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THURSDAY

JUST FROM DAWSON.

John Isom Jr. Home from the Frigid Land of Gold.

After an absence of a year John Isom Jr. returned home this noon direct from Dawson city, where he went last spring or summer after a stay of several months in Skagway. He left Dawson on October 31, and therefore was nearly two months on the way out. His trip out offered enough experience in the way of hardships and otherwise for a life time. He was one of a party of five. On starting he traveled with two dogs and a sled, coming on the ice, making the trip in this way to Thirty Mile station, when he lost his entire outfit, and came the remaining distance on foot. For eight nights he slept out without a blanket with the thermometer dangerously low, keeping warm as possible by fires. The cold though is not felt as it would be in this country. The lowest temperature he experienced was 50 below, though it may have been lower for that was as far as the thermometer registered. He was in an avalanche and succeeded in getting one of his companions out. Going over the summit is a small part of the trip. The great hardships are on the other side. On reaching home all the baggage Mr. Isom had was a small sack of different things. He is bronzed and looks healthy, being considerable heavier than when he left Albany.

The Altany people at Dawson are doing well. C. W. Watts is running a hotel, besides owning a couple of claims, one a bench claim, and when he comes home will be well fixed financially. John Rolfe has a good claim and will have a clean up in the thousands. Joe McDonald has been making a good deal of money in the dray business, and was just getting ready to start for home. He may be expected in Albany most any time. John Culver was running a hotel near Dawson. He didn't know about Louis Parker. Mr. Isom himself has been doing well and has a couple of good claims. He intends to go back next spring or summer, as he believes there are big possibilities there for a man to make money.

CRUSHED BY HER CROWN!

The great "Book of Martyrs" has never been written. Fox's famous work deals only with the martyrdom of the body. When the real book of martyrs is written it will deal with the mental martyrdom of the woman who suffered in silence because modesty would not let her put into words the questions that burned in her heart.

Modesty is the Crown of Maidenhood and Motherhood, and yet there have been literally millions of women crushed to death by that crown,—that shining symbol of woman's sovereignty in the home.

Here is

A YOUNG GIRL

"Standing with reluctant feet
Where womanhood and girlhood meet."

In the first critical period of her life she begins to experience suffering which she necessarily connects with the organs of sex. What it is she does not know. Why it is she does not understand. She needs medical advice. But she shrinks from it. Her modesty is up in arms at the thought of questions to be asked, of examinations to be submitted to, both alike repugnant to delicacy. So she suffers in silence. The strain on the delicate machinery of her organism becomes more severe. Painful irregularities become yet more painful. And so, silently, she treads the painful path to confirmed invalidism. Her crown of modesty becomes a crown of thorns. She sees the glowing lamp light of cheerful homes. She hears the cooing of the happy babe, the prattle of joyous children, and she fears that all that life of home and love is not for her.

Or take the other typical case of the woman who has entered on the cares and

DUTIES OF WIFEHOOD.

She has always been healthy and happy. But now a change comes. Her eye loses its brightness. Her step loses its spring. The color fades from her cheek. Frequently she is compelled to lie down and rest. She is in constant pain. She looks dreadingly down the calendar toward the hour when the burden of motherhood will be laid upon her. She, too, needs help. But she too suffers silently, because she cannot speak and open the door to such questions or such examinations as her modesty revolts at. And yet all this suffering is, as has been said, unnecessary, because to match modesty of speech there is modesty of hearing.

There is one physician who has fully met the needs of modest women by offering absolute confidence in hearing—absolute confidence in consultation—combined with absolute competence in treatment. His remarkable discoveries and the way in which he has met woman's peculiar needs has made Dr. R. V. Pierce (chief consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of Buffalo, N. Y.), the friend and confidant of tens of thousands of modest women. In over thirty years experience with female disorders of every possible type, treating them to the number of hundreds of thousands, Dr. Pierce has been brought into relation with every form of feminine weakness, feminine peculiarity, and feminine disease. Where a local practitioner has experimented and failed with ten cases Dr. Pierce's discoveries and advice have gone staight to the root and cured ten thousand. Every variation of symptomatology is known to this life-long specialist. The presence of complications that confuse and baffle the ordinary practitioner are every day experiences and every day successes to him.

