

BRIEF LOCALS.

Born, to the wife of Ira Hunter, January 16, 1891, a girl.

Egan & Achison are selling monuments at Portland prices.

If you want a monument see Egan & Achison, of Albany, before purchasing.

Senator Croso has introduced a bill in the senate authorizing a bridge at Corvallis.

For bargains in monuments, headstones, etc., go to Egan & Achison, Albany, Oregon.

Judge W. S. Hafford and J. R. Markley went to Salem last Wednesday to swell the lobby in the legislative halls.

It is claimed that oil has been discovered near Hubbard Station, in Marion county, on the farm of Prof. E. Grimm, of this city.

Senator Croso and Representative Moor and Starr spent Saturday and Sunday in Corvallis looking after the interests of their constituents.

Miss May Meagher has returned to Corvallis after an absence of three months and resumed the duties of her position in the Oregon Pacific office.

The gross receipts at our postoffice for the year ending June 30, 1890, according to the report of the postmaster general, was \$1,143.55, and the total expenses, \$1,814.93.

According to a Washington dispatch Senator Mitchell offered an amendment to the sundry civil bill appropriating \$300,000 for repairs to the Yaquina bay light.

Egan Achison handle the celebrated Portland cement walls for cemetery lots. These walls can be furnished at half the cost of any other and are far superior.

Don't miss the opportunity of hearing the story of Billy and Dick's personal experience in the southern confederate prisons as related by Billy, himself, next Tuesday at Job's theatre.

Mr. James, a former resident of this county, now a compositor on the Portland World, made this office a pleasant call last Thursday. In years gone by he lifted type on the GAZETTE.

Hon. J. H. Mitchell was elected United States senator to succeed himself for the ensuing six years last Wednesday by a joint ballot of the legislature, receiving the unanimous republican vote of that body.

W. S. Fischer, a teacher in the public schools of Multnomah county, was in Corvallis last Monday. Mr. Fischer has many acquaintances in Kings Valley, having successfully taught several terms of school in that locality.

For first class goods cheap go to J. Wm. Will. He has made an immense cut for 30 days in prices at the same time his goods can not be beat in quality. Call soon for now is your favored time.

Dr. H. A. Jones, Veterinary Surgeon of 23 years experience, from Nebraska, can be found at Philomath during this month, after which he will locate in Corvallis. Orders left at Thos. Eglin's stable will be promptly attended to.

For two or three months past there has been going on in this city a systematic robbery of chicken roosts. On one of their foraging trips recently the parties were seen and recognized, and they are given fair warning to "let up" on their little racket or they will get themselves into serious trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Fisher have sent out invitations announcing the marriage of their daughter, Mollie, and Anson W. Thompson, youngest son of Rev. E. J. Thompson, next Tuesday January 27th, at the Presbyterian church. The young people are both well and favorably known and have many friends in this city.

ALLEGED LARCENY BY BAILEE.—Engineer E. E. Cooper, of this city, was arrested last week by the deputy sheriff of Multnomah county on the charge of larceny by bailee. Mr. Cooper has been engaged in the construction of the Astoria and South Coast railroad. On the 8th day of last May Wm. Reid wrote nine notes aggregating the sum of \$1000 in favor of several persons who had been employed on the road, and gave them to Mr. Cooper to hold as trustee, pending certain negotiations. The parties in whose favor the notes were drawn knew nothing of the matter until some time afterward. As the negotiations proved unsatisfactory to Mr. Reid, he wrote to Mr. Cooper instructing him not to turn over the notes, but to return them to him, threatening to bring suit if he did not return them. The parties in whose favor the notes were drawn insisted that they be turned over to them, and J. R. Brock, one of the parties, had Mr. Cooper arrested upon the charge named and the case was brought in justice's court. Mr. Cooper has filed a petition in the circuit court of Multnomah county asking the privilege of delivering the notes to the court, as trustee, pending the decision of the court. This would throw the case out of the justice court and allow the suit for the recovery of the notes to be brought direct against Mr. Reid instead of Mr. Cooper.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The local meeting of the teachers held at Superintendent Yates' office in the court house last Saturday was largely attended. The exercises were begun at 10 o'clock, when Prof. McKee introduced a paper on the use of "The Word Method in Primary Reading." The use of the diacritical marks is essential in connection with the word method. As the pupil puts sounds together to form words, the pronunciation is correct. Prof. McKee's paper was marked with good suggestions and observations.

