MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR.

"We had poleed our pencil in our tired digits preparatory to writing up the an-nual Christmas and New Year greeting, companied by the usual congratule tions to readers, young and old, when our eyes fell upon a newspaper account of the sin, shame, and suicide of a fair and bright young girl in Oregon City whose destroyer, it is claimed, is a married man, for whose crime there is in all the land no publishment.

This young girl was the daughter respectable parents, and was engaged to be married to a young man upon whom the crime of her role was at first charged but who denies it, and affirms that he had no knowledge of the girl's condition till the news came announcing be

We had felt like bidding every reade f the New Northwest a "Merry come. But we have changed our mind. We live in a country and under a government where the right of individual pvereignty is denied to woman; where man claims to be her protector and ben-efactor, and constitutes himself her lawnaker and executive. Were he what he aims to be, he would protect her, even rom berself. But, alas! we find that the so-called protected one is too often his victim, and that he chooses, as the et upon which to gratify his bestial e. should entitle them to protecon, if need be, even against their own

It is not that there are not many goo n. Thank beaven! The names of uch as would and do protect their own egion; but woman's grievance is that when bad men stultify their manhood and forswear their pretence of protection o weak and trusting girl or woman d, there is in all the land no punis ment that can reach them-no just

What then? Could the law reach bim? Would be be held in any way respons ble, except, perhaps, by a paltry fine fo

Think, ye mothers, who rejoice your blooming daughters, as they enjoy the glad gift-making_of the merry Obrietmes time, of the grief of that mother who ceaseth to be comforted benot! Think of the fact that were to ruined one your own fair child you would be powerless to punish the man who should thus betray her; and then an might weep day and night for the

dain of the daughters of her people? We had meant to wish you a happy New Year. But we want no father or mother in America to be happy again until proper punishment shall be meted out to men who take the liberty to beget ring which they will not recognize and enforce shame and desperation upo women whom they will not protect.

YE ASSOCIATE ABROAD.

A private letter received from Mrs Coburn before going to press contains the following characteristic account o

her sea voyage:
"From the time we crossed the baro Saturday till two A. M. on Tuesday, was as wretched through co retching as it was possible for an inmate of a narrow berth on a storm-tossed ocean steamer to become. Katie's fee-ble groan above my head added comthe despairing walls from surrounding state-rooms were anything but soothing to a disordered stomach.

"On Monday a gentleman ac ance took Katle out on deck, and ab three o'clock a lady passenger coaxed me out. I succeeded in ambling toward the forward deck, where I dropped miserably into a seat, selzed upon a tarred rope, and compulsively contributed to Neptune. This was my only attempt at sociability on the passage.

"The air of San Francisco is soft and

baimy, though a heavy rain fell re-cently, making the streets resemble those of Portland. I am so feeble that I can only push my pencil a little while thout reeting, but am gaining strength oldly since the steamer landed. I sea again when as weak as I was this time. Even now I can feel the rise and square window the white-capped waves over which the sea guile wheel and scream, hear the creaking timbers and laboring machiness. fall of the billows, see through the little g machinery of the vessel and om. Uph po

We have received through Las an erd, Boston, "That Wife of Mine, wn Master," and "Just His Luck, three charming stories of ever fe, well adapted to occupy to hours of a winter's evening to the time on railroad or steams Price, in cloth, \$1 00; paper, 50 couts To be had at J. K. Gill's.

DOMESTIC HELP.

