gun and the excitement, and they are not in place of safety for them on that day, except away up above the world so high that shot cannot reach them.

RETAIL CLERK PARADE.—A hundred or more members of the Retail Clerks' Union held a novel parade last evening. For some time they have been having trouble with a Third-street merchant about the 6 o'clock closing rule of the union. After consulting lawyers they decided on a legal way to boycott the offending firm. This was carried out in the parade which marched and counter-marched in front of this firm's place of business for an hour or more. Some of the clerks carried banners bearing such legends as: "Don't Buy After 6." "We Are Looking After the Blackboarders." "Retail Clerks' Union," etc. After the boys had carried their banners, and the merchants who would not close up, they marched through several of the principal streets of the city.

CONDEMNED TO DIE.—Frank Rivers, a North End saloon-keeper, yesterday pleaded not guilty to poisoning a vicious dog to run at large, and Judge Hennessy has the case under advisement. The evidence showed that one "Red Bill" McDonald was walking along North Fourth street when a white bulldog, without warning or just provocation, bit him on the leg, inflicting a painful wound. Judge Hennessy has ordered the dog killed, but the defendant says the animal is now in Clark county, Washington.

MEETING OF MUSHROOM CLUB.—A well-attended and enthusiastic meeting of the Mushroom Club was held in the clubrooms in the Chamber of Commerce building last night. Several new members were admitted and a number of new specimens were exhibited. Dr. Harry Lane read the paper of the evening, taking for his subject popular information concerning the fungi and easy means of identifying them. At the next meeting, various modes of preparing mushrooms for the table will be explained.

UNITARIAN ANNUAL MEETING.—The annual meeting of the Society of the Unitarian Church will be held at 7:45 this evening, in the chapel, corner of Seventh and Yamhill streets. Important business is to come before the meeting, and a full attendance is requested.

THE CHASE PAINT & OIL COMPANY have purchased of David M. Dunne & Co. the stock of goods carried by them at 140 First street, corner of Alder, and will continue the business at that location. Oregon tel. Main 120.

THE LECTURE ON "ALASKA" which Dr. Kellogg did not give on last Friday night, will be given on Wednesday night.

MAQUEREAU BALL, by W. O. W., at Artisan hall, Friday night. Prices given.

GREAT MUSICAL TREAT

DE PACHMANN LISTENED TO BY AN
ENTHUSIASTIC AUDIENCE.His Second Visit to Portland After a
Lapse of Years a Pronounced
Success.

It is now somewhere near ten years since De Pachmann visited Portland and conquered it, leaving behind him among local musicians a memory that stood for all that was dainty, delightful and capricious in music. And the ardent friends he made have remained faithful to him, although the world's greatest giants among pianists have been heard in Portland in the decade that has elapsed since that memorable visit. A host of earnest and intelligent musicians, who have recently come under the sway of Rosenthal's splendid technique and the poetry and fire of Sauer's electric personality, last night at the Marquam renewed their allegiance to Vladimir de Pachmann.

What is it in the man that exerts such even the most blasé of critics? It is the romanticism that he puts into his readings. They are so full of breezy individuality, freakish grace and captivating surprise. That is the reason his programme was made up of Weber, Schumann and Chopin last night. Mendelssohn, to be sure, was represented, but it was by the "Rondo Capriccioso" (Op. 10, which certainly voiced the romantic spirit as it is voiced in few other of Mendelssohn's works.

To many that capriciousness was the finest thing of the evening. It proved that De Pachmann's marvelous success is not confined to Chopin. No fewer than four times was the brilliant pianist compelled to bow his acknowledgments for the storm of applause that he brought.

The Weber which he opened the programme was a refreshing change from the usual rather stilted opening numbers—a big composition, yet one filled with witching grace and the most delicate nuances, such as De Pachmann can give with more daintiness and spirit than any other pianist of the day.

His rendering of "Warum," by Robert Schumann, naturally called forth comparison between himself and Fannie Bloomfield-Zeisler, whose poetic interpretation of it a few years ago was one of the most delicious musical trifles that Portland people have ever listened to. De Pachmann's rendering was less strenuous, more dreamy, dying away in the softest tones that can be brought forth from a piano.

The "Vogel als Prophet," with its rare and entrancing grace of arpeggio playing, was most glamorous and delightful. The "Abendlied," too, was given with that individual temperamental color which makes it stand apart from all other interpretations that one commonly hears in concert-rooms. This same characteristic came out prominently in the mazurka (Op. 23, No. 4, B minor), which in De Pachmann's wonderful management of rubato showed whimsical beauties of phrase that no other pianist has ever before revealed.

