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MARQUAM GRAND THEATER (Morrison street, bet. Sixth and Seventh)—Tenight, at S.15 o'clock, the musical comedy, "A Chinese

CORDRAY'S THEATER, Washington street— Evening, 8:15, Marie Heath company in "For Mother's Sake."

THE BAKER THEATER, Third and Yambill streets-Evening at 8:15, the Baker company in "The Moth and the Flame." ARCADE THEATER, Seventh and Washing-ton-Continuous vaudeville, 2:30 to 10:30.

PETITION TO REMOVE GARBAGE CRE-MATORY.—Residents and property-owners at the extreme north, and in fact all north at the extreme north, and in fact all north of Savier street are anxiously awaiting the action of the Council on the petition signed by 177 of them. This was presented to the Council Wednesday asking for the removal of the garbage crematory and dumpting ground connected with it to some secluded place where they will annoy no one. The crematory was supposed to be in such a place when located where it is, but now the country around it is thickly settled so rapidly has the town grown, and the dense smoke and foul firmes from the flue are very obnoxious to all residents in the neighborhood. The stench from the dumpting ground is even more so. The crematory is only about four blocks north of the Lewis and Clark Fair grounds, and several of the Fair Commissioners have signed the petition for its removal. The matter was referred to the health and police committee and the petitioners are now on the anxious seat waiting for a reposed that it was so far away that it basacod, went all to pieces sgain, and could never become a nuisance, but it has become inadequate for the purpose intended and has become a nuisance to many, and is not a nice adjunct to the Pair grounds, so there are several good reasons for asking for its removal.

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EXPOSITION PAPER IN DEMAND .- Judging by the demand for paper for preparation of the Educational Exhibit from Oregon to the World's Fair at St. Louis, the boys and girls over the state, and incidentally the school teachers, are going at the work in earnest. The demand comes from all mearacst. The demand comes from all sides, eastern, western and southern, as well as from the Willamette Valley towns. One of the largest orders is from Gant's Pass, while Coos, Klamath, Harney and Malheur, among the more distant counties, are sending in for a supply. Baker City and Astoria and Salem have such placed a large order, but iem have each placed a large order, but Wasco County up to date has the lead. Of course, Multnomah County, including Portland, will require much more than any other. For the benefit of the teachers and students it may be explained that a certain size of writing paper, eight by ten inches, of good quality, has been required for exhibit work from the schools to the World's Fair. A broad margin is to be left on the binding side, for all the work is to be bound in handsome volumes, regular book form, finely lettered. A paper Fair authorities was prepared for the pur-pose by a local firm, and it is this paper that is now seized upon with avidity the schools from Baker to Bandon,

per that is now selized upon with avidity by the schools from Baker to Randon, and back around by Ashland.

UNRAST CLERUS FACE EXAMINERS.—The City Additor's department presented rather a lone-some appearance yesterday morning, Auditor Devilin, Chief Deputy Grutze and Claim Deputy Henshaw being the dependency of the following and the period of the Jump attending to a string of contractors and other callers. One astonished visitor who inquired what had become of all the computers, clerks, etc., was told that they had gone up to the rooms of the Civil Service Department to pass an examination to show whether they were did to the waiting-room insighing and jording as in Jump and found an even dozen of them in the waiting-room insighing and jording as a signification of the civil Service Department to pass an examination to show whether they were did that they said they were allers, now and the service of the Civil Service Department to pass an examination to show whether they were did to pass and hosys. They said they were allers, now not considered the positions or not. He went up to take a look at the gaing and found an even dozen of them in the waiting-room insighing and jording as if the course of the city of the did the constant of the course of the week's time, but before this is done wearing and it a dancing party, and the visitor departied, leaving them to their fate.

CONFUSION OF A DRUKMER.—A rather contemptible trick was played on a "tray" for the father was played on a "tray" in the course of a few weeks' time, but before this is done wearing and the course of the the can be forced by the proving of the tather's weeks'

CONFUSION OF A DRUMMER.-A rather contemptible trick was played on a "trav-eling man" by a graceless youth of this city the other evening. The trick is prob-ably an old one, but it was new to the traveler, and accomplished what is not often done—the confusion of a drummer. The graceless youth had invited the traveler to his home to spend the evening, and warned him that his sister was very hard of hearing and very sensitive in regard to her defect, and asked him to speak very loud when he talked to her. He then gave his sister the same warning in re-gard to the travelor. The result when the two met can be better imagined than de-scribed. After the bawling and hullaba-lco had gone on for half an hour the victims noticed the graceless youth laughing to himself till the tears rolled down his cheeks and the game was up. The drummer is looking for the young man and pro-poses when he meets him to give him what Paddy gave the drum, "a t'undering

