

New Kid Gloves

Nearly 800 pairs of new kid gloves for ladies just added to our stock. Our lines at \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 are very strong. We have also a fine assortment of colors at \$1.75, and black at \$2.00; two clasp with self, black and contrast stitching.

Plaid Skirts

Another lot just placed on sale. A line at \$3.00 and another at \$5.00 are exceptionally neat and good value.

Golf CAPES AND JACKETS

This department is now nearer complete than ever. We would like to show the stock.

S. E. Young & Son, Albany, Oregon.

LOCAL NEWS.

Born, last Saturday, to the wife of Haak Hays, a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Whitehorn, last Monday, a son.

Ernest Elliott is now proprietor of the postoffice drugstore at Lebanon.

Thirty members are now numbered in the Farmers' Short Course at the college.

Genial Pete Abbey, known to every visitor to Newport, was a Corvallis visitor this week.

Miss Esther Avery is home from Stanford university where she has been attending school.

The Knights of the Macabees will hold their semi-annual installation next Wednesday evening.

Dennis Stovall is meeting with much success in his lecture tour for the Macabees. He is now at Myrtle Point.

Mrs. Garrow left for Portland, Monday, with her little son and daughter. The children will receive medical attention.

There will be the regular services on Sunday in the United Evangelical church. Rev. L. M. Booser will preach morning and evening. A cordial invitation extended to all.

The Christian Endeavor of the Presbyterian church will entertain their friends with "Progressive Jenkins" in the church this Friday evening. About 100 invitations have been issued.

Prof. W. A. Ginn desires all who wish to take a class course in vocal music, to meet him at the 1st M. E. church, Friday evening, Jan. 19th, at which time the class organization will be perfected.

Mr. Joe Ebner, wife and little daughter, are visiting with Mrs. Ebner's mother, Mrs. Mary Thompson. Mr. Ebner has experienced very poor health at his home in Albion and it is hoped that his visit to this city will prove beneficial.

The most enjoyable and successful dancing party given by the firemen this season was that held at their hall last Saturday evening. Over fifty couples participated, and the music is reported excellent. Much credit is due those who have the management of these parties in hand.

Mr. C. H. James, of B-odgett, visited this office this week. Mr. James was in one time connected with the editorial staff of the Gazette. He noticed the vast contrast between the present commodious quarters and modern machinery and conveniences of this office as compared with conditions when he was on the paper.

O. V. Hart left Wednesday for a visit with his parents and other relatives at Oakland City, Indiana. He left this city of his boyhood 22 years ago, and this will be his second visit home in ten years. Mr. Hart will visit Salt Lake City, Denver, St. Louis, and other prominent cities and will be absent about three weeks.

At a meeting held in Philomath, Tuesday, it was decided to bond the school district for \$20,000, to raise money to build a new schoolhouse. A few weeks ago a tax was levied, which with the bonds, will make about \$3000 available for the new building. Work will be commenced as soon as lumber can be gotten on the ground in the spring.

The City Lumber Yard, recently purchased by J. B. and G. W. Irvine, are now well stocked with every thing in the shape of building lumber. It is the intention of the new proprietors to develop this enterprise, until it is one of the leading industries of Corvallis. They are prepared to fill orders for flooring, ceiling, fencing, heavy timbers and everything of this nature.

Corvallis has furnished her quota to every band of gold seekers that have rushed to new diggings since the Klondike discovery. Summer is to have her share of every day brings to light new names of those who have their intention to go to Cape Nome. Tommy Jones has secured a birth on the Elder which is dated to sail May 15th and George Bowers and Wm Ridenour wired Wednesday to secure transportation.

District No. 23's advanced room won the banner of attendance for having the highest per cent of attendance among the schools of the county for the month of December. Prof. E. E. Starr is in charge of the above room. The per cent made was 90 per cent. The next five schools that had the best attendance were: District No. 1, 86 per cent; 83 per cent; 4.81 per cent; 12.81 per cent; 23.79 per cent. The teachers in charge of these schools are Lottie Herber, Grace Hoff, Hattie Williams, T. J. Risley, Dolphina Hansel, respectively.

