

TOWN TOPICS

Items of Local Interest for Busy Journal Readers.

A misunderstanding over \$11 resulted in the arrest Friday of John Wagman, who is accused of embezzlement by Richard Gately. The latter is a motorman on the Fifth-street car line, while Wagman is a teacher. Gately had a team and last September it was agreed that Wagman was to use the horses and to pay Gately one-half of what he made. According to the defendant's story he did so, but when he gave back the horses he still owed \$11, which he has since been unable to pay. Wagman admits the debt, but says he has been out of work for a time until lately, when he secured employment. Saturday was pay day, but he was arrested before he could receive the money. Upon being arraigned he pleaded not guilty and his hearing was set for tomorrow.

Civil service examinations for the revenue cutter service will be held February 25, 26 and 27. The examinations in Oregon will take place at Portland, Astoria, Baker City and Eugene; in Washington at Tacoma, Port Townsend and Spokane; in Idaho at Boise City and Moscow. The list of commissioned officers in the revenue cutter service are as follows: Captains, \$5,500 a year; first lieutenants, \$4,500; second lieutenants, \$3,500; third lieutenants, \$3,000. At the age of 64 he has been unable to get a promotion for several years. The four-story brick building on Front near Couch is for rent.

Peter Lorati had sued the Mackey estate for \$2,025 damages because of the upper part of a building on the southwest corner of Third and Mill streets, which he purchased from the estate. Lorati bought the property in June, 1903, and he alleges that he was not informed that the part of the building had been leased to Mrs. M. Williams. He endeavored to dispossess her, but she won the suit in court. He says Mrs. Williams' lease is worth \$60 a month, over and above the rental which he receives.

A very serious and painful injury was sustained by Ed. Clemens, a sailor, as he was about to go aboard the steamer Annie Comings at the foot of Oak street Saturday night. He missed his footing in the dark and fell a considerable distance into the water. Before he was rescued he was almost drowned. In falling it was found that he struck his head on a board protruding from the ship in three places. He was taken to St. Vincent's hospital, where he will be a patient for several weeks.

The steam schooner G. C. Lindauer has cleared for San Francisco with 600,000 feet of lumber. The Prantles will sail for the same destination tomorrow night with 425,000 feet of lumber. The Aberdeen will also sail tomorrow night for San Francisco and will carry a few trips she is taking the place of the trimper Alliance.

Physical culture for all. \$4.90 for 4 months course. Two evenings a week. Fine gymnasium and baths. Private treatment for health, vitality. Ringier Physical Culture school, 337 Alder street, phone Main 1931. Consultation and catalogue free.

Come in sometime when you're down town and see our line of jewelry, watches, clocks, silver and plated ware. We would be only too pleased to have you call and will cheerfully show our goods. John A. Beck, 207 Morrison street, near Front.

Were a marble work inspector a city official we would never have to prepare for an expected visit. He could come any old time. Otto Schumann, marble worker, next door Taylor street church. Our work is always as good as the best.

A reunion of the Lawrence family was called at the residence of G. Clark Lawrence, East Stark and Twenty-sixth street, yesterday. The event was in honor of W. N. Lawrence, who has been away for 37 years.

The snowflakes of today were no whiter than the flakes of Violet or Cream Cats rolled and put up by the Albion Bros., 11 S. Miller street. House Book coupons in every package. These books free.

Inspectors Edwards and Fuller inspected the steamer Norman Saturday. The vessel belongs to Copeland Bros. and is lying at the foot of Jefferson street. She will engage in the towing business.

The second term of the current school year at Portland academies will begin Monday, February 1, 1904, at 9 o'clock a. m. Catalogue may be obtained on request. Portland academy, Portland, Oregon.

Theresa Pfleger has petitioned the state circuit court for an order requiring Florian Pfleger to pay her \$400, which she says is due on a judgment obtained by her two years ago.

Hiram Dodson has sued for divorce from Mary Dodson on the ground of de-

ception. He says they were married in Portland in December, 1901, that his wife left him the following year.

