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Albany, Oct. 16, 1874-5

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**MONTAGUE & MCALLEY,**  
ARE NOW OPENING A MAGNIFICENT

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selected with care, and bought for cash at scandalously low figures. 1 and as we bought low we can and will sell them at prices that will

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Come and see our selections of

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Hosiery,  
Cottonades,  
Cravats,  
Shirts,  
Caps,  
&c., &c.

**Groceries, Crockery & Glassware,**  
for everybody.

The best goods, at the lowest rates every time. **227—Come and see.**  
Lebanon, Oregon, October 30, 1874.

**ACARD.**  
A. H. BELL & PARKER, late of Oregon City, beg leave to inform the public that they have purchased the entire stock of drugs, medicines, &c., formerly owned by R. C. Hill & Son, and that they design continuing the business at the old stand, where they purpose keeping in the future a full assortment of

**Drugs,**  
Chemicals,  
Patent Medicines,  
Toilet Articles,  
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and everything usually found in a first-class drug store.

While earnestly soliciting a continuance of the liberal patronage heretofore extended to the old house, we hope at the same time, by fair and liberal dealing, and careful attention to the wants of customers, to merit the esteem of any new friends who may favor us with their orders.

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Albany, October 9, 74-ntf

**DOC PLUMMER'S**  
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**FOR YOUR FRESH MEDICINES, go to**  
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**BRUSHES,**  
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**OILS,**  
**PERFUMERY,**  
don't fail to call on

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Doc Plummer has the nicest Stationery in the city.  
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Albany, Oct. 23, 74-97

### BUSINESS CARDS.

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**Saml. E. Young's**  
You will find an immense stock of  
**New Winter**  
**DRY GOODS!**  
at LOWER PRICES than ever.

—Also—  
The Largest Stock of Men's, Youths' and Boys'  
**CLOTHING**

—AND—  
**Furnishing Goods**  
in the city, and CHEAPER than any other place.

—ALSO—  
A large assortment (latest styles) of  
**BOOTS & SHOES,**  
AT REDUCED PRICES.

—ALSO—  
**A NEW INVOICE OF HATS**  
For Men, Youth and Boys, very cheap.

—ALSO—  
**A VERY LARGE STOCK OF**  
**GROCERIES!**  
Wholesale and retail, very low.

—ALSO—  
A new assortment of  
**Crockery and Glassware!**  
at lowest prices.

—ALSO—  
**FANCY GOODS**  
In great variety, for the HOLIDAYS, and very cheap.

—ALSO—  
**COAL OIL and CANDLES, a large stock, a little lower.**

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**A very large stock of SOAP & WASHING POWDERS, for sale low.**

—ALSO—  
**WAGONS, PLOWS, and all kinds of Agricultural Implements.**

—ALSO—  
Agent for the NEW WILSON Sewing Machine—the cheapest in the country.

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All of the above goods will be sold exceedingly cheap for CASH or PAYABLE.

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**Retrenchment!**  
**MAKE MONEY**

