CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

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AMUSEMENTS.

MARQUAM GRAND THEATER (Morrison st., bet. 6th and 7th)-Tonight, at 8:15, "Si Hopkins." COLUMBIA THEATER (14th and Washing ton)—Tonight at 8:15, "Mistakes Will Hap

EMPIRE THEATER (12th and Morrison)-To night, at 8:15, "Darkest Russia." GRAND THEATER (Park and Washington)-Continuous vaudeville, 2 to 10:30 P. M. STAR THEATER (Park and Washington)-Continuous vaudeville, 2 to 10:30 P. M.

BAKER THEATER (Third and Yamhill) Continuous vaudeville, 2:30 to 19:30 P. M. ARCADE THEATER (7th and Washington Continuous vaudeville, 2 to 10:30 P. M. BIJOU THEATER (Sixth, near Alder)-Cot tinuous vandeville from 2:30 to 10:30 P. M.

LYRIC THEATER (cor. Alder and 7th)-Cor tinuous vaudeville from 2:80 to 10:30 P. M. THOUGHT IT WAS A HOLD-UP.—John Morris, who lives at Portsmouth, while on his way home after dark one night last week saw what he took for the gleam of a dark lantern flashing in his face from out of the darkness. "I'm in for it," he said to himself. He imagined he was looking into the muzzle of a pistol. His es knocked together and perspiration

oozed out of every pore. Then with a mighty bound he sprinted for his home, which was several blocks away. The next day he met a friend who related to him that he was on his way home, smoking a cigar, when he met a man who suddenly became frightened at something and started toward the Willamette River, and he feared he must have drowned himself. Mr. Morris remarked quietly: "That cer-tainly was very singular, indeed, wasn't it? How do you account for it?" WANTS THOUSAND MEMBERS.-Centen ary's new pastor, Rev. W. H. Heppe, D. D., at the recent bugle-call meeting, announced that Centenary Church should have at least 1000 members within the next five years. Situated as it is, the cen-

ter of the East Side, surrounded with a growing resident population, Dr. Heppe thinks that 1000 members are not too many to hope for. By the end of Januar at least subscriptions to the debt will all be paid in and the debt paid off, leaving the church to carry out its plans for progressive work. Dr. Heppe has inspired much enthusiasm among the members and they are responding to his calls for progressive work with alacrity. SPEAKS TO UNIVERSITY CLUB.-The first

of this season's monthly dinners of the University Club was held on Saturday evening and the occasion was highly en-joyable and successful. About 45 of the clubmon and their friends were present and the evening was enlivened by rollicking songs, bright stories and toasts. Tom Richardson was the principal speaker of the evening. He talked entertainingly of his meetings with famous men, related many interesting experiences in his career as a community builder, and spoke of the part the university man was to play in making the year 1805 in Portland a

Examinations To BE Help.-The United States Civil Service Commission announces that the following examinations will be held in this city; On De-cember 17 an examination will be held for the position of fireman, in the customs service at Astoria, Or., on the customs launch patrol. On December 28 for the position of teacher in the Philippine service at a salary from \$1000 to \$1200 per annum and on January 4 for the position of chemical clerk in the Department of Agiculture, at a salary of \$70 per month. siring to compete should call on Z. A. Leigh, Postoffice Department,

GROCERY STORE BURGLARIZED.-The grocery store of H. J. Faust, on the cor-ner of East Twenty-sixth and Powell streets, was broken into Saturday night and about \$65 worth of cigars, bacon and butter stolen. Entrance was effected by forcing open the front door. Nearly the entire stock of cigars was taken. Mr. Faust noticed several strangers hanging sbout that neighborhood Saturday, but Faust discovered yesterday morning that his store had been burgiarfred and notified the police.

