

THE MAILS. Mails close at 5:30 o'clock P.M. Arrive at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

SECRET SOCIETIES. A. F. & A. M.—Meets Friday on or before the full moon. Members in good standing invited to attend. By order of W. M. I. O. O. F.—Meets every Saturday night at 8 o'clock P.M. Members in good standing invited to attend. By order of N. G. I. O. G. T.—Meets every Tuesday night at 8:15 P.M. Members of the order in good standing invited. By order of W. C. T. P. H.—Meets the third Saturday of each month at 10 o'clock A.M. at Grange Hall.

CHURCHES. REV. J. HOBBERG, P. E. Sunday of each month at 11 A. M. 11. Regular appointments of Rev. J. W. Watts, second Sunday of each month at 11 o'clock A. M. and 7 o'clock P. M. Rev. T. P. Haynes, pastor in charge of this district, for the M. E. Church, South, will preach at this place on the 4th Sunday of each month, at 11 o'clock and also in the evening.

DISCONSOLATE.—A young gentleman living in the beautiful valley of Chehalis, who, by the way, is quite a genius, built a nice buggy in order to take his girl on a spin of a Sunday. Last Sunday he carried out part of the program, and might have filled out the bill had it not been for the awkwardness of his cayuse. After donning his store clothes he hitched his horse to the buggy and had his brother to try him. Things didn't work right and the horse ran away with the buggy. Determined not to be beaten, thus easy, he changed drivers, but with a worse result. The horse got his dander up and, turning its head the wrong way, commenced beating Yankee Doodle on the buggy with its heels, and by the time the tune was finished the vehicle was about finished also. Misfortunes never come singly; besides having his buggy kicked to pieces, he had to submit to the mortification of knowing that his girl had gone back to him for breaking the Sabbath.

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THE NEW YEAR. The annual holidays, so pleasant to anticipate and the memory of which linger so sweetly in the recollection, are now passed and gone, and the serious affairs and responsibilities of another year have been entered upon. The COURIER wishes all its readers a prosperous year.

There is a charm and glamour about these days which sweeten life and makes the hard monotony of every-day experience more endurable. There is a departure from the hard, inflexible routine of every-day life, which gives new courage to the expiring heart and which revitalizes the dormant sympathies of the human breast.

Aside from its religious origin and associations, there is a mysticism and sentiment about these days which must elevate humanity to a higher plane. It is a time when the general impulses of the human heart come uppermost, and the base passions are at rest. It is a time when new resolutions are entered upon, when individual reforms are entered upon, when the fireside glows with the warmth of affection and good cheer never seen before. In these cold days the poor are remembered, and the pale faces of famishing multitudes are caused to smile with content. The sick are visited, and the weak of the medicament are relieved. Gifts of friendship are interchanged, and human nature assumes its softer and more benign aspects. Universal rejoicing prevails in Christendom, and nature itself seems to take a more hospitable demeanor. The wind whistles gleeful music in the chimney tops, and rattles joyfully on the windows. The nights are peopled with spirits and goblins, and the sloping gables echo with their tramping feet. The night winds bear upon their whispering wings pleasant voices, and the dancing fire-light assumes fantastic shapes. There is a juvenile feature about these days that lends an additional charm to them. The nursery and the household ring with delight at the gifts of Santa Claus, and childhood listens with open-eyed wonder to recitals of the legends of the time. When advancing age creeps on, and the pretty Christmas romances are stripped of their mystery, the pleasant recollection of these childish times still lingers in the imagination and gives a reflected gladness to these holidays. No one can forget them. Youth and age, the Christian, Jew, and Pagan, in our land of light and promise, alike look forward to these recurring days with pleasant anticipation, and look back upon them when they are gone with deep regret. This is as it should be. No one should detract from the festivities of these times, or strip these days of their weird fancies and harmless superstitions. The world is brighter, warmer, and better with them. The natural selfishness of the human heart is subdued by Christmas pastimes and observances. Better feelings are called into existence, and the softer elements of humanity come uppermost. May it be the blithest and the merriest of all the happy years that have preceded it, and may the recollection of it dwell in the breast in days to come, like the memory of a benediction. May Christmas goblins find a secure retreat from the winter frosts in the twinkling evergreens that festoon every peaceful fireside. May happiness and comfort surround childhood, youth, and age, is the wish of the COURIER.

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Very neat and elegant are the paper collars that you can now buy with a picture of George Washington on each corner. Matha is supposed to be on behind sewing on the button.

A girl died in Vermont the other day from poison in the colored stockings which she had been in the habit of wearing. This should serve as a lesson to girls not to pull their colored stockings on with their teeth.

INSANE.—Last Monday a young man named Andrew Stewart was adjudged insane and was turned over to sheriff Dale, who took him to the asylum last Tuesday. This young man attended the Christmas ball at this place and seemed to be as rational as anyone else, and ere a week had barely passed he was declared insane. His insanity is of a very violent type, and it was found necessary to tie him in order to prevent his doing mischief.

PREACHING.—Rev. L. T. Nichols will give two lectures on Bible subjects in the Court House next Sunday, January 7th. Services will be held at eleven o'clock, a. m., and six o'clock, p. m.

FOUND.—A blue ladies' scarf—we mean a blue scarf belonging to some lady, was found at the Grange Hall after the Christmas dance. The owner can have the same by calling at this office and describing property.