If your printing doesn't suit you don't crowd and grumble about it. There's one place you're sure to be pleased—the Metropolitan Printing company, 147 Front street.

Don't spill a sawed shoe by putting a nailed half sole on. We sew them on "while you wait." Goodyear Shoe Repair company, near Gas company's office, Yamhill street.

Note these changes: Dr. D. H. Rand's home telephone is Main 386; not in telephone book. His office is in Dekum—not in Marquam, as in telephone book—Phone Main 378.

Sellwood School Alumni association will meet in Firemen's hall at 8 p. m. tomorrow night. L. H. Wells will speak "The Making of a Modern Newspaper."

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

Music—Mahlion's make. Band instruments at E. V. Lamotte's, 449 Gillisan. Special price for full band.

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

If you don't bowl at the Portland alley, you are dead. Everybody else does. First and Stark.

When you're down town and hungry hunt the Savor, Fifth street, opposite Old Postoffice.

Have your fur garments remodeled into latest style at half price. 208 Burnside.

Our eating is all an epicure could desire. Patronize us. The Savor, Op. old E. O.

E. H. Moorehouse & Co., at Seventh and Alder. Telephone Main 1343.

The four-story brick building on Front near Couch is for rent.

Olympic Pancakes—anyone can eat.

CHIEFLY PERSONAL

Mrs. Nellie H. Lambson, state commander of the Ladies of the Maccocks, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia at her home, 411 East Ankeny street, is now out of danger.

Edmund Gurney has gone to Los Angeles, Cal., to meet Mrs. Gurney on her return from Tennessee. He will not return for four weeks.

Gov. Henry McBride of Washington was registered at the Portland last night. He departed this morning for Vancouver, Wash., where he will inspect the school for defective youth. He will visit the state penitentiary at Walla Walla before returning to Olympia.

HOUSE THIEVES ARE GETTING BUSY

House thieves are getting busy, but they are having hard luck in finding anything of value. Several robberies occurred yesterday, but the total amount of booty did not repay the thieves for the risks they took.

A house at Twenty-seventh and Multnomah streets was entered some time yesterday afternoon or last evening, during the absence of the family from noon to 11 p. m. A small window on the front porch was forced open and the house breakers ransacked the interior. Drawers were pulled out and their contents scattered over the floor. All that was taken consisted of \$1, a pair of cuff buttons and two keys.

While busily working away at the residence of Mrs. Keyser, 589 Hawley street, last night a sneak thief was interrupted. He barely escaped. The lady of the house was away during the evening and the burglar pried open a back window, using a spade for this purpose. Mrs. Keyser returned she saw the figure of the intruder disappearing through the open window. A search showed that nothing was taken.

A third burglary was reported from East Twenty-fourth street and Broadway, the owner refusing to give his name to the police. Entrance had been effected in the same manner but only \$6 and a few articles of jewelry were taken.

AMUSEMENTS

Marquam Grand Theatre. W. T. Fangle, Res. Mr. T. H. O'Connell, Mgr. TONIGHT AT 8:15 O'CLOCK. The Comedy Drama, "Are You a Mason?"

THE COMEDY HIT OF LAST SEASON IN THE PORTLAND THEATRE. Prices—\$1.00, 75c, 50c, 25c, 10c.

Marquam Grand Theatre. W. T. Fangle, Res. Mr. T. H. O'Connell, Mgr. Wednesday Evening, January 20, 1904, the Celebrated Actress, MARIE WAINWRIGHT in "TWELFTH NIGHT"

THE BAKER THEATRE. Phone Main 207. GEO. L. BAKER, Mgr. Lessee and Manager. TONIGHT, ALL WEEK, MATINEES SATURDAY AND SUNDAY.

"THE MOTH AND THE FLAME" AN INTERESTING AND SOCIETY DRAMA BY CLYDE FITCH. Evening, 8:15. Matinee, 2:30. Seats are now selling.

