

**BRIEF LOCALS.**

For cedar posts go to J. W. Will, Corvallis, Oregon.

Coffins and caskets at L. Welker & Co.'s, Farra's block.

Ladies' and children's hair cutting a specialty at Taylor's.

Dried fruit wanted. Highest market prices at Klimes.

The highest market price paid for all kinds of produce at Wheeler & Langley's.

Mrs. Wm. Zimmerman and Miss Ina Avery, of Philomath, were in the city yesterday.

There has been a good attendance of Corvallis people at the races at Albany this week.

"A clean sweep." Yes, you will get it by purchasing one of those brooms at Wheeler & Langley's.

S. N. Wilkins says that "oin talks" in purchasing furniture, carpets, wall paper, etc., at his store.

Do you know that you can save fifty per cent, by buying extracts at Wheeler & Langley's? Try them.

The county court is advertising for bids for the painting of the roof of the Benton county court house.

The college students will do well to patronize the Salem laundry. T. M. Hamilton, agent for Corvallis.

"Our Belle" cigar has no equal; try one and you will smoke no other. For sale only by Wheeler & Langley.

The clearance sale of clothing at Stock's cash store still continues. Now is the time to purchase your winter overcoats.

Something new under the sun—those imperial silk and chenille couches and those Smyrna and Angora rugs at L. Welker & Co.'s.

After several days' delay on account of rain, work has been again resumed on the streets, and is being pushed as fast as possible.

Z. H. Davis, who recently had a neat two-story dwelling erected south of the carriage factory, sold it this week to Levi Shanks, of this city.

"Uncle" Williamson, who has been attending to the overhauling of the steamer Hoag at Salem, has completed the work and returned to his home in this city.

Fakirs have been numerous in the city during the past week, there being among them a phrenologist, a corn doctor, a street preacher, a stove polish peddler and a swarm of book agents.

The M. E. church, held its regular quarterly meeting in this city last Saturday. Rev. John Parsons, of Salem, presiding elder of this district presided at the meeting and also conducted the Sunday services.

Yesterday Mr. J. T. Phillips forwarded by express a pair of fine Chinese pheasants to his brother, Dr. A. J. Phillips, of Keokuk, Iowa, who will introduce Oregon's favorite adopted game bird on the prairies of that state.

Posters have been issued and are being posted in the different precincts of the county, announcing the presidential election, which is to occur on the 8th day of November, being the first Monday after the first Tuesday of that month.

W. F. Martin, the boy preacher who was mentioned in these columns last week as being unworthy of support, committed suicide at Albany on Saturday. He had met with poor success in his attempts at street preaching and put an end to his existence in a fit of mental depression.

Wm. Abernethy, a student at the college, while climbing to the top of the water tower at the college Sunday, missed his footing and fell down the upper flight of steps, breaking his nose in the operation. Dr. Applewhite reduced the fracture.

T. H. Meranda, proprietor of the Pioneer house, of Albany, has recently remodeled and refitted that hostelry and will make a specialty of weekly board and lodging. The table is supplied with the best market affords, and the prices are very reasonable. Give this house a trial.

KINDERGARTEN.—Miss Ida Booth, of Newport, wishes to inform the people of Corvallis that she will open a kindergarten and private school in Bunting Irvine's property on Sept. 19. For further information apply to Mrs. Dr. Thompson, Rev. Geo. F. Plummer, or at R. Graham's drug store.

Have you seen those handsome new reed rockers at L. Welker & Co.'s? If not, step in and take a look at them, and while there inspect their stock of furniture, wall paper, window shades. They have just received a splendid supply of picture frames, and will be glad to entertain you by showing you through their establishment.

Any of our readers who contemplate making purchases would do well to peruse our advertising columns as well as the news columns. Several of our merchants have received heavy stocks of goods this fall and their announcements appear in this issue. When you wish to make a purchase of any kind it will be to your advantage to go to a firm which advertises.

A traveling street preacher, wearing an elongated crop of hirsute matter, has been holding forth on the streets during the evenings of the past week, warning all to prepare for the wrath to come, which, according to his reckoning, will be in a very short time. Everybody is warned to prepare for dissolution, which is to visit this world in about three and one-half years. We haven't any doubt that the man is thoroughly sincere in his language, but we doubt if he makes many converts in this city, for unbelievers are notoriously hard to convince.

**THE "HOOKS."**

The hook and ladder company of this city is an organization of which any city might well feel proud. To be always doing something to advance the best interests of not only their own company but the entire department has ever been their motto.