Harry Holgate returned home Sunday from Astoria, where he has been for several months. He intends remaining here until he leaves for Washington in March. The Astorian says he has the following compliment: H. L. Holgate, who for several months past has been connected with the Astorian in the capacity of city editor, has resigned his position to accept an executive position in the census department at Washington, D. C. Being a young man of polish and ability he leaves many friends in Astoria. C. Eugene Dunkel, who for the past ten years has been connected with leading dailies in California, succeeds Mr. Holgate at the local desk.

Jack Burnett returned Sunday from a month's absence in Portland.

The new ferry is now in operation at Bundy's crossing. It is in charge of one of the Ingram boys.

Don Holgate, who is taking a course in shorthand and typewriting at the Portland Business College, is expected home in a few weeks.

T. Cummings, of Riverton, Nebraska, is a late arrival in Corvallis. He is much pleased with this locality, and will probably decide to locate here.

E. E. Wilson, an attorney of Corvallis, attended the Hodges-Geener wedding in this city last evening, departing for his home on the evening express.—Salem Statesman.

Governor Geer, Secretary of State Dunbar and State Treasurer Moore acting jointly, have fixed the state tax levy at 6.3 mills. Benton county's taxable property is valued at \$2,023,272 and her taxes will amount to \$125,539.21.

The report that Sam Thurston had gone to Canada with the intention of enlisting in the English army to fight the Boers, seems to be without foundation. His brother, Gyp, who was in Corvallis, Sunday, states that Sam is in Portland and will likely return shortly to resume his studies at the O. A. C.

Judge Hamilton has handed down a decision in the case of Crawford vs Farra. Owing to a difference of opinion over transactions involved in the management of a flouring mill at Sheridan in which both parties had an ownership, Crawford sued Farra for \$3000. The decree is for the plaintiff in the sum of \$134.

Prof. E. Emory Smith, of Stanford University, will deliver a lecture on "Character Building" at the college chapel, January 26th. Everybody is invited. Prof. Smith will remain here and assist in the Fruit Growers' convention.

Many prominent fruit men from Washington and Oregon will be present and take part in this convention, which promises to be the most successful ever held in the state.

A Corvallis camp of Spanish war veterans will be organized tonight. There are already eight camps in Oregon and since there are 25 or 30 ex-soldiers of the war in Corvallis and vicinity a local organization was considered advisable. A meeting will be held at the residence of Judge Burnett at 7:15 and all who enlisted for the Spanish-American war are invited to participate in the movement. Among the names suggested are "O. A. C.," "Edward C. Young" and "Wheaton."

Stanley Herbert has been confined to his home with chickenpox since Monday. In order that no doubt should exist as to the nature of the disease, the city authorities consulted a physician and he pronounced the case chickenpox. This disease cannot be carried in the clothing and a quarantine is unnecessary. To avoid its spread, however, members of the family have been notified to remain at home ten days after the present patient breaks out, until they are certain that they are not to be taken down with the disease.

At a meeting of the school board for District No. 9, held last Friday evening, provision was made for paying the semi-annual interest on the district's bonded indebtedness and to redeem one of the bonds as required by law. A small amount of funds is now in the treasury, and the board only found it necessary to levy a one-mill tax on the \$800,000 worth of taxable property in the district to meet the interest payment, which amounts to \$700 annually on the twelve \$1000 bonds. A one and one-half mill tax was levied to pay one of the bonds.

That our item headed "After Back Fees," in last week's issue, may not be misunderstood, we will explain that it is through no fault of the clerk that in some instances filing fees are not commensurate with the value of the estates. The clerk has no other means of knowing the value of an estate when filing is made, aside from the probable valuation placed upon the estate, and the law provides that such fee shall be made at the time of filing. Noting the discrepancy in the probable valuation and inventory valuation, however, the clerk has called the court's attention to the matter with result as stated in our item of last week.

"Forces That Win In Life" was the subject of an edifying and instructive lecture by Dr. Kellor, of Portland, at the Methodist church, Monday evening. A large and attentive audience followed the speaker's every word and nothing but praise and commendation is heard of his effort. The object of the entertainment was to give friends of the church an opportunity to make a voluntary contribution toward making up the balance yet unprovided for on the church debt, and to furnish an enjoyable evening for everyone who cared to hear an able and eloquent speaker. The proceeds of the evening were \$65 and about \$50 of this amount will be applied toward paying off the debt.