Miss Newton read a paper on "The Alphabetic Method." This method is imperfect. The pupil cannot read without spelling the words. The word is not a synthesis of the letters.

Prof. Bristow did not favor the word method. It is a failure. Children must become more familiar with words by memory as he does with faces. Don't let a pupil be dependent on the teacher, but lean upon himself to solve word problems.

Miss Spencer said a combination of the methods is necessary. One method is impossible.

Prof. Yates said there were many defects in the word method. The child cannot go from one word to another. But take the old alphabetic method, that is, the sound of the letters. Combine a family of words.

Miss Spencer stated that different members of a class often repeat the leader of the class in pronunciation.

Prof. Bristow—Teachers ought to hold that the progress is not to be measured by the pages gone over in the book. Give more than one recitation, if necessary to the success of the pupil.

Miss Newton—To dwell too long, children only commit lessons to memory without knowing it.

The institute adjourned at 12 m. to meet at 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The leading thought introduced in the afternoon was "Advanced Reading." Miss Hoffman's paper suggested good ideas. Good reading is expected from more advanced students. Bad articulation is perfected by practice of the elementary sounds. Students should never be allowed to read what they do not understand. Study the thoughts as well as the words of a piece.

For reading exercises Miss Spencer liked the new series of books very well with the exception that they do not make sufficient use of the diacritical marks.

Prof. Yates objected to the third and fourth books in selections from unknown authors. Too much of the nature of fairy tales.

Miss Hoffman—Don't always confine students to text books.

Mrs. Callahan—Children should study the meaning of words.

Rev. Balantyne urged the necessity of studying the vocabulary for the meaning of words.

Miss Spencer—Teachers pay too little attention to the natural tone of the pupil's voice. Tone down the guttural voice. Cultivate his ear. Vowels are the best to cultivate the tones, but for articulation consonants are preferred. Correct bad strains of reading by modulation. Improvement in reading is very slow.

Miss Hoffman thought gymnastics very good for a class just before going to read.

Prof. Yates—A thorough understanding of what is meant is necessary to good reading.

The meeting adjourned at 4 p. m., after a harmonious and instructive session. Much credit is due Prof. Yates for his efforts in behalf of the institute. Many good ideas were brought out.

Articles have been filed with the secretary of state incorporating the Airline, Toledo and Nashville R. R., with Charles Kennedy, W. H. Rich, W. M. Toner, A. L. Porter, and C. B. Croso, as incorporators. The object is to construct and maintain a railroad from Airline, Polk county, to a point on Rock creek, in Benton county. \$150,000 is the amount of the capital stock, divided into that number of shares.

In the case of Searle & Deane vs. the Oregon Pacific Railroad Company the taking of testimony was concluded at Portland yesterday and the argument begun. As Messrs McArthur, Bronough and Bryson appear for the defense, and Messrs J. K. Weatherford, Jos. Teal and J. H. Dickinson for the plaintiffs, the argument will probably be lengthy, but will doubtless be concluded and given to the jury to-day.

S. T. Jeffreys is at Salem in the interest of the new Corvallis charter.

COLLEGE MATTERS.

ED. GAZETTE.—According to notice given, a meeting of Willamette Grange was held in their hall in Willamette precinct, January 15th, for the purpose of discussing college matters. Profs. Letcher and French were present by invitation from the grange to answer any questions regarding the management and workings of the college. Prof. E. Grimm was also present by invitation to discuss matters pertaining to the college.

Major Bruce was chosen chairman of the meeting, which was called to order with about twenty present,—a few came later. The chairman proceeded to call for the object of the meeting. Several communications were reported and there being no objection they were read. The first was from the Secretary of the Board of Regents in which he stated that they (Messrs. Nash and Cauthorn) were unable to be present; but that they would be pleased to have a committee appointed by Willamette Grange to investigate the books and accounts of the college or any other feature of the institution. The next letter was from Mrs. H. E. Hayes addressed to the members of Willamette Grange. In this communication Mrs. H. gave her own views regarding the institution which were based upon a visit of ten days to the college; and those which she believed to be the views of Mr. Hayes upon the matter. This was made in the absence of Mr. H. to whom certain resolutions had been referred from Willamette Grange. Mrs. H. spoke in very high terms of the college and its management and believed it was worthy of and merited the hearty support of the farmers of the state. At the close of the letter the meeting was adjourned until after dinner. The dinner was furnished by the ladies present and fully sustained their reputation for work of this kind.