Cordray's Theatre. Phone Main 802. CORDRAY AND RUSSELL, Managers. Popular Billings. Tonight and all week, MARIE HEATH in "FOR MOTHER'S SAKE"

PARK THEATRE. Washington St., bet. Fifth and Sixth. New Family Theatre. Open Saturday Evening, January 18.

CONTINUOUS REFINED VAUDEVILLE. Calling to 1000 audiences. Any seat in the theatre 10c. Sunday performance from 2 to 10:30 p. m. First performance Saturday 7:30 a. m.

ARCADE THEATRE. SEVENTH AND WASHINGTON. REFINED VAUDEVILLE. From 2 to 10:30 p. m. SUNDAY CONTINUOUS FROM 2 TO 10:30. FOR ADMISSION, ENTERTAINMENT AND CHILDREN, LADIES TEN CENTS TO ANY SEAT.

CONCERT HALL. BLAZIER BROS. CONCERTS EVERY NIGHT. 2450 BURNSIDE.

THE DIFFERENT STORE Olds, Wortman & King Largest "Daylight Store" in the Northwest

THE HOME OF QUALITY AND WORTH FIFTH AND WASHINGTON STREETS

THE WEEK'S BARGAIN STORY

A sort of reference for seekers of savings. Everything we tell of in this bit of Store News is a bargain—not such "bargains" as are bashed up day after day by some stores, but BONA FIDE offerings of desirable merchandise at away less than regular FAIR PRICES. Next month we inventory—soon after we move some stocks to the new "skyscraper" which fronts on Sixth Street. We must have as little merchandise as possible on hand at the end of the current month. Hence EVERYTHING IN THE HOUSE IS SHARPLY REDUCED (a few contract goods alone excepted). This is also reckoning time for manufacturers and importers—some of the most notable values are from them—at less than cost of making, for this

Fourth Week of the Annual January Clearance Sale

A Climax in Silk Bargains

First Floor Annex—The Greatest Triumph Ever Achieved in Starting Value-Giving in Silks. No Clearance Sale, either here or elsewhere, ever offered such irretrievably low prices on Silks of undoubted qualities. HERE ARE SAVINGS WORTH CARE! HERE! Silks suitable for making up the new Spring Suits and Sportswaists, all new, beautiful goods in the now-called-for patterns.



Women's Suits and Children's Coats

Half Price. The variety is too great to allow of any description, suffice it to say it includes every new, elegant, stylish Street Suit in the store, all cut in latest style. Materials embrace xibelines, chevrons and novelty goods in plain colors and fancy novelty mixed goods. Values range up from \$80 to \$125. Your Free, Unhindered Choice Without Reservation or Restriction of Any Sort, this week at HALF PRICE—but early choosers get best pickings.

Great Slaughter Sale of Books Opens Here Monday

THE LATEST COPYRIGHT BOOKS FOR 99c. LASTS ALL WEEK—The grandest book values ever offered in the city. A rare chance for booklovers to stock their libraries at prices that hardly pay for the stock the books are printed on and bindings. All of remaining Holiday Book Stock has been moved to the Second Floor, where it occupies a part of the Millinery Salon. Every book has been included, novels, standard works of noted writers, Bibles, dictionaries, books for children and tots. All of the latest works of popular authors, poems, histories and biographies. The following list gives an idea, faint though it be, of the way we've pruned prices for this sale.

- 25c Classics for.....110
A large lot of 50c Books.....130
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A lot of 90c Books for.....170
A lot of 75c Books for.....230
A lot of 75c Books for.....230
A lot of \$1.00 Books for.....270
A lot of \$1.25 Books for.....400
A lot of \$1.50 books (latest copyrights) for.....1.08
Standard Family Atlas, 99c value.....90c
Twentieth Century Atlas of the World, 95c value.....1.00
New Testament, 50c value.....1.00