California farmers' wives are taking up the pen in behalf of Chinese labor. of them tells much truth in the fol lowing communication to the San Jose Mercury, which may apply as well to the Pacific Northwest as elsewhere:

"A great trial farmers and their wive are compelled to endure is the unreliability of help, especially female help Not one girl in fifty of those who de mand from twenty dollars a month and opward is a thorough, economica house-keeper. It has been my own ex perience, and that of my neighbors, to pet girle and be compelled to teach hem nearly everything about housework, even while paying them high wages. It is conceded by farmers' wives that girls require a great deal more waiting upon, and are more afraid of working more than their wages justify, than a Chinaman. When I have a desire breakfast at any hour, I merely tell him so the night before, and he has it at the hour, without any calling or other trouble. My girls have never prepared breakfast until after my hus-band has built the kitchen fire and put the kettle on; and this must be done for them, however hard or fatiguing his day's work may have been. When my bables were young, and I have not fell like taking an early breakfast with the family, I have often had my breakfast later. When I have had a Chinama doing the house-work, he always had a dicated. When I have had a girl or woman, I have invariably prepared my own breakfast, although I have often been compelled to hear my baby scream while I did so, and when the meal was

to est what I had prepared. "The Chinese are accused of taking the washing from white women. People do not stop to consider that with the one person of the fifty or more who patrouize the Chiuese laundries could af ford to hire washing done. A great many of the patrons of the Chinese wash-houses in San Jose are farmers in moderate circumstances, whose wives have that burden lifted from them by the Chinese cheap washing, and God knows how much they needed the relief. And so with kitchen work. Many a poor overtaxed house-keeper can pay five or ten dollars a month to a Chine boy to lighten her burden of work, by doing cleaning, dish-washing, and such things, who could not for a momen think of affording the twenty dollars or more a month necessary to secure the

rvices of a 'young lady house-keeper State who would not prefer white to Chinese labor, if the girls who require good wages would first fit themselves to be good, scientific house-keepers.

"Girls, as a rule, are too fond of apin the dress and appearance of those who are wealthy. One girl, to whom I had just paid twenty dollars, that being al-most her only twenty-dollars in the carf, an article I would not have thought for a moment of affording my-self. And before her shopping was o mourning, that womnext month's wages."

ASTORIA NEWS.

O. P. Henry writes us a spicy letter from Astoria, concerning local goestp in the piscatorial city, much of which is not of interest to the general reader outside of that seaport. We have no doubt but that Astoria possesses the average number of "disreputable houses," "free drinks for election days," etc., but we do not see the good of say ing overmuch about them in the public prints. There is but one way to abolish these abominations, and that is by enfranchising the wives and mothers.

He also informs us that the working men, in large numbers, indulged recently in a torchlight procession, and that they have elected their entire municipal ticket. Just what good is to be gained by changing office-holders without recognizing the political interests of the disfranchised we cannot see, but it is natural for the victorious party to

We shall look with interest for the arrest of those "fashlonable dronks" he

But here is the best thing he say "All agree that the city needs improv ing, and I know of no better way to do it then to build school-houses."

THE CRIME OF SEX.

A young woman, disguised as a man has lately been working on a farm near Orrington, says the Bangor Commercial, where she performed her duties to the entire satisfaction of her employer. Quite recently she fell ill of a fever, and rapidly since the steamer landed. I the attendant physician, upon discover-will try to content myself and enjoy life ing her sex, proclaimed the fact, and and get well before I go home. Indeed, she was discharged. She had given her I will never have the courage to start to quite a beau among the girls. The reason she gives for her strange conduct is that her mother, who lives in Dizmont, port; and, as she could get better wages by assuming the garb of a man, she had

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

DEAR READERS OF THE NEW NORTHWEST: reek made mention came off in Salem before our last letter was printed, there-by surprising our half-initiated self. Colonel Reed was in a hurry, and Jenny Cline was ditto. We wish them all im aginable prosperity and happiness, in-cluding children, half a score. We couldn't ask ourself for more. That the Colonel may prove no broken Reed, and be as prosperous as the marriage cerea host of friends.

to visit the State asylum for the blind where, under the matronly supervisiof Mrs. Jepnie Dawne, the un victims of physical darkness have the combined comforts of a home and edustudies, the pupils learn music, and fancy and domestic work quite readily. The asylum is a roomy, airy, and comfortable building, and forms the intute. But it is sadly in need of much of the paraphernalia properly belonging to such institutions, and requires anothe teacher to assist Mrs. Dawne, whose oc cupations are so manifold as to make her labor arduous. We hope the next session of the Legislature will increase the appropriation sufficiently to bire a music teacher, if nothing more.