—BY—  
**SAVING MONEY!**

**BAUM**  
Has just received a new stock of all the latest styles of

**MEN'S AND BOYS'**  
**CLOTHING!**  
And is selling so cheap that all can buy. The goods were

**Bought for Cash,**  
and are being sold for the same commodity. The secret of selling goods is in

**Buying Right!**  
Having selected our goods in daylight, we court the most

**CRITICAL EXAMINATION.**

**I SELL ALL GOODS AT**  
**CRANER PRICES!**

**FULL LINES OF**  
**DRY GOODS,**  
**GROCERIES,**  
**HARDWARE,**  
**BOOTS & SHOES,**  
**NOTIONS,**  
**ETC., ETC.**

**A. BAUM,**  
Chandler's Brick, First street, Albany, April 7-92

### Home Interests.

**LARGE TIME AT LEBANON.**—The citizens of Lebanon had a grand time Christmas eve. Two large trees were erected in the auditorium of the Sabbath Academy, on the branches of which were hung one thousand presents, valued at \$1,200. Through the exertions of Mrs. W. S. Elkins and Mrs. J. Houck, a sum of money was raised, with which an elegant watch was purchased and hung on one of the trees, as a present to Rev. C. A. Woolley, pastor of the C. P. Church of Lebanon. A good choir was in attendance, and aided by the Lebanon Brass Band, which also kindly volunteered its services, furnished the best of music. The room was crowded to its utmost capacity, and the audience were treated to declamations, recitations, etc., by ladies and gentlemen of the village. C. B. Montague, Esq., was especially happy in his recitation, and brought down the house in a whirlpool of applause. Among the presents on the Christmas trees, was a splendid silver horn, presented by the Lebanon Brass Band to Prof. A. Compton, as a testimonial of the high regard and esteem in which he is held by the members of the Band, of which he is leader. A gorgeous tin horn, capable of holding "the full of a half bushel," was placed upon one of the trees, labeled to J. L. Cowen, leader of the "Hoodlum Band," and was a present to be proud of in after years. The entertainment and distribution of gifts was not concluded till near midnight, and was wound up by a grand "shake up," by the "Hoodlum Band," composed of J. L. Cowen, Esq., leader, Dr. Ballard, J. W. Bell, J. W. Gilmore, and others. The performance given by this band of artists was unique and unapproachable, eclipsing anything ever before offered in Lebanon, and was greeted by a perfect hurricane of cheers and applause. It was a memorable night in the history of Lebanon, and will not be forgotten for many long years to come; but the incidents of that night will be rehearsed around the fireside with pleasure, and the festive notes kindly spoken of long after they have passed into the Better Land.

**VICK'S FIORAL GUIDE.**—For January, 1875, is a magnificent number, and as a specimen of typography can hardly be excelled. It is issued quarterly, by James Vick, Esq., of Rochester, N. Y., at the low price of 25c per annum. The number before us contains over 100 pages, 500 engravings, and descriptions of more than 500 of our best flowers and vegetables, with directions for culture, &c.—the most useful and elegant work of the kind in the world. Mr. Vick authorizes the officers of every agricultural society in the United States and the Provinces of Canada, to offer from him the following premiums: For the best collection of cut flowers, \$20; second best, \$10; third best, \$5; fourth best, a floral chromo. He also proposes to receive and forward subscriptions in aid of the starving people of Nebraska, Kansas, Minnesota and Iowa, and to add, out of his own exchequer, \$500 to the donations; and with returning spring, when the sufferers by famine in those States will need seeds and grain, to give \$500 more in such seeds and grain as may be most needed by them. This is liberal, and shows Vick to be the possessor of a warm heart that feels for the woes of his fellow men.

**ALBANY S. S. UNION.**—The Albany Sunday School Union will hold its next regular monthly meeting in the Baptist Church of this city, on next Monday evening, January 4th, 1875, commencing at 7 o'clock. This being the time usually set apart by the Christian world as a week of prayer, the Committee on this occasion resolved unanimously to hold a union prayer-meeting. Subject chosen for meditation and prayer: "The conversion of the young." Services will be opened by Dr. R. C. Hill, after which volunteer remarks and prayers will be asked for. Good music may be expected during the services. All are cordially invited to attend.

**HURT.**—A little six-year old daughter of Mrs. Worth, who resides a short distance from Halsey, on Saturday last was struck by the hind foot of a horse, in the forehead, and severely injured. It seems the horse was running, and the little girl being in the way, the animal attempted to jump over her, but struck her in passing with one of his hind feet. It was at first feared that the hurt would prove fatal to the little girl, but after careful examination and due attention to the wound, on Tuesday she was pronounced out of danger.

**THE MASONIC INSTALLATION.**—Last Saturday night, closed with a collation and dance, which was participated in by a large number of the fraternity and their friends. Upon the invitation of Mr. Biles, Agent O. S. S. Co., a number of those present went on board the steamer, E. N. Cook, the next morning, and excursed to Corvallis, returning in the evening of the same day. The excursion was thoroughly enjoyed by the participants.

**A TEACHER IN TROUBLE.**—On Monday last, as related to us, at Rock Hill School-house, on the road between Lebanon and Brownsville, occurred a difficulty between the teacher, Don Byland, and one of his pupils, aged about eighteen, named Frank Richardson, in which the pupil seems to have got the worst of it. The pupil was unruly, and after the teacher had exhausted his patience in attempting to make the pupil comply with the rules of the school in vain, he ordered him to leave the school-room. This the refractory young man flatly refused to do, but upon the teacher's approach, seized a stick and menaced the teacher therewith. There and then ensued a tussle, in which the teacher succeeded in getting possession of the stick, and, knocking the obstreperous youth down with it, drew him out of the house into the wood-shed and left him. Shortly after, the young man came to the school-house door and begged to come in, saying he was sick. The teacher told him to come in; and after sitting by the stove for awhile, and getting worse, he was conveyed to his home, and at last accounts he was thought to be dangerously sick. Byland was arrested and bound over in \$500 to answer. We give the facts as they were related to us, without any coloring whatever, as we do not wish to prejudice the matter either way.