Slaughter Sale of DRESS FABRICS

Broken lines, including Silk and Wool Sublime and Muehan, Novelty French Suitings, etc., etc., regular values up to \$1.50—extra Clearance special at.....90c
Broken lines, containing Panne Chevrot, Etamines, Novelty Plaids, French and English Suitings, in a large collection of colorings; also Embroidered Zibelines, regular values up to \$2.00—extra Clearance special.....1.00
Broken lines of Scotch Tweeds, Heather Mixtures, Zibelines, French Voiles, Novelty Etamines, in nearly all colors, regular values up to \$2.75—extra Special.....90c
Broken lines of Nubb Panamas, Plain and Camelhair Donegals, English, Glengarry and Scotch Illuminated Tweeds, new, swell fabrics, regular values up to \$2.25—extra Clearance Special at.....1.25
Broken lines of French, German and British Zibelines, 52 and 54 inches wide, come in good line of colors, regular \$2.75 and \$3.50 values—extra Clearance Special at.....1.65
Imported French Colored Novelty Dress Fabrics, in Illuminated Tweeds, Caracaux, Zibelines, etc.—see window display—color combinations are brown, cardinal, olive and Hunter's green—these are absolutely new—styles shown, and the prices as long as they last, EXACTLY HALF—regular \$2.75 a yard values—extra Clearance Special at.....1.37 1/2

BARGAINS IN BLACK DRESS STUFFS. Three Grand Bargain Lots Priced as Printed Below! LOT 1 includes 50 and 52-inch Canvas Cloths, Panamas and Nubb Sackings—regular \$1.50 a yard values—extra Clearance Special.....70c
LOT 2 includes 50 to 54-inch Boutonne Zibelines, Nubb Sackings, Panama, Shantung, Armoires, Fanne Zibelines and Basket Cloth—regular values up to \$2.25—extra Clearance Special at.....1.15
LOT 3 includes Eriestrip Rainproof Bicillans and Serges, Zibeline French Cuffs, Novelty Boucles, English Serges, etc., etc.—regular values up to \$2.75—extra Clearance Special at.....1.09

Review of Week's Bargains Printed Yesterday

Special sale of every good sort of Dress Trimmings. Kid Glove Specials, values to \$2.00, for 99c. A Matchless, Unparalleled Sale of Petticoats. A Wonderful Sale of Superb Silks—Annex, first floor. The Greatest Bargain Sale of Books That Portland Ever Knew Starts Here This Morning. A Startling Half-Price Sale of Women's Suits and Children's Coats Opens Today. The Knit Underwear and Women's Hosiery Shop Disgorges Unusually Values. Linens and Bed "Millinery" Claim Attention of the Bargain Brigade. Millinery Salon Offers Prices of Your Own Making. APPREHEND—To be continued thro' the week. Don't miss an issue of this week's Store News or you'll miss money from your purse. FOURTH FLOOR, ELEVATOR—WORTHY BABY CARRIAGES.

Women's Knit Underwear and Hosiery

FIRST FLOOR—Here's a price push that will send out the goods with a rush. Values never reached before by any Portland house. UNDERWEAR. Misses' Gray Wool Pants, sizes 30, 32, 34; values to \$1.20 each; special price, pair.....90c
Ladies' fine all-wool, full finished regular made, natural Pants, by Simon, Hedges, Knit; \$2.25 regular; special, pair.....90c
Misses' White Merino Vests and Pants, splendid values at 50c, 55c, 60c, 65c, 70c, 75c, 80c and 85c each; special at, each, 25c, 28c, 30c, 32c, 35c, 38c, 40c and.....90c
Ladies' White and Silver Gray Knit-ered Union Suits, Open style or half-open front; \$1.50 values; special, suit.....90c
Ladies' Silver Gray Cotton Union Suits, half-open front; 75c values; special, suit.....90c
Ladies' Cream and Silver Gray Cotton Vests and Pants, 25c value; special, each.....1.60
HOSE. Ladies' Black Cotton Fleece-lined Hose, seamless; 50c value; special, pair.....1.00
Children's Black Part Wool Hose, double and fine ribbed, seamless; prices run from 25c to 40c pair; sizes 6 to 10; come early; special price, pair.....30c
A great lot of Misses' and Children's Black Cotton Hose, odds and ends; values run to 30c pair; special, pair.....1.25
Infants' Black Part Wool Hose, seamless; special, 2 pairs for.....25c
Ladies' White Jersey Ribbed Cotton Tights, ankle length, closed; 50c value; special, pair.....25c

Children's Coats

Your unlimited choice of any of our Children's Coats, in every wanted material and color, plain colors or mixtures, in a range of prices up from \$8.00 to \$35.00. Tomorrow and during the week at HALF PRICE.