On Sunday we accepted a seat in cab with Meedames Matthews and Packard, and took a ride to the penifer tiary, where we were shown through an obliging gentleman, who gave us ample opportunity to converse with the prisoners, all of whom were healthy, well clad, and apparently well fed. Mrs. Thornton, who is as deaf as a post and as unselfish as the mother of a newly-born babe, visits the prison every Sunday teach and preach and pray with the convicts, all of whom seem very fond of her. Mr. Burch, the superintendent, is a faithful officer, and the prisoners speak of him in high praise. One young man has learned phonography since his incarceration, and has fitted himself for occupation of a reporter, when he shall become a free man. Others, who were wholly without education when committed, are now very fair scholars for which many thanks are due to Mrs. Thornton and a few other ladies, who are denied the franchise which the prispers will, mainly through their efforts, be permitted to regain.

Monday. Four P. M., and we leave the hospitable landlord and lady of the well-kept Chemeketa Hotel, and board the steamer "City of Balem," a wellmanaged boat, Captain Spencer commander, which plies between Portland and Corvallia, and accommodates the river trade. Here we chatted with first one and then another passenger, be guilling the time as best we could till ten o'clock, when we halted alongside the dock at Albany, and were met by James Foster, Jr., who gallantly escorted us to the elegant home of his whom we visited for several days, and trace every name carefully in link : talked of everything imaginable, from Centennial, and from theology to poli-tics. Each of us had visited the Centennial and our childhood's home since we had last held converse, and each had special ideas concerning the great show and its influence upon the world at large, upon which we descanted at

Albany is a rapidly growing and thor oughly prosperous town. It boasts one daily and two weekly newspapers, three flouring mills, an oil mill, a twine and rope factory, saw mills, planers, etc. etc., besides dry goods stores, millinery bazars, dressmakers' and tailors' and shoemakers' shops, hotels, boarding-houses, livery stables, and all other branches of general business. Here flourishes the Albany Collegiate Institute, Professor L. J. Fowell, principal, where we had the pleasure of meeting many of our own pupils of "ye olden tyme." The Friday after soon exercises were particularly inter esting, some of the readings of the young ladies being exceptionally fine. The boys of Albany must look to their aurels, else the girls will get the wreath and bays.

There are many fine residences in the city, giving evidence of the increasing prosperity of the citizens, as well as their refinement and taste. Our visit was too greatly hurried to admit of very particular notice of much that we should be pleased to comment upon; but we hope soon to repeat the journey thither at a time when we shall be more at leie are. Suffice it for the present to say that many friends of days agone gave us gladsome greeting, and though there are places made vacant by death that are ballowed to us by sacred memories, vet many of the old settlers seem scarcel to have advanced in age a single day.

It was our good pleasure, on Friday evening, to meet a large audience in court-room, where we held forth on "Law and liberty." The progress of the "Law and liberty." The progress of the the increased attendance at the meetings, many persons leading us the favor by assuming the garb of a man, she had done so. After the discovery of her sex, she left Orrington without telling any one of her destination, and now the newspapers are publishing her ago, hight, complexion, and peculiarities, as though she were a criminal.

We have received from somewhere a supplement to the Christian Cynosure, a methy maner amblished in Chicagon at the complexion and peculiarities are supplement to the Christian Cynosure, and peculiarities are in the lecture-room before.

