

LOCAL AFFAIRS

THE MASONIC AND OLD FELLOW'S REUNION.—On the evening of the 23d, the Masonic lodge of this city gave an supper at Corinthian Hall, at which, by special invitation, Odd Fellows and all their families were in attendance. We speak by the card, and we have the unanimous voice of all present to back our assertion, that no pleasant, more sociable, or happier lot of people ever assembled in the Masonic hall. We specially commend the spirit which actuated our Masonic brothers in thus calling together in social reunion the two great brotherhoods, and hope that the object aimed at may be furthered, and from this time forward there may be a marked improvement in all our social relations as a community. After refreshments had been passed, Mr. Humphrey, Master of the Lodge, introduced Father Shepherd, of Iowa, who made a neat and appropriate little speech, which was greeted with much applause. Mr. Backus then followed, on part of the Odd Fellows lodge returning thanks for the invitation extended, hoping that the bonds of good fellowship would be still closer cemented, and that the principles inculcated by the two orders, and the good that would result to mankind generally in their successful carrying out. Both speeches were well received, and were neither too long or too short. The balance of the evening was happily spent by the large number in attendance in the interchange of civilities and broad "jollarity." It was an evening of much enjoyed pleasure to all concerned, and for our part, we beg to extend to the members of Corinthian Lodge our best wishes.

CITY PARK.—Some months ago we were an active citizen the fact that our city was without any public park, and urging the necessity of immediately securing the necessary amount of land therefor, while suitable locations could be obtained at reasonable figures. Portland, Salem, and in fact almost every town on the Pacific coast, has one or more parks, suitably fenced and decorated, yet our City Fathers, so far, from such neglect or other cause, have failed to pay attention to this matter. The desirability of such an institution, we opine, none will gainsay, and the opinion of all with whom we have conversed upon the subject is that now is the time to move in the matter. The block already in front of the court house has been suggested by some as an appropriate place for a park, while others suggest a place farther from the business center of the city. There are plenty of eligible blocks in various portions of the city, that would answer all the purposes required, that can be now obtained and properly improved at comparatively small cost, but if the matter is postponed from time to time, it will be impossible for the city to obtain such property without coming down handsomely. We hope those who have in charge the city's welfare, will think of this matter, and see if something cannot be done in the direction of at least one public park, which will open up to all citizens. We will not wait for the attention of all new comers to our city, and thus secure a large population, and we suggest that in no other way can we, at so little cost, beautify and add to the pleasure of our city, by creating a park, tastefully laid out with walks, and planted with trees and shrubbery.

DR. D. H. FAY ALIAS DR. REAM.—An individual, claiming to be a Physician, and styling himself as Dr. D. H. Fay, who arrived in this city some weeks since, created no little sensation last week by decamping, after having borrowed from various parties sums of money aggregating some \$230. The money was borrowed on the pretense that he was daily expecting a steamer from Europe. The telegraph was sent in motion, and on Saturday morning the 15th, the Doctor was arrested at Oakland, while enjoining his bunkfast, by Constable R. H. Tapp. The Doctor put on a good deal of "style," when arrested, being very indignant at the bare suggestion of the idea that he would be guilty of decamping with the pitiful sum charged. In company with Constable Tapp he took the stage bound for this city on Monday morning last, and continued his journey as far as Eugene City, at which place, during the temporary stoppage required in changing the mail, he made good his escape, and at that place he had not been seen since. It is stated by parties here from Olympia that Dr. Fay is the man who perpetrated the recent villainies in Victoria on the Southern coast of the continent of Dr. Ream. The story first circulated here, that Fay had run away with the daughter of one of our citizens, deserting her at Corvallis, is untrue.

FIRE INSURANCE.—It is certainly a sign of good business sense to see a man investing in a fire policy, either for his residence or place of business, thus fortifying himself against the chance of loss by fire. The man who does this secures his stock of goods, his residence, his shop or his mill well insured, his credit stands higher, as he is less liable to be thrown on his back by the devouring element. It being acknowledged that insurance is one of the necessities, we have only to point out the companies most entitled, by their high standing and their low rates of premiums, to public patronage. The "Union," of San Francisco, California, stands high as a first-class company, taking fire risks at low rates, and promptly adjusting losses in gold coin. Mr. J. C. Mendenhall, the popular and obliging Real Estate Agent, of this city, will give all necessary information with regard to the Union Fire Insurance Co., at his office in the Parish brick.

THE VERY LATEST.—The latest thing in the way of parties is described as follows in a Minnesota Journal, under the title of "Secret and Filio-cane parties." Duluth at the residence of Geo. C. Stone, Esq. The uniform for ladies consisted of a pair of stockings drawn over their heads, a nightgown, and a white sheet thrown over their shoulders shawl fashion, while gloves on their hands, a white handkerchief, tied to the waist, and a white handkerchief, white casimire mask over their face, and a pillow-case tied over their heads in the same manner in which housewives tie handkerchiefs over their top-places while sweeping a dusty room. The costume of gentlemen are similar to the above, with the exception of white shirts instead of nightgowns, and the addition, in some instances, of pants drawn over the pants. The "neck-tie" is good enough for us.