A great spectacle to view! the enormous rush day and night at Uncle Harris' establishment! How could it be otherwise, when he is so accommodating and gentlemanly to every one? Remember his stand: 702 and 704 Kearny Street, four doors from the City Hall, San Francisco.

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CONFLAGRATION. "Observer," writing from North Yamhill Jan. 4th, says:

"Our usually quiet city was visited this morning by a terrible conflagration. Those of her citizens who had recovered from the holiday dissipations were startled from slumber about 2 A. M. by a crackling noise which was soon discovered to be fire, emanating from a building attached to the city Hotel property which in the short space of one hour was in ashes. No insurance. Loss estimated at \$5 00.

Business rather dull since Holidays. School prospering finely.

DIED. At Lafayette, Jan. 1st, 1877, Jane E., wife of C. E. Eastabrook, aged 29 years and 3 months. The deceased has been dangerously ill for some time, and her death, although looked for by all, nevertheless, casts a gloom over the community now that there is so much sickness in our midst. As the new year came in the life of this lady went out to keep company with the old one. She leaves a husband and a family of small children to mourn her. The husband and children have the sympathy of the community in this, their great affliction.

At Lafayette, Jan. 5th, 1877, Aunt Polly Harris, aged about 61 years. Funeral services at the Church, January 6th, at 11 o'clock, A. M. All friends of the deceased are invited to be present. Mr. H. C. Dale has received a letter from Missouri informing him of the death of his aged mother.

August Flower. The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint. More than seventy-five per cent. of the people in the United States are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects; with such a sour stomach, sick headache, habitual constiveness, palpitation of the heart, heart-burn, water-brash, gnawing and burning pains at the pit of the stomach, yellow skin, coated tongue and disagreeable taste in the mouth, coming up of food after eating, low spirits, &c. Go to your druggist and get a 75 cent bottle of AUGUST FLOWER or a Sample Bottle for 10 cents. Try it—Two doses will relieve you. Agents, Crane & Briggs, San Francisco.

Final Settlement. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has died in the County Court of Yamhill county, State of Oregon, her final account of her administration of the estate of James M. Laughlin, deceased, and that by order of said court, said account will be heard by said court at the room of said court at the court house, in Lafayette, in said county, on Tuesday, the 6th day of March, 1877, at one o'clock p. m., of said day, at which time and place any person interested therein may appear and object thereto. NANCY C. LAUGHLIN, Executrix.

Notice. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of James McCain, Sr., deceased, by the County Court of Yamhill county, Oregon. All persons having claims against said estate will please present them to me within six months from this date. JOHNATHAN STOFFER, Perrydale, Jan. 6th, 1877.

A CARD. To all who are suffering from the errors and indiscretions of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, &c., I will send a receipt that will cure you, FREE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope to the Rev. Joseph T. Tuman, Station D, Bible House, New York.

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which we "set" New Year's day.

It had ought to be funny for

in it, and most

of the popular

writers agree

that "brevity is

the soul of wit."

Subscribe for the COURIER.

THE SUN. 1877. NEW YORK. 1877. The different editions of THE SUN during the present year will be the same as during the year that has just passed. The daily edition will on week days be a sheet of four pages, and on Sunday a sheet of eight pages, or a broad column; while the weekly edition will be a sheet of eight pages of the same dimensions and character that are already familiar to our friends.

The SUN will continue to be the strenuous advocate of reform and retrenchment, and of the substitution of statesmanship, wisdom and integrity for hollow pretence, insubordination and fraud in the administration of public affairs. It will contend for the government of the people by the people and for the people's counts of current events, and will employ for this purpose a numerous and carefully selected staff of reporters and correspondents. Its reports from Washington capitally, will be full, accurate, and fearless; and it will doubtless continue to deserve and enjoy the hatred of those who thrive by plundering the Treasury or by snarling what the law does not give them, while it will endeavor to merit the confidence of the public by defending the rights of the people against the encroachments of unjustified power.

The price of the daily Sun will be 55 cents a month or \$6.50 a year, post paid, or with the Sunday edition \$7.70 a year. The Sunday edition alone, eight pages, \$1.30 a year, post paid. The WEEKLY SUN, eight pages of 56 broad columns, will be furnished during 1877 at the rate of \$1 a year, post paid. The benefits of this large reduction from the previous rate for THE SUN WEEKLY can be enjoyed by individual subscribers without the necessity of making up clubs. At the same time, if any of our friends choose to aid in extending our circulation, we shall be grateful to them, and every such person who sends us ten or more subscribers from one place will be entitled to one copy of the paper for himself without charge. At one dollar a year, postage paid, the expenses of paper and printing are barely repaid; and, considering the size of the sheet and the quality of its contents, we are confident the people will consider THE WEEKLY SUN the cheapest newspaper published in the world, and we trust one of the very best. Address, TREASURER, New York City, N. Y.

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Summons. In the Justice Court for the precinct of Lafayette, Yamhill county, State of Oregon: A. B. Burton, pl't.

To M. S. Bigelow, def., Action at law to recover. To M. S. Bigelow, the above named defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled cause within six weeks after the first publication of this summons upon you, to-wit, on or before the 1st day of December, 1876, the time appointed by the court to hear this cause, and you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint as above required for want thereof Plaintiff will take judgment against you for the sum of \$232.14 in U.S. coin and costs and disbursements.

This summons is published by order of J. T. Hembree, Justice of the Peace, in and for Lafayette county, Oregon. H. S. A. M. HURLEY, Attorneys for plaintiff.

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