After dinner Prof. Grimm made quite an extended discussion of the disbursements of college and station funds; basing his grievance on the assumption that the college had received the benefit of the station appropriations. He endeavored to prove this by referring to the permanent improvements and the salaries of the employees, upon which point he differed in opinion from the Board of Regents. The arguments were practically the same as those which have been presented by him through the press and were based upon the erroneous assumption that the farm belongs to the college instead of to the station.

Prof. Letcher was called upon to make some explanations and said that the figures presented were simply Prof. Grimm's own views of the matter and that those presented by the Board of Regents were their view of the matter. He also called attention to the fact that the Board of Regents were the men appointed by the law to make this distribution of funds. Hence it resolved itself into a personal matter between the Board and Prof. Grimm, which Prof. G. afterward acknowledged and further stated he thought the college was doing good work and was well worthy of the patronage of the people of the state. Prof. G. would further recommend the institution to all who are seeking an education, and that the school was the best in the state.

Prof. French took no part in the discussion of the expenditure of the funds from the fact that a large portion of the charges made by Prof. G. were prior to the time at which he became connected with the institution. He simply referred to the work of other similar schools and the present condition of the Oregon Agricultural College. He stated that in no particular had he been led to think that the Board of Regents were not in perfect sympathy with the best interests of the farmers of the state.

In response to questions from grangers present Prof. Grimm stated that he was satisfied that the institution had received full value for every dollar expended as shown in the accounts; but only objected to the Board's method of distributing the funds.

GRANGER.

P. W. Wilson, Wm. Mackay and M. P. Burnett went to Salem last Tuesday to attend a meeting of the county clerks, sheriffs and treasurers of the different counties, who assembled in that city for the purpose of making known their wants and to see that they are properly presented to the legislature. The sheriffs and clerks want to adopt a uniform system of blanks, the sheriffs want the law pertaining to the boarding of prisoners changed, and the treasurers want better salaries, and are interested in a bill which relieves the sheriffs from the duties of collecting taxes and places this work in the hands of county treasurers.

S. S. CONVENTION.

Following is the programme of the semi-annual convention of the Benton County Sunday School Association, to be held in Philomath, beginning Thursday evening, January 29th and closing Friday evening:

1.—Devotional exercises, led by Rev. M. J. Balantyne.

2.—Address of Welcome, by President Gilbert.

3.—Response to Address of Welcome, by Prof. Bristow.

4.—Address, "Benefits of Organized Union Work," by Rev. H. Kershaw.

5.—Address, "Pictorial Teaching in Sunday Schools," by Mrs. L. A. Nash.

6.—Morning Session.

7.—Devotional Exercises, Mr. Gregory.

8.—THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

9.—Its Officers, by Prof. Sheak.

10.—Its Discipline, by F. M. Johnson.

11.—Its Programme, by G. W. Householder.

12.—Its Music, by Prof. Baldwin.

13.—Afternoon Session.

14.—Devotional Exer., Rev. Jos. Taylor.

15.—Its Teachers, by Rev. M. J. Balantyne.

16.—Its Scholars, by Miss Nettie Spencer.

17.—Its Recitations, by Mrs. S. L. Keezel.

18.—Plans for County Work.

19.—Evening Session.

20.—Music.—Recitation.

21.—Address, "Its Lessons," by Rev. J. H. Hughes.

22.—Recitation.—Music.

23.—Address, by Rev. E. J. Thompson.

24.—Final Adjournment.

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Notice is hereby given, to all persons concerned, that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Margaret Wood, deceased, by the County Court of Benton county, Oregon; and all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to me at my residence, near Philomath, in Benton county, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice. Dated Dec. 19th, 1890. G. G. NEWTON, Administrator of the Estate of Margaret Wood, deceased.

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