At the close of the address, and after a goodly season agreeably spent in greeting friends and bidding them goodby, we repaired to the Commtock House to apend the night, preparatory to taking the five A. M. train for Portland. Our good friend T. B. Odeneal, the landlord, who is an experienced boss at complement to the Christian Cynosure, and after a goodly season agreeably spent in greeting friends and bidding them goodby, we repaired to the Commtock House to apend the night, preparatory to taking the first and the common to the first and the common training the first and the common to the first and the common training training the common training trainin

there looked straight down their blue noses at the cheerless stove. But it was not for long. The wood was soon aglow with blazes, and the chill dampness of the window panes cleared up in time to give us the benefit of a half-cloudy sun-

Seven o'clock, and Salem. Again we accounter many glad, but burried greettrain. Found business brisk in Salem or the holidays were at hand. Mine nost of the Chemeketa is succeeding admirably with the hotel, which is full of uests, who are well cared for and well contented. The only wonder is the marvelous cheapness of the excellent ecommodations and food. If we lived n Salem we'd not be bothered with nouse-keeping, for board at the Che-meketa Hotel is cheaper than living at Why cannot Portland do as well?

December 25, 1877.

WORK FOR EVERYBODY. Circulate petitions for a 16th Amend me State alone, but of all the States and Territories. Woman's right to voice in the government under which be lives is a natural right, and must be cuaranteed to her by the Federal Constitution. Now is our time to knock at the doors of Congress and plant this right deep in the fundamental law of the land.

Petitions for a Sixteenth Amendment or woman's enfranchisement, from 10.000 United States citizens, from wenfy-two States, have been presented n open House and Senate by 31 Repre sentatives and 29 Senators since January 9, 1877. The friends of Woman Sufrocate the Amendment in the new Congress, desire its friends to sustain them by mammoth petitions from every quarter. Circulate this petition through he autumn and winter up to January 20, 1878. Obtain the names of all who have signed similar petitions to the present Congress, and as many more as possible. Head the petitions with such well-known names as you wish to have appear in the Congressional Record. Fill the blanks for State, town, and county, that members may refer to their own districts in presenting petitions. Have all the names signed plainly with ink on two copies of the petition, one for the House, and one for the Senate. Ask each signer to remit National Woman Suffrage Association Mrs. Ellen E. Sargent, No. 1,733 De Sales street, Washington, D. C., to defray expenses of classification for presentation to the 45th Congress. Every ame received before December 1, 1877 will be cisseifled with its appropriate State and county petitions, and pre sented by the appropriate Representa-tive and Senator. Send with the peti-tions name and post office address of each one who obtains alguatures, so the officers may know the workers.

Cut this out, and paste it at the the names of men on the right, and comen on the left of your petition, and

atives, in Congress assembled:-The undersigned, citizens of the United States, residents of the State of _____, county of _____, town of _____, earnestly pray your honorable body to adopt measures for so amending the Constitution as to prohibit the several States from disfranchising United States citizens on account of sex.

MRS. CLARA M. FOLTZ.

This brilliant young woman, formerly of Salem, Oregon, but at present resid-ing in San Jose, California, recently lec-tured in the city of Oakland, thereby eliciting very high praise from the Oakland press. We copy the following no-tice from a late issue of the Transcript. When Mrs. Folts left the platform las evening, she was at once surrounded by a large portion of her audience, who were profuse and sincere in congratulating her upon what all, with one acch ever delivered by a lady orator in this city. It was, in fact, an address of marrelous beauty and logical force and was delivered with a grace and propriety, which we have rarely seen equaled. Mrs. Foltz appears to have acquired a large measure of Wendell Phellips' art of concealing art. Her elocution is faultiess, except, perhaps, a too great precipitancy in the more passionate passages, though every word is clearly distinct; her voice is full, musical, and feminine, and her action is ingularly natural, graceful, and appropriate, and, although intensely dramatic at times, is entirely without any shade of affectation. The greatest charm in her discourse consists in the fact that be speaks and acts like a woman who is thoroughly in earnest about what she is saying, like the good, true, and pure oman that she is; the dutiful daughter, the faithful wife, the loving mother, nd woman-hearted friend of humanity. res absolute and unqualified, and the will rejoice in the future successes which they think her capable of achieving."

county, Minnesota, yoked herself along-side of a now one day last apring, and the two together hauled a drag during the day after a needer which was run by her husband with a span of horses.