A scheme to celebrate Discovery day in an appropriate manner was conceived by a few of its members, and on being brought up at a meeting met with the hearty approval of all. The idea was to give a reception to the city council, the fire department, the ladies' coffee club and exempt firemen, together with their ladies and escorts, with the primary object of more firmly uniting the different branches of the fire department and establishing a bond of sympathy between them and the city council. They wish the people to recognize that there is such an organization in Corvallis as the hook and ladder company, and realize what they are endeavoring to do; that it is but one branch of an organization with a most noble aim, protecting the property of all citizens alike, members or not. In the palmy days of Corvallis the fire companies were "the people," but of later years they seem to have fallen out of the minds of the citizens, not only to be neglected, but to be almost forgotten.

The reception will be given in the company's elegant hall on the evening of October 21st. Guests will be entertained with a carefully prepared program of a literary nature, consisting of short addresses and toasts commemorative of both Columbus and the day he run aground on Cat Island. The committee have prevailed on some of the best musical talent to assist with the program and their siren voices will be mingled with those of the silver-tongued orators, procured at an enormous expense to orate on this auspicious occasion. The company hope to make this but the prelude to a grand ball that will be given on the evening of December 23d. The committee has assured the GAZETTE that the ball will eclipse any party ever given in Corvallis, and at this time all disciples of Terpsichore will be given an opportunity to worship at the shrine of their much adored muse, to their "soles" content. This is a worthy cause and deserves the patronage of the entire community.

PRICHARD—HOPKINS NUPTIALS.—The following, from the Albany Herald, will be of interest to many in this city, to whom the contracting parties are well known, and who join their Albany friends in good wishes for their future welfare: "The marriage of Rev. E. R. Prichard and Miss Frankie Hopkins was performed yesterday at 11 a. m., at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. C. E. Brownell in this city, by Rev. E. J. Thompson, of Corvallis, assisted by Rev. E. N. Condit. The wedding was a quiet one, only relatives of the bride and groom being present. Mr. Prichard is pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city, and one of Albany's most popular ministers, while the bride is one of this city's accomplished young ladies. Mr. and Mrs. Prichard left for a bridal tour to Portland, and the cities of the sound. They have the best wishes of a wide circle of friends."

NANCY HANKS AGAIN.—Last Wednesday the now world-renowned Nancy Hanks was driven on the regulation track at Terre Haute, Ind., to beat her own record of 2:07, which she did handsomely by three seconds, making the mile in just 2:04. This feat was beyond any ever before done in harness. The first quarter was made in :31, the half in 1:02 and the third quarter in :29. By this feat, Bud Doble gets the \$500 prize offered by Robert Bonner to the driver of any horse that went in 2:05 on a regulation track.

A TILE FACTORY.—Efforts are being made in this city to organize a company to establish a tile factory here. An enterprise of this kind is deserving of encouragement and success, as there is a broad field for the use of its productions. There is a large area of land in this vicinity which at present would be greatly enhanced in value if properly drained and would well repay the outlay and reclaim a large amount of unprofitable property.

As our readers already know, the 21st of October has been made a legal holiday, and at that time the public schools of this city have prepared an excellent programme, and will celebrate the occasion in a fitting manner. We would suggest that it would be a good plan for our merchants and other business men to unite in this to the extent of assisting in the proper observance of the day, by taking part in the exercises.

C. N. Simmons, Doc. Kiger and party returned Tuesday from Elk city, near which place they have been spending a week or ten days hunting and fishing. They caught a large number of fish and killed many birds, besides bringing home two deer, we can truthfully say the latter were fine, as we had the privilege of sampling a generous portion of one, and pronounce it the finest venison we ever ate.

WEDDING.—Mr. Ray Frank came up from Corvallis Monday "dressed in his best suit of clothes," and it is reliably reported that before returning he will be wedded to Miss Minnie Simon, of this city, and that the marriage ceremony will be performed to-night. Mr. Frank was formerly a resident of this city, but is now conducting a racket store in Corvallis.—Eugene Register.

COTTON IN OREGON.—W. J. Willbanks brought into our office the first of the week a stalk of the cotton plant which he raised in his garden in this city which is, so far as we know, the first cotton ever raised in this state that matured sufficiently to bloom. The specimen shown us was two feet, eight inches high, and contained one fully opened blossom and several buds. Mr. Willbanks informs us that he has a number of the plants now in his garden, where they can be seen by all who desire. He procured the seed during his visit in Mississippi last winter and planted them about the first of May, just to see what Oregon could do in the way of cotton raising. The nights in this region, how ever, are not warm enough to bring the plant to full perfection; still, it shows that it will grow here.