There will be a temperance conference for Benton county to be held in Corvallis, January 31st. All churches, Sunday schools and young people's societies throughout the county are requested to send representatives. All persons interested in advancing this cause are invited to be present and aid in making the rally of interest. At the close the organization of a county W. C. T. U. will be effected by Helen D. Harford, state president. W. C. T. U. The local union will entertain all properly accredited delegates. Mrs. Harford will also lecture in this town, Tuesday evening, January 23rd, and hopes to meet all the girls and young ladies of our city in the afternoon of the same day at 4 o'clock.

A business change which has been under consideration for some time, was consummated Monday morning. The Occidental hotel which has been managed jointly by Messrs Charles Schmidt and Mark Brunk for the past two years passed into Mr. Brunk's hands. Mr. Schmidt who for nine years has been general landlord of this popular hostelry, leaves shortly for Portland with his family. The latter will make their residence in the metropolis, while Mr. Schmidt will leave May 1st for Cape Nome. Willis Scamlett will remain in Corvallis, to settle business matters until that date, when he will join his father and go to Nome. Mr. Schmidt has made many friends during his residence in Corvallis and himself and family will be greatly missed by the community at large.

Jack Heil, who has been nursing smallpox patients in Kings valley, arrived in town Friday. He says that the last smallpox patient has been convalescent for at least two weeks, and there is no doubt that the disease has been stamped out in that section. He requests us to express his thanks to the people for their very kind and generous attention to him during his stay in the valley.

The case of Porter vs Huffman, which has been pending for the past three years has been decided in favor of the defendant by Judge Hamilton. The bone of contention was the changing of a ditch which passed through the property of each. It appears that John Huffman purchased a farm in Pleasant valley. Shortly after this Mac Porter purchased an adjoining farm. Years ago a ditch had been dug through the farms, and after acquiring title to the upper farm, Huffman proceeded to make alterations in the course of the ditch. Porter took exceptions and a law suit followed.

Do not thou go around the land at night and rush the growler and perambulate with the feminine? Do not thou whoop'er up with the boys and finger the substance of the jackpot, and plant the sheekles against the ever-slippery finger? Do not thou puff a 2-cent cigar or pull the dandy cigarette, and hasten the least of the grip on waders that are right and wisdom which is good in the world? Verily thou art in a very bad road of stumps. It will not be long ere thou art known in the land no more. Thine heels will fly up and thou fall into the soup. Keep thine eyes on thy gun, and monkey net with the juice of the jag. Steer clear of the man with the ace, and in the ripening years of thy life thy pockets will be full of the fruit of the earth, while those who mind not these commandments are partaking of the lurch that is free.

The death of Miss Augusta Straga, which occurred at her home in this city at 11 p. m., January 15, was not unexpected. For several years she had been suffering from cancer of the breast and numerous operations had failed to afford her relief. Miss Straga had been a resident of this city for 16 or 18 years. Her brother, Carl, was the victim of a mysterious and horrible murder which sheked the community some years ago, the perpetrators having never been discovered. A sister, Annie, was her only relative residing in this city, although another sister, Mrs. Minnie Huff, of Washington, was present at the funeral. She has relatives in the East. Miss Straga was 48 years and two months old at the time of her death. Rev. Mueninger officiated at the funeral services which were held at the M. E. church, Wednesday, at 2 p. m., in the presence of many friends of the deceased. Interment was made in Crystal Lake cemetery.

Cheating the County.

There is a palpable error in the amendment passed by the last legislature to the law regulating the fees to be charged for filing proceedings in matters in probate, divorce cases, actions at law and similar matters, which is depriving every county in the state of much legitimate and necessary revenue. Whether this error lies at the door of the printer or to carelessness on the part of others interested is not in evidence, but the error is in the general law, nevertheless. The law originally provided that in proceedings of the nature mentioned, the plaintiff should pay a filing fee of \$5.00, where the amount paid for was less than \$500; and \$10, where the amount exceeded \$500. The law as amended simply provides for a fee of \$5 in either event and the county is loser \$5.00 whenever the amount involved exceeds \$500.