His medical discoveries and his confidential, fatherly advice, are to-day the only harbors to which weak, hopeless, unfortunate woman can turn for help *and get it ninety-seven times out of every hundred.* Those who turn to him experience at once, instead of a skirmishing with symptoms, a banishing of suffering. His "Favorite Prescription" not only removes all painful female irregularities but acts directly on the delicate organs that suffer in the strain and stress connected with motherhood. It supplies vital force and energy.

Dr. Pierce is at all times ready to give advice, free of charge, to those who employ his remedies. Address him as above.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—Thursday, this evening, prayer meeting. Rev. McKillop's last service with the church as pastor. All are cordially invited to attend.

L. M. Huston, of Juniper, Umatilla county, raised over 36,000 bushels of wheat in 1898, and he remarked that he hadn't sold a bushel of it. He is independent, and does not have to sell until he gets ready. He has a steady offer of 70 cents per bushel for the entire mess. In 1894 he sold nearly all his wheat at 38 cents per bushel, or, to be more exact, his creditors sold it for him at that figure.

At a meeting of teachers and superintendents in the interest of better school laws held in Portland yesterday Prof. Martindale and Superintendent McDonald attended from Albany, Prof. Tyree of La Grande was present and E. A. Milner, a former Albany man was conspicuous and pointed in his remarks on the text book proposition.

The council of Prineville has appointed G. W. Barnes and M. E. Brink to draft a new charter for the town of Prineville.

CHICAGO CHAT.

An Albany Young Lady Tells of the Windy City

Upon the two occasions I have gone to the Public Library each time thinking that now after this time I may be able to describe it. But really it would take a more experienced writer with a larger stock of adjectives than I have. "Perfectly beautiful" is very appropriate but "really grand" is better. The halls and main parts of the building are white marble. To relieve this cold whiteness, artistic borders and designs of mother pearl and gold leaf are inlaid into the marble. The most beautiful place is the rotunda where the general public line up to get books. The dome is transparent mellow shades of glass supported by canopied arches of mother of pearl and gold in most exaborate designs. These arches sparkle like thousands of diamonds in the soft light shed from unique chandeliers. That the city which has been called, well, rather "pokey" affords such a building, which, with the good it does in supplying reading matter to the public, also cultivates the artistic sense is certainly a real prophesy of what this center of culture in the west is going to be to the western half of our land.

Another place of interest to visitors is the Board of Trade building. Upon the morning of the last day of the month, for this is the big day, a party of us went to this mart to watch them buying and selling in the pit. Looking from the visitors gallery to your right upon the main floor is the largest telegraph office in the world. The large number of machines employed keeps the air busy with quick vibrations. In front of you at the other end of the building is the corn pit, to the left in front are the wheat and oat pits. The shortage on this day (I believe this is proper) was in wheat so our interest was centered in this pit. It was completely filled with men buying and selling. The space between this and the telegraph office was kept lively with flying messenger boys, and when the excitement reached its height at about twelve thirty, for they close at one, the sight was an animated one. The men were gesticulating wildly with two or three fingers raised, or sawing the air with three fingers out horizontally, and when some fellow who was buying a good deal got away down in the pit the other fellows took him by the collar and forcibly ejected him, thus making things rather exciting. I should be delighted to explain all these finger signs to you but am told only a member of the Board is qualified to impart such knowledge.