The twinkling, laughing trills of that Chopin Etude, Op. 25, No. 6, the delicate liquid beauty of the preludes, the sudden burst of airy staccato effects that surprised everyone, were given with that known "Valse Brillante," in A flat, which every school girl hammers away at—these there is no time to speak in detail. The heavy Chopin Scherzo in C sharp minor, that Rosenthal interpreted so splendidly, was played at an amazing rush of speed, without much attempt to bring out the tone or give effective contrasts of light and shade. It was a brilliant, dashing piece of work, hurried at the end with an air of careless abandon, as though he was tired of troubling himself over tone and color and nuances. As a display of pure technique, it was an unmistakable triumph of the bravura order.

Portland musicians will be glad to learn that Thursday afternoon at 3:15 De Pachmann will be heard again at the Marquam in a recital devoted entirely to Chopin. Following is the programme:

Sonata, Op. 25, B flat minor.
Grave—Doppio movimento.
Scherzo—Marche—Finale.
(a) Ballade, Op. 23, G minor.
(b) Barcarole, Op. 60, F sharp major.
(c) Etude, Op. 25, E flat major.
(d) Nocturne, Op. 25, No. 2.
(e) Valse, Op. 64, No. 2.
(f) Trois mazurkas.
Op. 26, No. 1.
Op. 27, No. 1.
Op. 28, No. 1.
(g) Berceuse, Op. 27, D flat.
(h) Grand polonaise, Op. 26, A flat major.

THE SAME OLD TRAITOR.

Tammany Blatherskites Repeat the
Disloyalty of 1861.

New York Tribune.
When in 1861 the United States was engaged in a desperate struggle for self-preservation it was the ill fortune of New York to be made conspicuous by its mob as a lurking place of treason. The democracy of that day turned its blatherskites to denounce the war measures of the government and aid its enemies. The result was the draft riots, which stain the city's history and forever disgrace the names of those who encouraged the rioters and those who flattered and tolerated and called their friends after they had begun their orgy of arson and murder. A new generation has grown up, but out of sight that chapter of New York life, but some seem bound to make the country believe that the metropolis of America is still the sinkhole of iniquity and treason. The democracy, who were responsible for the draft riots, still lives and controls this long-suffering town. And it still has its blatherskites. So, of course, we must expect that no chance will be missed to disgrace this city in the eyes of all Americans who love their country. One Cassidy yesterday introduced into the municipal council a resolution, which the vice-chairman, Oakley, rushed through and declared adopted. Among other things it said:

The municipal assembly of the city of New York hereby declares its profound sympathy with the Filipinos in their gallant struggle for independence, and protests with all earnestness in the name of humanity itself against the continuation of a war which was commenced for partisan purposes, and has since been conducted in violation of the teachings and precepts of American democracy.

Of course nobody here—not even among the men of blind prejudice, or the honest men misinformed, as Lawton charitably described the persons at home behind the Filipinos' guns who criticize the government's suppression of the Tagals attacking us—nobody has anything but contempt for the municipal assembly. The abolition of that body, as being too useless if not too mischievous to be tolerated, is being considered in the city. It passes treasonable resolutions nobody in the neighborhood attaches any importance to it. And for the information of the rest of the country, it should be pointed out that this assembly is a body of more Americans, coming officially from one branch of the legislative body of the chief city of the land, we take occasion to tell them that it is a body for the most part composed of small Tammany politicians, whom even Tammany is ashamed of. It has been ever since its creation at once the joke and scandal of the community. It is generally recognized as a conclave of brawlers and mischief-makers, whose deliberations on any subject carry about as much weight as the utterances of any chance collection of thirty statesmen in the corner of a beer saloon. So Cassidy's sympathy with the Filipinos is not of the slightest significance among Americans.

But far away in Luzon the characters of the legislature of New York city may not be understood. It may be thought a decent and dignified institution, and not merely the fine flower of Tammany, when eloquent accounts of this resolution are issued in insurgent proclamations possibly it may fan the cooling embers of resistance to new flame, and so make necessary the sacrifice of more American lives before order can be restored in the island. Some other of our countrymen may go to their death, repeating Lawton's statement: "If I am shot by a Filipino bullet, it might as well come from one of my own men, because I know from observation, confirmed by captured prisoners, that the continuance of fighting is chiefly due to reports that are sent out from America." Those reports may be only the vaporing of demagogues, but the Filipinos will not know, and so the treason of the Tammany gangs may bear its fruitage of death to our citizens, just as it did in 1863.

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Mrs. Baker was known to all as an intelligent woman, with a kind and loving disposition. She was very motherly and showed great affection to her children, of whom she had eight, and of whom two are now living—Frank C., formerly state printer, and Joshua W.

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