**"THE MASSACRE OF GLENCOE."**—Calvin B. McDonald, Esq., editor of the Salem Statesman, has been secured by the Ladies' Benevolent Society of this city, to deliver his famous lecture, entitled as above. He has recently delivered this lecture to large and appreciative audiences in Salem and Portland, and press and people unite in pronouncing it a masterpiece of eloquence. The Society is fortunate indeed in having secured this talented gentleman. The lecture will be delivered at the Court House, on New Year's evening. The admission fee will be 50c. The county authorities have generously consented to the use of the Court House for the purpose, as the proceeds of the lecture are to be given to the Ladies' Benevolent Society, and will be expended in alleviating distress. As no one will care to miss hearing this master production of a literary genius, the Court House will doubtless be crowded with citizens, and a large sum will thus be secured for the poor and needy.

**WENT THROUGH A GLASS DOOR.**—The other morning as W. H. Dodd was proceeding to his place of business, he observed a shepherd dog lying beside the walk, poor and thin, and shivering with cold. This seemed to be a real case of distress, and appealed at once to the sympathies of Dodd, who spoke kindly to him, got a piece of meat from the butchers, called him into the Express office, and was proceeding to make him comfortable near the stove on some sacks, when the canine suddenly became "scart," and made a bolt for the front doors. The doors were closed, but that doggon dog never stopped to calculate the chances but went through one of those three foot panes of glass in the door like a shot. And now Dodd is two or three dollars worse off for his sympathy for a torlorn-looking dog.

**THREE LINKERS.**—On Wednesday evening, an election for officers of Albany Lodge No. 4, I. O. O. F., to serve the ensuing term, was held, with the following result: Past Grand, Walter Ketchum, N. G.; P. H. Raymond, V. G.; Ed. R. M. Carter, S.; James Ellison, P. S.; C. D. Burkhardt, Treasurer; Past Grand, J. F. Backesto and Fred. Graf, and Geo. F. Simpson, Trustees. Installation next Wednesday evening. On motion, it was ordered that the editor of the REGISTER be requested to give notice that all Odd Fellows in good standing, with their families, are invited to attend the installation ceremonies, and no others.

**FOR THE INTEREST OF ALL PARTIES.**—There can now be no doubt of the wisdom of the course pursued by Governor Bramlette, with reference to the last Grand Gilt Concert of the Kentucky Library. The short postponement to February 27th will insure the sale of every ticket, which will be more satisfactory to every ticket-holder, and more for the interest of the Library, and that there may be no doubt of its coming off this time, the Governor proposes to return every ticket-holder's money in case of failure.

**MASONIC.**—The following named gentlemen were elected and installed as officers of Bayley Chapter No. 8, of this city, last week: Geo. R. Helm, H. P.; Dr. D. B. Elce, K.; D. Froman, S.; Mart. V. Brown, C. of H.; L. Kline, P. S.; A. B. Faxion, R. A. C.; N. B. Humphrey, M. 31 V.; Ed. R. M. Carter, M. 23 V.; Leon Senders, M. 1st V.; F. C. Harper, Treas.; M. M. Hart, Sec.; Geo. Humphrey, Sentinel.

**AT THE COLLEGE.**—Christmas eve, a tree was erected by the young people, and among its branches clustered some seventy-five presents, of the aggregate value of \$250 or \$300. After the distribution came music and fun, the large number present enjoying a very pleasant time.

### THE SOCIABLE AND FAIR.

At the Opera House, on last Friday evening, was largely attended and hugely enjoyed. The Committees to whom were entrusted the success of the enterprise, acquitted themselves with credit, and deserve praise for their energy and faithfulness in the premises. The performances, lasting until 9 o'clock, were excellent, their conclusion leaving the audience in a frame of mind best calculated to insure a pleasant evening. It was an agreeable, social gathering, thoroughly enjoyed by all present. The net proceeds of the evening foot up \$150, which will be placed in the treasury of the Benevolent Society, to be drawn out whenever needed to aid the poor or destitute.

