

LOCAL MATTERS.

CHRISTMAS.—Next Monday is the day which is celebrated by all Christian nations and peoples in honor and in grateful remembrance of the incarnation of the Lord of life and glory. Nearly eighteen hundred and seventy-two years ago, as the shepherds on the plains of Judea were watching their flocks by night, suddenly an angel from Heaven appeared, and the glory of God shone about them, and they were sore afraid. But the angelic visitor calmed their fears, and filled them with joy by saying: "Fear not, for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people; for unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord." They were then surrounded by a choir of angel choristers from the eternal world, who chanted in heavenly strains the mission of "peace on earth and good will to men," which was thus inaugurated, or fulfilled by the birth of the Savior. They went down into Bethlehem and saw the child Jesus lying in the manger. The wise men of the East, too, followed his star until it rested over where the young child lay, and then they went in and made their offerings of "gold, frankincense and myrrh." The incarnation of the Savior was the life of the penitent believer; His death the salvation of the faithful followers; His resurrection the final glorification of His regenerated people. Though "low laid His head with the beasts of the stall," though He was a "man of sorrow and acquainted with grief," was without "form and comeliness," was despised and rejected of men, was poor, and died the death of a malefactor, He has yet been more highly honored, and His name has been more highly revered and loved than that of any earthly potentate or power that has ever existed. Three hundred and sixty millions of human beings annually commemorate His natal day. Churches are thrown open for worship; Sabbath schools erect their Christmas trees, sing their beautiful songs and distribute their appropriate presents the night previous. At the home circle on Christmas eve, the little ones hang up their stockings for the gifts which "Old Santa Claus" never fails to give, or the tree is erected and loaded with beautiful presents, (what parent would be so unloving as to deny the little ones this token of affection?) The day is devoted to mirth and pleasure, good dinners and enjoyment. We hope that our patrons with their families may enjoy a happy Christmas next week.

GRAND FESTIVAL.—At a meeting of citizens at Odd Fellow's Hall on Friday evening of last week, to take into consideration the best manner of securing funds for the destitute and suffering in our city, Mr. D. M. Thompson was elected Chairman, and Rev. Mr. Butcher Secretary. After a thorough canvass of the matter it was determined to hold a grand Solree and Festival at the Court House, on the evening of January 1st, 1871. The names of a portion of those appointed on the different committees, on whom will devolve the successful carrying out of the design of the meeting, appear elsewhere in our columns, and embrace a large number of the very best portion of this community—a sure guarantee that the undertaking will prove a gratifying success. It promises to be the largest attended and most entertaining affair ever witnessed in this city. All persons who can, are requested to make donations of articles suitable for the occasion, giving the necessary information to the Chairman of one of the Committees. The proceeds of the entertainment are to be devoted to a charitable object. Knowing this, and knowing, also, that the admission will be but fifty cents, it is believed that every man and woman in the city and surrounding country will be in attendance and enjoy the occasion. During the evening there will be vocal and instrumental music, by some of our best musicians; first-class actors will furnish tableaux; the four lower rooms will be devoted to side-shows; the hall to ice cream and other refreshments, all taken together furnishing a season of enjoyment seldom witnessed by this people. It will be an occasion long to be remembered with feelings of pleasure by all who attend.

SARE.—For neat bed-room sets, tasty and luxurious parlor outfits, and handsome furniture generally, go to Chas. Menley's, corner Broadalbin and First streets. Get it now while it is cheap.

THE ODD FELLOW'S SOCIETY.—which was to have been held on last Friday evening, has been indefinitely postponed.

CRANBERRIES.—Blain, Young & Co. have received a new lot of those splendid States cranberries. Also a heavy supply of new goods.

Loss by THE FIRE.—Mr. Thompson informs us that he had an insufficiency on the frame building burned on Monday night of \$1,000. The damage to the stock of Thompson & Irving was assessed at \$900, also insured, in the Pacific and Phoenix, which the Companies will doubtless pay. Mr. Winter, who occupied the second story of the building as a photograph gallery, lost his entire stock, valued at \$2,000, on which there was an insurance of only \$1,000. He is the heaviest loser. Mr. Paxton, who but a few days previous to the fire, had purchased of Mr. Winter a portion of the gallery fixtures, at the price of \$500, seems to be out and injured just that amount, we are sorry to say. It is now believed that the fire originated from sparks from the stove.

INSURANCE.—Among the new advertisements this morning will be found that of the "Old reliable" Phoenix Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut. The Phoenix was a large loser by the Chicago fire, but without holding back or quibbling, she promptly came forward and has already paid losses to the amount of over five hundred thousand dollars. In looking about for good companies, companies that are able and willing to pay all their losses, the claims of this old and staunch company should not be overlooked by our people. L. Flinn, Esq., is agent for this city.