Senate bill 97, introduced by Senator Mulkey, which contains the amendment provided for the \$5 and \$10 fees, but as printed in the statute provision for the \$10 fee is omitted.

In the case of the defendant, however, the law provides that he shall pay a fee of \$2.50 when filing an answer when the sum does not exceed \$300, and \$5 where the amount is in excess of \$500. Thus where the figures named are over \$500, the defendant is obliged to pay as much for filing as the plaintiff.

Another Difficulty.

Another incongruity is exposed in the registration law passed by the last legislature in the following statement in a letter to this paper inquiring what should be done in the case cited: "I see no provision in the registry law for such a contingency as happens in my family. The last day of registering is May 15th, and my son becomes of age the 19th, four days after the closing of the register. My son is a legal voter under the constitution of the state, under the organic law, not state law, and does not want to lose his vote." In the case above referred to, the young man is in a distant city where it would be difficult for him to secure witnesses to his age. An affidavit from his father, however, would be sufficient and easily obtained. Registration blank "A," to which we referred last week, provides that six free-holders must swear "that we are each personally acquainted with the elector and his residence as stated; that we believe all his other statements are true."

Little difficulty would be experienced in getting the signatures of six free-holders swearing positively as to his residence, and they are only asked to state that they "believe all his other statements are true." The law is going to work some hardships, but it is believed that serious trouble will be obviated and the final effect of the law will be for the public good.

Laundry Agency.

I have secured the agency for the Magnolia Steam Laundry, of Albany, and respectfully solicit your patronage. All packages called for and delivered. Arrangements have been made to ship to the laundry on Wednesdays and returned Fridays. Orders left with myself at office will receive prompt attention. Office with Trask & Settlemyer, Room, Postoffice, Agent.

Real Estate Transfers.

Emil Berlin to G. A. Seeley small tract West of Corvallis, \$550.

Thos. A. Cooper and wife to Minnie E. Cooper 40 acres 3 miles West of Corvallis, \$2000.

L. N. Price and wife to Wm. I. Price 50 acres near Monroe, \$1.

Wm. I. Price to L. N. Price 37 acres near Monroe, \$1.

THE GYPSY DID IT.

After An Interval of About Thirty Years The Long Tom Is Again Navigated.

After an interval of thirty years, the placid waters of the Long Tom have again been troubled by the blunt nose of a river steamer. The Gypsy made a successful trial trip to Monroe, Tuesday, arriving at that progressive and enterprising city about three o'clock in the afternoon amid the roar of anvils, shrieking of whistles and shouts of the populace.

Thus has the question of transportation by water to Monroe been satisfactorily settled, and the action of the government in appropriating funds for the Long Tom improvement been fully vindicated. The Gypsy left this city Tuesday morning for Monroe carrying twenty tons of freight and ten passengers. She made the trip in something over nine hours, and experienced little difficulty on any part of the route. The boat officers reported eight feet of water on the shallowest bar between Monroe and the junction with the Willamette. Wednesday the little vessel started on the return trip leaving Monroe at 8:15 a. m. with 75 tons of flour and feed. She arrived safely in this city at 3 p. m. where she transferred sixty tons of her cargo to the boat for the return trip. The remaining fifteen tons being consigned to Wm. Gallaty at Blodgett. There is still about 500 tons of freight ready for shipment and it is thought that five or six trips will bring all of this out. The Gypsy left up the river Thursday, and hereafter will make a trip every week during the winter season.

Mr. Carpenter and Hugh Kay were passengers out Wednesday from Monroe. Theo. Welscher, of this city, who made the round trip, said yesterday: "The 15-mile run up the Long Tom was made in the same time that the same distance was covered on the Willamette. We encountered a slight obstacle in a portion of the old bridge which was lying in the stream, but this was towed out of the way and anchored. Everyone was highly pleased with the success of the trip. But \$9000 has been expended by the government in this improvement and the value of every dollar spent is in evidence. Capt. Galbraith informed me that with an appropriation of \$5000 the river could be placed in shape to admit of any boat on the river going to Monroe."

Monday's Council Meeting.

