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MONROE ITEMS.

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Life is being enjoyed at Soda-ville by Wilbur Starr and his mother.

A visit to her valley friends is being made by Miss Minnie Schutte, of Aisen.

Moses Starr and family started on their homeward trip to Ritsville, Washington, Tuesday.

A drama is soon to be given in Monroe under the auspices of the cornet band. We have not learned the date as yet.

Our public school teacher, O. Sinclair, expects to attend the coming teachers' institute to be held soon in Corvallis.

M. G. Evans has been on his ranch west of town making improvements. He expects to soon have a home out there.

An oyster supper is to be given by the ladies and society of the M. E. church early in March, possibly on the 9th of that month.

Friday evening our energetic barber gave a private dance in Wilhelm's hall. Those who were there say that Ed is a capital entertainer.

The winter will be spent by Mrs. Edgar Groom at the home of her father in Monroe, while her husband is hustling duties for Uncle Sam in Alaska.

A social party was given by Ed Looney at the residence of his parents recently. Another was given last Friday evening at the residence of J. W. Welty.

The responsibility of engineering the M. L. society still rests on the shoulders of Claude I. Starr, since he was re-elected to the office of president on Saturday.

"Dr." (?) Shakerford, alias Smith, has been a guest amongst our townspeople for the past week. Since no horses are sick just at present, Dr. S. sees naught but darkness and gloom ahead.

A gathering of young people took place Wednesday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Pfouts, north of town. The day was the anniversary of Mr. Pfouts' birth, and the party was given in honor of that gentleman.

George Morelock, who had such a severe attack of malarial fever last summer, is now just able to commence learning to walk again. The fever in settling in the muscles, almost totally deprived the little fellow of the use of any of his limbs.

M. M. Waltz lost a valuable carriage horse recently. While on his way with it to Simpson's chapel one Sunday, a stick flew up, struck the horse in the groin and inflammation set in, from which the animal died on the following Wednesday.

By a decision rendered by the judges at McKinley hall Saturday evening, the United States now has a perfect right and a clear road by which she can aid the Cuban patriots in their struggle for liberty. No doubt the government will take notice and act in accordance with the verdict.

The sage of the "classic Long Tom" has been in our city of late. Registering at our leading hotel and proceeding to sample our best liquors, Bill was soon able to impart great chunks of wisdom, and to scatter pearls of thought with a liberal tongue.

FAIRMOUNT NEWS.

Miss Lucy Kelly of our precinct, a former O. A. C. student, was visiting in Corvallis last week.

Mrs. Phillips has sold her place to A. A. Hawley. Mr. Hawley is on the sick list, but improving.

W. B. Shannon has a thoroughbred Collie dog he is desirous of finding a home for as he has no use for the dog. Some one who has stock would find him valuable.

Miss Dolora Lowwill was married not long ago to an engineer on the Great Northern, Mr. Morrow. Her friends wish them many years of happiness and as few sorrows as fall to the lot of mortals.

James McDaniels cut his foot across the toes so badly he can only hop around. He was cutting wood and did the "cut-act" more than a week ago.

What can a man make selling, in mid winter, potatoes at 29 cents per bushel and yellow Newton pippins at 40¢? I think the Klondike fever will hurt this part of the footstool more than it will ever do it good.

School began this morning, with Mr. Hoffman at the desk, and nearly thirty scholars in attendance. The term will be a short one. You see, we lost our former teacher, Miss Flock, when she took charge of a smaller school.

Chester White went to Portland Friday.

Lee Wells, of Corvallis, was in the city Monday night.

Mrs. Plutarch Lewis, of Corvallis, attended services here Sunday.

W. H. Buoy came over from Albany Saturday to visit his parents.

Mrs. Josie Allen entertained a party of her young friends Monday evening. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Vaughn, of Jefferson, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Bryan, went home Saturday.

The protracted meeting that has been in progress at the Radical U. B. church for the past four weeks, has accomplished great results.

About 25 persons have professed conversion. The meetings continue to grow in numbers and interest, a very available seat being occupied. The pastor, T. J. Cocking, opened the doors of the church last Sunday and received eight members into full fellowship. The christian people are working with might and main to push the work forward.