ANOTHER LARGE ORCHARD.—Last fall Mr. Horsfall, a capitalist from New York, arrived in Corvallis for the purpose of engaging in fruit raising somewhere in Oregon. He was so well pleased with the country surrounding Corvallis that he purchased a tract of 500 acres of land suitable for the purpose near Philomath from E. Woodward, of this city, in behalf of himself and a friend, Mr. Wilson, also of New York. Mr. Horsfall remained on the place and has been busily engaged during the past winter and summer clearing the ground and preparing it to be set out in fruit trees this fall. Mr. Wilson, the partner, arrived this week and is greatly pleased with his purchase. They expect to—and no doubt when they get this magnificent body of land set out to trees, will—have one of the finest orchards in the state.

FINGER SHOT OFF.—Harry Archer and one or two of his friends were at Wm. Kyle's place in Linn county last Saturday. They had with them a Winchester repeating shotgun, which was being passed around the group for examination. A cartridge had become fast in the gun and Harry had given it to one of his companions, who was trying to extract the shell, when the gun was discharged, the load carrying away the little finger of Archer's left hand as it was held at his side and inflicting a flesh wound on his leg. The injury to the leg was not serious, but the finger was torn entirely off. The injured man was brought to town where his wounds were dressed by Dr. Farra; he is now doing well and will probably suffer nothing more from the accident.

TO BE SOLD.—The hull and machinery of the river steamer R. C. Young, which was burned at Dove's landing some time since, will be sold to satisfy claims against the boat by Albert Kemp, engineer, and C. A. Carey, pilot, and a number of others for labor and supplies furnished. They recently served an attachment on the boat in the United States court and were granted judgment for \$650 and costs of suit, and what remains of the boat will be sold on Thursday, Oct. 6th, to satisfy this claim. The machinery, although considerably injured by the fire, can yet be used after being overhauled. It is now lying in the river opposite Dove's landing.

Rev. E. R. Prichard and bride, of Albany, have returned from their tour of the cities of the sound, and are now the guests of Rev. E. J. Thompson, of this city. During their absence they visited the Tacoma exposition which Mr. Prichard considers even superior to the Portland exposition, especially the music, which is supplied by Cappa's band. The exhibits of fruits and vegetables, too, were better than those in Portland, and will be taken to the world's fair after the close of the exposition.

Services as usual at the Presbyterian church next Sabbath—preaching by the pastor. Topics of special interest both morning and evening. The second sermon in the series of short sermons for Sunday evenings. Subject, "Which." Sabbath school at 10 a. m. Classes for all, and a cordial welcome to all. Christian Endeavor meeting at 8:15 p. m. in the church. Service of song at 7:30 p. m. Special vocal and instrumental music for Sabbath evening.

CONNECTED BY SOUND.—The local and trunk lines are now all connected and in successful operation, so that we now have direct telephonic communication with Seattle and Tacoma, and other cities in the sound country, besides many points in the Willamette valley. We are connected by sound with more than fifty different towns and cities.

SALEM STEAM LAUNDRY.—T. M. Hamilton, the agent for the Salem steam laundry, has decided to locate permanently in this city. He has already established a good business for that company in this city, which bids fair to become constantly larger. Their work has never failed to give entire satisfaction, while their charges are as low as is compatible with first-class work. Clothing called for and delivered free of charge.

EVERYBODY TO THE RESCUE.—Twenty dollars saved by calling on J. Wm. Will if you intend to buy a Standard, Davis or other sewing machine. Call and see that it is true.

FOR SALE.—Two yoke of fine Slick Horn cattle, well broken, good leaders for a logging team, can be handled by a child. For further information inquire of H. SARGENT.

**NOTICE.**  
All persons indebted to the estate of Philip Weber, deceased, are requested to settle at earliest opportunity. All bills must be received by W. E. Yates, attorney for estate, or by Mrs. Philip Weber.

**C. W. RILEY,**  
Sign & Ornamental Painting  
FIRST-CLASS WORK.  
Leave Orders Opposite R. M. Wade & Co.'s Store.

**CHITWOOD NURSERY!**  
J. E. WILSON, Proprietor,  
CHITWOOD, : : : OREGON.  
—A fine display of—  
Fruit and Ornamental Trees,  
Grape Vines, Shrubs, Evergreens, etc., etc.  
Free from Insect Pests.  
If you wish to secure the best value for your money, it will pay you to correspond with the undersigned. Send for catalogue and price-list.  
J. E. WILSON, Chitwood, Oregon.

