

TOWN TOPICS

Items of Local Interest for Busy Journal Readers.

\$750 in realty will be given away the 12th day of January, at Estacada. Every person present that day will have a chance to secure a residence or business lot free—without investing a single penny.

Officers of Fidelity lodge, No. 14, Degree of Honor, have been elected for the ensuing year and will be installed jointly with the officers of Fidelity lodge No. 4, A. O. U. W., on January 7.

The thirty-third anniversary of the issuance of the emancipation proclamation by President Lincoln was celebrated by the colored citizens of Portland with appropriate exercises at the African Methodist Episcopal Zion church.

Hilarious revelers were careless with their revolvers when the New Year was born and the daughter of A. N. Cooper, 205 Clay street, narrowly escaped.

Good progress is being made on the construction of the Sellwood ferry by contractor Ben Smith. The frame is about two thirds completed and work would have been much more advanced had not some delay been incurred in securing natural croaks.

P. T. Nelson, an experienced optician and watchmaker, has purchased the business of the Phillips Bros., opticians, White Sewing Machine office, Sixth and Alder, and from this time on will be prepared to attend to all business in his line.

While turning a corner at Thirteenth and Morrison streets last night Walter Munroe, a messenger for the City Messenger company, was thrown to the pavement by the breaking of his bicycle.

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Mrs. L. H. Hart, the renowned drugless doctor, has returned to the city from her holiday vacation and is prepared to attend to the wants of her patients once more. She is greatly refreshed from her outing.

Place of amusement—the Arcade theatre. Street number—330 Washington. Hours of performance—2 to 10 p. m. The day—Sunday.

Furniture packing, making it ready for shipment, attended to by Charles E. Walborn, 384 Second street, near Jefferson. Also upholstering, furniture repairing and refinishing. Exact estimates given. Phone Hood 1877.

A free stereopticon lecture upon "China and the Chinese" will be given at the Maine Resort, 96 North Sixth street, this evening by Rev. W. S. Holt, for many years a missionary in China.

Time trains will leave First and Alder street for Estacada, the day set for the auction sale of lots of the new city. First train, 7:40 a. m. and second train at 9 a. m.

"Nothing is too good for the public" is what the Arcade manager says, and backs it up with the goods. Open Sundays from 2 to 10 p. m., continuously.

Steam boiler insurance covers damage to boiler, property and for injuries. Campbell & Rogers, 251 Washington street.

Fine day! Buy Meredith's umbrellas. Repairing and recovering. Two stores—Washington and 6th, Morrison and 5th.

Steamers for The Dalles will leave Alder-street wharf 7 a. m. daily (except Sunday). Phone Main 914.

Plate glass insurance against breakage. Maryland Casualty Company, 261 Washington street.

Portland Club, 150 Fifth street, A.

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CAPTAIN AND CREW HAD THE SCURVY

ITALIAN SHIP MADE LONG PASSAGE FROM EUROPE AND THERE WAS SICKNESS ON BOARD BEFORE THE VOYAGE WAS COMPLETED.

The Italian ship Cressington, which arrived in port yesterday morning is discharging general cargo at Columbia dock No. 1. It consists of about 1,500 tons of merchandise, which was brought from Antwerp.

The Cressington was 118 days making the voyage from the European port to Los Angeles, where a portion of the cargo was discharged. Before the California port was reached Captain Pelagó Masas, master of the vessel, and four members of the crew were down with scurvy and a mild form of the dropsy.

Although they are able to be about they have not fully recovered from the sickness. The scurvy is supposed to have been caused by an insufficient variety of food, particularly vegetables.

Marine men say there is no excuse that can be offered for the existence of scurvy on board a ship in this age of the world. It belongs to a period of about 80 years ago, it is explained, before canned goods of all kinds were upon the market.

Officers of the Cressington state that the long passage was mainly due to a succession of calms, followed by adverse winds. Fifteen days were consumed in pounding Cape Horn, unfavorable weather being experienced. From Port Los Angeles to the mouth of the Columbia river the passage was completed in 17 days.

