

Morning Daily Herald

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NOTICES ABOUT TOWN.

Belshazzar to-morrow evening. Adjourned meeting of the city council this evening. Mrs. Henrietta Brown is visiting friends in Portland. D. W. Wakefield and Mr. Duffy of the Portland Bridge Company are in the city. Young man desires board in private family. For particulars call at this office to-day.

Something new in the show line. Uncle Tom's Cabin, will play at the Albany opera house on the 21st inst. Marriage licenses have been issued to F. W. Myers and Olive Chandler; N. C. Meyers and N. Correll; T. L. Rice and Mattie M. Gross.

Mr. Samuel Daw the prune orchardist of Linn county, was in the city yesterday. He is adding 2500 more trees to his orchard this winter.

C. C. Hogue and wife, of the Oregon Pacific office at Corvallis, are in the city the guests of Mrs. Hogue's parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Kelly.

When looking for something new for the holidays just step into Hulin & Akin's drug store and see their beautiful display. Their goods are all new and embrace the latest novelties.

The fair and entertainment given at the W. C. T. U. hall last evening by the young ladies of the King's Daughters was very pleasant affair. A splendid programme was carried out to the satisfaction and delight of those present.

Those who desire seats for Belshazzar at the opera house Thursday and Friday evenings should secure them without delay, as several hundred have already been sold. It looks now as if standing room would be at a premium.

Fruit Cannery. The project of a good and competent fruit cannery for Albany has been on the tapis for a number of weeks, and seems to be in a fair way of being consummated. The arrangement is to bring here the entire machinery of the canning establishment of Hon. Allan Parker, which, at a nominal cost, can be changed into a number of fruit canning establishments.

A gentleman who is thoroughly experienced in the business has already indicated that he will come and take charge of the work, and a large proportion of the stock has already been subscribed, enough to plainly indicate that it will be a success. The advantages of a cannery need not be enumerated for they are apparent, not only in the direction of giving employment for many people and an excellent investment, but also for extending and creating a market for all kinds of fruits, berries and vegetables. The farmers as well as our city business men should take stock in the business and help to make it a success for it would create an industry that would pay big returns.

Supreme Court Cases. The case of J. W. Gaines et al., appellants, vs. Linn county et al., respondents, and the case of J. W. Gaines and Louis Stringer, appellants, vs. Linn county, respondent, were both decided in the supreme court last Monday. These cases are of special interest to the citizens of Santiam and Seilo precincts, as sixty-four of the appellants are residents there. The cases were taken from the county court of Linn county to the circuit court by writ of review. Mr. G. W. Wright of this city, being attorney for the appellants, the circuit court deciding adversely to them, by advice of Mr. Wright, appealed to the supreme court. After many days of hard work in gathering and briefing the law applicable, Mr. Wright was naturally much pleased at winning both cases in the supreme court, and in reversing the decision of Judge Boise, of the circuit court, and as well knocking out, figuratively speaking, the legal talent who were attorneys for Linn county.

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Card of Thanks. To the friends who so kindly and sympathetically lent their assistance during the sickness, death and burial of my wife, I wish to return my most sincere and heartfelt thanks. S. J. Brown.

To be Given Away. An elegant dressed doll will be given away by the Ladies' Bazaar on Christmas Eve. It will be that beautiful French doll now on exhibition in the show window. Every purchaser of one dollar's worth of goods will receive a ticket. Don't miss this opportunity of securing the prize doll of Albany.

NATHAN BAUM'S SUICIDE.

A Former Citizen of Albany Takes His Own Life in Portland.

The news of the suicide of Nathan Baum in Portland Monday evening was received in this city yesterday with profound regret and surprise. The particulars of the unfortunate affair, as published in the Oregonian, are as follows: A black crape hangs from the front door of the Baum residence, No. 235 Yamhill street, to-day as an evidence of death and mourning. N. Baum, the senior member of the firm of Baum & Brandes, lies dead within. He died about seven o'clock last evening from the effects of a pistol wound that is believed to have been self-inflicted. The news of Mr. Baum's death spread rapidly on the streets, and for a while the First street restaurant and confectionery store of the firm was closed. It was as much of a surprise to the business public of Portland as it was a shock to his family and friends. He has been in his usual good health, his family relations were the most pleasant, and no one thought he had financial troubles that would cause him to take his own life. He stood well in financial circles, had a host of friends, and financial reverses, if any he had, his friends claim should not have induced him to take his own life.

