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LOCAL NEWS.

Drummers' samples of various articles at cost, at Small & Son's.

Attorney W. E. Yates visited Lincoln county, last week, on legal business.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Brunk went to Salem by boat, Saturday, to attend the Odd Fellows' celebration in that city.

A fine line of smokers' supplies at Small & Son's. Just the things for a Christmas present for a gentleman friend.

The Juniors of O A C entertained the Seniors last Friday evening. The reception occurred in the Agricultural Hall and was a very pleasing affair.

The dance given in the Opera House was not so well attended as the management had hoped it would be. Those who attended had a very pleasant time.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Shick came up from Salem, Friday, for a visit with Corvallis friends. They returned to Salem, where Mr. Shick is engaged in the barber business, by boat yesterday morning.

The recent rain fall was unusually severe for this season of the year and caused the Willamette to get on the rampage. Smaller streams throughout the country were greatly swollen and plowing was abandoned.

In the last issue of the Pacific Homestead space is given the bulletin on veneger making, recently written by Prof. E. F. Pernot, of the Department of Bacteriology at the Oregon Agricultural College. It is a splendidly written bulletin and contains much valuable information.

The interest in the meetings at the Baptist church is deepening. They will continue for two weeks. R. V. W. E. Randall will give Bible readings each afternoon at 2:30 from Monday until Friday. Do not fail to attend the services at 7:30 each evening, particularly.

It is only a short time now until Christmas, and preparations are already under way for this festive occasion. All of our merchants appear to carry unusually heavy stocks of holiday goods this year and he who cannot be suited with what can be obtained in Corvallis must be hard to please, indeed.

Elmer Bethers, who started for Los Angeles, California, last Thursday, did not succeed in getting any farther than Albany. When he arrived in the capital of Linn county he did some serious thinking and concluded that the best thing for him to do was to remain here during the winter. It is possible that he will proceed to Los Angeles in the spring.

Considerable trouble has been caused of late by the dirt settling in the sewers that were established in various parts of this city. Quite frequently some party has a horse mired down or a wagon stuck in one of these places. No one is particularly to blame for this state of affairs, no matter how serious it may prove. It seems to be a part of the price that must be paid for such improvement.

Charley Overlander was down from Salado Monday, making final proof on his homestead. His witnesses were George Hodges and George Davenport. The trio walked all the way from Elk City Sunday afternoon in one of the worst storms ever experienced in this country. It is needless to say that they got wet.—Toledo Reporter. Charley is a brother of Fred Overlander of this city.

The ferry cable across the Willamette river at this city gave way Thursday, and residents of both sides of the river were discommoded. Fred Blauhart, who lives across the river a couple of miles was over to town after a load of lumber when the cable parted and was obliged to return home by way of Albany. Lee Henkle's dray team was on the Linn county side and he was obliged to return home via Albany.

The Willamette river was 23 feet above low-water mark last Friday. This is said to have been higher than it was at any time last winter. Old timers can distinctly remember times when the high water of the last few years would not have been considered high by comparison. It is said that 20 years ago the river steamers were moored to the gateposts in front of E. Allen's residence in this city. The flood of '90 took out the covered bridge that spanned the river at this city. The banks of the Willamette are very high at Corvallis and no one need borrow any trouble of the possibility of getting up some morning and finding his premises under water.

Get your umbrella ribs fixed at the Bicycle Hospital.

An enjoyable evening is in store for all who attend the W. O. W. "foot social" next Thursday evening.

Thomas Jacques writes from Provo City, Utah, for copies of the GAZETTE, and information concerning Benton county.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren, of Grand Forks, North Dakota, arrived, Saturday, for an extended visit with their daughter, Mrs. Carrick. They are accompanied by their son.

The Corvallis Flour Mills were obliged to close down last Thursday on account of high water. August Fischer, proprietor, expected to be able to start up yesterday noon.

H. W. Hall undoubtedly has the finest and most complete line of Christmas goods for the little ones ever seen in Corvallis. If you can't find what you want at his store, it isn't in town.

Father Jurek leaves shortly after the holidays for Washington where he has been assigned to a pastorate near Seattle. After his departure, services will be conducted at the Catholic church by visiting priests.

Prof. George Coole of the Oregon Agricultural College returned to Corvallis Monday. He had been to Newport collecting rhododendron and other plants to place on the college grounds.—Lincoln County Leader.

Miss Laura Pratt exhibited her paintings at her home on 8th street last Saturday. She has a fine gallery of paintings in oil and water and those who were fortunate to be present were well repaid for their time. The young lady is evidently talented.

We were misinformed in our statement in the last issue regarding who was to play piano for the rehearsal of the local chorus that will assist in the production of the oratorios at Eugene next May. Mrs. Inez Wilson is engaged as accompanist during rehearsals.

Heretofore, the department of music at the O A C has been located in Cauthorn Hall, but it now occupies a suite of rooms in Agricultural Hall. This department is in a flourishing condition and Mordecai Goodnough, musical director, is well pleased, both with his new quarters and the work done by his pupils.

