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The measles still hang on in Toledo, and new cases continue to develop. They have now struck the editor's family.

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J. S. Gaither went to Yaquina last night, and will assist in the the work of that office until the first of the year. His place at the depot here is temporarily taken by Miss Elva Akin.

We notice by the Oregonian that "Coll Van Cleve, the sage of Toledo, is at the St. Charles." We always knew that Van was "hot stuff," but we thought surely he was something stronger than sage—red pepper, anyway.

Andrew Carlson is a new prisoner in the Benton county jail. He was landed in one of the steel cages yesterday, and now makes himself at home. He belongs in Lincoln county, and accordingly will have a feeling of kinship with Fred McMurray, the other gentleman from Lincoln, now in the keeping of Sheriff Rickard.—Corvallis Times.

The Christmas tree held by the Scandinavian people at Wm. Forsell's Christmas night was a great success notwithstanding the stormy evening. There were about fifty persons present. After the presents had been distributed from the tree the guests passed a pleasant evening in games, dancing and social converse. An excellen lunch was also an enjoyable feature of the evening.

A south side gentleman bought a tax certificate from the county one day last week, and paid for it with a check on a Portland bank. The check was forwarded for collection, and came promptly back with the notice that the party giving the same had no money in that bank. The certificate happened to still be in the hands of the county officials, and it is needless to say that it will remain there as far as this check is concerned.

It the proceedings don't get a hitch in them in some manner, a wedding will be solemnized in the parlors of the Toledo House this evening. Mr. Chas. King is expected to be on this evening's train with his bride-to-be, from Eddyville, and on their arrival they will secure the necessary license and will be united in wedlock. 'Squire Hall performing the ceremony. Mr. King is a cousin of Grant King's, near this place. We did not learn the name of the fortunate lady.

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A new stock of loaded shells and ammunition just received, and will be sold at lowest prices at Lewis.

The democratic state central committee has been called to meet at Portland on January 8th, and at that time will fix the time for holding the state convention.

Will the county court settle with the clerk and sheriff at its January meeting? Or is the court still of the opinion that it can reverse the supreme court and fix the salaries of these officers?

Quite a number of Toledo people and others, dined on Christmas day at the Toledo House. The Misses Raines spread a most excellent repast, and it was enjoyed very much by the guests of that popular hostelry.

The storms of wind and rain still continue. There has been more wind storm this winter than ordinary. It looks to us like we have had about our share of the storms this winter. A change in the weather would be appreciated.

J. J. Bullus was up from South Beach last Monday. Mr. Bullus recently replenished the county treasury to the extent of nearly \$300 in taxes and redemptions. He has become the owner of the certificate of sale for delinquent tax of the Grant place at Far Far.

Query.—If this county court can fix and agree upon a salary for the sheriff or for the clerk, why could not the court before this one do the same? And if this court can rescind and set aside the acts of the court before it, then can the next court set aside the acts of this court?

Lincoln county uses about five naturalization blanks per year. The 250 blanks the judge had printed recently will last the county all the way from thirty to fifty years. Nothing like being prepared for any emergency. The county has plenty of money to spend for such things.

Ed. Stanton, the postmaster left for Corvallis this morning, and will return on New Years day. The general supposition is that when Ed. returns he will be accompanied by a better half. This supposition may not be correct, but if it isn't the fault lies entirely with Ed. for not making the matter plain before he started.

The masquerade ball at the Toledo House Christmas eve was a very successful affair, though not so many were masked as were a year ago. The prize for the best sustained character was awarded to Mrs. Anna Parker, who represented a Spanish lady. The ball was well attended, being several young people from Newport and Yaquina present. One of the pleasant features of the evening was the elegant supper served by the managers of the Toledo House.

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J. H. Van Orden was down from Elk City yesterday.

Mrs. H. Ruef, of Parker's Station, Polk county, has been visiting her father, E. F. Gaar, of this place, will return to her home tomorrow.

Miss. Annie Chambers, of Toledo arrived in Corvallis Thursday on her way home from a visit in Salem. During the holidays she will be with Mrs. R. C. Miller, of this city. —Corvallis Times.

The total number of students enrolled at the agricultural college in Corvallis, during the fall term, is 324, which is much the largest attendance the college has ever had at this time of the year. Of this number 147 are girls.

The shooting match last Friday at this place was not a success owing to the stormy weather. Had the weather been fair it would have been the big event of the season, as some of the best shots in the country were present.

Twelve head of large steers came over from Toledo Thursday on the O. C. & E. They had been purchased by Albert Meeker for William Gellatly and were brought to Corvallis to be weighed, after which they were driven to Blodgett valley. Mr. Gellatly will feed forty head of cattle this winter for the early spring market, and there seems to be no doubt now that he will realise handsomely on them.—Corvallis Times.

Another Shooting Match.

Al Waugh will have another shooting match at this place next Friday, if the weather will permit. He has quite a number of fowls left over from the shooting match last Friday, and these, together with others will be shot for. Everybody come and get a bird for a New Year's dinner.

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