**CORVALLIS ICE WORKS**  
Corner A and Third Sts.,  
JOHN ZEIS, Proprietor.

**ARTIFICIAL ICE**  
Of the best quality supplied in any quantity at reasonable rates to any point in the valley.  
FREE DELIVERY  
To any part of the city.

**JAPANESE PILE CURE**  
A new and Complete Treatment, consisting of Suppositories, Ointment in Capsules, also in Box and Pills; a positive cure for External, Internal, Blind or Bleeding, Itching, Chronic, Recurrent or Hereditary Piles and many other diseases and female weaknesses; it is always a great benefit to the general health. The first discovery of a medical cure rendering an operation with the knife unnecessary hereafter. This Remedy has never been known to fail. \$1 per box, 6 for \$5; sent by mail. Why suffer from this terrible disease when a written guarantee is given with 6 boxes to refund the money if not cured. Send stamp for free sample. Guarantee issued by WOODARD, CLARKE & Co., Wholesale and Retail Druggists, Sole Agents, Portland, Oregon. For sale by Allen & Woodward and by Graham & Wortham, Corvallis, Oregon.

**TRADE OR SALE.**  
Large two-story house, with well, cellar, etc., standing in undivided 2½ acres of ground, all set with large variety of bearing fruit. In city of 13,000 people, in eastern Nebraska. Four railroads—many factories. Property would be cheap at \$6,000. Will trade at great sacrifice for part cash—balance improved property in Corvallis, Albany, Salem or Portland. Responsible parties desiring trade, write for map of the city, full description and photograph of the premises.  
E. W. HADLEY,  
Corvallis, Oregon.

**HOME INDUSTRY!**  
Fine Buggies and Carriages.  
will amply pay anyone for their time to go to  
**THE CORVALLIS CARRIAGE & WAGON CO.'S FACTORY**  
And see their large and extensive factory at Corvallis, Oregon, where you can buy BUGGIES, CARRIAGES AND SPRING WAGONS which, with proper care, will last a lifetime. They are made of the finest second-growth timber and the best of their material by that factory, where each piece of material is taken from the rough and shaped in this factory by machinery designed for the purpose. Each vehicle is finely painted in the most elegant style.  
ALL JOBS ARE MADE AND PUT TOGETHER IN DRY SEASON WEATHER when the timber is thoroughly dry, which is not done with Eastern jobs, as most Eastern rigs shipped to this country are built in winter and early spring when the weather is damp. The beauty of all these jobs is that they are all FULLY WARRANTED and sold at such REASONABLE PRICES that there is no excuse for anyone to buy anything but a home-made rig.

**FORTUNE IS FICKLE--DEATH SURE!**  
CYRUS W. FIELD, at one time worth twenty millions, died a pauper, leaving his family nothing but his life insurance.  
The time to insure is NOW!  
Massachusetts has the best insurance law. Every policy has a guarantee of CASH or paid-up insurance each year after the first.  
The surest policy is written by THE MASSACHUSETTS MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO. Address  
H. C. COLTON, Gen. Agt., 233 Stark St., Portland, Or.  
Or M. S. WOODCOCK,  
First National Bank, Corvallis.

**Bargains in Blankets.**  
We are closing out blankets at new prices in order to make room for our new fall and winter stock of clothing and overcoats now in transit.

**FALL & WINTER OPENING!**  
Misses Housley & Whitaker  
—WILL HAVE ON DISPLAY—  
THURSDAY, FRIDAY 29th, 30th, AND FOLLOWING DAYS  
—A NICE LINE OF—  
**FALL AND WINTER MILLINERY,**  
Patern Hats and Bonnet, Children's Bonnets and Caps, New Ribbons, Veils, Fancy Feathers and Tips, Buckles, Ornaments, and Late Novelties in the way of Stylish Trimmings.  
The Ladies are Cordially invited to call and inspect our carefully selected stock.  
MAIN STREET, CORVALLIS, OREGON.

**Market Opened!**  
I have Purchased the Old  
**CORVALLIS MEAT MARKET**  
And will carry a full line of the best Meats to be obtained. The public, as well as all of my old customers, are respectfully invited to call and see me. Free delivery to all parts of the city.  
**G. W. SMITH.**

**CLOSING OUT**  
**SALE**  
**CLOTHING**  
Still Continues.

**OVERCOATS**  
**MUST BE SOLD**  
Regardless of  
**C-O-S-T.-**  
**STOCKS CASH STORE.**

Corvallis, Oregon.