

OFFICIAL COUNTY and PAPER CITY

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A MAN ABOUT TOWN. A man slightly agitated with laughter admitted to the M. A. T. that all that troubled him was that a neighbor a day or two previous wanted to borrow a hen to set on turkeys' eggs for four weeks. He thought it the best joke of the season. Anyway we give it a place in this column.

We are again reminded of the old fable about the dog's dropping his piece of meat for the shadow of it in the water, by Prof. Miller's resigning his professorship in the Philomath College to run for Congress on the Prohibition ticket.

Those who were skeptical about the minstrel troupe in the city Saturday being one of the eighteen or twenty original Georgia troupes traveling in the United States, had all doubts cast aside when they gazed on the wrinkled and aged costumes which they wore in their street parade.

The Albany C. & N. C.

The Albany Chautauqua Literary and Social Circle will meet at the residence of C. H. Stewart on next Monday evening, when an interesting program will be rendered. This circle now numbers twenty members. As a new year will soon begin young or old people desiring a first-class literary education may well consider the importance of the circle. The course is a regular college course boiled down into English. It takes four years to complete it, and when finished will give one as good a literary education as a four year course in the best college. The reading is all arranged in an interesting manner, by the best authors, and can easily be mastered by any one having an average of an hour a time to give to it each day. Any one from any part of the county, desiring to join the circle after the summer vacation, can receive the necessary information from any of the members, to-wit: Dr. J. L. Hill, Mrs. M. V. Brown, Mrs. S. E. Young, Miss L. M. Irvine, Mr. and Mrs. C. Q. Rice, Miss Annie and Kate Allhouse, Clara Reed, Hannah Warren, Hattie Miller, Ollie Kirkpatrick, Miss Geisendorfer, Mrs. S. G. Irvine, Mrs. L. E. Blain, Miss Fannie Strahan, Messrs Carl Luderman and Robert Dorris, and Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Nutting.

Can't Find Them.

Several incidents have come to us of parties hunting for lots owned by them at the Bay. One man is said to have even taken a surveyor and made a search for two lots in Alexandria, the name of a rocky, sidehill there, but without success. Others have hunted for land marks, but in vain. Evidently there has been some looseness somewhere. Some day there will be a fine-throwing city, at the Bay, perhaps right at the rocky, slabbed Alexandria, there is no telling for some of the largest cities are built on side hills, and then the owners of lots will want to know whether they are the owners of the lots on which the \$300,000 custom house will stand, or some other frow. It is high time that the originators of the scheme put some colored stones at the corners of the streets.

Not a Serious Accident.

Last Friday or Saturday at Lebanon a peculiar accident, with not a very serious result, happened at Lebanon. At the McDonald place, Mr. T. F. Conn was standing on the ground by the building being constructed, when a workman on the scaffold, about fifteen feet above, slipped and fell heading towards the ground. Just at that instant Mr. Conn bent forward, the falling man striking him in the back, bounding off on another workman near by. All of them were well stirred up and that was about all. They had reason to congratulate themselves that a broken neck or two was not the result.

A Change.

Yesterday Mr. Francis Pfeiffer bought a half interest in the soda works, candy factory and business generally, of Hoffman & Joseph, Mr. Joseph retiring. This has been a popular institution here, and Mr. Pfeiffer, of the proper kind of metal for selling for some of its good reputation. It is a business that will grow with Albany, we predict to considerable proportions. Mr. Joseph, the retiring member of the firm has been in active business here for years, and is entitled to a resting spell.

Master.

Easter services were held at the Catholic Church on Sabbath, and appropriate sermons were delivered in most of the other churches. Rather more than the common amount of flowers indicated that there is a general appreciation that the spring time is here with the biggest part gone. Saturday night hardly an egg was to be had in the city, another indication that many took a hand in a remembrance of the day in some form.

An Infant Band.

The infant band of Roseburg passed through Albany Tuesday noon, playing some good music while here. Their motto was "Binger Herman for Congress." Some of them wore knee breeches, being as young as ten years, but they tooted well for Binger though it will be a long time before any of them but the leader can vote.

Shoes, children and slippers for ladies, misses, children and infants, at Monteith's Sittenbach's.

Mats and Caps.