LIBRARY LECTURE.—We are requested to state that Rev. Wm. Roberts will lecture, on Wednesday evening, March 1st, 1871, at the M. E. Church in this city, for the benefit of the Library Association. Subject: "History of the World as written in the Earth's Crust." Mr. Roberts has the reputation of being one of the best and most entertaining speakers, as well as a gentleman of the highest literary culture, on the Pacific coast. We therefore expect the lecture of Wednesday night next to be of the highest interest to all who may attend. We bespeak for the gentleman a crowded house. To enable all to attend, the mission fee has been placed at fifty cents, a small sum within the reach of all.

PEOPLE'S RECORD OF ATTAINMENT.—This is a blank book prepared by Prof. R. K. Warren, Principal of the Central Public School, Portland, and issued by the veteran bookseller and stationer, S. J. McCormick, and is intended as a register for recitations, deportment and attendance of scholars. It is the handiest and completest work we have seen for teachers, and the low price at which it is afforded places it within the reach of all. Send to S. J. McCormick, Portland, for specimens.

New Ads.—Several of them; very important, too.

THE LECTURE NEXT WEDNESDAY.—A note received by Mr. Corum, Secretary of the Library Association, from Rev. Wm. Roberts, gives the subject of his lecture, to be delivered on Wednesday evening next, at the Methodist Church, thus: "Nature and Science in Harmony with Revelation," and also giving the following syllabus indicating the range of thought: "In this age of books there is the Bible; the other, the Book of Nature, and each by the same Author. The first is the most wonderful book in existence, and challenges our respect by its authority. The second is also wonderful; it is interpreted by Science. The sacred Canon was closed two thousand years ago, while as yet Science was in its infancy. The human mind since then has not been idle. Geology has explored the crust of the solid earth, and delving deep, she has dug up the remains of pre-Adamite generations. The testimony of the Rocks is seen. The graphic New Testament, and the graphic Old Testament, in harmony with each other? Do the Geology and Cosmogony and Astronomy of these volumes agree? The lecture is intended to be a humble contribution toward such harmony."

WOOD'S HOUSEHOLD MAGAZINE is the cheapest and best periodical published. It contains a great variety of reading matter, and all its articles are of the highest moral tone. It numbers among some of its contributors, some of the best writers in the United States. Every number contains a 1000 Prize Story (complete). The February number contains such a fine story as "Mother's Tea," a Prize Story, by Miss Waterbury, is very well written indeed. Little Julian and his New Mammy," contains many lessons for parents. The Temperance Story, by Miss Jackson, is full of earnestness and pathos. There are, also, articles by Gail Hamilton, Geo. Burleigh, Wm. Seymour, and others. The magazine is only one dollar a year. Published monthly. S. S. WOOD, Newburgh, N. Y.

THE SASTIAN DITCH.—We hear from reliable sources, that the matter of building a ditch or canal, for the purpose of bringing in the waters of the Sastian to this city, is progressing favorably. Our citizens are fully aroused to the benefit to be derived by the accomplishment of such an improvement, and stand ready to put it through. We hope to be able in our next issue to report that all the necessary arrangements have been made, and the contract for the execution of the work let. With two railways centering at this point, and a line of canal affording water power to run any amount of machinery, what may not be predicted for the future of Albany. The settled conviction of our people is that the water must and shall be brought in, and the money and energy are here to do it.

PREPARING FOR TRAVEL.—Messrs. Abe Hackelman and Martin Luper have returned from a trip of observation over the W. & C. M. W. rail. They spent about a week on the trip, killed a large elk in the mountains, and enjoyed themselves generally. Mr. Hackelman informs us that the Company are preparing to go to work upon the road at an early day, and will spend a large amount of money in putting it in its first rate order for travel. Among the many improvements in the most approved manner. One of its beauties is you can now cross the river on a large ferry at one wharf, and that, too, without waiting for coals—in ten minutes after the fire is started in the stove you can have the meat broiled and on the table. Go to W. H. McFarland & Co.'s and get one.

EXCERPTS OATS.—Mr. Evans, Secretary of the Linn County Agricultural Association, on Saturday last, exhibited to us a specimen of Excelsior Oats, imported from England by the Department of Agriculture at Washington, and forwarded to him to be given out here for the benefit of the farming community. It is a full, plump, heavy grain, and may prove still better in every particular after cultivation here.

NECK THE SOCIABLES.—Are becoming quite fashionable on the Pacific coast. The Presbyterians of Salem gave one last week, and although the crowd of smart little boys and girls detracted somewhat from the pleasure of the evening, yet the Sociable was a success. Why can't Albany indulge in a neck tie party? That's what we want to know.

GREASE EXTRACTOR.—This is a preparation warranted to remove grease, pitch, paint, tar, stains, etc., from the most delicate fabrics, patented by J. M. Rice. So far as we have seen it used it gives the best of satisfaction, and is really a "blessed thing to have in the house."

N. E. LIFE INSURANCE CO.—See the new card of this old and reliable life insurance company elsewhere in our columns. The reputation of this company is second to none in the United States, and it seems to grow more popular with age and usefulness. L. Egan, Esq., is the agent for this city.