MEDICAL CARD.—Dr. W. G. Jones presents his card in this issue of the REGISTER, inviting those who wish medical attendance to call either at his office in the brick near corner of Broadalbin and First streets, over Geo. Turrell's store, or at his residence on corner of Sixth and Ferry streets, when he will be happy to wait on them. The Dr. comes recommended as highly successful in the practice of his profession, and is a gentleman of large culture and social attainments.

TWO BOATS EACH WEEK.—From an advertisement in this issue, it will be seen that the Willamette Transportation Company propose to dispatch a boat on Tuesday and Friday of each week hereafter until further notice, from this point to Corvallis. Also, on the same days, boats will leave this point for Salem, Oregon City and Portland. Boats arrive and depart from Comstock & Co.'s wharf at foot of Ellsworth street.

PUBLIC INSTALLATION.—A public installation will transpire at the Hall of Albany Lodge No. 4, I.O.O.F., on Wednesday evening, January 2d, 1872. All Odd Fellows in good standing, and their wives, are invited to be present. Rev. Mr. Shaw will deliver an oration on the occasion, and other interesting exercises will be had.

DEDICATION.—The Odd Fellows of Buena Vista Lodge will dedicate their new Hall on the evening of January 1st, 1872. The members of Albany Lodge are invited to put in an appearance on the occasion. We have no doubt but that all who do go will meet with a warm and friendly reception, and pass a pleasant evening.

CHANGE OF TIME.—The time table of the Oregon and California Railroad has been changed. The passenger train bound south will leave Portland at one o'clock p. m.; Oregon City at 2.40 p. m.; Salem, 4.47 p. m.; Albany, 6.12 p. m., arriving at Eugene at 8.30 p. m. Bound north the passenger train will leave Eugene at 4.40 a. m.; Albany, 7.05 a. m.; Salem, 8.25 a. m.; Oregon City, 10.20 a. m.; East Portland, 11.15 a. m., arriving at Portland at 11.45 a. m.

TOYS FOR CHRISTMAS.—DuBois has received a fresh supply of toys, candies, etc., etc., which the little folks can obtain very cheap.

Hiltabedel & Co. are selling out their large stock of groceries, provisions, dry goods, fancy goods and nicknacks at cost, affording an excellent opportunity for our citizens to secure bargains.

Gus. Layton, having had a big run, has ordered a new invoice of toys, etc., for the holidays, which are going off at a rapid rate. Go early to secure choice goods.

A. Carothers & Co. have a full stock of candies, toilet perfumery, scents, gift books, prize packages, and a hundred other things you want. Go and see.

For choice millinery for holiday presents, go to the establishment presided over by Mrs. Mendenhall. You can also obtain there a splendid piano or any other musical instrument.

BALL.—Lovers of the "mazy dance" are reminded that extensive preparations are making for a large party and a good time next Monday evening at Parrish Hall. "Swing who you please."

ELECTION.—It will be remembered that the election for officers of the L. C. A., for the ensuing year, transpires on the first Thursday in January next.

Grand New Year's Festival.

In response to a call published in the REGISTER of last week, requesting a meeting of the people to devise means of raising money for charitable purposes, a meeting was held and the following programme adopted for a Grand Solree and Fair, to be held at the Court House on Monday evening, January 1, 1872:

MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT. Dr. Griffin, Chairman; Prof. Warren, H. C. Clement. The band specially invited.

TABLEAUX AND CHARADES. Prof. Sox, Chairman; Capt. N. B. Humphrey, Mrs. Barrows, Mrs. M. V. Brown, Miss Katie Lyle.

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEES. On Cake: Mrs. W. Monteith, Chairman; Mrs. Lyle, Mrs. J. P. Backesto, Mrs. J. H. Foster, Mrs. R. M. Powers, Mrs. Dr. Griffin. On Ice cream—Mr. R. C. Clark, Chairman; Mr. W. H. Kuhn, Mr. G. Young. On Nuts and Candy—Mr. John Millard, Chairman; Mr. Strauder Price, Mr. P. Farrell, Miss Selma Newnam, Miss Julia Elkins, Maggie Irvine.

