CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Amusements Today.

CORDRAY'S THEATER—"My Friend From India."

METROPOLITAN THEATER — "A Breezy Time."

LOOKING FOR THE FIRST SMELT.—Old Oregonians passing fish markets now keep a weather eye open for the appearance of the first Columbia River smelt of the season. The advent of these delicious little fish may be looked for any day now, but as to when the main schools will strike in and the smelt become plentiful and cheap depends upon the weather. Last season the fish began to arrive about this time, and, owing to the mild Winter, the markets were constantly supplied with them till quite late in the Spring. At first they sold for 50 cents per pound, but toward the last of the season a bushel box of them could be purchased for that amount. While the smelt are in season there are many more of them, and a much greater weight of them used than of any other kind of fish. Tons and tons of them are shipped to all parts of the Northwest, and to points a considerable distance east. Formerly the schools of smelt used to swarm into the Sandy, but of late years they are seldom caught above the mouth of the Cowlitz. The upper reaches of this river are their great spawning grounds, and at the height of the season they crowd up the stream in such vast schools that it is often said, as of salmon in early days, "one can walk across the river on them." It is scarcely possible to find any one who does not like smelt, and great quantities of them are sold here during the season. People never seeming to tire of them as they do of most other fish.

DRAINING OFF WATER DEPOSIT.—The deposit of water on the hill above the reservoirs in the City Park, which has been hei responsible for the sliding of the hillside and consequent damage to the reservoirs, and which was lately tapped by the tunnel drawn up the hillside for that purpose, is being gradually drained off. The flow from it is now steady, at about 1000 gallons per hour. The deposit was tapped October 30, and since that time 2,000,000 gallons have been drawn off. The flow is not supposed to come from any spring, but is from the deposit stored in a strata of loose stones and bowlders, which in ages past has formed a landslide, and pushed up in front of it a dam of clay, made very compact by the great pressure against it. The flow is not affected by the rain storm, as the deposit of water has a roof of earth over it about 100 feet in thickness, through which it takes water a long time to permeate. The water drained off would fill a reservoir 200 feet square to a depth of six to seven feet, and from this some idea can be formed of the enormous weight of the deposit and the pressure it would exercise. The deposit once thoroughly drained, a comparatively small drain pipe will be sufficient to keep such another deposit from ever accumulating there, and there will thereafter be no more sliding of the hillside.

BAD WEATHER FOR STREET WORK.—Contractors for street improvements and officials of the street department who have to look after the conractors are having a great deal of trouble in getting street improvements done, on account of the soaked and soft condition of the ground. After a street is graded, the law requires that it be promptly rolled before the macadam is put on, but it is very difficult to do this rolling when the ground is soft, and so when teams begin to haul the crushed rock on the street the wagons mire down, it takes three or four teams to haul one wagon, and the condition they leave the roadbed in makes the contractors and the City Engineer weep. It has been suggested to the contractors that they use a lot of planks as a sort of temporary roadway for hauling the rock over, but, while this is not exactly impossible, it would involve so much work and expense that it is hardly practicable. As the soft street bed requires more crushed rock to bring it to grade than a solid bed would, on account of the rock sinking into the mud, the property-owner who is making the improvement loses nothing by having the work done in Winter, unless he loses his temper on account of delays.

NEW CAN-MAKING MACHINE.—A can-making machine, invented and patented by Mr. Guenther, of Astoria, has just been completed at the Willamette Iron & Steel Works. It is a complicated machine, which puts the tops and bottoms on cans without any solder being used, and it is said that fewer of the cans made by it prove defective than of the cans which are soldered together. If it proves the success anticipated, the Willamette Iron & Steel Works will engage in the manufacture of these machines on a large scale, and the industry of canning fish, fruit, etc., will be revolutionized.

TO SELL DELINQUENT PROPERTY.—Sheriff Frazier will begin to sell out property on the delinquent tax roll of 1899 on the 12th inst., and it will probably take about a week to dispose of it all. Several tax-deed speculators are here from other places to invest in this property. Owners of such property will do well to look to their interests in time.

TO ADVANCE COUNTY CASES.—County Commissioners J. G. Mack and W. B. Steel expect to go to Salem this morning to ascertain what can be done in the way of advancing the cases on the Supreme Court docket in which the county is interested.