I wonder how many of the "Democrat" readers know of Dowey and his fine church? On Sunday afternoon a number of us went to hear him. The church is an interesting place. Besides the main floor the church has two galleries running clear aronnd to the front where they merge into one tier of seats for the choir. The wall above the choir seats is the first thing you notice. Instead of the usual ornamentation used in church decoration Zion has something entirely new. In the center of this space is a crown composed of crutches, supposed to be cut off by those healed by Dowey. On both sides of the crown are stars and crosses of the same articles. Below the crown is a heart of cast off braces and still more crutches and canes arranged in fan shapes. Sprinkled all around these figures are braces of all sizes. Altogether the effect is unique and doubtles the one of its kind in the land. Down in front of the choir stands the only original Dr. Dowey. I say only original for I never heard a man talk who was so openly conceited as this man. There are a few of you who will be interested in his discourse so I will report some of it to you. All would be impossible for although locked in with the rest of the audience it was impossible to endure to the end. Dr. Dowey's purpose in bringing his flock together was to "smash" the Christian Alliance. The reason it had to be utterly demolished was because the President Dr. Simpson had written a letter to a missionary in China saying that he, Dowey, had sought the support of the Christian Alliance and now, as this support was denied, that he was trying to prosecute the Christian Alliance. For this implication of Dowey's superior position the Christian Alliance must therefore be a very vile institution and it was imperative for him to "smash it" so he proceeded in a very Christian like spirit to "smash" by tearing Dr. Simpson's private character to atoms. The scandal he told to his eager flock was fit for a Police Gazette and the object in view was as worthy as his tales. Personally Dr. Dowey is a rather a fine looking middle aged man. Wears patent leather shoes, full dress clothes and poses equal to the best in his sensational line.

Some of the business men take novel ways of advertising their goods. In front of the Glasgow Woolen Goods Co. you might have seen a full Highlander costumed. The bare knees looked rather chilly in the cold breezes here and it is said that when compelled to don a common overcoat over his plaid the effect was rather odd. The latest advertisement of this firm is a young man in bright bicycle costume riding an Effle wheel some 15 feet high. Its rather a sight to see him mount it in the midst of cars, cabs, wagons, etc. Another novelty in this line is a man on stilts dressed like a giant, or a real giant fantastically costumed with a dwarf as a companion, or an Alvin Joslin with the enevitable carpet bag and a pretty country lass upon his arm to whom he shows the sights of the city. Wherever you see these two gazing in vacant wonder at the top of the buildings you are sure to see a crowd.

Among some of the good things that the city has afforded in the theatrical line this season have been two military plays one of the Civil War time and one of the Revolutionary time. These are "Secret Service" by William Gillette and "Nathan Hale" by Nat Goodwin. "Secret Service" is a very thrilling play full of momentum and intensely interesting, from its variety of characters, from the first. Maxine Elliott as Nathan's sweetheart is doubtless the center of attraction in "Nathan Hale." Not only is she as beautiful as we have been led to think she is but also does some very clever work. That scene at the last, where she is bidding Nathan good bye just before he is to be shot is a very fine piece of emotional work. No better standard of such work can be attained than its effect and certainty the audience audibly sobbed with her. During Grand Opera season it was my pleasure to hear Edwourd De Reszke, the famous bass. The opera was "Martha." His voice, presence and action was superb. There is a satisfaction to ones artistic sense of finish in a good performance of an opera that words without the music do not wholly give. Upon last Friday night I heard Mansfield in the famous Cyrano De Bergerac. The play is drawing big houses and is decidedly interesting. Cyrano is a historical character with a prominent cartilage upon his face. The fact that the whole plot rests upon this deformity is at once ridiculous and pathetic. Cyrano is one who ever plays a shadow part. He wooes and Christian takes the kisses. He writes and Moliere gets the credit. Mansfield's fine figure and carriage enables him to assume this repulsive big nose without being entirely ugly. The lines of the play are very clever and I would advise anyone who could to read it. Roxane, the heroine, is a very sweet character but the play revolves around Cyrano with such persistence that every other character is forgotten.

Of course there are all kinds of new lads named "Cyrano." The Cyrano chains of beads, pearl, coral and turquoise, about two yards long and worn twice or three times around the neck are quite the thing.

The windows of the shops are decorated in fullest holiday trim now. There is a Romeo and Juliet scene, the peace triumphant entry of the New Year, a beautiful doll in white chariot drawn by suspended doves, a revolving ball room of dolls, a miniature peace jubilee and things too numerous to mention. In the florists hangs the holly wreathes of red and green reminding me of the beautiful greens in "Sweet Oregon" and also reminds me that if this is to reach you before the holiday time I must wish you all "Merry Christmas and a Glad New Year."

C.

Senator Clem and Representative Palmer came up from Salem this noon.