COMMITTEES ON FANCY TABLES. No. 1: Mrs. Coll. Van Cleave, Chairman; Mrs. P. C. Harper, Mrs. A. C. Layton, Mrs. J. C. Mendenhall. No. 2: Mrs. J. M. Irving, Chairman; Mrs. S. E. Young, Mrs. W. R. Butcher, Mrs. Libbie Graf, No. 3: Mrs. L. Blain, Chairman; Miss Mary Hannon, Miss Aurelia Blain, Miss Laura Tate, Miss Emma Burkhardt. No. 4: Mrs. C. C. Godley, Chairman; Mrs. A. W. Sweeney, Mrs. Thos. Monteith, Mrs. Wm. Colwell.

PICTURE GALLERY. By the Great Masters? POST OFFICE.

Coll. Van Cleave, P. M. Gen., and Perry Raymond, D. P. M.; Miss Mary Finlayson, Miss Susie Deekard and Miss Cora Irvine.

COMMITTEE ON TICKETS. R. M. Powers, Chairman; J. C. Mendenhall, Geo. Humphrey.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE. Rev. Dr. Geary, Chairman; Dr. Tate, D. Froun.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. Dr. Griffin, Chairman; A. N. Arnold, C. C. Kuhn.

The Chairman of the above Committees are requested to see the members of their respective Committees as soon as possible; to proceed immediately to work; to report to the Executive Committee for instruction, if necessary, or to report progress, and to prepare for a general meeting for final arrangements at the Court House on Saturday evening, Dec. 30th, at 7 o'clock precisely.

By order of the meeting. W. R. BUTCHER, Sec.

SCARC.—We hear a general complaint of the scarcity of building lumber. Several new buildings will be erected as soon as material can be obtained. Parties have gone to Jefferson in search of lumber.

RETAIRED.—The severe weather of past week has entirely closed out the business of horse painting and plastering. As soon as the weather will permit, work will be actively resumed on several new buildings.

DEAD.—Col. Morgan, an old citizen of Albany, died at the residence of Mr. S. Montgomery on Saturday night. He was about 53 years of age. Peace to his ashes.

NICE BOOKS.—Ed Freeland, at the Post-office, has an elegant lot of books, albums, etc., just de dings for Krishnas.

SIGMA PHI SOCIETY.—We have only room to say that the entertainment given by the Society, attached to Albany Collegiate Institute, was largely attended and enjoyed.

Our Washington Letter is so far behind time that we omit it. Can't you give us a better style of paper, Tom? Do, there's a cherub.

LEG SPLIT.—Dave Andrews, of Hiltabedel & Co., slipped and split his leg so badly, the other day, that it had to be taken off. Dave now propels with crutches.

MARKETS.—Butter was strong at 40c per pound on Friday. Eggs were in good supply at 40c per dozen.

HOOKS & LADDES.—An attempt is being made to form a Hook and Ladder company in this city. A meeting is appointed for Tuesday night at the Engine House to get "signers." Such an institution is needed.

BOUND OVER.—In County Court on last Monday, Peter Schlosser, of Marshal & Schlosser, was bound over in \$300 for an assault with a dangerous weapon upon W. R. Cannon.

SCHIMMAGE.—A regular knock-down occurred at the depot on Thursday night. Both parties were pretty badly marked about the face and eyes.

JEWELRY.—Titus Bros. are on time with splendid jewelry, watches, etc., for the holidays.

GRAIN DRILLS.—Three or four more of those excellent Grain Drills on hand and for sale, very low to close out, at Frank Wood's corner, of Second and Ellsworth. Call immediately. 2-15.

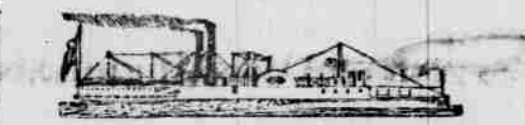
GRAND BALL.—There will be a grand ball given at Parrish Hall, in this city on Christmas evening, December 25th, 1871. A good supper and the best of music will be furnished for the occasion. A cordial welcome and general invitation is extended to all lovers of the "mazy dance." Committee of Arrangements: Isaac Conn, J. R. Herren. Floor Managers: P. C. Harper, N. B. Humphrey, R. C. Clark, N. Bann. Tickets, including supper, \$4. 14w3.

NEW TO-DAY.

W. G. JONES, M. D., HOMOEPATHIC PHYSICIAN.

OFFICE ON FIRST STREET, ONE DOOR WEST OF BROADALBIN, IN BURKHARDT'S TWO STORY BRICK (up stairs), over Geo. Turrell's store. Residence—Corner Sixth and Ferry streets, Albany, Oregon. 416-71

Willamette Transportation Company!



FROM AND AFTER DATE, UNTIL further notice, the Company will dispatch a boat from Albany to Corvallis on Tuesday and Friday of Each Week.