OFFICERS ARE ELECTED .- Multnomah Camp No. 77, W. O. W., has elected the following officers: Past consul, B. K. Knapp; consul commander, William W. Lumsden; adviser lieutenant, M. O. Wil-Minssen, adviser neutenant, M. O. Wil-kins; banker, H. H. Newhall; clerk, J. M. Woodworth; escort, G. C. Lawrence; watchman, H. J. Ingram; sentry, A. Par-sons; managers, J. H. McBride, W. W. Minar and E. H. Bennet.

FUNERAL OF FRITZ HEISER.—The funeral of Fritz Heiser, aged 45, was held yester-day at Dunning's undertaking chapel, and the services were conducted by Rev. August Krause. The Sons of Hermann, of which the deceased was a member, took charge of the interment, which occurred in Lone Fir Cemetery, and gave the funeral ceremony of the order.

Bur your Xmas presents at the Unitarian Bazaar, which opens next Thurs-day evening. The cook book compiled by our ladies will bring happiness to every home. The entertainment on Friday evening begins at 8 o'clock.

Christmas Bazaar, Woodman Hall, East Sixth and Alder streets, Monday evening, Dec. 5, and following afternoon and evening, Dec. 6. Music, refreshments.* THE CALUMET, 149 7th, Lunch 35c, 11:30 A. M. to 2 P. M. Dinner 50c, 4:30 to 8 P. M. Service a la carte, 7 A. M. to 8 P. M.

A CHOICE business property for sale on third street. Particulars, 31 North Front.* Dr. Brown, eye and ear. The Marquam. B. B. Rich Curio Store is selling out. * Dr. C. W. Barn, Dentist, \$17 Dekum,

ST. JOHNS' NEW CHARTER.

Document Will Soon Be Presented for Approval of the People.

The new charter which is being framed for St. Johns will soon be submitted to the people for approval or disapproval. It is practically completed, so the committee says, with some slight exceptions. Councilmen Monahan, Hughes and Huribert are the charter committee, and the burt are the charter committee, and they have charge of the work, which was done by a man well versed in charter

There are the usual offices of Mayor, Councilmen, Recorder, Treasurer and City Attorney, who are elective. There will be four wards and two Councilmen from each ward. The Mayor appoints the City Engineer, all fire department officers and employes, police officers and such other officers as may be designated, all of whom shall be confirmed by a ma-

Jority vote of the Council. Section 45 provides that the Mayor, Re-corder and City Attorney shall consti-tute a Civil Service Commission for the purpose of passing on the qualifications of all pressure according to the constitutions. of all persons applying for positions in the public service of St. Johns. No per-son, except elective officers, shall be employed in any capacity by the city until passed upon by said board. Laborers shall be qualified voters of St. Johns, and the same qualifications shall apply to all po-sitions in the city, and all must be able to read and write the English language. The board shall conduct an examination from time to time, at least every six months, such examination being open and competitive, and no employe receiving appointment under civil service shall be

d. The provisions in most respects modeled after the Portland charter; and covers everything municipal government. It is estimated that St. Johns already has a population of nearly 2000 people, and it is rapidly increasing. The framers of the new charter have tried to get up a charter the town can grow under. The first and covers everything required by the town can grow under. The first election under the new charter will be

MOTHER MARY MARGARET DEAD Beloved Founder of St. Mary's Academy Passes Away in Montreal.

After a service of 51 years in her adopt ed sisterhood, Mother Mary Margaret, of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, died in Montreal on Saturday. December 3. This sad news has just been received at St. Mary's Academy and has caused profound sorrow. Born 72 years ago in Montreal, where she returned to die, upon entering womanhood, Mother Mary Margaret took the vows of a life's service.

Entering the order of her choice she became one of the 12 pioneer sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, who came to Oregon in 1859. Her 38 years' service in the Northwest was marked principally by her work in establishing St. Mary's Academy, in which she bore the larger part, and her administration as provincial superior of the Province of Oregon and Washington, covering the or-der of which she has been a member. This position was held for six years, and resulted in her transfer to higher positions in the East.