Postal Inspector Clements was in the city yesterday and approved the plans for the new post office.

Miss Lilly Crawford has been in Harrisburg at the wedding of her friends Charles Belmont and Miss Alice Love.

Miss E. Maude Watts, of Albany, is the guest of Miss Clora Pooler at her home near the asylum.—Salem Journal.

City Treasurer Parker returned last night from Spokane where he has been visiting with his daughter for several months.

Prof. J. M. Martindale has been in Portland attending the convention of superintendents in the interest of a revision of the school laws of Oregon.

H. H. White came down from the mines last evening, coming over only four feet of snow at the summit. He left Mr. Lawler and his wife and two or three men there running the Lawler mill.

Eugene Guard:—M. S. Barker called at the county jail today and indentified McHargue as the person who passed the worthless check on him, signed "Wm Vance."

H. J. Hopkins in a letter home tells of a visit to the big Crescent bicycle factory, where he placed an order for a car load of Crescents. Already there were 2200 men at work and 800 more were to be added the first of the year.

"Grandma" Duncan, an aged lady, 84 years old, is very ill. The members of her family are here doing all they can towards the lady's recovery. Her children are Mrs. W. Vance and J. N. Duncan, of Albany; Mrs. M. Morgan, of Tangent; Mel Duncan, of Starbuck, Washington, and Carl Duncan, of this place.—Turner Cor. Statesman.

Loyd Pruett came down from Albany Wednesday and remained until Friday morning with his father, when he took his departure for Medford Or., where he expects to go to school during the coming year. Loyd is a bright little boy and called and subscribed for The Tug just like a grown person. Our best wishes follow him.—Yaquina Tug.

Conductor Ed. Houston has been changed from the Ashland-Roseburg passenger run to that between Portland and Roseburg, and his place on this end of the S. P. Co's railroad will be filled by Conductor J. M. Armbrough. The change is a temporary one and is made to permit Conductor Houston to be in Portland, where he has taken his son to one of the hospitals for medical treatment.—Tidings.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brown, of Albany, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brown. Upon their return home on Monday they were accompanied by their little son, Lloyd, who has been staying with his grand parents for the past five or six years. Lloyd was a general favorite with both old and young, and will be greatly missed by all.—Stayton Cor. Statesman.

Mr Paul Costel and Miss Belle Long, both of this city, were married in Jacksonville, yesterday, and returned here in the evening. Mr. Costel is a son of August Costel of the Ashland Iron Works and Miss Long is the daughter of A. W. Long, the hardware merchant. Both are very well and favorably known in this city, where they have the best wishes of their many friends for a happy and prosperous future.—Ashland Tidings. Paul was a former resident of Albany.

Lebanon.

From the Criterion:

Joe Moist, who has been attending the U. of O., at Eugene, returned home last week for the holiday vacation. He will return to Eugene next week.

Miss Pet Smith came over from Albany Saturday, and is spending the week at home.

Miss Ilda Elkins came out from Albany Friday night to spend the holidays with her folks

Rev. A. LeRoy, of LaGrande, delivered a very interesting lecture on Odd Fellowship at the I. O. O. F. hall, last night, to the members of the order, their families and a few invited guests. Miss Ilda Elkins and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Young furnished music for the occasion.

Lebanon Lodge, No. 44, A. F. & A. M. has elected the following officers for the ensuing Masonic year: E. E. Hammack, W. M.; F. U. Hickok, S. W.; J. W. Burkhart, J. W.; T. Wassom, treas.; W. M. Brown, sec.; G. T. Cotton, Tyler.

At the former store of Tomlinson & Dubruille just east of the Democrat office the Albany orchestra will give one of heir popular dances tonight.

Keep Coughing

We know of nothing better to tear the lining of your throat and lungs. It is better than wet feet to cause bronchitis and pneumonia. Only keep it up long enough and you will succeed in reducing your weight, losing your appetite, bringing on a slow fever and making everything exactly right for the germs of consumption.

Stop coughing and you will get well.

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cures coughs of every kind. An ordinary cough disappears in a single night. The racking coughs of bronchitis are soon completely mastered. And, if not too far along, the coughs of consumption are completely cured.