LOST.—A sable and white Scotch Collie pup, about 4 months old. Return to 412 Burnside, and receive reward. *

SEPARATE THEIR OWN CREAM.—H. D. Graham, of Marion County, who was in Portland yesterday, says the hand separators, that is the machines operated by hand for separating cream from milk, are doing more toward spreading the dairying business over the country than anything else. Farmers procure these separators and separate their cream, and the creamery men send wagons around through the country as far as 20 miles away from the creamery to gather it up. Some of these wagons serve remote districts, carry the cream to the railroad and ship it to the creamery. The farmer is thus relieved of the labor of hauling his milk to the creamery and hauling the skimmed milk back, and he has some money constantly coming in. He has his skim milk to feed to his pigs and chickens, and his "women" folks are relieved of the drudgery of "setting" milk, skimming cream, washing milk pans and making butter, for which, in many cases, he would not receive so much as the creamery pays him for the cream. This satisfactory arrangement will lead many farmers to increase the number of their cows from year to year, and as they become informed in the dairy business and find out the best food for producing butter fat they will make more and more money out of their cows.

PROSPERITY AT BANDON.—T. W. Clark, manager of the Bandon woolen mills, left for that place yesterday, after a short visit with his family at Oregon City. He returned a day or two ago from a business trip to San Francisco, having succeeded in placing orders for the entire output of the factory for the next six months. Heretofore, Mr. Clark has been unable to get San Francisco wholesale houses to place their orders until after the annual stocktaking at the close of the year, but this season they were all anxious to buy early. The sales were all made at good prices, and on most satisfactory terms. Mr. Clark says that a new boat has been placed on the run between San Francisco and Bandon, which is now making regular trips. It is well equipped, has a searchlight and other modern improvements. He says that Bandon people much prefer to do business with Portland, as they can buy more cheaply here, but the difficulty has been to secure a boat that would make regular trips between the two points. Mr. Clark's home and extensive property interests at Oregon City tend to make his preferences for Portland all the stronger. On reaching Bandon he will add a night shift to the working force of the mill, to enable him to fill the advance orders on contract time.

USE SMOKELESS POWDER NOW.—A great change has taken place within the past five or six years in the style of powder used by sportsmen. Now three-fourths or more of the powder used by hunters in this section is of the smokeless variety. Practically every hunter uses it. Some of the hunters in the country continue to use the black powder they have been accustomed to all their lives, but their number is growing less every season. A dealer in ammunition says that six years ago he could sell hardly any smokeless powder at all, and now he sells hardly any black powder. Sportsmen who have duck-hunting grounds along the Columbia will not allow any one to shoot on their premises who uses black powder, so any one who continues to use this explosive need not expect to be invited to have a day's shooting on such grounds.

DENNY-RILEY FIGHT.—The betting on the Denny-Riley ring contest, which is to take place at the Pastime clubrooms Friday evening, has become quite spirited of late, the odds being now $10 to $8 on Denny, the latter's admirers having exhibited the most money. One of Riley's backers, who saw him fight "Cocker" Tweedle before the Portland Club two years ago, say that he is clever, strong and game, and that the 10-round draw he fought with Young Corbett in Denver two months ago proved that he has improved so much that no man of his weight in the world has a sure thing against him. Interest in the contest is not confined to Portland, as lovers of the ring from Astoria, Vancouver, Salem, Hillsboro and Oregon City have signified their intention of seeing it. A large attendance is assured.

MATTER FOR POLICEMEN.—Complaints in regard to obstructions on streets and on sidewalks are constantly being presented at the office of City Engineer Chase, who says many of these complaints are just and the complainants have his sympathy, but he wishes them informed that such matters are not within the scope or purview of his department, but are in charge of the police department, where all such complaints should be lodged. Policemen are naturally prone to overlook such things as obstructions to streets or sidewalks, and loth to meddle with them, but any just complaint in regard to such things, if presented to Chief McLauchlan, will receive prompt attention.

BOXING CONTEST,
RILEY VS. DENNY,
TWENTY ROUNDS,
PAINE VS. HOUGHTON,
TEN ROUNDS,
EXPOSITION BUILDING,
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7,
9 P. M. SHARP.