It is time to get your spring head apparel. A. B. Mollwain has a stock of hats of the latest styles, which every man should examine before buying.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

The Democratic candidates for the respective Legislative and County offices will address the citizens of Lincoln county at the following times and places: Lebanon, Monday, May 24th. Waterloo, Tuesday, May 25th. Sweet Home, Wednesday, May 26th. Brownsville, Thursday, May 27th. Crowdsville, Friday, May 28th. Seis, Monday, May 31st. Syracuse, Tuesday, June 1st. Sheel, Wednesday, June 2nd. Albany, Thursday, June 3rd. Harrisburg, Friday, June 4th. Albany, Saturday, June 5th. All opposing candidates are cordially invited to attend and participate in the discussion.

Speaking to begin promptly at 1 o'clock, p. m.

A Surprise.

On Thursday evening of last week friends of Miss Lucy Welch chambered her at the residence of Hon. Geo. E. Spruance in the Third Ward, the result of which was an evening passed in a most enjoyable and entertaining manner. The immediate cause of this was the approaching time for Miss Welch to depart for her home in Natchez, Mississippi, which occurred on Saturday. Miss Welch has been in Albany about a year, during which time she has obtained a place in the hearts of many of our people, her estimable qualities and high accomplishments making her friends with all with whom she has come in contact. It is to be hoped Miss Welch will conclude to return to Albany and make this her permanent home.

They Did Not Bite.

Last week an agent of the O. R. & N. Co. was in the city canvassing among our business men for contracts for freight from San Francisco, his figures being \$5 a ton. Here as well as in most of the other valley towns he got well set down on. Billy Rice, traveling agent of the O. P. got in ahead of him at every point. Cheaper rates and quicker transportation took the wind completely out of the O. R. & N. sails. Valley merchants have not forgotten the time when the O. R. & N. Co. had them under their heels. The O. P. is doing the square thing by them and every last "mothers son" of a business man in this part of the State is going to stand by it so long as it continues its good conduct. The O. R. & N. Co. can save hotel expenses by keeping its barefooted moustached agents away from Albany.

Odd Fellows Dedication at Coburg.

Last Monday, the 26th of April was the 67th anniversary of the institution of Odd Fellowship in the U. S. In honor of that day the members of that society at Coburg had a basket dinner, a fine address by Prof. W. S. Walker, of Brownsville, a brass band from Eugene, a procession, 500 people present, their new hall was duly dedicated with the beautiful, imposing, instructive ceremonies of the order by Grand Master W. C. Tweedle, of this city assisted by P. G. Master Walton, and P. G. Rep. Dorris, of Eugene, and Grand Sec. Bacon, of Oregon City. The affair was eminently successful.

Wheelines.

The bicyclers of Albany met Tuesday evening and organized a regular Bicycle Club with the following members: W. J. Lester, 52 inch Standard Columbia. James Powell, 54 inch Expert Columbia. J. F. Hill, 52 inch Expert Columbia. J. P. Hill, 52 inch Expert Columbia. T. J. Overman, 50 inch Victor. Percy Kelly, 48 inch Ideal. The following officers were elected: President, W. L. Jester. Secretary, J. F. Hill. Treasurer, Percy Kelly. Captain, T. J. Overman. 1st Lieutenant, James Powell.

A Rough Trip.

Mr. D. B. Monteith arrived home from the Bay Monday evening. From him we learn that the "Yaguina," which was due Saturday had just arrived as he was leaving Yaguina City, about six o'clock in the morning. Great uneasiness was being occasioned by its long delay, a tug having been sent out to hunt it up. On its arrival it was learned that a hard storm was the cause of the delay. It had a good passenger list and a large amount of freight for valley towns. The manner in which it stood the storm showed it to be a safe sea going craft.

Still Good.

The DEMOCRAT a long time ago offered a year's subscription to this paper for the first salmon caught in the Willamette at this city presented to us. We never received an answer to the offer for good reasons. The same is still open. We are as anxious as ever for the \$25.00 salmon. By the way, permit us to ask the scaly question: How do salmon take to the fish ladder, that monstrous institution which we longed for, but got only to find it a greasy soap bubble?

Ed. Comely and a Spake boy are said to have lost \$15 in money, a gun and a few other things by the upsetting of a boat in the Willamette a few days ago. They were towing some logs down the river to the saw mill when the boat was upset by running into the ferry, all of its contents being dipped into the river, the money being in a coat pocket.

A Chinese Suit.