Mayor Crawford has issued a call to the city council for a special meeting next Monday evening, for the purpose of fixing the tax levy for the assessment of the year 1899, for the city of Corvallis.

The matter was neglected at the last regular meeting of the council. The levy will probably be the same as that of last year. The charter provides that a tax not to exceed five mills may be levied for general purposes, and this assessment on the \$552,800 worth of taxable property in Corvallis will afford a revenue of \$2764, which together with saloon licenses of \$2500 and fines and other licenses of probably \$500 will give the city \$7764 for running expenses. When the new sewer is completed our indebtedness will be in the neighborhood of \$18,000, which shows Corvallis to be in better condition financially than any other city in the valley. Besides this our city has better streets or public buildings.

A two-mill tax will probably be levied for street purposes. Much good work has been done on the streets during the past season and a nice little balance remains in the treasury. Were it not for a little doubt as to the exact meaning of the law which provides that this city may levy a two-mill tax for street purposes, it is possible that only a one-mill tax would be voted. The law would seem to mean that no other tax but a two-mill tax could be levied; neither greater nor less.

The state tax this year will be 6.3 mills; county tax, 11 mills; city tax, 7 mills; for state school purposes, 5 mills; state school bounty, 25 mills; for special school purposes, 2.5 mills, making a total of 32.05 mills. The tax last year was 34.1 mills.

In Favor of Rickard.

The case of Brandebury vs. Rickard which was argued at the November term of court and which has since been under advisement by Judge Hamilton, has been decided in favor of the defendant, Sheriff Rickard. The decree directs that the costs shall be paid by the plaintiff.

Readers of this paper are familiar with the details of the case, which grew out of the sale of the hop yard of William Mackay and W. A. Wells in which J. N. Brandebury held an interest. In the sale of the land there was an excess of \$2000, and the proceeds over the amount of the property. Of this amount, Brandebury claimed \$500, but the sheriff paid the entire amount to Mackay. Brandebury brought action against Rickard to recover the \$500, but the decision of the court sets this aside and vindicates the action of the sheriff.

More Work on Revetment.

The revetment east of town is to be extended by the building of 500 additional feet to this end of that break-water. A party consisting of Mayor Crawford, Councilman Taylor and Jas. Smith and citizens M. S. Woodcock, Robt. Huston, P. Avery, W. E. Yates and August Fischer, visited Capt. Langitt and Lieut. Ogden on board the Mathlons last week to impress upon them the necessity of extending the revetment and the desire of the city that this be done. Capt. Langitt informed that committee that he had realized the necessity of extending the jetty and had already ordered an extension of 500 feet built. The visit of the committee, however, evidenced the interest the people of Corvallis are taking in the work and their appreciation of the danger which exists in the river finding a new channel. The work which has been done already by the crew of the snagboat, under the supervision of Capt. Galbraith, is said to be of the highest character. The additional work will be completed as the stage of the river will permit.

The Telegram, of Saturday, speaking of the work being done here, says: Captain W. C. Langitt has just returned from an inspection trip to Corvallis, where the work of building the revetment is progressing. He says he is

well pleased with the work done, and has no complaints to make except of the weather. The rains have interfered somewhat with the work and will make the total cost more than was at first thought.

There are about 60 men at work besides the snag boat, and with a few weeks of low water, the wall would be finished. About 600 feet will be under way. It may be that the revetment will be made 1200 feet instead of 1000 as originally intended.

The people of Corvallis are greatly interested in this piece of work, and anxious to see it completed. If it complishes the end for which it is intended, the channel of the river will continue to flow by the town; otherwise in time the river will make a cut off which will leave Corvallis high and dry and away from the river.

Captain Langitt and his assistants are sure that the revetment will prove successful, and are using all possible speed to complete it.

They had hoped for a cold January, with little rain, which would have brought low water, thus enabling the workmen to put in better time.

BY HIS OWN HAND.

Hivgrey and Despondent, M. Rosendorf Ended his Life with a Revolver.