WITHOUT FOUNDATION.—At the recent session of the Federal grand jury in this city, the charge recently made by some boys in Yamhill County against F. B. Weber for alleged violation of the internal revenue laws was ignored and found to be without foundation.

ARTISTIC CALENDAR for 1901, issued by the Equitable Life, free, at room 306, Oregonian building, or mailed anywhere for 3 cents' postage. L. Samuel, manager, Portland, Or. *

SILVER WEDDING.—A large number of the members and friends of the First Christian Church completely surprised their pastor, Rev. J. F. Ghormley, and his wife Saturday evening. It having been found out that December 2, 1900, would be the 25th anniversary of their marriage, the members went about in a quiet way to arrange for the delightful occasion. Rev. and Mrs. Ghormley were away from home in the early part of the evening, but upon their return they were met by Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Long, who escorted them to the chapel and introduced them to the large company, when Rev. Mr. Morgan for the time being took charge of affairs and in a neat little speech congratulated them on their arrival at the 25th milepost on the matrimonial highway. H. C. Waterman, in behalf of the church, presented to the happy couple an elegant silver tea set and other beautiful presents. After short addresses by the pastor and his wife expressing their appreciation of the presence of so large a number and the very kind way in which they had been remembered, refreshments were served and the evening was spent in a social way, and many were the well wishes expressed to them for many years more of the happy relationship of wedded life.

HOPGROWERS MADE MONEY.—H. J. Miller, of Aurora, a well-known hopraiser and dealer, who was in the city yesterday, is of the opinion that the Oregon hop crop of 1900 has been well nigh disposed of. "The season is therefore virtually over," he said last evening, "and we hopmen must now begin to prepare for the year 1901. The total crop of Oregon this year amounted to about 85,000 bales, and as it sold at 15 to 16 cents a pound, the amount of money in circulation because of the hop crop alone makes our farmers feel quite prosperous. Many of them have paid off old mortgages and now have money to loan their less fortunate brethren, who pinned their faith to wheat alone, and so came out behind." Hopfarmers are now having their vines gathered in rows, ready to be set fire to when the first cold, clear, dry spell occurs in the Winter, when the dead vegetation will be turned to ashes and the soil on which it grew enriched to a certain extent. Mr. Miller does not look for an increased acreage of hops as a result of last season's success, as he thinks hopmen have too vivid a remembrance of low prices in recent years. Hopmen must keep at work, however, with what acres they have, trusting to luck, both as regards crops and prices for 1901.

HARES AND HOUNDS CLUB.—The Hares and Hounds Club, of Portland, was organized yesterday in the rooms of the Commercial Club. Alexander H. Kerr was elected temporary chairman, and Edgar M. Lazarus temporary secretary. The chairman donated $10 to purchase a prize for the winner of the first two runs by the same party. The following charter members signed the roll: Ralph Jenkins, R. Chipman, A. H. Cronin, John Latta, Edgar M. Lazarus, Samuel C. Kerr, Alexander H. Kerr, Edwin T. Chase, J. W. Cruthers, Alfred H. Lough. The next meeting will be held December 15, and the club desires that all interested in the exhilarating sport will attend, and that all horsemen interested will lend such encouragement as the objects justly merit. The annual meeting will be held on the first Saturday of December in each year.

PATERFAMILIAS MISSING. — Among the passengers arriving yesterday over the Northern Pacific was a German family, minus its head. The party, when it left Seattle, consisted of father, mother and grown son. The old man had about $800 on his person, and the car was so crowded when the train left Seattle that he was obliged to stand up, his wife said. Finally two dapper young men got around him and offered him their seat. That was about two stations before reaching Kalama. Nothing has since been seen of the old man, and the anxious relatives are now with friends in Albina, hoping that each succeeding train from the north will bring him and his money in, all right. His name could not be learned yesterday.

PATHS KEPT IN REPAIR.—No plans for new bicycle paths have been considered or advanced by the County Board of Commissioners since Judge Sears handed down his decision in the bicycle tax case. However, the constructed paths are being kept in repair by the Road Supervisors of each district. Culverts are put in where needed, and the paths on the hillsides are banked up where the water in the ground has started the earth to sliding. The Supervisors report the expense of such repairs, and the bills are paid out of the bicycle path fund.