A Chinese suit was up before Justice Humphrey Wednesday. As our readers would know no more about the matter if investigated and found that John Slippery the case was not tried into; hence the result is not known. As a Chinaman's oath is not worth three cents on the dollar it is strange that he ever is so foolish as to go to law.

Well in a Puddle of Water.

On Thursday of last week the little daughter of Ed. Knox of Knox Butte, fell in a puddle of water, near the road, face downward, and but for the fortunate appearance of a gentleman riding by would probably have drowned, as she was too small to help herself, and her companion, another little girl was too frightened to do anything.

Observed at Lebanon.

The O. F. at Lebanon, last Monday celebrated the 67th anniversary of the order, in their hall, at that place, with appropriate exercises. Hon. L. H. Montanye, of this city delivered the oration.

Get your coffee ground at R. & B's.

Rattlesnakes.

We are often asked if there are any rattlesnakes around. It is a subject some are curious about, naturally enough for rattlesnakes are generally considered a dangerous curiosity. For the benefit of those interested we will say that about two weeks ago Mr. Scott Ward and Jeff and Johnny Ison investigated a den of rattlers on Wards Butte, and in a few moments killed nineteen of them, one of which was seven or eight feet long and had twelve rattles and a button. The remaining snakes left their quarters and scattered over the prairie. This proves that there are plenty of rattlesnakes to be found in the county if you only know the whereabouts of their camping ground; but it may be remarked for the benefit of the timid that they never approach the vicinity of metropolitan places like Albany.

Haggles.

There is nothing so scrubby that a Celestial will not buy it if he can set his price. The traffic in hogs heads suggests itself. Dirty, bloody, offensive looking things, all of them find their customers. We have seen a Chinaman haggle a quarter of an hour over the price of a single head. "Twenty cents," says the butcher. "Ten cents," says the Celestial. "Fifteen," finally concedes the knife manipulator. "Too much," he and he sees around and finally departs without making a purchase, else strikes a bargain by the addition of some cat meat, and carries his prize away, its snout sticking out of the loose wrapping paper. Chinamen may not eat rats, but they certainly consume a large quantity of dirty looking hogs heads.

Retained.

R. C. Miller, of near Lebanon returned last Saturday from Grant county where he went some time ago to see his son, Samuel, who was charged with murder. On his arrival he found public sentiment largely in favor of his son, who was held under bonds, being charged with murder in killing a man by the name of Taylor, who was said to be a wild, quarrelsome cow boy. The Grand Jury failed to find a true bill and Samuel was discharged. Mr. R. C. Miller has much improved in health during the trip. The many friends of Mr. Miller and family will be glad to learn that the killing of Taylor was entirely in self-defense and that no blame attaches to Samuel.

A Sensational Introduction.

Hawkins, the "celebrated," is up in Washington Territory lecturing. A great many will be glad to know this, as he has not been heard of recently. Just as he was about to begin a lecture at Sprague a man named Etleson stepped on the stage and caused a sensation by introducing Hawkins as the most notorious hotel bill on the Coast. Everybody knows about Hawkins check. It was equal to the occasion and he went on with the lecture, during which he gave a receipt for making whiskey, when Etleson asked for a receipt for paying hotel bills, which brought the house down, though of course it did not stop the speaker, as he was wound up for the occasion.

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The Ashland Tidings gives the following account of an accident which recently happened to a former resident of Albany, a sister of Mrs. R. M. Robertson of this city: Mrs. Narcissa, who lives on Pine street in the western part of town had a singular experience last Saturday. She was moving a chicken coop in which some hens were confined, when an old rooster who considered himself boss of the yard attacked her and drove one of his spurs into her wrist, puncturing an artery. The blood spouted furiously from the wound, and there was much alarm among the neighbors who came to her assistance lest she should be bled to a serious extent before the flow could be stopped. Dr. Parson was summoned and dressed the wound, although the blood had been stopped before his arrival.

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Groceries.

N. H. Allen & Co., keeps a full line of groceries, and they will give you as much for your money as you can get in any store in Oregon. Try them.

Clothing at Mollwain's.

By calling at A. B. Mollwain's you can get your clothing at prices that will astonish you. He has a good stock and is bound to sell it.

Common Council.

Tuesday, April 27th, 1886. Present—All but Blackburn. The report of the Committee on Streets and Public Property in favor of cleaning, grading and graveling the alley in block 9 was placed on file. In the matter of the application of the O. & C. for right of way of switch and side track on Water and other streets the Committee on Ordinances recommended that the Oregon Pacific R. R. have equal rights, upon their bearing their expenses of original construction and maintenance of the same. Upon request further time was taken in the matter.