The Cressington is a large carrier of 5,000 net registered tons. Until eight months ago she was flying the British flag, and this is her first trip under the Italian colors. She still retains her English name, but has a crew of 74 men, all from the sunny land of poetry and song, California's balmy clime seemed to appeal to two former members of the crew, and they decided to remain without asking the captain's permission.

CITY REVENUES NEARLY DOUBLED INCREASE ALMOST \$1,000,000 IN 1903 COMPARED WITH 1902—STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND FIVE TIMES AS GREAT AS IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

During the year of 1903 the city revenues were nearly double the amount reported for during 1902. In that year the receipts aggregated \$943,147.70, while in 1903 the amount was \$1,878,187.06, which is an increase of \$935,039.36.

The money received for street improvements was nearly five times greater than in 1902, the total being \$443,663.48. In the previous year the total was but \$93,758.55.

A list of the balances on hand in the various departments, with comparative figures for 1902, is as follows: General fund, \$277,734.84; Police department fund, \$327,700.00; Police department fund, \$8,096.91; Street fund, \$6,415.93; Light fund, \$1,188.24; Street repair fund, \$2,854.50.

ALMANAC TELLS OF NORTHWEST FAIR

The pioneer among private promoters of the Lewis and Clark fair appeared today in the form of a handsome and comprehensive almanac published by the Lewis and Clark firm of druggists, Woodard & Clarke.

The almanac is a Portland production from start to finish and is the first of the kind to be published in this city, or, in fact, in the Northwest. It is worthy of preservation as an historical pamphlet. It contains many dates and items of interest, which were furnished by Mr. Himes of the Historical society. It contains the historical points and valuable events of the history of the state of Oregon and city of Portland.

Valuable recipes for cooking, candy-making, always of interest to the housewife, are found there. The pamphlet marks the progress of the city and will do much to advertise it at the coming exposition.

palatable lunch served every evening from 3 until 11 p. m.

Five-dollar cash prize waits at Arion hall Wednesday evening, January 6. Admission 25 cents.

Free Viavi Health Talks, Thursday, 2:30, Levi's building. Ladies invited.

Albina people, get photos at Thwaites', 508 Williams ave. Cabinets \$2.50 dozen.

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Ansley, printer. "Centennial envelopes. Dr. Amos, surgeon, Dekum building. Olympic Pancaakes—eaten as toast. Arcade Sunday, 2 to 10 p. m.

CHIEFLY PERSONAL

Albert E. Cohen, a Pendleton merchant, accompanied by his brother, J. Jesse Cohen, of Victoria, B. C., is registered at the Portland.

E. B. Tongue of Hillsboro is in Portland, Mr. Tongue is practicing law.

Dr. R. L. Bylee of Lewistown, Mont., is at the Perkins.

Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Morris of Lewiston, Idaho, are registered at the Imperial.

Mrs. Mary Phelps Montgomery left this morning for Washington, D. C., to be absent six weeks or two months.

MUCH MONEY MAY BE SAVED

A Saving of From \$115 to \$212 to Each Buyer Who Joins Piano Buyers Clubs.

The Chickering, Weber, Kimball, Hobart M. Cable, Vose, Lester, Pease, Schumann, Milton, Baus, Becker Bros., Weser, Bailey, Brinkerhoff, and Dozens of Other Fine Pianos Are Included.

It is impossible to give the prices at which all these pianos can be secured by taking advantage of the Piano Club way of buying. Each club is limited to six carloads of pianos, and each member gets his piano at wholesale, the club standing in the same position as a dealer would who purchased a hundred pianos.

Club "A" Pianos which sell ordinarily for \$225, \$250, \$275 and \$300 can be had by joining this club for \$115, \$137, up to \$164 and \$178. Payments \$5 down and \$1.25 a week.

Club "B" A little higher class and more elaborately finished pianos, for an initial payment of \$5, and \$1.50 a week.

Club "C" Pianos included in this club are among the highest grades, but the payment is only \$12 down and \$2 a week.

Club "D" Exceedingly choice and most costly pianos that will give the greatest satisfaction for generations. Initial payment \$20 down and \$2.50 a week.

Club "E" The very highest grade pianos, including grand and baby grand, of the renowned Chickering, Weber and Kimball makes. Initial payment \$25 down, balance to be arranged to suit customers, but to be paid within two years.