Ed Rosendorf, who has been attending the O. A. C. as a member of the freshman class, was called home to Independence, Sunday morning, in answer to a telegram telling him of the suicide of his father, M. Rosendorf, at Baker City. Mr. Rosendorf was also half-brother to Mr. Joe Herberg, of Independence, who is well known in this city. The Baker City Republican gives the following account of the suicide: "Tired of life, and probably temporarily insane, M. Rosendorf at 8:30 o'clock this morning, in his room in the Commercial hotel blew his brains out with a revolver. Rosendorf first registered at the Commercial December 25, Christmas day. He came here from Independence, Or., where he has a family. He was apparently looking for work, having applied at different stores. The Commercial hotel people understood that he and his wife had separated. He succeeded in getting little work and is reported to have frequently been without bed and meals. He was apparently a man of about 45 years of age and had at times, it is said, told Robert Bettner, the drayman, and the Rev. J. B. N. Bell, that he intended to commit suicide. They both persuaded him out of it and lent him substantial aid.

About 8:30 o'clock this morning the occupants of the Commercial hotel were startled by pistol shots in the dead man's room. Entering the apartment a ghastly sight was exposed. Rosendorf lay in his bed half on his left side, his face and head disfigured beyond recognition, clothed with blood the right hand lying outside the coverslet, still clutching a smoking revolver, the bedclothes bespattered with blood and a bullet lodged in the head board, having apparently passed through the suicide's head.

On the person of the deceased the coroner, Dr. Curry, who was at once summoned, found some papers and a letter, one from his little girl and one addressed to his brother, plainly stating his intentions and requesting that the Workmen, of which order he was a member, take charge of his remains. The Rev. Bell has this letter and will not make it public until the brother arrives tomorrow. His brother is a banker and a wealthy man of Polk county, Oregon.

Worse Than Defeat.

The double athletic bill between the basketball and baseball teams of the O. A. C. and Albany College, came off as scheduled at the armory last Friday evening. Aside from the brilliant team work of the home girls there was little in the basketball game to arouse enthusiasm. Albany was defeated by a score of 47 to 2. So perfect and rapid was the playing of the ladies of the O. A. C., that the visitors were bewildered, and gazed open mouthed at the skill of their opponents.

The baseball team from the village down the creek, made a slightly better showing, the carelessness of the home team of the latter part of the game, permitting them to make three unearned runs.

The Albany Herald thus explains their defeat: "The excursion last night to Corvallis was a success, over 100 going over. The young ladies basket ball team of Albany College played the O. A. C. team in the armory at that place, the Corvallis girls in a beautiful and well played game winning by a score of 47 to 2. The defeat was caused in part by the floor being in a very slippery condition and the ball was considerably larger than the one the Albany girls have practiced in. The ball used was also smaller than the one used in former games. These circumstances, together with the long and hard practice of the O. A. C. girls explain away the apparent heavy defeat. The game of indoor baseball between the Atlas club of this city and the O. A. C. team was won by the latter by a score of 17 to 8. The game was well played on both sides. The armory was well filled with spectators. A return game will be played in this city in a few weeks and no doubt will be liberally patronized.

Council Meeting.

Notice is hereby given to the members of the common council of Corvallis, Oregon, that a special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Corvallis, Oregon, is hereby called to convene, January 22nd at seven o'clock and thirty minutes in the afternoon of said day at the City Council Chambers in said city of Corvallis for the purpose of fixing a tax levy for the assessment of the year 1899, for the City of Corvallis, Oregon, and such other business as may come before said council for action thereon. Dated, January 18th, 1900, J. W. CRAWFORD, Mayor.

For Sale.

280-acre stock farm adjoining an unimproved outcrop on the west, and good schools, churches and the Belknap settlement on the east. Also 150-acre farm, good cultivating land. Address M. S. Woodcock, Administrator, Corvallis, Oregon.

DROWNED NEAR JUNCTION.

William Burbee Rides Into Lancaster Slough and Is Lost.

William Burbee, an electrician, who for the past several weeks has been employed in putting in new lines for the Oregon Telephone & Telegraph Co., in this city, was drowned some time last Monday between Junction City and Monroe. While here Mr. Burbee made the acquaintance of many of our citizens who will be surprised and shocked at the untimely death. Particulars of the tragedy disclose a dangerous condition of portions of the highway in the locality where it happened.