Ask your druggist for one of

Dr. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral Plaster.

It will aid the action of the Cherry Pectoral.

If you have any complaint whatever and desire the best medical advice you can possibly obtain, write us freely. You will receive a prompt reply that may be of great value to you. Address, DR. J. C. AYER, Lowell, Mass.

FRIDAY

Eloquent Albany Masons.

The Corvallis Union refers to the parts taken by the members of the Albany Masonic lodges in the dedication of the new Masonic temple at that city in the following complimentary terms:

A vocal solo by Mrs. Langdon, of Albany, so charmed the audience than an encore was loudly requested.

J. K. Weatherford responded most happily to the toast, "Our Fraternity." He dwelt upon the duties of members to themselves and society, his remarks eliciting applause.

Sir Knight Clay Marshall, of Albany, narrated the origin and history of "Knight Templar;" the important part this link plays in the chain of Masonry, and its relation to the order.

D. P. Mason, of Albany, took advantage of the splendid opportunities offered by the toast, "The Masonic Temple." His closing description of the temple of Solomon was sublime.

"The Ladies." This was not on the program, but Mr. F. E. Allen was asked to respond to this toast, which he did most handsomely. No warning was given Mr. Allen, but he accepted the situation as Adam did when "The Ladies" was proposed to him in the garden of Eden on a memorable occasion some years ago—cheerfully and with a disposition to make the best of the situation.

Indian War Veterans.

The camp of Indian war veterans met a the court house yesterday afternoon, with about twenty present. The enrollment of the camp is 121, most too far away to come.

Letters were read from our congressmen showing a purpose to do all possible to secure legislation for the veterans.

A resolution was introduced and passed, in which congress is asked to grant to the Indian war veterans the same pension privileges enjoyed by the veterans of Mexican war.

Remarks were then made by Captain Wheeler, Jonas Davis, John Blevins, A. B. Morris, E. O. McLain, Warm Spring Johnny, A. L. Bridgefarmer, C. H. Walker, Mr Vanderpool and others.

C. H Walker was selected to prepare a statement of the services of the Indian war veterans for publication in the Oregonian and other papers. The meeting was an enthusiastic one, and will have a good effect.

A Denial

The local mention in the DEMOCRAT of 28th current, that we had sold our Insurance business is not authentic. We have not sold out, and emphatically deny telling any one that we had. It is our intention to go to Portland in the near future, at which time we will give publicity to the transfer of the business.

J. W. SEXPT.

Installation

Joint installation of officers elect of Bailey Chapter No. 8, R. A. M, and Brazillai Chapter No. 16, O. E. S. will take place this (Friday) evening, Dec. 30, at 7 p. m., after which refreshments will be served in the banquet hall. It is requested that al members be present. By order of committee.

Art Needle Work.

Mrs. W. P. Lafferty will be at the residence of Mr. J. A. Weaver on Tuesday Jan. 3rd to meet her class in art needle work. All ladies wishing instructions or material are requested to call.

MRS. W. P. LAFFERTY.

DIED. 47.—A road meeting was held in this district with a good attendance. Frank Trites was elected chairman and Fred Lynes secretary. Road matters were generally discussed, a preference being shown for well-gravelled roads, but the difficulty is that the gravel cannot be secured near home. Frank Trites was declared the choice of the meeting for supervisor.

DIED.—Infant daughter of W. L. Wood, died in eastern Oregon Dec. 28. The remains arrived on the overland last evening and the funeral services were conducted by Rev. Hartmann at the Cumberland Presbyterian church this afternoon at 2 p m.

Miss Helen Crawford, of the O A C is spending the holidays in Albany

Mrs. Crowse and three children, of Washington, are in the city the guests of Mr A E Bloom.

Mr Har y Day came up from Portland this noon to join his family here on a visit with Albany relatives and friends.

Rev C M Lane delivered a temperance address in Stayton last evening to a good sized audience. An Anti Saloon League was organized with a good list of members.