TO VISIT A VOLCANO.—Hon. D. P. Thompson will leave this week for San Francisco, where he will take a steamer for Honolulu, and from there visit the volcano Maunaloa. After inspecting the volcano he will return to San Francisco and sail from there to Tahati. Mr. Thompson has visited nearly all the volcanoes accessible to travelers, and desires to view Maunaloa, to make his list complete.

UNITARIAN BAZAAR.—The Unitarian bazaar will be held in the church chapel, Seventh and Yamhill streets, December 5 and 6. Many pretty booths will be found there, and there will be music and refreshments.

DR. FRASER, office at residence. *

WHERE TO DINE.

Have you observed the constantly increasing patronage at the Portland restaurant, 305 Washington street

Commencing Monday, sale ladies' fur collarettes. N. Y. Mercantile Co., 266 3rd.

WANTS LINE TO PORTLAND

GRANGEVILE ANXIOUS TO DO BUSINESS HERE.

A. F. Parker, Editor of the Free Press, on the Growth and Resources of Idaho County.

A. F. Parker, a prominent citizen of Idaho, and the founder of the Free Press, the oldest established paper in Central Idaho, is at the Imperial, with his wife and family, from Grangeville, Idaho, en route to San Diego, Cal., where they will spend the Winter. Mr. Parker speaks in eulogistic terms of the great strides which his home section is making toward wealth and prosperity.

"Idaho County," said Mr. Parker, "is not only the largest county in the State of Idaho, but one of the largest in the United States. It has an area greater than the entire States of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Delaware and Connecticut, and is drained by the two largest tributaries of the Snake River, the Salmon and Clearwater Rivers. When I first located in Grangeville, in 1886, this vast bailiwick polled only 300 votes, but at the late election we polled nearly 5000. But this great increase is not to be wondered at, when you stop to think that up there we have in process of development some of the biggest quartz and placer mining camps in the Northwest.

"Commencing only eight miles from Grangeville, we have the Dewey camp, down on the south fork of the Clearwater, and east and southeast are the camps of Florence, Warrens, Newsome, Elk City, Dixie and Buffalo Hump. The latter camp has gained notoriety from the litigation over the principal claims which ensued upon its discovery two years ago, but this is now all happily settled, and the operations of the Buffalo Hump syndicate, the Boston-Buffalo-Idaho corporation and other strong companies have inaugurated active development work, with the result that they have shown up at depth even greater and richer ore bodies than were exposed on the surface.

"In all the other camps I have named, a great amount of work has been done in exploiting quartz, and the coming year will inaugurate an era of production from the mines which is bound to be of immense benefit to the whole Northwest. The opening of the Nez Perces Indian reservation to white settlement has also been a great factor in hastening the development of that section. The Northern Pacific Railroad branch traverses the canyon of the Clearwater River for a distance of 70 miles above Lewiston, and in the coming Spring an extension of 18 miles will be built to Grangeville, which will put the Buffalo Hump mines only 50 miles distant from the railroad. A good wagon road from Grangeville to these mines is already constructed, and all the freight for the camp is now being hauled over it, thus making a good cash home market for the products of the Camas Prairie and reservation farmers.

"Grangeville itself is the most promising town in the state," continued Mr. Parker, "and with the promised railroad construction into the town it is bound to make a thriving city, as it will be the terminus of the Northern Pacific branch for a great many years to come. The town is incorporated, lighted by electricity, and has a gravity system of water works with unlimited pressure, and besides its advantages as a business center it has a splendid public school system, a fine climate, unsurpassed agricultural surroundings, and other attractions, which make it the metropolis of the richest agricultural and mining areas in the state.

"It is unfortunate for Portland," said Mr. Parker, "that hostile or adverse influences have prevented the construction of the O. R. & N. system into that country, because its trade is naturally tributary to Portland, but under existing conditions the Northern Pacific Railroad has diverted it in the direction of Spokane and Puget Sound points. This is a subject which the commercial bodies of Portland could well afford to take up, because the extension of the O. R. & N. system into that rich and great country will bring all of its trade into the hands of Portland jobbers, and thus be mutually beneficial to the Clearwater country, to Portland, and to the O. R. & N. Co."