Don't fail to hear Mrs. Walter Reed. Don't fail to hear Mrs. Rose Bloch

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At Clan Macleay's "Burns' Anniversary

At Arion Hall, 8:15 prompt. Tonight, tonight, tonight, \* Turn Versens Electrs Oppicers.—The cd five pennies for a fare. With a whiri of Portland Social Turn Verein elected officers Wednesday evening as follows: Prescot the river, and they were never sten. cers Wednesday evening as follows: President. Otto Schuman; vice-president. Gus Zeisler, leader, Fred Frischkorn; secretary, William Feustel; treasurer, Jacob Schwind; cashid. Richard Harnish; property man, R. Koohler; trustees, Henry Hanno, William Iscusse, Prederick Nickias. The instructor Otto Driesel, has returned from Chicago, where he lost a brother and sister-in-law in the Iroquois Theater fire, and will resume charge of the gymnasium classes.

but guft there, saying he would go to Ore-gon City or Garfield, Wash.

THE SECOND TERM of the current school year at Portland Academy will begin Monday. February 1, 1904, at 5 o'clock A. M. Catalogue may be obtained on request. Portland Academy, Portland, Or. \*

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Many persons keep Carter's Little Liver Fills on hand to prevent billious attacks.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF PERCE.—The habit of passing off & gold PIECE.—The habit of passing off & gold pieces for nickels appears to be more common than is generally supposed, and school marms riding in street-cars are not the only victims. A rather annoying incident of the kind queurred in a photograph gallery in this city a few days ago. The cashier on making up his cash at night found himself short a \$5 piece. He supposed the proprietor had taken some night found himself short a \$5 piece. He supposed the proprietor had taken some change out of the till when he went to lunch and had forgotten to enter the amount. The proprietor denied this, but the cashier after discussing the matter with all the employes still thought he was right, and that the proprietor had forgotten. He kept freeting over the matter till it became thresome. Finally the telephone man came around to empty the safe phone man came around to empty the safe in the nickel-in-the-slot telephone. He found among the contents a \$5 piece, which he said probably some one in the gallery had dropped in \$\mathbb{D}\_{1}\$ mistake, and handed it to the cashler, who took it and balanced his cash account with it and ought to have been happy. But he was ought to have been happy. But he was

now on the anxious seat waiting for a re-port. The cost of the garbage crematory was some \$15,000. When built it was sup-posed that it was so far away that it

backed up and thus stopping traffic on Front street for half an hour or there-abouts. Much indignation was expressed by business men and teamsters at this outrageous conduct. The expressman explained the matter yesterday by saying that he was playing to get even on the truckman. He drives a dray usually and a short time ago when unloading a trucka short time ago when unloading a truck-man came along and was about to push through a narrow space on the street. He saked this man to walt a minute till be could get out of the way, but he would not and butted his truck against the wheels of the dray, and knocked the dray-man on his back on the stone block pave-ment. He was not disabled he says and ment. He was not disabled, he says, and in return he whacked the teamste the head with his dray stake. This dray-man or expressman is a mild-mannered man, and, as he says, void of gulle, and on the occasion when he is charged with having blocked the traffic on Front street he says it was not his fault, as he was to the World's Fair. A broad margin is to be left on the binding side, for all the work is to be bound in handsome volumes, regular book form, finely lettered. A paper to meet the requirements of the World's lim his lumbering outfit up to the side-walk, but just did it because he could and he alone is responsible for the blockade of traffic caused. This statement is pub-lished in order that justice may be done

> count of the father's weak state of health it will be some time before he can be strong enough to resume his arduous employment and carn money to support himself and family. The Salvation Army people will be glad to receive articles of clothing, etc., for the children, and any other assistance that can be spared for this most worthy cause, at 72 Vancouver assistance as consider. The parents avenue, as soon as possible. The parents are in ignorance of the true state of af-fairs regarding their home, and the matter will be kept from them until such time as they will be able to leave the hos-

SMALL COINS NOT IN FAVOR.-Persons who have acquired the very disagreeable habit of paying out \$5 pieces for nickels will be pleased to learn that currency notes are coming into much more general circulation and perhaps the \$5 piece may before long follow the little \$2.50 piece into the country of has-beens. The copper cent or penny is another coin that many would like to have pass out of sight and out of mind, as they come in handy for out of mind, as they come in handy for nothing. A young woman who had accumulated five of these little nuisances and had not been able to get rid of them decided to pass them off on a car conductor yesterday in payment of her fare. She was riding with her mother, who handed the conductor a dime to pay her fare and was at once given the five pen-nies for change. Just which was the most put out, the girl or the mother, it was hard to tell, but they were both disgust-ed. Had they been on a ferry-boat they might have done as the old-time conductor

Wno is Wooster? Seventh and Morrison.