The Street Commissioner reported that the sidewalks adjoining the following property had not been repaired, and on motion he was directed to notify property owners to repair the same immediately, if not attended to, the street Commissioner to do it and assess the cost against the property: adjoining block 2 lot 5; block 36 lots 1, 2, 3 and 4; block 4 lots 1, 2, 3 and 4; block 12 lots 1, 2, 3 and 4; block 24 lot 7.

The question of grading the square corner Third and Broadbald streets was presented, it already having been ordered graded some time ago, Mr. Woodin among property owners having complied with the order. The city will not do anything at present.

A petition for an eight inch terra cotta drain in block 8 to connect with the Broadbald sewer was granted.

A petition for a wagon bridge over ditch on Ninth St., corner of Vine street, was referred to proper committee.

An ordinance granting the right of way on Lafayette street, was referred to Committee on Streets and Public Property.

The matter of a stove pipe for Engine house No. 1, and more on fire was referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Sixth street was ordered graded and gravelled in forty days.

Street Commissioner was allowed to purchase drain pipe for No. 1's Engine house. Steamer was ordered used to sluice out sewer on Calipoola street.

The following bills were ordered paid: Bills of Councilmen; Robt Brown, \$50; John Jones, \$60; John Maxwell, \$27.50; William Shanhan, \$14; J. F. Levin, \$14.50.

Following bills were referred: Hays, \$39; W. C. Tweedle, \$20.30; W. B. Scott, \$4.75; N. J. Henton, \$14.50.

The Council adjourned to meet as a board of equalization Wednesday night and to consider ditch ordinance to-night.

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CURRENT EVENTS.

Will Portland build a bridge. It has "blown" enough on the subject to do something now that Daddy has opened his mouth favorably. It is generally conceded that the new law will hold good in the coming election as to everything but registration.

A school teacher with a second grade certificate is running for the office of Superintendent on the Republican ticket; J. Coos county.

The Statue of Liberty will be dedicated September 3rd. The occasion will be a loud one.

A maniac mother near Keyport, N. J., last Friday took poison and then killed three of her children. Depraved woman.

Those Eastern strikes are horrible disorganizers. It is curious how many men are continually cutting themselves with shavings.

The strike East raised sugar over a cent a pound. The collection box continues to be passed for the old girl known as the Statue of Liberty.

A spider was found in a Pendleton paper, and the editor immediately insisted that he was looking through the paper to see who did not advertise, so it could spin its web in front of their doors.

George E. Webber rode a bicycle at Clarksville, Mo., fifty miles in 3 hours, 7 minutes and 42.5 seconds, a half hour better than the best previous record.

Congress it is now thought will last till nearly August, and then what will it have to show but a list of unfinished business.

Otto Radomsky was drowned at Portland last Monday while boating.

The Supreme Court decided on Monday that all Circuit Judges retire from office in July and their successors will have to be elected at the coming election.

50 and 60 cents are paid for salmon on the Columbia. Those are just about bottom rates.

The Owls, of Salem, were defeated by the Doubtfuls, of McMinnville, Monday, 14 to 20. Salem never could get up a beating club.

A Portland woman earns \$4.50 a week sewing. With this she supports her husband and two children, paying \$2 for rent out of the amount. How is that for stretching ends so as to make them meet.

Chicago ministers have pledged themselves to fight the Sunday papers of that city. Certainly there is no greater desecration of the Sabbath.

It looks as if Beecher would be obliged to retire from the Collectorate at Port Townsend.

Prof. Garrigus has retired from the lecture tour, on account, says the West Side, of a rush of work in his hop yard, potato patch, hotel and fish business. This is good news.

Very few salmon are being caught on the Columbia, yet there are plenty there. The principal business of Congressmen seems to be working for a re-election. Even such an incentive is better than none.

Rev. A. P. Graves was at Astoria the latest heard from. Bet he gave the salmon fits for swimming in single file.

Pomeroy, W. T. is to have another paper. Poor Pomeroy.

The following item is going the rounds of our exchanges: "About the only institution that makes money without advertising in the U. S. is Mint." As a matter of fact what is advertised more, all on the dead-head list too.