Mr. Parker will remain in the city for some days before leaving for California.

PERSONAL MENTION.

A. J. Johnson, bank examiner of Scio, is at the Imperial.

F. T. Hurlburt, a banker of Arlington, is at the Perkins.

S. B. Catlin, a Salem real estate man, is at the St. Charles.

F. M. Allison, a business man of Prineville, is at the Perkins.

W. L. Robb, a contractor of Astoria, is registered at the Imperial.

D. F. Fox, a merchant of Ashland, is registered at the Imperial.

T. F. Rutter, a logger and farmer of Clatskanie, is at the St. Charles.

D. A. and E. G. Jones, lumbermen, of Appleton, Wis., are at the Imperial.

F. W. Potter, superintendent of the Chemawa Indian school, is at the Imperial.

S. G. Hughes, a merchant of Forest Grove, registered at the St. Charles yesterday.

W. C. Bradford, ex-Sheriff of Washington County, registered at the Imperial yesterday.

F. J. Parker, a Walla Walla newspaper man, is at the Imperial. Mr. Parker is on his way to Lincoln County, where he has over 1000 acres of land.

TIME TO PICK WINNERS.

Multnomah Billiard Contest Two-Thirds Completed.

With the handicap billiard tournament at the Multnomah Club more than two-thirds completed, some idea can be formed of the winners of the five classes. Only one game has been played in the first class.

Stone, Gritzmacher, Sydney and Leonard are tied for first place in the second class. Stout leads the third class, Brigham and Knight cannot be beaten in the fourth and fifth classes.

The following is a summary of the games played up to date, players not required to play the full number of points for a game required in their class having the number required of them bracketed after their names:

PLAYERS.	Games won.	Games lost.	Percentage won.	Average actual.
First class, 100 points—				
H. P. Goering	0	0	0	0
E. L. Powell (90)	1	0	100	2.05
F. W. Gomph (85)	0	1	0	1.46
Second class, 75 points—				
C. E. Stone	3	2	60	1.85
H. C. Lohman	2	3	40	1.93
C. H. Gritzmacher	3	2	60	2.20
Geo. E. Streeter	0	2	0	1.86
A. W. Sydney	3	2	60	2.25
W. J. Leonard	3	2	60	1.72
B. D. Sigler	2	3	40	1.50
Third class, 50 points—				
Ernest Bross	3	2	50	1.39
A. C. Peel	3	2	60	1.70
Lansing Stout	3	0	100	1.80
J. H. Clark	3	2	60	1.35
J. E. Cullison	3	3	50	1.22
C. W. Zeller	0	1	0	1.51
F. J. Patterson	0	4	0	1.15
Fourth class, 50 points—				
E. E. Mallory	2	1	66	1.28
Guy E. Holman	1	1	50	1.41
A. L. Upson	1	2	33	.81
P. E. Brigham	5	0	100	1.51
W. B. Feekhelmer	2	2	50	1.16
E. P. Waite	0	3	0	.81
R. H. Benedict	0	2	0	.77
Fifth class, 50 points—				
R. A. W. Barfoot	2	2	50	.94
C. W. Lawrence	0	3	0	.99
J. C. Muhe	4	2	66	1.00
J. P. Lombard	2	3	40	1.15
R. P. Knight (40)	5	0	100	1.12
J. R. Rogers (40)	0	2	0	.48
J. B. Lamgair	3	3	40	1.30

BRIGHT AND LIVELY COMEDY

"A Breezy Time" Delights a Metropolitan Audience.

"A Breezy Time" delighted a packed house at the Metropolitan last night. The play is a musical farce-comedy, and all that the name implies. It deals with the adventures of a young artist, who is seeking his guardian who holds a fortune in trust for him. He disguises himself as an artist to avoid his many creditors. Many humorous situations arise. Action is what audiences seem to require nowadays, and in "A Breezy Time" the action begins with the rise of the first curtain, and never ceases till the fall of the last. The complications that surround and harass the unfortunate artist furnish opportunity for all kinds of ludicrous situations, and these are made the most of. While the plot is consistent and continuous, abundant opportunity is furnished for the introduction of clever specialties, which are in the hands of capable people. The company is well balanced, and the girls have good voices and are really pretty.