#### RECEPTION TO JUDICIARY. President and Mrs. Roosevelt Hold Second Levee of the Season.

Theater fire, and will resume charge of the gymnasium classes.

Falls Huis to Fortuse.—Mrs. Henry Ford, of this city, has fallen heir to a fortune of \$50,000 in London. England, it was loft to her by her mother-in-law, Mrs. Walker, who recently died in London. The property consists of real estate sarning a neat income. Mrs. Ford has been advised to leave the estate as it is and receive a yearly income of \$1750. She has not yet decided upon the course she will pursue.

Evilel. Win Dies at the Baby Home died this week, but the management of the Home is unable to find the father to give him the information. The child's mane was "Ethel Wyn," and the father's name is Frank Baker. When last heard from, about the first of December, he was at work for Smyth & Howard, contractors, but quit there, saying he would go to Oregon Divisor Garfield, Wash

### A PERTINENT QUESTION.

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#### AT THE THEATERS

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	"A Chinese Honeymoon."
	Samuel Pineapple John E. Henshav
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	Hi Lung
	Emperor Hang Chow W. H. Clark
	Tom Hatherton Edward Clark
	Mrs. Pineapple
	Florie
	Millie Anna Elliot
	Gertle
	Violet
	Margaret
	Frances Blanche Burnhan
	Gwendolin
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	See SeeFrances Knight
	Sing Sing Bianche Powell Tod-
	Ten Yen Georgie Bryton Cahil
	Mi Mi
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	Chinese maldens, ten girle, etc.

"Kiss a girl-and you must marry her." So says the law in the brilliant, amusing musical comedy, "A Chinese Honeymoon," now on its first visit to Portland, and played last night before a society andi-ence at the Marquam Theater. Every seat was occupied, and the fun, pretty costuming and scenery, mass of color, graceful grouping and sparkling music costuming and scenery, mass of color, graceful grouping and sparkling must were heartily applauded and ever cheered by the gallery. "A Chinese Honeymoon" is one of the best musical comedies that ever visited this city, and those who have not yet come under its spell should go to the Marquam before the show leaves, as it is doubtful if anything better of the kind can be heard here this season. This advice is not given to habitual "knockers," who delight in picking every show to pieces.

"A Chinese Honeymoon" is now in its

nie Ashley of "San Toy," She has a pleasing voice. Miss Frances Knight, so-prano, who played the part of the Emperor's niece, has a fine stage presence and voice. John E. Henshaw is chief com-edian as Mr. Pinneapple, and does ca-pable work. W. H. Clarke, basso, formerly with the Bostonians, is the Emperor, with people, and the orchestra increased.
"A Chinese Honeymoon" is a welcome visitor, and will be the attraction at the Marquam this evening and tomorrow afternoon.

Thursday night, January 27 and 28, Hen-rik Ibsen's masterpiece, "Ghosts," in which Miss Gallatin will be seen as Mrs. Alving. The advance sale of seats will open next Monday.

### "A Celebrated Case."

This strong drama, which attracted universal attention by its great virility and originality a few years ago, will be produced by the Baker Company next week, beginning Sunday matines. "For Mother's Sake,"

### "For Motner's Sake" continues at Cor-dray's Theater tonight and also at the matinee and evening performance tomor-row. "For Mother's Sake," will greatly

please the ladies and children. "Lost River." "Lost River" opens at Cordray's Theater Sunday afternoon. The same company and same play secred a big success at Cord-ray's last season. The engagement is for

### four nights only.

Comedy at the Arcade. Holmes and Hulbert, comedians, send ripples of laughter over five large Arcade audiences daily. This week's bill is put

### on by an all-star cast. "Happy Hooligan."

"Happy Hooligan" will be the attraction at the Marquam next Monday and Tuccday night. Sale of seats opens this

### CIVIL SERVICE BENEFITS.

Class of Men Gaining Positions Higher Than Formerly.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11 .- (To the Editor.)—In an editorial in your issue of De-cember 29, entitled "An Illustration From Omaha." you state that no practical ex-ceptive would tolerate for a moment in business life the requirement that a post-master shall appoint a stamp clerk as the result of a competitive examination. You refer to the case of Postmaster Crow, of Omaha, who was held responsible for an emberslement by a stamp clerk in his of-

The practical difficulty of which you speak might appear to have some founda-tion if the clerk in question had been ap-pointed as the result of a competitive examination. The fact is, however, that he was appointed before the civil service rules were applied to the Omaha Postof. fice. It is hoped that you will not leave your readers to infer that this man was appointed under the rules. At its last annual meeting the National ming up of the reform work for the year said: Civil Service Reform League, in its sum

It (the league) motes us a valuable objecttesson in the fruits of the spoils system the significant fact that no one of the persons in-title of consequence of the recent investiga-tion in the Postoffice Department entered the

Under the rules the public service has been greatly improved in honesty and gen-eral character. The number of cases of official dishonesty among those appointed

as compared with the number of such cases among those who obtained their

places by mere political innocate of lavoritism.