**REMEMBERED.**—We are under obligations to the officers of the Ladies' Benevolent Society for the present of a huge three-story cake, on Saturday last. It was gorgeous in appearance, and tasted as well as it looked. We earnestly wish the ladies the fullest success in their endeavor to alleviate the sufferings of their fellow creatures.

To Messrs. A. Cartmeyer & Co., we are indebted for full Christmas favors, among other things a box of splendid Havana—the clear quill. Many thanks for the kind remembrance, gentlemen.

A new slick hat (stovepipe) is what's the matter of us, as also an elegant pair of slippers. Who wouldn't be an editor.

**MASONIC.**—On last Saturday night Lebanon Lodge No. 44, A. F. and A. M., held an election for officers for the new year, with the following result: R. Cheadle, W. M.; E. Kibler, S. W.; R. McCauley, J. W.; J. L. Cowen, Treas.; C. B. Montague, Sec.; M. Snyder, Tyler. Installation will transpire at the next regular communication, and will be public. Rev. I. D. Driver delivering the oration on the occasion. A grand supper will be given during the evening, and a pleasant time may be expected.

**OFFICERS ELECT.**—At the regular meeting of Orguean Encampment No. 5, I. O. O. F., of this city, held at the lodge room on Friday night last, the following Patriarchs were honored with offices: W. Tally, C. P.; N. Baum, H. P.; Coll. Van Cleve, S. W.; P. H. Raymond, Scribe; C. Kiefer, Treasurer; A. N. Arnold, J. W. Installation on the evening of January 8th, 1875.

**AT KNOX BUTTE.**—The residents in the vicinity of Knox Butte met at Trinity M. E. Church on Christmas eve, where a Christmas tree had been erected, and passed two or three hours very pleasantly. A large number of presents were taken from the tree and distributed among the audience which filled the ample church. The young folks especially enjoyed themselves, and time passed merrily.

**S. S. EXHIBITION.**—The Sunday-school exhibition at the M. E. Church Wednesday evening was well attended, and gave general satisfaction, we are informed. As the admission fee was but twenty-five cents, the receipts were not large, being some twenty-five dollars. The Sunday-school scholars were admitted free. From those in attendance we learn that all partaking in the exhibition did well, covering themselves all over with glory.

**AT SHREED.**—On Christmas eve, the union Christmas tree was a perfect success. There were seventy-five presents on the tree, and the hearts of many of the little ones were made glad. Some of the older ones, too, received valuable tokens. It was a delightful occasion, and our informant spoke of it in the most glowing terms.

**AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH.**—A tree was erected Christmas eve, on the boughs of which a large number of presents, some of them very valuable, were hung. The church was well filled with people, and all seemed to enjoy the occasion, especially those who were remembered on the tree.

Miss Lizzie E. Smith, daughter of the late Hon. Delazon Smith, arrived at her brother-in-law's, Mr. C. P. Harper's, on Saturday evening last, after an absence of nearly four years, the larger portion of which time she has spent in Arkansas. Welcome home.

**CHANGE OF OFFICE HOURS.**—On and after January 1st, 1875, the office hours of the W. U. T. Co. will be from 8 A. M. to 8 P. M., instead of 9 P. M. Sundays as heretofore, 9 to 11 A. M., 6 to 8 P. M.

**CHANGE OF TEACHERS.**—Prof. Abernethy, of Albany Collegiate Institute, has resigned his position in that institution. Prof. Sox will fill the position for the present.

"They cure." What cure? Ayer's Cherry Pectoral for a cough. Ayer's Pills for a purgative, and Ayer's Sarsaparilla for the complaints that require an alterative medicine.

The stage running from this city to Lebanon, arrives and departs on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week, carrying mails and passengers.

H. H. Gilfrey, Esq., of Salem, came up yesterday. He is on his way South.

### PARAGRAPHS.

1875.  
Roads muddy.  
Weather pleasant.  
Holidays about over.  
Business continues fair.  
There's no luck like pluck.  
A nice little runaway occurred in this city on Monday.