Mother Mary Margaret's service in life is marked principally, however, by her work in St. Mary's Academy. Throughout the entire Northwest there are for-mer pupils who hold her name in reverence. With a life of self-sacrifice, a per-sonality of strength and vigor and an influence for good which projected itself into her pupils' lives, her death comes as a shock to those who loved her so well. With reverence and honor for the de-parted sister a special memorial service will be by in St. Mary's Academy chapel next Saturday at 5 A. M., at which time solemn requiem mass will be celebrated.

MRS. BLAISE LABBE DEAD. Passed Away at Her Home on Port-

land Heights Yesterday.

After an illness of four months the nseful career of Mrs. Emily Theresa Labbe came to an end at the family residence on Laurel avenue yesterday afternoon. An organic complaint, with which the ablest of surgeons were unable to cope, brought an end to a life which can only be described in that highest of terms, "Womanbood."

und immer auch willst de odder verschlagt." A smile spread itself over the benign and battle-scarred visage of the speaker as his thoughts turned to pleasant things.

Born in Alsace on October 6, 1840, she immigrated to America in 1870 and came on to Portland to enter into wedlock with Blaise Labbe. The marriage was solemnized by Rev. Mr. Lindsley, of the First Presbyterian Church, of this city, and the ceremony was also the occasion of her entering that church.

Her life has been marked by the traits

which form the world's nobility-self-sac-rificing, seeking to do good, her quiet and unpretentious methods of charitable work were only surpassed by her wife-like and motherly devotion. During her life Mrs. Labbe was deeply interested in all charitable work and organization, including the Old Ladies' Home, the Orphans' and Baby Homes and the Ladies' Aid Society of her church. Her work in these lines was character-ized by the quietness and self-effacement

of her methods. Mrs. Labbe died at the age of 64 years, leaving her husband, Mr. Biaise Labbe, and one son, Edward B. Labbe.

Ex-Railroad Employe Arrested on Embezziement Charge.

Fred Stanch, a former employe of the O. R. & N. Company at Astoria, has been arrested by Special Agent Joe Riley and is now awaiting the arrival of Sheriff Linville, of Clatsop County, who will take him back to Astoria to face a charge of embezziement.

His thefts from the company are of the company are of the company are of the charge of embezziement.

Socialism doesn't want a prison or a penitentiary, and it would have no crime, for it would make human beings of men and not cutthroats like the competitive system.

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leged to be not only money, but mer-chandise, which he has been making away with for a year or more. During that time he has been traveling with a faster set than his income warranted. and he has been suspected for some time, Two weeks ago he left Astoria between two days and was found on his brother's ranch at Snowden, Wash. Considerable quantities of the stolen merchandise were found there also. Stanch is 37 years old and has a wife in Astoria.

OVER \$6000 IN FREIGHT.

Where 24 Carloads of Pianos and Organs for the Ellers House Came From.

Mention was made in yesterday's Ore-gonian of 24 carloads of pianos having been received by Ellers Piano House since

This is by no means a sufficiently large stock of goods to meet the requirements for this year, for investigation shows that more than 30 additional carloads are due to arrive in Portland between now and the 15th of December.

Facilities at the big warehouse are now in smooth running order, so that a car-load of pianos can be handled almost as fast as it can be placed on the siding directly in front of the Ellers warehouse by the Terminal Company.

On Friday and Saturday of the last week nine carloads were received and unloaded; a carload consisting entirely of grand planos from Chickering & Bons, Boston; another car consisting of Chickering uprights (making undoubtedly the two most costly carload shipments ever received in the West); a carload of Weber planos, consisting of both uprights and grands: a carload of Pianola-planos, which are now in such demand and range in price from \$500 to \$1000 each. Most of these Pianola-pianos, by the way, had been sold before arrival and were prompt-ly shipped to various points throughout the West and delivered here in the city; a monster carload of Kimball planes was unleaded, containing a number of the latest medium size Kimball planes in Col-onial design; a monster carload of Metrostyle Pianolas, the largest shipment of Pianolas ever made in one carload to the West. Pianolas have of late been distributed very generously throughout the Northwest. A carload of 20 Haddorff pi-ance; a carload of Hobart M. Cable pianos: a carioad of Clarendon pianos was also received and swallowed up by the big warehouse and retail establishment.