Billy Williams, as Jack Dauber, the artist, does some very clever work, and caught the favor of the audience from the start. Percy Owens, as Daisy Lightfoot, the artist's affianced wife, handled her part delightfully, her graceful and sprightly bearing being particularly pleasing.

Numerous specialties are introduced, all good, some of exceptional merit and many new. "Musical Oddities," by Percy Owens and David Martin, was greatly appreciated. "Rag-Time Dutch," by Victor Casmore, is a novelty and an intensely funny one. Freda Florence, as the old maid; C. W. West, as the country guardian, and Victor Casmore, as the Dutch tailor, were all good. The elaborate electrical display in the last act is deserving of special mention.

"A Breezy Time" will be played all week, with Saturday matinee. As a laugh-producer it is well worth seeing.

Bark Abandoned at Sea.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—The Lamport & Hall line steamer Olbers, Captain Braithwaite, which arrived today from Brazilian ports, brought Captain Haakonson and 14 seamen of the Norwegian bark Bolivia, which was abandoned at sea. The Bolivia left Darien November 20 for Hull. November 26 she ran into a gale lasting 48 hours. She labored and strained badly, causing her to spring a leak. Heavy seas also boarded the vessel, and when the storm subsided she was waterlogged. All hands were kept at the pumps, but in spite of their efforts the water steadily poured in from the bow and stern, where her seams opened. On the 29th the steamer Olbers was sighted, and stood by while the crew abandoned the bark, and took all hands safely aboard. The Bolivia was then seen to settle in the water.

MARINE BAND RETURNS.

Two Fine Concerts at the Exposition Building.

The Royal Marine Band, whose music so pleased the best musical talent of Portland during its brief engagement a few weeks ago, has returned to the city, and yesterday gave two concerts to good houses at the Exposition building. In the afternoon's concert the programme merited the flattering approval of the audience. Several of the numbers that were such prime favorites during their engagement a few weeks ago were rendered in their precise musical style. The famous quartet from "Rigoletto" was the best of the afternoon's performance. A flattering ovation greeted the talented artists, to which they graciously responded. Signor Gianinni, the tenor soloist, and Signor Staro, the harpist, were warmly welcomed as old friends.

At the evening performance the immense hall was crowded. A noticeable feature was the fact that the building was very comfortably heated, and the patrons were warm in their appreciation accordingly. Recalls were so frequent and so spontaneous that at times from three to four encores were barely sufficient to satisfy the appreciative audience. Signor Gianinni received four recalls in his second number. The bright and sprightly overture by Suppe, "Poet and Peasant," was rendered with such musical verve as only the warm Italian nature can interpret. Selections from "Il Trovatore," with numerous opportunities to display the solo wealth of the band, brought the fine concert to a close.

Considering the fact that such a number of requests for special numbers have come to Manager Heilig, it has been decided that a request evening, an extra performance, will be given Tuesday evening. The exceptionally well-selected programme for tonight and the request programme of tomorrow night will be opportunities that the musical people of Portland cannot afford to neglect.

Republican Ticket at Independence.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Dec. 2.—Pursuant to call, the Republicans met last evening and placed the following ticket in the field, to be voted for at the city election on tomorrow:

Mayor, J. S. Cooper; Treasurer, A. D. Davidson; Recorder, J. D. Irvine; Marshal, A. J. Tupper; Councilmen, First Ward, J. A. Mills; Second Ward, D. B. Taylor; Third Ward, T. B. Huntley.

The Democrats have no ticket in the field, giving their indorsement to the nonpartisan nominees.

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Friday eleven instruments were sold, and Saturday's record eclipses all the previous big days. People are quick to recognize a bargain when they see it, and nowadays everybody seems to have the necessary wherewithal to furnish the home with a good piano or organ. Few people there are who leave the store without securing one of the many bargains which we now offer.

We are compelled to buy out a retiring partner's interest in this concern. We have never borrowed a single dollar outside of the firm since commencing business, nor do we feel that we want to take another partner into the firm now. We are therefore confronted by the necessity of converting at least one-third of our present stock into cash or short-time paper, and to accomplish this purpose in the limited time at our command, we have commenced a special closing-out sale of our Portland stock at such low prices, the equal of which have never heretofore been seen in print.