Mrs. Nellie Lambson, of the Portland public schools, formerly of the Albany schools, is in the city the guest of Mrs. A. O. Beam. Mrs. Lambson is state instructor of the L. O. T. M.

Rev W A Smick was a passenger to Eugene on Bangs' stage Monday morning after spending several weeks on the Siuslaw assisting Rev. Knotts in his labors.—Florence, Or., West.

Last evening about fifty friends took Mr. and Mrs. Hogue by surprise, in a surprise farewell party to their son Harry, who left today for Milton, Ore., where he has a good position. The evening passed quickly with one form of amusement and another, after which a fine lunch, which the visitors had brought, was partaken of.

Prof. Martindale and Superintendent McDonald have returned from Portland where they took an active part in the meeting of educators for a revision of our school laws. On motion of Prof. Martindale it was declared the sense of the meeting that the school text book question be kept out of the regular law entirely and that it be provided for by a special law. Prof. Martindale is in favor of a commission of at least fifteen. The fact that the book concern wants Daly's small commission of five is very significant.

Snow balling may be fun for the boys, even though at times cruel, but it has no form of amusement in it for the Chinamen, old people and those who do not care to engage in it. Only a coward will strike a man in the back. Never throw a snow ball at a person who is not in a position to dodge or defend himself, and then not against his will.

According to an exchange advertising does pay. A Harney county girl, advertised for a husband and got one. Total expenses $11. He died within a year, leaving a life insurance payable to her of $5000. Net profit $4,989.

DIED.—The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brownell died last evening. Funeral services were held this afternoon.

MACCABEES.—Initiation and installation at the regular meeting tomorrow night. A full attendance is desired.

POST OFFICE HOLIDAY.—The Post office force will take their holiday Jan 2 1899. The general delivery will be open during the usual holiday hours.

Next Monday evening at the Vance brick on second street there will be a New Year ball, to which an invitation is extended to all desiring to spend the evening socially. Good music.

THE COMING SHOW.

The crowing event will begin in Albany on Jan. 9 and last through Saturday Jan. 14.

Secretary Fenwick in an article in the Oregon Poultry Journal says it promises to be the most successful exhibition of pure bred poultry ever held on the coast and that the interest manifested throughout the state has been very encouraging.

The annual meeting of the association will be held Saturday evening after the show.

Enteries for the show close on Dec 31.

Alden Hulburt, of Corvallis, boasts that "we will make you boys jump sideways for doughnuts before the show is over."

The Oregon Poultry Journal will be represented in Albany by the editor, Mr. Goodhue, who intends to get the subscription of every Linn county farmer for his paper.

We clip the following from the Journal:

Mr. D. O. Woodworth, of Albany, one of the directors of the State Association, sends us a diagram of the building secured for the holding of the coming show. It is one of the finest rooms in the city of Albany for the holding of the show, and is all that could possibly be desired. Its dimensions are 110 feet long by 66 feet wide, double doors and double windows at each end, the windows in main entrance being large plate glass. There are two large sky-lights over the center of room, and also two arc electric lights hanging midway over the room. This building is right in the heart of the city. The management are to be congratulated on the excellent selection and the location. For a good show room is half the success attained of a poultry exhibition. Special attractions are also being arranged. Now, brother fancier, what one of you would even think of not being present with your birds, with such inviting accommodations as these. Everybody will go to the Albany show sure.

Mrs. L. L. Whiteaker, of Independence, will make a large exhibit of canary birds at the Albany state show. Why not have more songsters at our poultry show.

We wish to impress upon the minds of all amateurs in poultry raising the great advantages to be obtained in being educated up to the standard of perfection in thorough bred poultry raising. More can be learned at the state show in one day than in a whole year out on the farm or in the poultry yard. The different breeds are right before your eyes and the specimens of each breed can be compared side by side. You may see each specimen as they are being scored and to the lucky winner is announced you may see and fully understand why this or that one has won, or this or that one lost. You meet and mingle with the whole poultry fraternity.

Admission to the poultry show will be only 10 and 15 cents.

CITY COUNCIL.

Thursday evening, Dec. 29.