SHALL THE INDIANS VOTE? THE EDITOR OF THE NEW NORTHWEST:

fore the public mind. We have just noticed a bill favorably reported on to this effect by the Senate committee on In-dian affairs. The conditions proposed, or if any, we have not learned, but, udging from a knowledge of the adto the rights of citizenship, and the Constitution of the United States, and of the several States, there are no condilons to be considered. This is another igners of all nationalities that flock to our shores are freely granted the boon of citizenship, and none are denied the high and responsible official positions of the government. The negro, just ransomed from a life of ignorance and slavery, was unconditionally elevated to the same plane of responsibility. But this was not enough. Half-civilized Mexicans, halfbereds, drunkards, idiots, and escaped criminals are unbestatingly allowed the ballot. And now, while the oft-repeated demands of the ntelligent mothers, wives, and daughters of this Republic are being urged for equality and justice, the crown of cition the heads of ignorant and mercil Indians, the very lowest type of human existence in the laud, while the fair brows of the wives and daughters of men are left suprotected by the recog-nition of their political sovereignty. Unwarranted as all this may seem, it is ust what we must expect and endure rhile that ever invidious word male of representation in the American government. Its evil effects are too appar-

ent. 'Tis a poisoned, cankered sore that is exhausting the vitals of this nation, that boasts of its superior wisdom and ustice and high literary advantages, avested in colleges, from which girls are excluded, and where millions of dollars of a public school fund make ample subjects, yet the grand old sacred prin-ciples that are the pillars of support of this government-principles that have cost the life-blood of so many of our est men, and the privation, worse than best women-are given into the hands of the ignorant masses for protectio

conder at the frauds and corruptions in high places, where justice and virtue are set aside for the more welc practice of partisan scheming and indiidual aggrandizement?

The enfranchisement of the negro was get, but to rush him into the imme se of the ballot, in his ignorance and unfitness for such a responsible position was but to bring terror to the peace o the nation by providing an element of fuel to feed the fires of party politicians, which the records of the past few years too plainly show, and now, to furnish an additional element by enfranchising he Indian, regardless of results, while gnoring the just demands of intelligent w-abiding, and law-supporting women sitteens, is certainly a mistake that our inw-makers have not fully contemplated in Congress. We read with pleasure the manimous vote of the committee on privileges and elections, granting a earing on the 9th of January, 1878, rom delegates from every section bearng petitions for a Sixteenth Amendnent, which will remove woman's disapilities to the ballot. Yet the Indian have the vantage ground, and will loubtless step into the political king-fom before woman. But our cause is not

all her subjects. H. A. LOUGHARY. Amity, December 21, 1877.

The Porte has issued a proglamat posing Prince Milan, of Servia.

POREIGN NEWS.

hopoless; the outlook was never brighter. Then let us plead at the altar of the

poverument till justice is meted out to

Constantinople dispatches say it is de-clared that the Porte is determined to carry the war to the last extremity The arrival of Suleiman Pasha is

Constantinople has strengthened the outrance, and the Grand Visier supports

Great distress prevails among the po of Constantinopie. Prices of provisions are rising, in consequence of the depre-ciation of the currency. Difficulties are eared if the price of bread rises higher.

The Edinburgh Chamber of Commerce on the 24th inst, agreed to memorializ the government to continue its neutra ity in the present war. Only two mem-bers of the Chamber were opposed to the

It is reported from Paris that very so ive diplomatic intercourse has been go ng on between Paris and London with ing on the Eastern question, and that the chances of the accomplishment of this object are rather favorable.

A snow storm, which commen an troops caught on the march must ave perished. Of a convoy overwhelmed at Cotrocese, a subarb of Bucharest, forty herere and twenty-nine men were frozen to death.

The great Legislator of the Universe as created men male and female, and iven suto them, and not upto him, or

LETTER FROM ROSEBURG.