Mr. Burbee has been employed for some time as line repairer by the Oregon Telephone & Telegraph Co., and his last trip was made in the line of his duty. The high water throughout that portion of the valley had caused some disturbance to the wires and Mr. Burbee was sent out on horseback to make necessary repairs. Later, it was discovered that the repairs had not been made and it was surmised that some accident had befallen him, so another man was sent out to investigate. This man found the horse Burbee had been riding, with bridle and saddle and Burbee's tools strapped to the latter. The horse being completely drowned, disclosed the sad fate of the rider.

The manner of his death can only be conjectured from existing circumstances. In crossing Lancaster slough across the river south of Harrisburg, on the road from Junction to Monroe, there is a bridge, the old grade which extends a long grade. The old grade was swept out some years ago and a new one has been constructed upon a different line, but cannot be seen in the sea of water which at present envelopes that region, though the further end of the old grade could be seen from the bridge in the distance. It is supposed that Burbee rode off the bridge in a line for that old grade, and instead of finding the expected solid footing, plunged into fifteen feet of water.

Members of the telephone crew and of the order of A. O. U. W., to which deceased belonged, instituted search which was prosecuted until 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon when they found the body in the swirling waters in the vicinity of the awful plunge.

Deceased was 38 years of age and a native of Canada, but had lived nearly all his life in the United States. Besides his wife he leaves three small children, the oldest only eight years of age and the youngest between one and two years.

A Fortune in Stock.

The following letter, dated Manila, November 30, 1899, is in reply to an inquiry addressed to the writer by Mr. J. L. Castle, the well known stock buyer. It will be of particular interest to those who have been considering the feasibility of introducing American horses into the Philippine Islands:

Replying to yours of October 18th. The native horse of the Philippines seem to answer every requirement for light use and I could not advise you to ship our horses as the expense and risk of landing them in good order would make them a very expensive luxury. The U. S. has at a large number of cavalry animals here and they are much admired by civilians. There are a number of horses here imported from Australia, but the native horse will undoubtedly always be so cheap in comparison that the demand for imported horses will be light. The native horse is one-third lighter and shorter than ours, but is a very good animal and in times of peace is very cheap. A few good American horses would undoubtedly find a market here, but I would not advise their shipment unless you have plenty of means to stand a loss as success is problematical. The same might be said of American wagons, buggies etc. The country is exceedingly well adapted to stock raising and the first American stock raisers with a good herd of dairy stock would, in my opinion, make a fortune.

If you can afford to do so bring a dozen good roadsters of medium size and a few light rigs and try the situation. This is the only way to really know what can be done. I would be pleased to give you better encouragement, but I can not conscientiously recommend the experiment.

Very truly yours, H. R. LEWIS.

Mrs. R. Churchill, Berlin, Vt. says, "Our baby was covered with running sores, DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured her." A specific for piles and skin diseases. Beware of worthless counterfeits.

Letter List.

Following is the list of letters remaining in the Corvallis post office for the week ending January 13, 1900.

Brewer, C. T. Nalderon, Mrs. M. C. Baker, Bert Ridenam, Jas T. Hornbuckle, Robert Smyth, Maodie James, Miss Maude Snyder, Eddie E. Miller, Steve B. W. JOHNSON, P. M.

Money to Loan.

In sums of \$1,500 and upwards, at six cent. E. E. WILSON.

Corvallis' Most Popular Eating House. THE Pioneer Bakery AND RESTAURANT. Fresh bread daily. A complete stock of candies, fruits and nuts kept constantly on hand. Smokers supplies a specialty. HODES & HALL PROPRIETORS.

Now that the Holidays are over OUR GREAT EXPANSION SALE Will remain in full force until MARCH 1st, 1900. Sweeping Reductions in all lines.

Nolan & Callahan LEADING CLOTHIERS.

The Paint Store C. A. BARNHART, Manager. An entirely new enterprise just opened in the Zierriff block opposite the Postoffice. PAINTS, OILS, BRUSHES, GLASS, PUTTY WALL PAPER. A specialty will be made of all kinds of ammunition. Shells reloaded and sportsman's goods of all kinds kept in stock. C. A. BARNHART.

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