There are many theories about how the expression "painting the town red," originated. The following is the latest. "A man in Pennsylvania has discovered in the archives of the state that William Penn gave fifty gallons of rum and twenty-five pounds of red paint to the Indians for a certain tract of land. Thereupon he comments: 'Just imagine that tribe of Indians filling themselves up with that fifty gallons of rum and doing the great decorating act with twenty-five pounds of red paint. Why a cowboy toot or a Saguaw symposium are as nothing compared to the way the aborigines carmed the vicinity of the village wherein dwelt Billy Penn.'

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An Adams, E. O. paper came out for prohibition recently, and in the same issue was a petition of a saloon keeper for a license with the editor's name among others. He excused himself by giving as his reason for signing the petition that he also runs a livery stable and the saloon keepers are among his best patrons. This is what we call getting all twisted up in one's own actions.

People generally agree on the fact that we have been having some magnificent spring weather.

Parasols, Parasols.

I have received this week direct from New York the largest stock of Parasols ever brought to this city, consisting of sun umbrellas in silk, silk parasols, satin black and colored, fancy lined, pongee silk in sets, (the new thing), also children's parasols as low as 25 cents. SAMUEL E. YOUNG.

Boots and Shoes.

N. H. Allen & Co. are now receiving a fine line of boots and shoes, they propose in the future to make a specialty of this branch of their business, in addition to a full line of Buckingham & Hecht's make of boots and shoes which for durability cannot be excelled, they have a line of Eastern goods of all grades including a line of S. D. Sillers & Co., of Philadelphia, children and misses shoes, which are as good as any manufacturer. They guarantee every shoe just as represented. Give them a trial.

Carpets Arrived.

An exceedingly large stock of carpets in all qualities has just been received by Moore, Smith & Sittenbach. The assortment comprises the newest patterns and colorings. These goods are being offered at very low prices. People wanting carpets should not fail to see them.

HOME AND ABROAD.

F. M. French, Jeweler. Rollad sets at Read & Brownell's. The best nam as at J. D. Durbin's. Come to stay, F. W. Carter, Jeweler. Shing are sold in this city as low as \$2.35.

J. P. Wallace, Physician and Surgeon, Albany, Or. A good American watch for \$5 a Read & Brownell's. Get your jewelry cleaned at F. W. Carter's free of charge.

Dr. J. L. Case, Dentist, O. P. Building, Albany, Oregon. The Democratic State Convention meets next Tuesday.

The finest line of window curain mountings at Wood's.

Our Eastern factory boots and shoes are all warranted. Read & Brownell are the best for low prices in boots and shoes.

Fishing is indulged in by would be Ike Walton's quite numerously. Six shaves for a dollar and a clean towel to every customer, at L. Vierz's.

For your sewing machines, sewing machine needles and extras go to Will Bros. What will Moody do with his \$23,000 residence in Salem in a few months.

Examine Wood's Extension tables. They are well go and then for yourself. The best bread of loaf at Ours & Meyer's. Call on him for your groceries generally.

A fine watch and jewelry repair at Carter's. Give him a trial. All work guaranteed. F. M. French, agent. Singer Manufacturing Company Old Fashion Sewing Machine, Albany, Or.

The "Occident" passed the city Tuesday on its way back to Portland from the river. Miss Emma Schubert has no complete and elegant stock of spring and summer millinery.

Dr. M. H. Ellis, physician and surgeon Albany, Oregon. Calls miles in city or country.

Mr. Strauler Pleas has purchased the old blacksmith place on Lyon Street, near the depot.

For first-class, fresh groceries call on Conrad Meyer. His fresh breads are the very best in Albany.

Employ white labor. Get your washing done at J. W. Hyster. Lays or Lays at Read & Brownell's.

Remember that the place to get harness, saddles, etc., is at Dalzell's. His stock is splendid.

A horse race on Seventh street Monday resulted in a victory for the butcher's nag. Go to Prushaw's new Drug Store for pure drugs, patent medicines, etc. Prescriptions carefully compounded.

Miss Mattie Foster left Friday afternoon for her stock of millinery to the Misses Howard.

A Dallas girl lately got mad because her mother left a sister to go a dance and made her remain at home, and ran away.

It is reported that the O'Neil House has been rented to Mr. Gorman, of Portland, for five years, for fifty dollars a month.

Rev. F. M. Culp will preach at Target street Sabbath at 3:30 p. m., and in Albany at 7:3