EDITOR OF THE NEW NORTHWEST: visited many of the towns on the O. & C. R. R., and flud that you have done a good work this way, and made many

At Harrisburg I organized a temerance and literary society with seventy ames. At Eugene City the Court-house was literally crammed at my lecture or Temperance, its cause, consec and care." Several ministers and their adies were present, Judge Walton pre iding. On the following evening organized a "ladies' temperance and iterary society." Rev. Mr. Geary pre ferred to have it officered by the ladies and while the pledge was being circu some very terse remarks, not only in favor of woman's taking the lead on the temperance question, but he, for one, would belong to their society and ome to the front whenever needed. He expatiated at some length upon the reigious and moral influence of women especially of mothers. He said his mother's influence was yet with him. mother's influence was yet with him, though she had many years ago passed on to the home above; that he firmly be lieved that his mother was watching over him, that she was his guardian angel, and why not? said he. There are no walls, no barriers to keep our streets. Corner of First and Morrison at the contract of the streets of the place to get suitable and durable presents. ere no walle, no barriere to keep our loved ones away. He then appealed to young men to live as though their mothwere near them all the time. His wife was appointed President, and Mrs. Judkins Vice-President. There is also Secretary whose name I have forgot ten, and Mrs. Judge Walton was made freasurer. Persons of all ages may beome members by signing the pledge, and have the privilege of participating in all the deliberations. Recitations, essays, and extemporaneous speeches interspersed with music, are to be the order of exercises at their meetings once a week. I also had fine audiences at Albany, Oakland, Wilbur, Roseburg, Creawell, and other places. My course s now toward Portland. I intend speaking in every town on the railroad, also n Brownsville, Lebanon, and some of he river towns before visiting Scattle, Walla Walla, British Columbia, etc. sometimes grow weary and long to get bome to rest, and then I reflect that the world is our home, and our rest, where we shall bear the welcome plaudit Well done, good and faithful servant." FRANCES A. LOGAN.

Roseburg, December 18, 1877.

RECENT EVENTS.

A disastrous fire occured at Toledo, Obio, December 22d. Loss, about \$75,-

The income tax case of Samuel J. Tilden has been set down peremptorily for trial on January 5th. His counsel asked this further postponement.

Bar-rooms were pretty effectively, at Siuciaw, at Siuciaw, and the excise law practically obeyed.

Very few drunkards were visible.

American

Mectain and at Siuciaw, at Siuciaw.

Polk and Lane are the only counties which have yet paid up their State taxes in full.

Ex-Governor McCormick, American Commissioner-General to the Paris Exhibition, will open an office in New York City Monday, in the post office building. Many applications for space

A New Orleans dispatch of th out of seizures by the supervisor in 1868, which have been on trial the past week in the U.S. District Court, were decided n favor of the government. The amount involved is \$200,000."

The Dutch steamer "Friesland," from lava for Rotterdam, has been lost, it is believed, with all hands, off Cape Finsterre. She passed Gibralter Decembe th. Wreckage has been sighted, which here is little doubt came from the 'Friesland," The crew numbered about ifty. She had no passengers.

Information has reached Washington hat San Francisco attorneys of the Chinese companies have not only completed various printed documents in opposition to the proposed Congressional ac-tion on the Chinese question, but that numerous copies will soon be forwarded for use and distribution in Congress and other official circles.

York was the most brilliant affair of the kind ever seen in this city. Nothing could be more significant than the heartiness of the respect for the President manifested by the five thousand guests, comprising persons of all the second process. Professor Carter and Mrs. Hines are engaged in teaching "the young idea," etc., and the people of Eastern Oregon are justly proud of their school.

A lifeboat has arrived at Neah Bay to be used by the life-saving station satabilished. The President's reception December

throughout the North that the recent election of eighty Independent members of the State Legislature is an outgrowth

A New York dispatch of December 23d says that under the head of "Another Little Senator," the Times' editorial has the following points: "The election of such men as Farley, of California, is not an encouraging sign. It is another indication of the gradual see in the Senate, but there are more persons because of his natural ignorance been Yanshiii and Taylor. Speed self-conceit, and this is the cort of given. to women and children's Also, gives Massicaran Varon B be U. R. Senata "

HOME NEWS.