A large crowd was in attendance at the Onester's ball last night.  
A fifty dollar draft was forwarded from this city recently, to be invested in the Kentucky Library scheme.  
Ok-tah-n! Ch-ch-tah-n! is what the matter with lots of folks hereabouts.

The latest product of journalistic industry is a live frog from a growing turnip.  
Our old friend Acker, of Portland, was with us two or three days during the week.

The latest marriage (no cards) is that of Miss Beano to Mr. Beans. We suppose she knew Beans or else she would not have married.  
It is commonly believed that when a man proves himself unfit for anything else, he's about right to sit on a jury.

A fight occurred at Lebanon on Christmas, between Messrs. Barker and Shirts, in which one of the parties was pretty severely handled.  
Mr. J. E. Bentley offers his large farm of 547 acres, on the Santian, adjacent to Waterloo, for sale on easy terms.

Our boy John recently purchased a pair of nice bay horses, and now he informs us that a few days later the pair caught the distemper and died, and he is a broken teamster.  
No ice to speak of so far this winter.

Mr. De Lashmut, broker, of Portland, and family, spent two or three days in this city, visiting relatives. They returned on Monday.  
The officers elect for the new term, of Albany Lodge No. 4, I. O. O. F., will be installed next Wednesday night, at their Hall. All Odd Fellows in good standing are invited to be on hand.

The Scarlet fever, in its most malignant form, is raging in Buena Vista and Independence. In the former place and immediate neighborhood several deaths have occurred among adults.  
Mrs. C. C. English, milliner, next door to the City Drug Store, has been very ill during the week, but was reported better yesterday.

Don't forget the great lecture at the Court House this evening, by Calvin B. McDonald, and don't fail to be there.  
Rev. W. R. Stewart, of Salem, preached in the Congregational Church last Sunday morning.

More than the usual amount of holiday goods were disposed of by our merchants during the past two weeks.  
The driver of the Corvallis stage was fined by the City Recorder, on Tuesday, for stopping his team on the crosswalk.

Elkins Brothers, of Lebanon, have shipped about 75,000 bushels of wheat from that place to this city during the winter, over that great thoroughfare, the Albany & Santian Canal.  
We hope the stockholders in the Home Manufacturing Company will not forget the meeting for January 5th, in Salem, but all put in an appearance.

To-morrow night the Odd Fellows Lodge at Lebanon installs new officers. A number of members from this city propose to be there.  
We enjoyed a good dinner, with a few friends, on Christmas. Fortune, for once, looked kindly upon us.

The REGISTER has been selected to publish the acts, etc., of the second session of the forty-third Congress.  
Hope Greece of this city will install the newly elected officers at the regular meeting next Saturday.

The first day of the new year is a splendid time to square up with the printer.  
**FINANCE AND COMMERCE.**

Legal tenders 89@90 in Portland; 91@91 1/2 in San Francisco.  
Liverpool wheat quotations are: California cargoes on the spot, 10s 3/8; Oregon do., 10s 6d.

Portland wheat quotations, \$1 33 per cental, with some prospects of an advance during the month.  
Wheat is quoted at 65c per bushel in Salem.  
Wheat buyers here offer 66c per bushel.

San Francisco prices are same as last quoted, \$1 60@1 57 1/2 per cental.  
**MARRIED.**

Dec. 29th, 1874, by Rev. Edward B. Gerry, Mr. L. Zahnlofer and Miss Gertrude Ohling, eldest daughter of Mr. Paul Ohling—all of Linn county, Oregon.

**DIED.**  
Angelo G., son of C. P. and Sarah A. Chambers, of Benton county, Oregon, December 28, 1874, after a lingering illness, from necrosis of the thigh bone, aged 19 years, 9 months and 23 days.

Dec. 21st, 1874, in Lane county, Oregon, Isaac Gager, of typhoid fever, aged 30 years.  
Mrs. Addie Ballo, was at Oakland California, on the 12th ult.

### NEWS ITEMS.

Hereafter Yeddo, Japan, will be lighted by gas.  
Hickman Hoffman has been nominated for succeed Ben. Moran as secretary of Legation in London.

It is again reported that the Mormons of the United States propose to form colonies in Mexico, with the intention of emigrating en masse from Utah.

D. M. Davis, who once ran the Cornwell Progressionist, is now farming in Missouri. He lately received a legacy of \$8,000.

