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AMUSEMENTS.

MARQUAM GRAND THEATRE (Motion picture, 10:30 p. m.)
 "The Devil's Auction."
 ARCADE THEATRE, 7th and Washington
 "The Devil's Auction," 10:30 p. m.
 CORDAY'S THEATRE, Washington at
 Evening, 8:15, "Mickey Finn."
 THE HAKER THEATRE, Third and Yamhill
 streets—Evening, 8:15, "The Police Officer,"
 Company, in "An American Millionaire."

All who are interested in removing power from self-constituted bodies and lodging it in the hands of the people should make haste to sign the petition for the direct primary nomination bill to be carried under the initiative at the June election. Copies have been placed in the County Clerk's office and with C. E. Lockwood, room 11, Breeden building, Third and Washington.

A MUCH-NEEDED IMPROVEMENT.—The ordinance providing for the time and manner of improving Hood and Water streets between Clay and Center streets through the Council's whoppering Wednesday afternoon, no remonstrance having been presented. Councilman Zimmerman and many others who have long been striving to secure this much-needed improvement, but have heretofore been blocked by opposition, were now rejoicing. The next step toward having the improvement made will be the advertising for bids by the Executive Board, which bids will be opened at the meeting on February 19. The improvement is to be made by paving with stone blocks on a six-inch concrete foundation, and when this is completed by the city it will be kept in repair by the city for 35 years. The property-owners can therefore afford to pay their assessments with good grace, as they will have no more repairs to make and no assessments to pay on that street for a quarter of a century. The improvement of Hood and Water streets will be a great boon to all the immense travel coming into the city by the Riverside road, as it will furnish a solid and practically level road from the south end of the city into the business district in the place of the round-about and hilly route now used.

STREETS THAT SHOULD BE IMPROVED.—The proposed improvement of Hood and Water streets with a stone pavement laid on concrete foundation, thus changing an almost impassable quagmire into a grand, surfaced thoroughfare, has called the attention of many to the great desirability of East Morrison street, from the bridge to Grand avenue, being filled to grade and well packed and covered with a permanent and substantial pavement. During the construction of the new Morrison street bridge, Burnside street between Third and the bridge, and East Burnside from the bridge to Grand avenue, is bound to be one of the most traveled thoroughfares in the city and many are anxious to see it improved in the same way with good stone blocks on a six-inch concrete foundation. The foot of Burnside from Third to the bridge is already paved with stone blocks, but they are the large, uneven kind, and are laid on the ground and when the additional traffic caused by the closing of Morrison street bridge comes on there they will be found inadequate for it. The blocks should be removed and a concrete foundation of a proper one, laid on a concrete foundation. The sooner the property-owners interested take these matters in hand, the better it will be for all concerned.

FRONT STREET TO NEXT.—The section of Front street down almost Welder's mill and the lumber yard region is up before the Council for improvement again. It is only a short time since it was replanked for the third, fourth or fifth time, as it is always in need of repairs, and has become a regular nightmare, and now the planks are all worn out or broken to pieces and it must be attended to at once. One reason for all this constant need of repairs is that the street is a sawdust fill and this is a poor foundation for any kind of improvement. The city officials are beginning to realize that the best thing to be done in this case is to place enough rock on the sawdust to make a solid fill, and then put a good concrete foundation on this and lay a stone concrete pavement over all. When this is done, the traffic in the street can go on without interruption, and repairs will not be required every week or two.

TO AID HOME FOR CONSUMPTIVES.—A masked ball will be given at Burkhardt's Hall, corner of Union avenue and East Burnside street, on the evening of February 15, under the auspices of Eureka Council, Knights and Ladies of Security, the net proceeds of which are to be given to the building fund for the proposed Home for Consumptives. Mrs. L. P. Ott is the originator of this movement, she having lost a sister by consumption a few years ago. Other committees will assist in the project, and it is hoped that a sum will be raised which will materially aid in securing for this city a home for sufferers from the fell destroyer, consumption, which will be a credit to the city. This ball being for a charitable purpose, and a particularly desirable one, it will without doubt be liberally patronized.

MURDER'S SMELT THIS JELLY.—State Dairy and Food Commissioner J. W. Bailey notified the local grocers and bakers yesterday that Gertz Brothers' jellies, manufactured in San Francisco, must be either sold or used in Portland. This brand of jelly is used in large quantities by bakers in this city and a careful analysis has resulted in the discovery of coal-tar dye to be one of the ingredients used in the manufacture of this brand of imitation jelly. Several other brands of jellies on the local market are said to contain poisonous and injurious ingredients as the brand which has been condemned, and the attention of the authorities is being given to all manufactured jellies in the city. Arrests will very likely follow the discovery of any more adulterated jellies on the market.