Remember the Caledonian ball next

The plans of the new Unitarian Church have been sent East. Sidney Dell, Esq., left on the last steamer for a short trip to San Francisco. The Christmas services in this city were beautiful and impressive and well attended.

The Liberal Association of this city propose to celebrate the coming aunifersary of the birth of Tom Paine. The Washington Guard ball at Turn Halle Christmas eve was one of those enjoyable parties for which this old-time organization is noted.

About \$80 were realized by the Y. M. C. A. from Dr. Guard's lecture at New Market Theater last Thursday exening. A grand ball under the auspices of the Scottish citizens of Portland will be given at Turn Halle next Monday even-Mrs. Howard N. Northrup, who has

recently been thrown upon her own re-sources by the death of her husband, has been appointed agent for the Pacific Life Insurance Company, and begun in earnest to solicit pajicles. We wish the little woman perfect success in her en-B. L. Stone's stock of jewelry is dar-

while the steamship "Idaho" was coming up the river last Friday night, and when only a few miles below this city, one of the steam pipes attached to the head of the cylinder burst. This temporarily disabled the steamer, and she came to anchor till morning, when a boat from this city went to her assistance. The damage is slight.

Since last Monday evening "Rose Michel" has been the attraction at New Market Theater. The play is one of great dramatic interest, and should have received better audiences. Miss Oaborne impersouated "Rose" in a faithful manner, and did some very good acting. Mr. Ward's "Pierre Michel" was one of the best efforts ever put on the boards at New Market Theater. The support could scarcely have been better, and a full house should greet it.

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We hear talk of a benefit tendered by Manager Bert, of the New Market Thester, to the Helpers' Home and Mrs. H. L. McCord, matron. No worthier object can claim the attention of the charitable. Mrs. McCord, berself a widow, with four dependent children and no income except the labor of her hands, has performed the arduous duties of her office, in addition to her work for her family, for nearly a year without salary. She merits a substantial token of her services from the Portland public, and should have it.

NEWS ITEMS. STATE AND TERRITORIAL

M. H. Abbott has bought the Dayton

Polk county is to have a new souse and jail built of brick. The Oregonian and Astorian each pub-

A revival meeting, conducted by Revs. McClain and Driver, has been going on

The ferry across Suake River at Al-nota is now completed, and teams are ressing every day.

The number of letters cent from the Salem post office for four days during the past week was 5,236. The East Oregonian wants the coun

A Seattle paper complains that bens there won't lay an egg for Christma-for less than six and a quarter cents.

for lose than six and a quarter cents.

Mr. Thomas Moores, a resident of the Puget Sound country for many years, died at Skagat a few days sines, aged forty-five years.

The Neah Bay and Quilyhute Indians produce over \$20,000 every year in furs, skins, and oil. White settlers are going into the Quilyhute country, and soon there will be a large settlement there.

It is alleged that the Beillingham Bay Coal Company have abandoned their mine on account of the inferiority of the coal. Better coal is on the market, and this, it is asserted, will not pay for getting it out.

ting it out.

It is now denied that George Lawton was the seducer of Miss Laura Cooley. The Statesman says a married men now living in Salem is supposed to be the guilty party, and steps will be taken to have him brought to justice.

The Blue Mountain University situated in LaGrande, which owes is existence mainly to the enterprise and integrity of Rev. Harvey Hines, is in a gratifying stage of progress. Professor Carting it out.

dent manifested by the five thousand guests, comprising persons of all shades of political opinion.

A dispatch from Chicago says that a letter received there from Savannah, Ga., ridicules the statement printed throughout the North that the recent election of eighty Independent members of the State Levislature leavest the statement of the state of the statement of the statement

of the State Legislature is an outgrowth of the President's Southern policy. The writer, a Democrat, says that party lines were not drawn, and it was merely a test of personal strength between the Democrata, in which Republicans and others took no part. The letter says it is abourd to class the Independents elected as Hayes men. Every one of them is a staunch Democrat.

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