ORGAN CLUBS

Two Organ Clubs are now in readiness. In these are included our entire line of elegant organs, such as the well-known and popular Crown, the Burdette, the Kimball and the Pacific Queen, all in the very latest styles.

Club "OA" Members of this club secure a fine, new organ by paying \$3 down and finish their payments in weekly installments of only 50 cents.

Club "OB" The organs in this club may be purchased by paying only \$5 down, and the small sum of \$1 a week, or \$4 a month. Delivery in every case, whether piano or organ, is made immediately upon first payment. Every instrument fully guaranteed and money back in every instance where there is not perfect satisfaction.

You had better take up the matter of joining one of these clubs at once if you are without an instrument. The collection now, both of pianos and organs, is exceedingly choice, and at other such opportunity of selection will not be soon again offered the people of this city. In the present clubs are full, in 1898, when the plan of piano selling was introduced by us for the first time in the West, every club was filled within five days.

The indications are that present clubs are going to beat this record. Out of town letters and inquiries by telegraph or telephone promptly and fully answered.

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VERY RAPID RISE OF L. F. LOREE

From advices received at the local Rock Island office the installation of L. F. Loree as president of the system was not due entirely to the ill health of W. B. Leeds, the former incumbent. It appears that during the last year Mr. Leeds' inability to work has thrown most of the active administration of affairs on the shoulders of Vice-President Warren. Warren's management, it is said, was not in entire accord with President Yoakum of the Frisco line, which was absorbed by the Rock Island.

The rise of Loree has been phenomenal, even in the records of American railroadings. He is but 45 years of age and a few years ago was a petty official on the Pennsylvania system. Through hard work he rose to the position of fourth vice-president on this system and some three years ago was chosen president of the Baltimore & Ohio road. At the time of his election to the Rock Island presidency he was president of the American Railroad association which office he still retains.

MARINE NOTES

Astoria, Jan. 2.—Condition of the bar at 8 a. m., smooth; wind, east; weather, foggy.

Astoria, Jan. 1.—Arrived at 11 a. m.—Schooner Glendale, from San Francisco. Arrived—Steamer Elmore, from Unquapa.

San Francisco, Jan. 1.—Sailed—Schooner Garden City, for Columbia river.

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AMUSEMENTS

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AT THE PORTLAND CHURCHES

St. Mark's—Corner of Nineteenth and Quimby streets, Rev. J. E. H. Simpson, rector. Holy communion, 8 a. m.; holy communion and sermon, 11 a. m.; evensong and sermon, 7:30 p. m.

Trinity chapel—Nineteenth street, near Washington, Rev. A. A. Morrison. Holy communion, 8 a. m.; Litany, sermon and holy communion, 11 a. m.; evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 10 a. m.

Church of the Good Shepherd—Corner Vancouver avenue and Sellwood street. Morning sermon and holy communion, 11 o'clock; evening service, 7:30; Sunday school, 1 p. m.

St. John's Memorial, Sellwood—Holy communion, 10 a. m.; Sunday school, 11 a. m.; evening service and sermon, 7:45.

St. David's—East Twelfth and Belmont streets, George H. Van Waters, D. D., rector. Holy communion, 8 a. m.; holy communion and sermon, 11 a. m.; the 11 o'clock service will be the anniversary of the opening of the new church. The rector will make an address reviewing the work of the past year. Evening service, 7:30 o'clock.

St. James'—Corner West Park and Jefferson streets, Rev. J. A. Leas. Services, 11:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 10 a. m.; Luther league, 8:45 p. m.

M. E. SOUTH First—171 1/2 Second street, Rev. E. H. Morse. Preaching by the pastor at 10:30 a. m.; subject, "Satan, His Origin, Strength, and the Power Necessary to Overcome Him." Sunday school, 11:30 a. m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE First—Twenty-third street, near Irving. Services will be held at 11 and 8, the subject, "Life." Children's Sunday school, 12:10.

UNIVERSALIST First—East Eighth and East Couch streets, Rev. W. F. Small, pastor. Services, 11 a. m. with sermon on "Living in the New." Sunday school at 12:15 p. m.