The reasons usually given for the exception of stamp clerks and other employes in fiduciary positions are largely fallacious. The examination tests not only experiness in the work in which the person is to be employed, but also his moral fitness to fill positions of responsibility, and this is found a far more effective and systematic method of selecting bility, and this is found a far more effective and systematic method of selecting trustworthy employes than under the old system. Experience shows that the men selected through the examinations are well worthy of trust besides having the necessary experience and training in the work in which employed, and that far less loss occurs than formerly. When these places were excepted the men who handled money were not always selected with sole reference to their fidelity, no matter what responsibility the law imposed upon the appointing officers, but were forced upon the service by outside pressure. The Postmaster was often limited in his selection to some one forced upon him by a bondsman or by the influence to him by a bondsman or by the influence to which he owed his own appointment as Postmaster. When losses occurred lit-tle was recovered on the honds which were

given, while losses through men selected under the rules have been so rare that they are insignificant exceptions. The Postmaster may protect himself by re-quiring bond of the employe.

ets." who delight in picking every show to pieces.

"A Chinese Honeymoon" is now in its second year in London, and met with an equally brilliant success at the Casino Thester, New York. The piot starts with the honeymoon trip of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Pineapple from England to China, and when they find themselves in the dominions of the Emperor of Ylang-Ylang, fundents because every man who kisses a maiden is forced by law to marry her. Mr. Pinnapple and his wife, who travel with their bridgemaids, furnish most of the action and music. The stage pletures are admirable, and creditable to Stage Director Lavine. mirable, and creditable to Stage Director
Lavine.

Miss Toby Claude is the Fi Fi. hotel
Miss Toby Claude is the Fi Fi. hotel
waitress, and she appears in a grotesque
make-up, with bloomers, and pigtafis after the Sis Hopkins order, but far more
dainty. Miss Claude, who comes from
Ireland and afterward enjoyed brilliant
success in London theaters, is a great
comedisane, one of the most gifted on the
stage anywhere. She plays the part of a
hotel waitress, has a pronounced London
accent, and sent the gallery wild by her
cieverness in "I Want to Be a Lidy." Miss
Stella Tracy, soprano, who comes from
Australia, is a pretty girl, who won honors in "The Show Girl," and she made
one of the hits of the season last night
by her amusing clever imitations of Anna
Held, Adele Ritchie, Luiu Glaser and Minnie Asbley of "San Toy." She has a
pleasing voice. Miss Frances Knight, soprano, who played the part of the Emfitness previously imposed are quite sat-

#### PERSONAL MENTION.

HENRY F. GREENE,

Rev. John Dawson, of Roseburg, is registered at the Perkins.

Miller Freeman, of Scattle, editor of the Pacific Fisherman, was in Portland last night on his way to Astoria. A. G. King, of Bremerton, Wash., is in the city. Mr. King is combining business

the city. Mr. King is combining husiness with pleasure, and will return to Bremer-ton, whre he occupies a prominent posi-tion in the Government service, on Tues-Robert Dollar, of San Francisco, owne Robert Dollar, of San Francisco, owner of the famous "Dollar Line" steamships, was a guest at the Portland yesterday. Mr. Dollar says that the threat of war between Russia and Japan has had no material effect on Oriental shipping.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31 .- (Special.) -- North western people registered at New York hotels today as follows:

From Portland-L. Hirsch, at the Savoy; W. P. Olds, at the Westminster; Miss G. Warren, F. M. Warren, at the Manhat-

From Seattle-Mrs. M. Williams, at the From Spokane-J. R. M. Richards, at the

### Arrested for Vagrancy.

Pauline Woodard and Robert Lockard were arrested last night on a charge of vagrancy. While the only charge on the police docket is vagrancy the arrest grew from a complaint made by P. Nindort. who professes to be a traveling repre-sentative of a California wholesale house. Nindorf reported to the police Wednes-day night that his pocket had been picked. Last night be was sent out with

and he identified Pauline Woodard. When they met her a man giving his name as Robert Lockard was walking along the street with her. Lockard admitted that he did not work and a charge of vagrancy was also placed against him. The woman's bail was fixed at \$50 and Lockard's at \$55.

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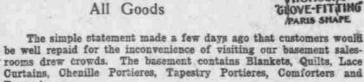
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