MEN ARE ENTHUSED

Eloquence Stirs Gathering of Portland Socialists.

PATRIOTISM IS IGNORANCE

So Says One Orator, and Concludes by Stating That All National Heroes Are Murderers, and Never Did One Kind Deed.

The man with the Teutonic visage had finished his oration and had closed with apologies because the thoughts he had reserved for the occasion refused to serve in all their virgin intensity. He had descended from the pedestal amid the great applause of the brother Socialists, gathered last night at the hall on Davis street, to listen to the doctrines of love and universal riches.

The long and withered man whose moustache stood a bristling abatis around the trenches of his oratory arose slowly and raised his hand on high. "Vat it iss?" he said, while the flickering lights waved their hands in glad ex-ultation now that the question had at last been asked. The audience shifted its foot

slept the cockroaci The Question is Asked.

"It is vot is vas und dot vas dis." The question had at last been answered and the audience engulfed great chunks of the self-evident air and crossed its legs in

"You go to sleep und it vas morgen, und vat habbens?" The audience roused itself for the climax, while the orator stood with outstretched arms engaged with the

"Dot milkman vercompt." Again the udience, eased from the strain, sank into nore peaceful pose

more peaceful pose.

"Und annoder milkman auch vercompt, und mehr und immer each wish to cut der throat, und steal red business won der bruder." The audience, aroused by the word "steal," patted vigorously.

"Den der grocer he kommpt," continued the orator. "Und annoder he kommpt, und immer auch willst de odder vertungt. schlagt." A smile spread itself over the benign and battle-scarred visage of the

When the Mall Man Comes.

"Und den," he said in a soft, low voice like the falling of leaves in the Autumn forest, or the rippling of the rivulet through the corner of the old orchard at home, where the sun shone down on the pool of delight, "und den einander kommpt. He immer der time has. Nie-mals ist der hurry in. Der mall carrier. Er hat a Governmetn job und he is happy." Applause speaker and he retired.

The next speaker could talk United States and his gestures were those of one who has studied oratory in the solitude of the woods, where the ax hely lent grace to the sweep of his arm. "What do the Socialists want?" he sked, but no one answered; perhaps it

was not etiquetie to interrupt the speaker. "They say that Socialism would disrupt be home, and I will admit it. It is the

Rockefeller and Morgan press down the workingman when the workingman learns the philosophy of Socialism? Not an iotum. If the Socialists got power and Rockefeller was dumped into the sea, who would run the trains? Would it be his money? Not an iotum. The brake-men would put on the brakes and the engineers would put on the steam whether Rockefeller owned the oll fields or not." The speaker waxed eloquent and become

"If Rockefeller," he said, "had got \$10 a day for every day since Christ was born he would not have made as much money as he now has. Do you," and the speaker held out his hands imploringly to his lis-teners, "do you think Rockefeller's brains are worth that much more than yours. I

don't think so in my case. Patriotiem is Ignorance.

"A great deal of time is wasted," said the speaker under his next point, "in teaching the school children to salute the fing and to revere "Old Glory" and to bow down to beroes.

down to heroes.

"What is patriotism?" the orator thundered, and thundering paused.

Evidently no one knew the answer and so he told. "Patriotism is ignorance," he

act for humanity. There are more heroes At a late hour the orator had not finished, but was still being applauded down

GATHERING PLANT SPECIMENS

on Davis street.

Dr. M. A. Flinn Has Classified 150 Varieties of Oregon Plants.

Dr. M. A. Flinn, of the East Side, is still engaged in putting in permanent form an illustrated book of Oregon plants, ferns and mosses, and has already gathered and classified correctly 150 varieties. Dr. Filini is doing for Oregon in this line what Professor Condon did in geological lines. Mr. Howell, in his re-cently-published book on the flora of the Northwest, gives descriptions of about 2000 varieties, which embraces the whole Coast, but Mr. Flinn is confining his work to Oregon, and while along the lines of Mr. Howell's book, it is very big warehouse and retail establishment.