Mr. Baum left his restaurant on First street about six o'clock last evening and took dinner with his family and several friends. While at the table he chatted pleasantly and appeared in the best of spirits. Dinner was over about seven o'clock, and as was his usual custom he lit his cigar and went up stairs. He had hardly been out of the room a minute when Mrs. Baum heard a report up stairs.

She thought a window had dropped, and went up to investigate, and her surprise can be imagined when she found her husband lying on the floor of the bath room, with blood and the brains oozing out of large hole through the head. A 38-caliber pistol, with one chamber discharged, lay near the head on the floor.

Mrs. Baum nearly went into hysterics so great was the shock, and her screams attracted the rest of the family. Although Mr. Baum was dead, several physicians were sent for, and finally Cooper, the coroner, was called. At the request of the family, no inquest was held. The physicians agreed that he had committed suicide, although many of his friends refused to believe it, saying that he accidentally shot himself. It is said that he had lost money recently at the gaming table.

The deceased was 46 years of age and leaves a wife, a beautiful daughter Emma, aged 17, and two sons, Sol and Joseph, aged 20 and 15 years respectively. He has been in Oregon since 1883, and in business in Portland for about ten years. He was at one time county clerk of Linn county and was a prominent merchant Albany for many years.

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THE SOILS OF THE STATE.

Attempt to Obtain Certain Information for the Benefit of Farmers.

Professor G. W. Shaw, chemist of the Oregon Agricultural College experiment station, has just issued a circular to the farmers of the state, giving a list of questions relating to the natural characteristics of the soil, which, if answered, will furnish the college with a vast amount of information, which, when arranged and digested, will be published in such form as to be valuable not only to residents of the state, but also to intending settlers and to capitalists seeking investments for their wealth. Professor Shaw's circular and the questions are here given, so that any farmer who fails to receive a copy of the circular, and who may feel so disposed, may answer them and thus add to the store of information sought. All replies should be addressed to G. W. Shaw, chemist, experimental station, Corvallis, Ore. Following is the circular:

The circular is issued for the purpose of securing more definite information concerning the agricultural features of the various portions of the state, in order that the various soils, mineral localities and mineral waters may be properly located and classified, leading to the preparation of a correct agricultural and mineral map of the state. It is of inestimable importance to the state that a full and correct knowledge of the agricultural and mineral resources be thoroughly investigated, collated and given to the public in such form as may be of value not only to the present residents of the state, but to the many persons in the east who are desirous of ascertaining the truth concerning these matters before venturing to locate upon this coast.

Work is now under way at the station to gather such information from all possible sources, and preliminary experiments are now being made to ascertain the physical and chemical nature of the various soils. At present the station has not funds to enable it to send men into all parts of the state, nor even to establish branch stations at various points, and so there is a constant and increasing call to furnish information regarding the best agricultural practice in this state, the question very naturally arising, "By what process shall the needed knowledge of climate and soil conditions be acquired?" So far as the first is concerned, provision has already been made by the state weather service, whose investigations and reports are disseminating much valuable information. To acquire the balance of the data, however, it has been thought best to urge the co-operation of all farmers and those interested in the agricultural and mineral resources of the state.

In order to be of value the work must be very carefully and systematically done, and although the needed data will take few men, working independently, a long time to aquire a limited knowledge of the subject in hand, yet by a hearty co-operation of residents of the state and the station, it is hoped that much valuable information may be secured. In this agricultural survey it is intended to include all points that should be of interest to the farmer, either direct or indirect, and with this in view it is intended to investigate, so far as possible, the mineral resources, including the waters, both mineral and irrigating. These investigations are made for the benefit of the state at large. They will be put in proper form for circulation, and all who desire copies of the publications as they appear from time to time will be furnished the same free upon application.

In order to obtain the desired information, circulars containing a list of questions, answers to which are desired, will be issued from time to time, and we ask that you answer these as fully as possible, and in addition send us all data that you may think of interest in this work. The amount of information along these lines that can be disseminated by the station depends largely upon the little aid received from each one, which a large store of information.