You will find here some fine square pianos, Steinway, Hallet & Davis, Emerson, Fischer and other makes, for sale at $48, $53 and $67 respectively; strictly up-to-date squares, worth $200, $110 and $135, respectively, at the lowest estimate. Several second-hand uprights and used organs, for a mere song.

We offer a strictly high-grade, fancy seven and one-third octave piano, full swinging duet music desk, revolving lockboard, with three pedals, the third a soft or practice pedal, for $216, which is less than half price. A fancy figured Brazilian mahogany case for $22 more money. Largest cabinet grand size, thoroughly reliable, fully warranted upright pianos in mahogany or oak, standing four feet nine inches high, with large duet desk, rolling fall-board, and three pedals, instruments that we guarantee cannot be bought in Chicago or at the New York factory for less than $325 each, will go during the sale for $178 and $192. Rosewood cases for $22 still less money.

With the exception of the three highest priced styles, the cost of which slightly exceeds $500, and on which terms of payment will not be made less than $100 down and $20 a month, all pianos are for sale on payment of $15, $20 or $25 down, and at the rate of $6, $8, and $10 a month, according to make, style and design.

Every piano and organ sold will be accompanied by the respective manufacturer's five years' warranty, duly countersigned by us, thus fully protecting the customer in every way.

This sale is now in full progress at 351 Washington street, in our new Music block, and if you have any possible use for a piano or an organ, come at once, and do not delay, for times are prosperous now, many are taking advantage of this opportunity at this time of year, and we will turn this stock into money or paper within a very few days. Store open day and night till stock is closed out. Remember our street number. Eilers Piano House, 351 Washington street.

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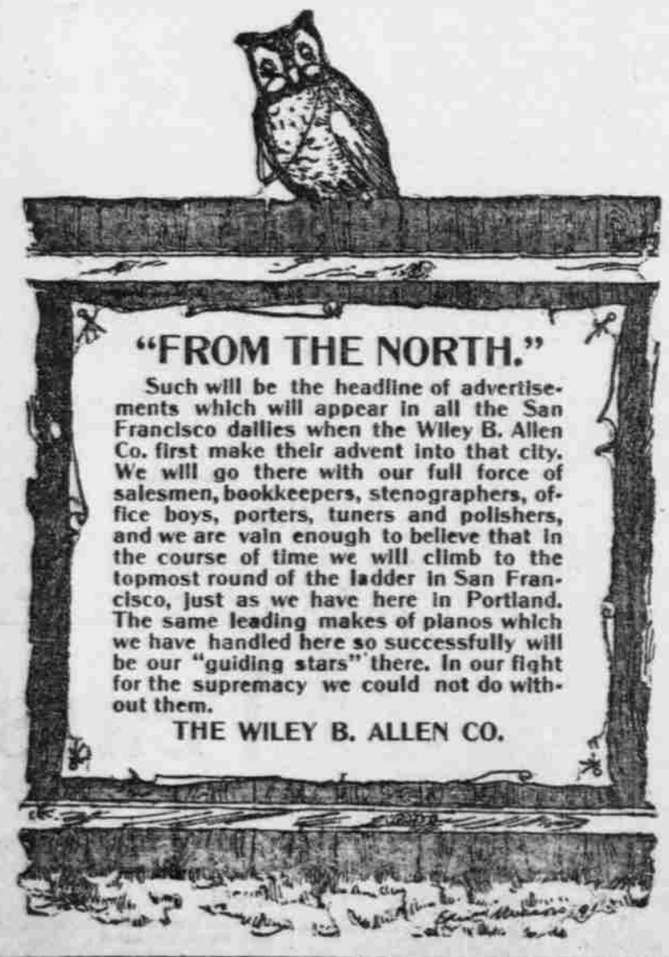

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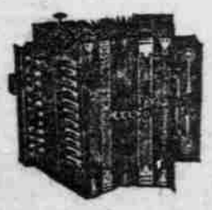

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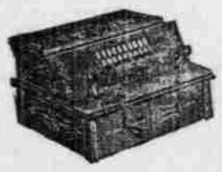

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