Previous to this, during the week, another carload of Weber planes arrived and a carload of Chickerings, a carload of Burdette organs, a carload of Story & Clark planes. The rest of the 2 carloads were made up of Marshall & Wendel planes, another carload of Kimball organs, a carload of Kimball planes, a carload of Pacific Queen organs, a carload of Pacific Queen organs, a carload of Chickerings, a carload of Pacific Queen organs, a carload of Pacific Queen organs, a carload of Chickerings, a carload of Pacific Queen organs, a carload of Chickerings, a carload of Pacific Queen organs, a carload of Pacific Queen organs, a carload of Chickerings, a carload of Pacific Queen organs, a carload of Chickerings, a carload of Chickerings, a carload of the specimen on the clean white with the classification placed on the margin. A glance at a single page discloses the plant with all its colors, together with the classification of the plant Although Dr. Flinn only started preservation and classification of plants last different, for the reason that Dr. Flinn obtains several specimens of each plant, pianos, a carload of Kimbali pianos, a carload of Hobart M. Cable pianos, a carload of Whitney & Hinze pianos, a carload of Weser Orchestral planos, a carload of Behiller pianos, one each of Lester, Kimball and Clarendon pianos.

ball and Clarendon pianos. ball and Charendon planos.

The freight item involved in these shipments alone is a snug fortune in itself, figuring over \$5600, and the wholesale cost of these planos at the factories was conwhile Dr. Flinn has not yet decided sive of the tax necessary to pay taxes on bonds that may be issued, is placed at 5 mills. The completed charter will first be placed before the Council and then submitted to the people, after which it

AT THE THEATERS

"Mistakes Will Happen."

Tom Genowin Edgar Baume Mr. Hunter-Chase.......William Dills William Hawley....George Bloomquest Joe McCann......George B. Berrell John Q. Montague Scott Seaton Dorothy Mayland Cathrine Counties Mrs. Hunter-Chase Laurette Allen Mrs. Price.....Ethel Fuller Linda Kurs Louise Brandt

Here we have another of those breezy farces which are so well interpreted by the Columbia Company. It is a trifle, several degrees, lighter than air, but it kept its audience in a tumult of laughter and ap-plause all the time during the perform-It was written by Charles Dickson, who

starred in it a couple of years ago. It is Dicksonesque, which means that it is bright and hurried and slangy. satirical of the stage, the two leading roles being a somewhat unconventional actor and his actress wife. Of course the majority conception of actors is that they are as a class conventional, but the word is used in the present instance to explain that these two are stage actors, not the real kind. Of course real actors would not place themselves in the embarrassing situations which makes "Mistakes Will Happen" possible. There is a novel situa-tion in which Mr. Baume and Laurette Allen do a bit of play rehearsing. The idea of the thing seemed to strike the audience favorably and this incident made the hit of the play. The farce is, as a whole, a very good one, but there are two or three speeches which should be pruned off. The laughs which they bring are mally into the corner where

> Miss Counties is back in her elemen again this week. She wears trailing gowns, big hats and is quite fitted to her Mr. Baume is excellently provided for in the part of a popular young load-ing man. Naturally he worked without make-up. William Dills came forward with another of his wonderfully good eccentric old men and the spirit with which he played the part was sufficient evi-dence to his friends that he has completely recovered from his recent illness. Louise Brandt and George Bloomquest that crack team of juveniles of whom we have come to expect so much, were at their level best. Miss Brandt appears in a part widely at variance with any which she has heretofore undertaken. She has not heretofore attempted low comedy, but as the slatternly German domestic in "Mistakes Will Happen" she gives a splendid display of talents which the publie did not know her to possess. George Berrell did a tough plumber's assistant up to the handle, while Scott Seaton was very good as the unionely theatrical man-ager. Ethel Fuller and Laurette Allen are finished actresses and gave delightful performances.