Miles of Ribbons at a Shortened Price

Beautiful All-Silk Satin Taffeta Ribbons, all new, just received from the makers, much wanted just now for making up the new "5th-ave." Bows—latest fad in ladies' neck dress—this week you may select from the usual 50c and 40c qualities at yard.....24c

Women's New Neckwear

Fancy Stock Collars, some with stole ends, a few swell stocks, include Auto Automobiles and "Twice Rounds"—an immense variety—values included up to \$2.00—choice of the lot this week at, each, 60c. Another similar lot, values included up to 85c—this week only.....25c

A Wonderful Sale of Children's Dresses Opens Today

Slightly musued from having been used in window and department decoration—the lot includes every sort from the simplest up to the elegant and elaborate, of organza, lawn and linen, high and low neck, handsomely trimmed, ages 4 to 14. Values up to \$4.50, now at.....75c. Values up to \$2.00, now at.....90c

THE MURMUR OF THE BOOM IS IN THE AIR

It is coming to Estacada as sure as that Humanity shall continue to exist till the Summer Months. More than one third of the Estacada townsite has been sold, but strange enough at least half of the best lots are yet untouched. In the business district there yet remains more than 90 first-class locations, every one of which is sure to double in value between now and next October. Just so sure as these lines are read, just so sure will Estacada

and numerous private residences will be begun within the next two weeks. There is, therefore, no ground for mistake that property values will speedily bound upward. Soon the place will be the scene of the greatest building activity known to this region of the state within at least half a dozen decades. Broader acquaintance with the surrounding resources—the fertile acres, the immense forests and the stupendous water power—will wonderfully magnify the importance of Estacada, and then will be seen such an advance in its lot values as will astonish all who have ever become acquainted with the young and robust metropolis that is sure to be. The Oregon Water Power Townsite company, room 5, Oregon Water Power and Railway company's building, north-east corner First and Alder, or Sharkey & Morrow, Albery building, Third and Morrison, will give all information desired concerning present prices of property, knowledge that would prove to be important to investors of persons seeking new business locations in a new city. Just as sure as that humanity continues to exist, just so sure is Estacada bound to astonish the West with its magic growth. It has cost the railway company five million dollars to reach Estacada. This, its terminal town, will not, therefore, be allowed to slumber and sleep, until its industries have paid adequate tribute to this large investment. They can never do this until its factory wheels are in motion and its products shipped to other regions of the land. Lots of Room for More. The United States has now 210,000 miles of railway. And yet there are some parts of the country that are hundreds of miles from a railway.

Detestable Catarrh Is Cured

Quickly and painlessly by the great B. & S. Homeopathic Catarrh Powders, sold at Borchert & Lunsford's, 303 Washington, between Fifth and Sixth. We Will Give \$1,000 for any remedy ever discovered so perfectly effective. FREE TRIAL. NO EQUAL BENEATH FEBRUARY. The man is not born that ever saw their like. Sample free.

IRON KING FAILS FOR A LARGE SUM

San Francisco, Jan. 18.—Seymour Church, a well-known clubman and coast monopolist of crude metals called here the "Iron King," has failed for \$125,000. There has been a downfall in east prices and a slump in the eastern market, and Church went down in the crash. Three prominent firms, with whom he contracted to take 15,000 tons of pig-iron, which he will now be unable to handle, are Balfour Guthrie & Co., Girdler & Co. and Meyer, Wilson & Co. To the last firm he owes \$200,000, and to Girdler & Co. \$100,000. For years Church was a successful manipulator in the market.