Also, will dispatch a boat from Albany for Portland and intermediate places, on same days, leaving Comstock & Co.'s wharf. Fare at Reduced Rates. J. D. BILES, Agent. Dec. 16, 1871-16

NOTICE.

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE Linn County Agricultural Association.—There will be a business meeting at the Court House in Albany, on the first Thursday in January, 1872, at 1 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing seven directors for the ensuing year, and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting. December 8, 1871-44. J. H. EVANS, Sec.

TIME TRIED AND FIRE TESTED.

Up to the night of November 24, '71, CHICAGO LOSSES

TO THE AMOUNT OF \$502,701.71

HAVE BEEN ADJUSTED AND PAID

BY THE ALWAYS RELIABLE

Phoenix Insurance Company

OF HARTFORD, CONN

The Best is the Cheapest.

Application for Insurance in the "OLD RELIABLE" PHOENIX, OF HARTFORD,

Should be made to its Agents, to be found at all prominent points in Oregon and Washington Territory, who are authorized to issue Policies direct.

Pacific Branch, R. H. MAGILL, Manager, 424 CALIFORNIA STREET, SAN FRANCISCO.

L. FLINN, Agent, AT ALBANY, OREGON.

N. B.—Parties holding policies in the Pacific and other suspended Insurance Companies can have the same cancelled without expense, and obtain RELIABLE INDEMNITY, by applying to the Agents of the PHOENIX, OF HARTFORD. Dec. 23, 1871-16w4

GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, &c.

GROCERIES, GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, PROVISIONS, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, CORNER OF FIRST AND BROADALBIN STREETS, ALBANY, OREGON, A. C. LAYTON, PROPRIETOR.

I have always in store a full and complete supply of STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, TOBACCO AND CIGARS, Which I will sell for cash as low as the lowest, or exchange for all kinds of marketable COUNTRY PRODUCE! Just received and in store 100 TONS ISLAND SALT, Which I will sell cheaper than ever before offered in this market. I extend a general invitation to all people in this and adjoining counties, to call and examine quality and prices of goods, as I feel confident of my ability to give all through satisfaction. A. C. LAYTON.

Blacksmithing AND General Repair Shop.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING RE-turned to Albany, and taken his old shop on corner of Ellsworth and Second streets, announces his readiness to attend to all kinds of

BLACKSMITHING, MILL & MACHINE FORGING, ETC. Also, has on hand and for sale, the COQUILLARD WAGON, Strayer Force-feed GRAIN DRILL, STAR MOLINE, and other PLOWS, which he will sell on the most reasonable terms. GIVE ME A CALL.

All work entrusted to me will receive prompt attention, and be executed in the best possible manner, with good material. A share of public patronage is solicited. Shop on corner Ellsworth and Second streets, opposite Pierce's Ferry. F. WOOD.

ALBANY Lard Oil & Soap MANUFACTORY.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING COM-pleted and put in good running order their new Lard Oil and Soap Manufactory, in the city of Albany, are prepared to purchase, at the highest cash rates, all the Hogs, Rancid Butter, Soap-Grease, &c., delivered to them in this city. They are now manufacturing and have on hand Fancy Toilet and Common Soaps, in great variety, warranted equal to the best in market, which they offer to the trade at the most reasonable rates. Orders respectfully solicited. Satisfaction guaranteed. Parties having Hogs, Rancid Butter, or Grease of any kind, for sale, will do well to give us a call. F. CARTWRIGHT & CO. Nov. 11, 1871-16w4

UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE law now in force, relating to the collection of taxes, all taxes are required to be paid within thirty days after the days appointed for meeting the taxpayers in the several precincts, and all taxes not paid within that time are liable to costs as upon execution, and that is one dollar and three per cent. from each person. I will, therefore, in pursuance of law, meet the taxpayers of Linn county, at their respective places of voting in each precinct, on the following days, to-wit: LEBANON..... Monday, Dec. 11, 1871. WATERSLOO..... Tuesday, " " 12. " SWEET HOME..... Wednesday, " " 13. " BRUSH CREEK..... Thursday, " " 14. " BROWNVILLE..... Friday, " " 15. " CENTER..... Saturday, " " 16. " HARRISBURG..... Tuesday, " " 19. " PEORIA..... Friday, " " 22. " ORLEANS..... Saturday, " " 23. " SANTIAM..... Tuesday, " " 26. " FRANKLIN BUTE..... Wednesday, " " 27. " ALBANY..... Monday, Jan. 1, 1872. N. B.—While in Brownsville I may be found at Cooley & Washburne's store, Albany, Oregon, Nov. 23, 1871-16w4