> The attendance yesterday was very large and Mr. Ballard may well congratulate himself on the auspicious commence ment of his management, A. A. G.

MACCABEEAN SERVICE HELD. Interesting Programme Rendered at Temple Beth Israel.

In honor of the Chanuckah Festival, which is now in progress, there was a Maccabeean celebration at Temple Beth Israel last night under the auspices of the Portland Zionist Society, given by the Beth Israel Religious school. There were addresses by Dr. S. S. Wise and women. If woman was equal to man to-morrow 80 per cent of the wives would of the programme and were most cred-leave the husbands rather than he de-pendent upon them.

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The School.

Presentation by the Children to the School.

Hilda Gumpert.

The Words of the Prophets

Pupils of Class IV.

The Banner of the Jew Emma Laxarus
Dalsy Gerson, Edith Shapirer, Margaret
A. Haussman, Anita May, Adelaide
Loewenson, Hanita Friedenthal.

ADDRESSES BOYS' CLUB. Mr. T. S. McDaniel Speaks on "A Young Man in a Strange Land."

The Boys' Club of the Y. M. C. A. was addressed yesterday afternoon by T. S. McDaniel, who took for his theme, "A Young Man in a Strange Land." This subject was suggested to Mr. Mc-Daniel by an observation of the many youthful Japanese who have come to this

thundered, and thundering paused.

Evidently no one knew the answer and so be told. "Patriotism is ignorance," he said.

"Who is the patriotic man but the ignorant man. He has no country; that belongs to Morgan.

"Who are the heroes but the murderers surely develop the true muttle surely develop the true mutt "Who are the heroes but the murderers of men? Not one of them ever did a kind act for humanity. There are more heroes cited many instances of such lives and now tramping the country starving and ragged than ever died on battlefields."

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Poor Russia! What with Japanes defeats and the slings and arrows of out rageous fortune in the hands of contemporaneous theatrical managers the land of the Great White Czar has been getting the worst of it recently. There have been a number of anti-Russian melodramas in Portland recently, all of which have had the effect of making a patriotic American better reconciled to the fact that he is not a subject of the Russian Empire during this year of grace.

Anoff......L. M. Mates

"Darkest Russia," which was the bill yesterday and will be all week at the Empire is not greatly different from others of its class. There is a Nihilist plot which involves both hero and heroine. There is a sentence to Siberia and hard luck generally for these two leading characters, but in the end Siberia is crowded into a close corner, the hero, heroine and all the others who have con-tributed to the downfall of the villain and villainess are left happily situated, while the bad ones are confounded. "Darkest Russia" is the first of the

Stair & Havlin shows that has come to Portland under the management of George L. Baker, who now assumes charge of the Empire. Both of the performances yesterday were largely attended and the new order of things received a most propitious send-off. The play and company is satisfactory from the standpoint of popular-price melodrama and the coming week will no doubt be a prosperous one for the house and company, which is the original New York troupe. Mr. Baker gets away with his new enterprise is good shape and the indications are that the Stair-Haylin attractions will enjoy a prosperous season under his man-

More Gifts for Museum.

Colonel L. L. Hawkins has secured for the City Museum a collection of interest-ing sea fish caught in the drag net of the French vessel Ville de Mulhouse, which is now in port. The specimens are deep-sea fish caught many miles out at sea, and were sent to the Colonel through the kindness of S. Bonney, com-mander of the vessel. They have been placed on exhibition at the museum in the City Hall and will undoubtedly be of great interest to the school children are now studying the animal life In addition to this collection, the con

ander gave to the City Park an of an unknown species, which settled on the vessel while 400 miles out at sea. The strange bird is now caged with the other curlosities at the park.

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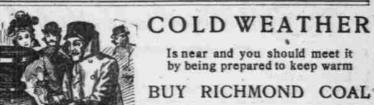
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