CHARGE AGAINST JOHN DITCHBURN.—Investigation into the charge filed with the Grievance Committee of the Bar Association against John Ditchburn has been going on during the past two or three days and considerable testimony has been introduced on each side. Ditchburn is represented by John F. Logan and the petitioner, John Fabris, by Richard Nixon and Judge Rufus Mallory. The committee consists of Messrs. H. H. Northrup, W. G. Lumby and Wirt Miner. At the last meeting the hearing was continued until Monday next, at which time all of the evidence will probably be submitted and arguments by opposing counsel made.

"McLOUGHLIN AND OLD OREGON."—Beginning with the next issue, The Sunday Oregonian will publish "McLoughlin and Old Oregon," by Mrs. Eva Emery Dye. It will be finished in about 12 issues. About no other Oregon pioneer is there so much of romantic interest as attaches to good Dr. McLoughlin, and every resident of the "Oregon Territory" who has not read Mrs. Dye's fascinating story in book form, should take this opportunity to be entertained and interested through the medium of The Sunday Oregonian.

FRANK'S MARKET, 307 Third—Receives express shipments daily of vegetables, viz.: Egg plant, tomatoes, cucumbers, summer squash, Brussels sprouts, green peas, string beans, rhubarb, bell peppers, artichokes, etc.
 Woman's Exchange, 434 Washington St. Plain, fancy home-made articles for sale. Is Wooster alive?—7th and Morrison.

THE DAILY NEWS FORTY-THREE YEARS AGO

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"THE NEWS."

From the large amount of news before us it is difficult to glean a distinct understanding of the state of affairs on the Atlantic seaboard. The movement toward a disruption of the Union, excited at first by an indefinable dread. The violence of the secessionists in the South, the abandonment of a craft, they themselves had scuttled, and the intemperate conduct of disunion leaders, all tender to rouse a spirit of resistance to the mobocratic party of South Carolina.

The reported conspiracy to seize Washington by a coup d'etat and prevent Mr. Lincoln's inauguration, thrown in by way of bait, and it is stated that the club's favorite dish is ham and beans. Deputy City Attorney J. J. Fitzgerald recently shot several ducks and he called the annual meeting of the club to dispose of the ducks. There were present: Richard Scott, Milwaukee; Richard Williams, Ed Mendonhall, William Van der Burgh, "Bessie" Harris, J. J. Fitzgerald, Peter Hobkirk, Tyler Woodward and Justice of the Peace William Reid. It was not possible to obtain a menu, but it is understood that a prominent member of the club was suspended from membership until he can show cause why he recently dined at a high-priced hotel. These officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Richard Williams; vice-president, J. J. Fitzgerald; secretary, Peter Hobkirk; treasurer, Tyler Woodward; executive committee, Richard Scott, Justice of the Peace and Ed Mendonhall. It was decided after mature deliberation to hold the next meeting of the club during the next "open" duck season.

PROGRESS ON POSTOFFICE ADDITION.—The convenience of having a contract where there is outside work for fine weather is shown by the rapid progress made by Contractors Langford and Walker on the addition to the postoffice building. The foundations and the base course of stone for the extension are completed, and the masonry walls in the basement as well. They contain a large number of brick, as they are three feet in thickness. A considerable stretch of division walls has been completed on the building and stone which supported parts of the upper story have been removed. The joists for the ground floor of the extension are all in place, and the men were busy yesterday for the arrival of ironwork in the shape of beams and girders, which is expected to arrive today. Stone cutting goes on unceasingly under sheds, and the water tables for the first story of the extension are about ready to put in place, while massive granite blocks are in place in four of the main rooms for the wagons to back up against. Foremaster Bancroft was looking over the work the other day and concluded that there is a prospect of his getting back into his old quarters sooner than he had hoped for.

FRANK'S MARKET, 307 Third—George D. Gibson, a pioneer of 1851, who came down from Pomeroy County, Washington, as a delegate to the National Livestock Association in January, returned home last evening. For the past several weeks he has been visiting relatives and old friends in Polk, Marion and Clackamas Counties, many of whom he had not seen for more than 30 years. He served with gallantry in Company B, First Regiment, Oregon Cavalry, enlisting on December 11, 1861, for three years. He was appointed Sergeant on January 2, 1862. Benton Killin, of this city, was in the same company and both belonged to the same regiment. They met each other yesterday for the first time since their term of service expired, and it is needless to say that the time was fully occupied with reminiscences of a long past.