The "King of the Sandwich Islands" is having a rough time in the East, brought about by the change of climate. He had a severe attack of bilious fever at Pittsburgh, and is now shivering with fear at the cold weather in New York, whither he is going.

One of the Black Hills miners, a Mr. J. W. Bense, of Sioux City, Iowa, has returned from his search after gold. He reports that there are several parties in the Hills who occupy one camp for protection. They have found gold in paying quantities, and are very optimistic over the new diggings. Bense proposes to go back in the spring with a large party. He says his fortune lies in the Black Hills.

A Fort Smith (Kansas) special states that the notorious J. W. Wilder, the acknowledged leader of the gang that robbed the Pacific Railroad train at God's Hill (Mo.), and subsequently the Hot Springs stage, was arrested, and is now confined in the Fort Smith jail. He says that Reed, who was killed by a detective in northern Texas, was one of his men, and had been with him in all his expeditions.

The Cologne Gazette says that on the 11th inst., the German brig, *Gastan*, from New York, entered the harbor of Genoa, from the Straits of San Sebastian. On reaching the shore she was fired upon by the Carlists, notwithstanding she hoisted the German flag, and was only saved by the intervention of the British gunboat, *Albatross*. Next day the brig stranded off San Rame, when the crew were saved by Republican volunteers. Carlists on shore fired on the boats that went to the rescue of the crew, and afterward seized the cargo of the abandoned vessel. The German men-of-war, *Albatross* and *Albatross*, have been ordered to that point to demand satisfaction from the Carlists for the attack upon the brig.

Among the interesting features of the Charles Ross abduction case, and not the least so, was the libel published by the Reading Pa.) *Eagle* charging Mr. Ross with bigamy, and alleging that his former wife, Mrs. Ross, was the abductor of the child. A criminal suit was brought by Mr. Ross against the *Eagle*, and Messrs. Hawley and Ritter, for libel, was returned. Judge Allison had declined upon imprisoning both parties, but reflecting that the information came from a quarter supposed to be reliable, mitigated the punishment by inflicting a fine of \$1,000. The fine was paid, and thus ended the suit.

The following colloguy, which took place at the Washington Convention, will scarcely find place in the Congressional record or the regular report of proceedings:  
Gen. Butler—You mistake my position.  
Mr. Dawes—I state your position, as I understand it in your speech, which has been withheld from the record.  
Gen. Butler—It was withheld because I was absent in New York.  
Mr. Dawes—I do not intend to misstate your position.  
Gen. Butler—The road to hell is paved with good intentions.  
Mr. Dawes—No one should be better wiser than to face an enemy's self.—Chicago Tribune's Washington Corr.

A sad accident occurred yesterday afternoon Dec. 12th, at Godfrey, Ill., resulting in the death of Charles J. Mason, one of the most prominent and respected citizens of the village. The fatal occurrence was as follows: Mr. Mason's hired man was cutting down a tree in the yard near his residence, and just as the tree was about to fall, one of Mr. Mason's children ran out in the direction of the tree, and was struck by the tree himself and injured severely that he died last evening at 10 o'clock. His sudden death has cast a gloom over the entire community where he lived.

Two sons of Jacob Herswinder, who lives 15 miles north of here, (Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 20th), have been arrested on a charge of murdering their father and burning his body. They are 14 and 18 years old. The family have deserted the house. The remains of Mr. Herswinder have been found among ashes in the fire place.

At the election Dec. 15th in Boston, for members of the Board of Education and five practical teachers, meet in Salem, in semi-annual session, next Monday, January 4th, 1875. The Board is composed of the Governor, Secretary of State, Superintendent of Public Instruction, President T. M. Gatch, of the Willamette University, President B. L. Arnold, of the Agricultural College, Professor Johnson, of the Portland High school, Prof. J. Alsea Marcum, of Oregon City, and Professor W. L. Worthington, of the Astoria High school.

The San Louis Obispo Tribune says that on the 8th inst., a vulture by the name of Albert Pedro, hatched and killed a grizzly bear on the Ranchito, about eight miles from town, which weighed 700 pounds. Bruin had been outdaring fit and covens for the Steele Brothers and others for some time past without making any return, and a dissection of duty cost him his life.

The committee appointed to examine the bill for the annexation of Alabama matters, left Washington on the 26th ult. The committee to look up the Orleans matter, were to start on the 27th December.