Present the mayor, recorder, street superintendent and councilmen Galbraith, Dannals, Senders, Martin and Graham.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Tomlinson & Dubruille	$ 6 50
Hughes & Troutman	2 97
O P Dannals	14 00
Goltra & Rumbaugh	60
A H Martin	4 50
P Cohen	1 10
Mrs M G Stetter	5 25
Samuel Conn	8 00
N J Henton	62 55

The committee on amending the charter reported in favor of amending the charter, by a general revision of it. The matter was discussed by the city attorney, Mr. Watson, and members of the council, the report was adopted and Hons. P. R. Kelley and J. J. Whitney requested to present it to the legislature. The principal changes will be provisions for the collection of taxes and assessment by the county, and the lengthening of the term of office of the marshal and treasurer to two years.

Licenses to sell liquor were granted John Giblin, Hermann Buelow, Williams Brothers, Peter Schlosser and Daniel Marx.

The bonds of the marshal and treasurer were placed at $3,000 and $7,000.

Scio.

From the News.

Mrs. I. A. Munkers, of Albany, is visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Fleener, this week.

Miss Maude Bilyeu, of the Albany Herald composing rooms, spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bilyeu of this city.

Mrs. May Gill has accepted the position of assistant postmaster made vacant by the resignation of Miss Mona Daniels, who goes to McMinnville.

At the shooting match last Saturday Dr. A. G. Prill carried off the turkey, having broken eight out of a possible 10 blue rocks.

Scio Lodge No. 39, A. F. & A. M. installed the following officers at their meeting last Tuesday evening: E. O. Hyde, W. M.; W. E. Brock, S. W.; P. McDonald, J. W.; M. C. Gill, treas.; I. S. Morris, sec.; W. A. Ewing, S. D.; Thos. Allison, J. D.; R. Cary, S. S.; E. A. Randall, J. S.; N. Young, tyler.

A E Dagenay, of Salem, was arrested for keeping his saloon open on Sunday in violation of the law. The case was tried before a jury, and as the prosecution had failed to offer sufficient proof the defendant was discharged.

Louis Krause, of the former firm of Krause Bros., doing business here and in Eugene, has petitioned to be declared a bankrupt. The liabilities of the firm amount to $12,000 and the assets of the petitioner do not exceed $325, consisting of household furniture and wearing apparel.—Telegram.

While in Portland the DEMOCRAT man met E E Larrimore, manager of the Portland Linseed Oil Co. Mr. Larrimore has made a success of his business and is proving a rustler. He was at one time a resident of Albany, in the painting business, besides playing considerable base ball, being pitcher for awhile of the Albany team.

Jack Carr, who just came out from Dawson is in Seattle and wants to wager that he can make the trip from Dawson to Skagway quicker than any other man. Carr left Dawson on Nov. 21, and reached Skagway Dec. 12. J L Gage and J A Acklen left Dawson four days after Carr and arrived in Sangway the next day, gaining three days on him. Two other men made the trip in twenty four days. On his way out John Isom, of this city, was with Carr for awhile.

Prunes and Apples.

L. T. Reynolds of the Horticuitura Commission has made the following statement of the prune crop in this valley for 1898:

Counties	Pounds	Valuation
Marion	2,975,000	$96,687 50
Polk	825,000	25,812 22
Lane	860,000	25,800 00
Linn	395,000	13,825 00
Benton	875,000	30,625 00
Lincoln	20,000	700 00
Total	5,975,000	$193,449 72

This shows a big increase over 1895.

The dried apple production in the district for 1898 is as follows:

Counties	Pounds	Value
Marion	275,000	$16,000
Polk	150,000	9,000
Lane	40,000	2,400
Linn	100,000	6,000
Benton	80,000	4,000
Total	645,000	$38,700

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

E. A. Thompson, the Mill City shingle man, has been in the city.

J. C. Johnson, a former Scio man, is a candidate for policeman on the Salem force.

Chief Justice Wolverton came up from Salem this noon on a visit with Albany friends.

Mr and Mrs Rockey Willis returned this noon from their bridal trip to Portland.

There will be a watch meeting tonight at the Salvation barracks to which all are invited.