THE ARMY AND NAVY.—The various naval stations on the Atlantic seaboard now have 35 ships of war waiting orders, of which five are steam frigates, three are sailing frigates, six are steam corvettes and one gunboat. They carry a total of 600 men and 33 guns and are of the aggregate capacity of 24,000 tons. Besides these many vessels of the home squadron might be detached for foreign service.

THE CONDITION OF THE U. S. MARINE CORPS.—The condition of the U. S. Marine Corps is now receiving attention from the authorities. It consists of a total of little less than 200 men, rank and file, of whom about 50 are stationed at the different navy-yards and the remainder on board our national ships in various parts of the world.

RECRUITING FOR THE ARMY.—The recruiting for the Army is not very brisk now. Applicants for enlistment are plenty enough, but in the lack of money to them renders the officers indisposed to enroll their names.

A letter from the African squadron reports the capture by the U. S. steam corvette Mohican of another slave, having on board no less than 900 negroes, the largest cargo ever taken on the coast. The disposition of the prize is not made known.

THE NEWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA'S SECESSION.—The news of South Carolina's secession causes little or no excitement in the Navy. Instructions for the immediate departure for Charleston of the U. S. ships Matadonian, Brooklyn and Pawnee are expected in spite of the alleged peaceful declaration of the President.

THE CALIFORNIA AND PACIFIC ARRIVED IN SAN FRANCISCO AFTER THE DEPARTURE OF THE STEAMER FOR PANAMA. Some of the passengers took the overland route to the States. Among them were Mr. Crawford, of Yamhill County, and Mrs. E. Baker, of Salem.

A PROPOSAL has been made by Mr. Strong, an agent, to build a telegraph line from Portland to Yreka.

THE PRESENCE of three ocean steamers at our wharves has given a great impetus to business.

THERE IS at this time a great demand for female servants and 25 or 30 of them.

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PRICES
 Lower floor, \$2.00. Balcony, first 3 rows, \$1.50; second 3 rows, \$1.00; last 6 rows, 75 cents. Balcony, 25 and 30 cents. Boxes and loges, \$12.50.
 Box office will open for sale of seats Monday, February 8, at 10 A. M.

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Blessed with a voice without a blemish, possessing a very extraordinary musical education and with years of experience on the concert, as well as the operatic stage, Madame Blauvelt fully appreciates the value of a piano accompaniment, which corresponds in quality to her own rare voice, and produces a harmonious effect upon her hearers. Instead of one which is harsh, grating and unlovely. It is not to be wondered then that her choice of a piano for use during her present concert tour has been the famous Chickering & Sons.

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for future delivery of grain may be made, beginning August 1. This movement is the result of efforts on the part of the Produce Exchange to broaden the grain market here, lack of storage facilities having in recent times caused considerable contraction in the trade.

NO FAULT TO FIND WITH CHURCH EDITION. NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Archbishop Farley, of New York, called today for Rome. He denied that he intended to represent to the Pope that the banishment of women from church choirs, in accordance with a recent edict of the pontiff, would work great hardship in this country.

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Odds and Ends
Dress Goods, Silks and Velvets
 Remnants of Silks, Dress Goods and Velvets. In Silks there are taffetas, novelties, foulards, peau de soies. In Dress Goods, zibelines, mohairs, kerseys, tweeds and whippers. In Velvets, all our plain and fancy Velvets and Velveteens. These lines are broken, and for Friday and Saturday we will place a price not half the equal of the cost of the manufacture, let alone the freight. You can make your own prices on these goods.

Special in Velvets
 A special line of Silk Velvets, in fancy stripes and brocades that were \$1, \$1.50 and \$2; to close out today and Saturday, per yard **73c**

Ladies' and Children's Underwear
 Ladies' fleece-lined gray and eoru, regular 35c goods, today and Saturday for **25c**
 Ladies' all-wool gray and white ribbed, garment sells for \$1.00, today and Saturday **50c**
 Gray flannel garment, all wool, sold for \$1.00, today and Saturday for **75c**
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 Children's good heavy ribbed Stocking, black, fast colors, sizes 6 to 9, today and Saturday, a pair **9c**
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