Uncle Jimmy Erwin, from Soda-ville, is visiting with his children at his old home.

Mrs. Dave Hood, Mrs. E. Hartless and Mrs. Alfred Rust have been on the sick list, but are improving.

The aged father of Mr. Wm. Dixon lies very ill at the home of his son, and no hopes are entertained for his recovery.

There will be another shooting match at the Independent school house next Saturday. If the boys keep on they may attain perfection.

The beautiful spring weather we are having is appreciated more than ordinarily, after the severe spell of weather we had a short time ago.

Word has been received here of the death of Katie, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kriens, former residents of this locality, but now of Washington.

This neighborhood is neither dead nor yet asleep, as the silence of your correspondent would indicate. To this "Roamer" has testified through the GAZETTE, after roaming through this locality.

Miss Janet Eunson, who returned to Scotland last fall, after residing here with her brothers the past four years, was married at her old home recently and intends remaining in old Scotland.

DUSTY.

Marion Barnard is on the sick list.

J. H. Edwards went to Portland Saturday.

Call and see our new barber. Haircuts and shaves only 25 cents.

V. R. Buckingham and hired help are busy grubbing this nice weather.

Claude Warren, of Coos bay, is visiting this week with his uncle, H. T. Bristow.

Charley Perin has been troubled again this winter with staggers among his horses.

W. R. Goodman, of Liberty, was visiting J. B. Goodman, of this place, last Sunday.

Rev. M. M. Waltz had the misfortune to lose one of his most valuable horses last week.

Hiram Hall had one of his molar remove last week. Dr. Bennett performed the operation.

Vern Woodcock's team took a lively spin the other day. The team and wagon were not damaged; but the harness were badly broken.

A union Sunday school of fifty scholars was organized at this place last Sabbath, with G. W. Householder as superintendent and H. T. Bristow, Mrs. Shough, Mrs. Bradley, Prof. Thompson and Dr. Bennett, as teachers.

J. C. Householder has returned from Lebanon. He has secured work in the paper mills at that place and expects to move his family there in a short time. His leaving here will be a great loss to the band.

SAMANTHA.

Farmers are busy plowing, preparing for spring sowing.

Father Anthony, who met with a sad accident last Friday, is on the mend.

Emmett Williamson is in Portland in search of work. He says he is tired of farm life.

Ernest and Charley Woods spent Sunday in Corvallis visiting their mother and sisters.

J. N. Hoffman commenced teaching school at Cloverdale Monday with 27 pupils in roll.

Mrs. G. W. Goff is dangerously ill, so bad off that she was unable to attend the Maccabees last Friday night.

Sabbath school and church was well attended Sunday. Prayer meeting Friday evening was also well attended.

Miss Selja Mayberry has been quite ill the past few days, troubled with a sore throat, but is some better at present.

J. B. Cougill has sold his potato crop to Phil Cohen of Albany, and is at present delivering them. He received 27 cents per bushel sacked.

Fathers and mothers, you had better watch your boys and girls, for old Satan has his snares well guarded by his faithful imps, and some of your innocent ones will be his victims if you are not careful.—A friend and lover of the pure innocent children.

PLEASANT VALLEY.

John Rose has rented a farm near Dusty and is preparing to move there soon.

Our county recorder and family made visits with his old time friends of the valley, last Sunday.

Chas. Frink and family are preparing to move from the Scott farm and Wils Scott will move there.

School will open at Pleasant Valley school house on October 4th, with Miss Jennie Gellatly as teacher.

Grandpa Farr has purchased a piece of land on Pleasant ridge, and a band of 75 Angora goats to stock it with.

I. B. Henkle and wife will go to the bay the last of this week to visit their grandson, O. G. May, who is in very poor health.

Leshie Parker is on the sick list, though able to visit among his friends. He expects to attend college at Philomath soon.

J. G. Springer, the hog buyer, purchased Chas. Frink's hogs last week. Sam Wyatt also bought E. Frink's and I. Porter's sheep recently.

Layton Henkle and family made a drive last Saturday and returned Monday, visiting their uncles, J. Henkle and J. Kitson, of Silverton, Marion county.

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