REAL ESTATE.—Our fellow-citizen, Mr. G. J. Gray, recently sold to Mr. Frank Propert, 1924 acres of land, lying six miles east of this city, for the sum of \$9,000—or at the rate of \$25 per acre.

TO CURE A COUGH.—To relieve all irritations of the throat, to prevent hoarseness, to restore perfect soundness and health to the most delicate organization of the human frame from the Longevity Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry.

WINTERING.—On Tuesday night occurred one of the most violent snow storms of the season, raging for more than an hour and a half. Wednesday morning discovered evidences of a very fair frost, and that was all.

Busy.—Dr. Gray has been crowded with business for days past. The principal cause seems to be his advertisement to let the people know he is ready to execute work, and when orders are given he does them up in excellent style.

LOCAL PARAGRAPH.—Rev. Mr. Todd has gone to Portland, to remain over Sabbath.

Rev. Wm. Roberts will fill the pulpit at the Methodist Church to-morrow.

Williamette river has been running "level full," swollen by the heavy dews that prevailed during the forepart of the week.

Mr. Jas. A. Warner, Civil Engineer and Surveyor, is at work on a map of the City of Albany, which will soon be completed.

Wednesday forenoon City Recorder Humphrey was busily engaged assessing fines against various parties for disobedience to city laws.

We are obliged to some thoughtful friend for a copy of the premiums awarded at the Oregon State fair of 1870.

We have tried the non-explosive kerosene lamp introduced by Messrs. Marston & Quibby, and we are suited to a ty—a big thing, they say, but.

Council Proceedings.

ALBANY, Feb. 21, 1871.
Council met and was called to order by the Mayor. Present—N. H. Cranor, Mayor; Councilmen, Backus, Cheadle, Cartwright, Crawford and Monteith. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.
Bill of George Weller allowed, and an order drawn on the treasurer for the amount.
Resolution offered directing the Marshal to remove or cause to be removed a nuisance or cess-pool from the alley between Lyon and Elsworth streets, in block No. 7 of this city, said removal to be at the expense of the owner of said property. Adopted.

Bills of Westfall and Brown presented, and on motion referred to proper committee.
Petition presented, signed by Monteith, Rice and others, asking the City Council to rescind the order requiring sidewalk built on the grounds of the Albany Collegiate Institute. Referred to committee on Streets and Public Property.
Resolution offered requesting the Mayor to appoint a committee of three to take into consideration the propriety of building a jail for the use of the city. Adopted. Backus, Beach and Crawford were appointed such committee.

Resolution offered requesting the Mayor to appoint a committee of three to take into consideration the propriety of building an engine house and council chamber. Adopted. Monteith, Cheadle and Cartwright appointed such committee.
Moved that the Finance Committee be instructed to look after lumber belonging to the city of Albany in the east part of town.
Resolution offered to build all new crosswalks, south of First street, six feet wide. Referred to committee on Streets and Public Property.
Resolution offered directing all persons having claims against the city, to hand in the same within two weeks, if they expected them to be allowed. Adopted.

Resolution offered instructing the committee on Streets and Public Property to examine the streets and crosswalks between R. D. & C. H. R. corners the same, and where they need repair to let the City Council express their wish to keep the same in good order. Adopted. Council adjourned.
N. B. HUMPHREY, Rec.

AGENT.—Mr. J. M. Baltimore, general newspaper, advertising and collecting agent, Portland, Oregon, is authorized to act as agent at that point for the Register.

We commence the publication this morning of the laws passed by the third session of the forty-first Congress.

Mrs. Danway took her departure from among us for Portland on Monday.

Hugh N. George is still very low, with but little hope of his recovery.

Financial and Commercial.

Gold in New York 111½. Legal ten-90(20).
No change in market quotations at San Francisco.

Albany market prices remain as last quoted, with receipts generally light and demand ditto.

One may insert a thousand excellent things in a newspaper and never hear a word of them from its readers. But let a line or two not suited to their tastes creep in by accident, or otherwise, and one hears of it from every quarter.

The wife of a man named El. Hanna, of Dunlapville, Union county, Indiana, starved to death not long since, while the lazy husband took his meals at his father's, where the wife was not permitted to visit. The citizens of Dunlapville plead ignorance of the family prior to the day of her death. When found, food was given her, which she seized savagely and ate voraciously, but immediately threw up. The children were also in a starving condition.

The oldest office holder in the United States is probably the Town Clerk of Southbury, Conn., who is ninety-five years old.—Exchange.

If that fellow believes in rotation in office, and has any conscience, he ought to go and die.

A "History of Tobacco" is announced. It should be illustrated with fine cuts.

MARRIED.

February 16, 1871, at the residence of the bride's parents in Linn county, by the Rev. J. H. Root, Constant Barnes and Ann E. Sherill—all of Linn county, Oregon.

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PAIN KILLER. Taken internally, should be adulterated with milk or water, or made into a syrup with molasses. For a Cough a few drops on sugar, eaten, will be more effective than anything else. See printed directions, which accompany each bottle. Sold by all druggists.

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