LIST OF QUESTIONS. What is the general nature of the soil in your locality? What is the popular designation of the country and the above-designated soils? What is the nature of the underlying rock and does it evidently give rise to this soil? What other kinds of soil occur within the same general locality? Is alkali known to prevail? What is the nature and condition of the well and spring water? Are there any mineral springs in the same region? If so state the common name. Have artesian wells been tried, and with what success? Irrigation practiced or not; possible or not? Waters from what stream or streams? Do you know of the occurrence of lime in any form in your locality, or in the state? If so, where and to what extent? Do you know of the occurrence of any marls, peats, etc., in the region described by you? If so, where? State the character of the natural vegetation and any other points of interest. Name any mineral localities near you and the kind of mineral occurring?

The Weather To-Day. The weather forecast for the next twenty-four hours is: For Oregon and Washington, light rain in western Washington and western Oregon; cooler.

Appraising Railroad Lands.

The 1891 contingents of the appraising parties which the Oregon & California land department send out over the state every year have made their report. The wave of immigration which set in here about three years ago was the means of pouring in upon the railroad a vast number of inquiries from intending and actual settlers as to prices. To most of these the land agent was obliged to return the answer "not yet appraised."

Parties of appraisers were at once started out, and have gradually been reducing the list of unknown lands. Another five years' work will clean them all up. These parties have been out this year and have examined in all 365,000 acres. Some of it is valuable and will be sold for \$2.50 an acre. Two sets of appraisers were in the valley and their operations were mostly confined to Benton, Linn and Lane counties. The land is chiefly in the foothills and consists of small valleys running up into rough timber regions.—Eugene Courier.

A Bit of History. Oregonian note and comment says that several papers have published a statement that J. H. Stine, editor of the Whelan Advance, who was murdered by a crazy man in Yamhill county about two weeks ago, was the first newspaper man ever killed in Oregon. This is incorrect. A newspaper man named McDonald was editing the Telegram in this city in 1878, and one J. K. Mercer was an employee of the Bee, owned by W. S. Chapman. The papers were blacked out with each other, and one day Mercer met McDonald on the corner of First and Stark streets, shot and killed him with a bull-dog revolver. McDonald having been also armed, Mercer was convicted only of manslaughter and sentenced to fifteen years in the penitentiary. After about three years' imprisonment, he was pardoned on condition that he leave the state.

Still Unbelieving. An Olympia scientist measured a big fir tree the other day, and found it to be slightly over 300 feet high. The tree was measured by the measurement of the trunk in Cleveland, O., he wished to add other testimony to his own, and invited a minister of the gospel to measure the tree. The result was sent to the Ohio man, who immediately upon its receipt, accorded to fifteen years in the penitentiary. After about three years' imprisonment, he was pardoned on condition that he leave the state.

Unhappy Marriage Relations. Sheriff Matt Scott returned yesterday from Harriburg with the 15-year-old son of H. H. Davis, of this city. This was done on a sworn complaint from Mrs. Davis alleging that the boy had gone to Harriburg with the intent of accompanying his father, from whom she is separated, to California. The boy will remain with his mother, who resides at Lebanon, until the matter is settled in the courts. A suit to dissolve the bond of marriage existing between the above parties is pending.

Feet and Song. The well known and popular ballad singer, James F. Clark, who has delighted audiences in Albany before will again appear here on the evening of Friday, December 18, at the Methodist church south. Mr. Clark is one of the sweetest singers in the world and will give a very enjoyable evening's entertainment.

Masonic Officers. St. John's lodge, No. 62, A. F. & A. M., last evening elected the following officers: Ed. Washburn, W. M.; D. C. Schell, S. W.; J. R. Wyatt, J. R.; D. P. Mason, Treas.; O. P. Coshov, Jr., Sec.

Cranberries at C. E. Brownell's. Do not fail to have a ticket on the beautiful piano to be given away Christmas eve by Klein Bros. The finest line of handkerchiefs ever brought to Albany can be seen at the Ladies Bazaar. All prices, from five cents upwards.

Look at G. W. Simpson's display of holiday goods in his show window. Then step inside and see his splendid stock of beautiful goods for Christmas.

A. R. Chapman, of this city, has the agency of the Canadian Pacific railway company, and will sell tickets over that line from Albany to all points East.