Miss Alice Temple, now of Salem, and Miss Ella Stellmacher, of Albany, are visiting Mrs J C Mayer.—Lebanon E A.

Mrs E B Piper and son of Seattle, arrived in Albany this noon and are the guests of Mrs Langdon and Mrs Cusick.

License has been issued for the marriage of Harry Craw and Miss Anna Willis. The wedding is to be a New Year event.

Frank Kitchen Sr., of Fort Stevens, returned to the seaside today after a several days holiday visit with Albany friends.

Mr John Lear in response to an urgent request from E W Achison left this week for the Atlin mines about which there has been so much written lately.

A young people's club last evening, at the G A R hall gave a sweater party, all appearing in sweaters. A fine time was had, in games, partaking of a fine lunch, etc.

Mr and Mrs E L Power entertained a number of friends last evening at their home. A very enjoyable time was had by all present. Refreshments were served.—Lebanon E A.

William B Ball, an old resident of Linn county died in Portland on Thursday and his remains were taken to Fox Valley for burial. At one time he was a resident of Albany.

Mrs Fred Fortmiller and daughter were in the city this noon on their way to Junction City to visit the former's parents. Fifteen or twenty Albany relatives were at the depot to get their first sight of the new comer.

A sailor always attracts attention. Mr Danley, whose parents reside at Elk city was in the city today on his way home from Manila, where he went as a member of the Charleston crew. On account of disability he was discharged, and was very glad to get home again.

Mr. Bush, the grocery drummer, was in the city yesterday. A large barn on his neck attracted the attention of his friends, and he told how it happened. Down at Red Bluff, Calif., he was acting the part of Santa Claus in the usual costume, when in blowing a candle out his flimsy whiskers caught fire and there was a conflagration around his head, resulting in considerable of a burn.

Mrs. Ellen Dorris and three youngest children, two girls and one boy, arrived in Albany this morning from Los Angeles, Calif., where they have been several years, and will make this their home, rejoicing exceedingly at being in God's country again. Bessie, who has an excellent position, Tilda and Willie remain. Floyd will graduate from Monmouth, Ill., college next June in the class with Elliott Irvine and will study for the ministry. Lake is one of Independence prominent citizens and will soon move to Eugene while Frank we believe is in California.

Medford Mail: W B Stevens, of the firm of Deusel & Stevens, has decided to leave Medford and locate in Albany, this state, where he has rented suitable buildings and will open a general merchandise store. The firm will remain the same as of old in Medford and will be under the sole management of the senior member of the firm, F K Deusel. These gentlemen have made a wondrous success in their business in Medford but both being ambitious to be prepared for that rainy day which comes to us all they are now just naturally branching out. Mr Stevens has been a very honest, upright citizen of our city and many will regret his departure and this same regret is felt also as regards his family, which is a most exemplary one—and the entire household have friends innumerable in this city. Mr Stevens will leave for the east in January where he will purchase goods for the new store, and will return in time to open business about the first of March.

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MANILA POEMS.

A souvenir song book of poems, twenty five in all, gotten up by the soldier boys, has been published in Manila. One was received this week from Roy Saltzgarb, by his mother. It is decidedly interesting. There is "Dewey, King of the Sea," some of the others being "The Old Army Hardtack," "Behind the Trenches," "Battle of Malate," "We're Natural Born Soldiers," "A Hot Time for Minnesota," "The First Day Out," "The Girl With Dark Red Hair," and "The Oregon Volunteer." The most popular of all the songs Roy wrote was the following, to which the special attention of the DEMOCRAT man was called:

IN MANILA, 1898.

Through the streets of old Manila
Aimlessly one day I strode
Till I bumped against a figure
Standing silent in the road;
Such an odd ungainly figure
That I quickly staggered back
Thinking that it was a spirit
And I'd run across it's track.

On his head he wore a helmet.
Rather doubtful as to hue,
On his legs some battered leggins
And his coat was once a blue
On his shoulder was a musket
Rusted with the rust of years
Like himself this apparition
Greatly served to rouse my fears.

"What the dickens are you?" asked I
And my breath came quick and short
He then out of force of habit
Brought his rifle to the port.
"You remember then," he answered,