METHODIST Sellwood—Sermon 11 a. m. on "Submission to the Will of God," following the sermon roll-call of members; Junior League, 3 p. m.; Epworth League, 6:45 p. m.; preaching, 7:30 p. m.; these services will be of special interest. All invited to attend. Members specially urged to be present.

First Free—333 East Ninth street, corner Mill street. Preaching at 11 a. m. by Rev. W. Pearce, followed by the sacrament of the Lord's supper. Love feast at 10 a. m.

Sunnyside—East Thirty-fifth and Yamhill streets, Rev. W. H. Sellers, 11 a. m. "A Moth for the New Year," 7:30 p. m., "Redeeming the Time." The pastor will lead the league at 6:30, subject, "The Kind of Growth I Need for 1904." Bible school, 10 a. m.

First—Corner Taylor and Third streets; holy communion service, 10:30 a. m.; Dr. Rockwell, presiding elder, in charge; morning classes meet 9:30 and 10 o'clock; Sunday school, 12:15; Epworth League, 6:30 p. m.; at 7:30 p. m., Dr. Coleman, president Willamette University, will preach.

Centenary—East Ninth and Price streets, Rev. W. B. Hollingshead, pastor. Love feast, 9:30 a. m.; communion service and installation of Sunday school officers, 10:30 a. m.; New Year's sermon, 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 12:15 p. m.; Junior league, 4 p. m.; Epworth league, 6:15 p. m.

CONGREGATIONAL First—Madison and Park streets, Rev. E. L. House, D. D., pastor; preaching at 10:30 a. m.; "New Year's Greetings" Sunday school, 12:15 p. m.; Rev. H. A. Stari, superintendent; Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m.; the oratorio, "The Coming of the King," will be repeated by the choir at 7:30 p. m.

Hassalo Street—East Seventh North and Hassalo, Rev. Charles E. Chase; service 10:30 a. m., with holy communion and reception of members; Sunday School, 12; Christian Endeavor 6:30; evening service, 7:30, with address by Rev. J. H. Leiper, field secretary of the Northwest Sabbath association.

Highland—Corner Sixth and Prescott streets, Rev. J. E. Goverox; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Rev. E. L. House will officiate; music will be furnished by the First Congregational church choir; 7:30 p. m., preaching by Rev. C. F. Clapp.

EVANGELICAL Second United—Fargo and Kerby streets, Rev. J. E. Goverox; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. and gospel meetings nightly during the week; Sunday school 10 a. m., K. L. C. E., 6:45 p. m.

First English—Corner East Sixth and Market streets, G. W. Plummer, pastor. Rev. N. Shupp, presiding elder, will hold the quarterly meeting over Sabbath, Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday school 10 a. m., Albert Bittner, superintendent; Junior alliance, 3 p. m., Miss Maude Smith, superintendent; Young Peoples Alliance, 7 p. m., Frank Mulhern, president.

German—Corner of Tenth and Clay streets, Rev. A. A. Engelbart, pastor; preaching 10:45 a. m. and 7 p. m.; Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; Y. P. A., 7 p. m. Revival meetings begin on Sunday night, Preaching every evening during the week. Rev. N. Shupp will assist in these meetings.

PRESBYTERIAN Westminster—East Tenth and Weldier streets, Rev. Henry Marcotte pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The pastor will preach morning and evening. By request the choir will repeat the Christmas music.

Mispah—Rev. Jerome R. McGlade, Communion service will be observed Sabbath during the morning hour of worship. This will also be the reception of members. Theme of the evening sermon: "The Heritage of the Birthright." Special music. Morning Anthem—"He Died for Me"

BAPTIST Central—Woodmen of the World building, East Sixth and East Alder streets, William E. Randall, minister. Morning worship 10:45. Sermon subject, "An Ancient Monument With a Present Day Meaning: Hope and Help for the New Year." Bible school 12 m. Christian Endeavor 6:45 p. m. Services at Mount Taber 3 p. m. Pastor's topic at 7:30, "Does Life End At? The Argument for Man's Immortality," the first of a series of addresses on "Pulsating Personal Problems." Miss Verna Welch will sing.

First—Corner Twelfth and Taylor streets, A. E. Coster, D. D., preaching pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Rev. J. M. Foster of Swatow, China, will preach both morning and evening.

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