If you would make your wife a Christmas present that she will appreciate, secure for her a pair of beautiful slippers. At Klein Bros. you will find an endless variety.

Call and see the brilliant display of library lamps at G. E. Brownell's. Not one kept over from last year but all this year's styles and will be sold at the lowest living prices.

Baby cried, Mother sighed, Doctor prescribed: Castoria!

DR. PRICE'S Cream Baking Powder. Used in Millions of Homes—40 Years the Standard

HOLIDAY SHOPPERS.

Should See the Wonderful Array at Julius Gradwohl's Bazaar.

Mr. Julius Gradwohl, the enterprising proprietor of the Bazaar store in this city, which contains the largest and best selected stock of crockery, glass and other wares for domestic use, in the valley, as well as fancy wares, toys and beautiful holiday goods, has replenished and enlarged his entire stock and now has a store that is a credit to himself and an ornament to the city. His shelves, counters and every available space are filled with the choicest and most varied stock of goods ever seen in this valley, including a mammoth display of holiday goods. He has added a new line which consists of rolled gold jewelry warranted to wear as good as gold and costing one-tenth as much money, diamond cut pins, rings, fine umbrellas for holiday presents and novelties. His stock is now in and holiday shoppers should lose no time in seeing his wonderful array which is not surpassed by any on the coast either in elegance or prices.

He also carries a gigantic stock of beautiful hanging lamps, stoves, lamps, bicycles, tricycles, safeties and velocipedes, which he guarantees to sell as low as any place in Oregon. His assortment of fine teas and coffees is always complete, as well as a general stock of family groceries. He buys his goods direct for net cash and sells them the same way.

BUSINESS LOCALS. F. M. French, jeweler. Will & Stark, the jewelers. Sauer krait at Parker Bros. Fresh crisp celery at Allen Bros. Oysters in every style at Isom's. Ladies delight soap at Parker Bros. Ask for Crescent tea at F. E. Allen's. Pigs feet and sour kraut at Allen Bros. Oysters for families 50 cents a pint at Isom's. Choice eating and cooking apple at Allen Bros. New jewelry of latest patterns at Will & Stark's. Will & Stark have some elegant souvenir spoons. An elegant line of holiday slippers at Klein Bros. Fresh roasted coffees and fine teas at F. E. Allen's. Swiss cheese, the finest ever in Albany, at Parker Bros. Ask C. B. Winn for rates to all Eastern and Southern points. The latest designs in souvenir spoons at French's. Necessary delicacies and luxuries, at Allen Bros., grocery. Subscriptions for all the leading magazines and newspapers taken at the postoffice. Mince meat, raisins, currants, jellies and jams etc., for Thanksgiving at Parker Bros. Great reduction in embroidered flouncing at W. F. Reads. Isom has the only oyster parlors in the city. Finest line of syrups in the city at Parker Bros. Fresh comb honey, Linn county production, at Parker Bros. Oh! mamma! Buy me one of those lovely dolls at the Ladies Bazaar. Enquire for Magnolia syrup, one of the finest in the market, at F. E. Allen's. A handsome line of holiday gifts just received at the Ladies Bazaar. Call at French's jewelry store and see the "Lunar" clock. The latest thing out.

Remember when you want anything in the spectacle line French, the jeweler, has it. Remember you can get the best kid glove in town for one dollar at the Ladies Bazaar. Klein Bros. will positively give to their customers on Christmas eve an elegant \$500 piano.

NEW TO-DAY. LOST—A SMALL ORDER GIVEN TO J. Geo. Moorehouse by the Electric Light company. The order was No. 104 and was endorsed on the back; payment has been stopped on the same, and all persons are warned against advancing money upon it. Albany, Dec. 15, 1891. Geo. Moorehouse.

FOR RENT—A butcher shop in a good location on First street. Also a slaughter house will lease on reasonable terms to right parties. Apply to M. Hyde.

ROOM FOR RENT—Furnished or unfurnished, pleasant and sunny, with or without bath. Also a few boarders wanted at the El Thompson cottage, on 7th and Perry streets.

WANTED—A girl to do general housework. Apply at office or residence of J. V. Pipe.

FOR SALE—A brand new Remington typewriter machine with all the improvements for sale second hand cheap. Address M. M., Corvallis.

DAY school tax—The school tax for the year 1891, is now due and payable. Taxpayers are requested to call promptly at the office of the clerk, G. G. Burkhardt and pay the same. Signel, C. G. Burkhardt, clerk.

FOR RENT—A neat five room cottage, near Southern Pacific depot. Apply at Depot Hotel.

O. B. WINN, AGENT FOR THE LEAD... ing fire, life and accident insurance companies.

160 ACRES OF LAND—All fit for cultivation, and under fence, for sale at \$10 per acre. Within 15 miles from railroad station and 20 miles from Albany. Apply at this office.

LAND FOR SALE. 6, 10, 20, 40, 80 acres, easy terms, installment plan cheap and high priced. Also a few city lots all owned by H. Bryant.

EVERE HOUSE, ALBANY, OR.—CHARLES Pfeiffer, Prop. Only first-class houses in the city. Large sample rooms for commercial men. No Chinamen employed in the kitchen.

LAND SURVEYING. I can accurately and promptly work by calling upon county surveyor E. F. Fisher. He has complete copies of field notes and township plats, and is prepared to do surveying in any part of Linn county. Postoffice address, Millers Station, Linn county, Oregon.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP. Notice is hereby given that the firm of Noel & Simmons, doing business under that name at Boston Mills is hereby dissolved by mutual consent. Still Noel retaining the business will be continued by Simmons & Thompson.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Green Basin Lumbering Company will be held at their office in Green Basin, Oregon, on the first Monday in January, 1892, at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing five (5) directors to serve for the ensuing year and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting. S. W. RESSE, Sec. proxy.

Notice to Stock Holders. NOTICE is hereby given that the annual stock holders meeting of the Farmers & Merchants Insurance Company of Albany, Linn county, Oregon, will be held at the company's office in the city of Albany, Oregon, on Wednesday, January 6th, 1892, at the hour of 2 o'clock P. M. of said day, for the purpose of electing new directors of said company, to serve for one year, and to take such other business as may regularly come before said meeting. By order of the President, J. O. Waters, Secretary. Dated December 1st, 1891.

THE HOLIDAYS WILL SOON BE HERE

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Clothing, Furnishing Goods, Hats, Boots and Shoes.



"However shocking large the stocking, Be there a score, or even more, I fill them all—the large and small—Pleasing one and pleasing all, For the place I buy keeps the supply, And that's at T. L. Wallace & Co's"

That's what old St. Nick was singing as he came into our store the other day. He wasn't far from wrong either. Such a stock of

NECK-TIES, In four-in-hand, and all the different styles, in any shade imaginable. Hundreds of fine silk Mullers and Handkerchiefs. Night Shirts for gentlemen, with exquisite needlework. Smoking Jackets, Men's Holiday Slippers. Nice Dress Gloves, Fine Underwear, new arrivals in Hats, Trunks and Valises, and

Clothing for You All.

Oh, mothers, you cannot give your little son a more appreciate present than a suit of clothes. You cannot select a better present for a gentleman friend than one of the above-named articles.

CALL AND SEE THE GOODS.

ALBANY, Oregon. Strahan Block.

SEE HIS SPLENDID DISPLAY. You can't make a mistake if you buy your holiday goods at Blackman's, as his stock is large and prices always the lowest. His assortment of plush goods, toilet cases, perfumery, dainty trifles and useful articles is worth looking at.



The cut suggest the merry time soon coming, when many will be made glad by some token of love or friendship.

LADIES

PLEASE READ OUR LIST OF Presents: for: Gentlemen!

Gold and Silver Handled Silk UMBRELLAS. A great variety of Initial, Hem-stitched and Beautifully Colored HANKERCHIEFS and MUFFLERS. An elegant display of all styles and colors of Tecks, Windsores, Four-in-hand, Etc., in NECKWEAR. Many kinds of Fancy Bonneted WHITE SHIRTS, and Artistically Embroidered NIGHT SHIRTS. Nothing is more practically suitable for a Christmas present than a fine

OVERCOAT. Then we have Slippers, Kid and Lined Gloves, Jewelry, Smoking Jackets, Hats, and dozens of other things we have not room to mention.

You better come soon for we are always overcrowded with customers for a few days before Christmas.

L. E. BLAIN,