Dr. C. MacLean has just completed laying a sidewalk along the north side of the Episcopal church, and has extended it along the west side of the parsonage. This was a much-needed improvement, but the doctor informs us that he has but started on a crusade of this character, as it is urgent that the premises be kept in a better state of repair.

The ladies of the Coffee Club are already making preparations for a reception next New Years. Their reception given by the ladies last year is still green in the memory of those who attended and if the one to be given next New Years equals the similar function of a year ago, and there is no reason to doubt that it will, it will be most pleasing every way.

Telephonic communication with Monroe was interrupted for a short time last week. The line runs directly from Corvallis to Fischer's mills, thence due west to the county road leading to Monroe. The high water washed out the poles near the mouth of Marys river and the line was broken. Connection was made by running wires across Marys river bridge and tapping the main line where the road leading to Fischer's Mills opens into the county road.

Last Saturday, machinists at the electric light plant placed a new valve cylinder head in the large engine. A visit to the plant a few days ago brought to mind, in connection with the present high water, the fact that during the flood of '90 Corvallis was about the only town in the valley whose electric light plant was not closed down on account of the high water. However, a couple of inches more would have put out the fires in the furnace.

Cesar Zierolf arrived home, Friday, from a three-months' visit at his old home in Henry county, Ohio. He had been absent from Ohio 32 years and he says the change that has been wrought in that country during this period is almost beyond comprehension. During his visit in Ohio he was royally entertained and from the time of his arrival there until his departure, there was an almost continuous reception in his honor. Mr. Zierolf speaks in highest terms of Ohio and her people.

The familiar sound of the Salvation Army drum is again heard in Corvallis. Captain Samuel Dupertuis, the leader of the Northern Pacific Revival Brigade, arrived in this city, Saturday, and has been holding enthusiastic meetings. He will preach tonight on the subject, "The Two Ways." Tomorrow night Captain Dupertuis will give a stereoscopic lecture entitled "Ten Nights in a Barroom, with Side Lights from the Salvation Army."

Mudguards and bicycle rain capes at knock-off prices at Berry's.

E. J. Garrow left yesterday for a ten-day's business trip to San Francisco.

E. Allen went to Portland, Sunday, on a business and pleasure trip. This is Mr. Allen's first vacation in four years.

Some of the swellest things in the way of handkerchief and glove boxes for Xmas presents are now on display at H. W. Hall's.

Mr. M. L. Adams says one would hardly think it warm and dry enough for bees to want water, but it is a fact, as his are watering here as late as the 8th of December.

A. L. Hathaway is home from Unalak Island, off the Alaska coast, where he has been for the past five months with a party of government light house engineers.

Nothing so pleases the small boy as something military. H. W. Hall has full regalia for drum majors, captains and other officers—boy's size. Then there are dolls, etc., for their sisters.

Elsewhere will be found an advertisement for bids for wood, issued by the purchasing agent of the Agricultural College. The advertisement is inserted much earlier this year than usual.

The conferring of the Royal Arch degree of Masonry on E. R. Bryson, Seth Hulbert and E. B. Horning, was made the occasion of a good time by the members of the chapter last night. A New England supper was a feature.

A telegram received in this city yesterday afternoon, announced the death, by suicide, of John Turner, C. & E. agent at Albany. No further particulars were obtainable, than that he had gone home at the dinner hour and shot himself in the head. Mr. Turner was at one time, agent for the company in Corvallis.

Ellsworth Post, G. A. R., elected the following officers at its last regular meeting: Commander, Mr. Woods; sen. vice, Mr. Newton; junior vice, Jas. Wilkinson; chaplain, D. S. Adams; quartermaster, Levi Oren; officer of the day, O. J. Treese.

Game Warden Quimby was in Corvallis, yesterday to prosecute a violation of the game law. He preferred a charge against Mr. Norwood for shipping China pheasants out of the state. Deputy District Attorney Bryson took action in the matter, and the case was heard before Justice Holgate yesterday afternoon. Mr. Norwood pleaded guilty and was fined \$50.

Considerable damage to property and loss of stock has resulted from the present high water. Many reports are in circulation concerning losses in this county, and, while we have been unable to verify them, the information is regarded as trustworthy. Hugh Herron reported to have lost 10 head of cattle and 28 goats; Monroe Childers, 43 sheep, while Jay Zierolf's bunch of wool producers has been reduced by 25 head.

The court at Hillsboro was started out of its usual sleepy dignity last Saturday, when Deputy District Attorney E. B. Tongue, son of Congressman Tongue, called Attorney Mark Bump, formerly of Corvallis, a liar. During the argument, Attorney Bump alleged that the District Attorney's office had coined evidence. Deputy District Attorney E. B. Tongue passed the lie, and Bump started to lay hands on him. Tongue rose from his seat to meet him, and Judge McBride fined each \$10, both to stand committed until the fines were paid. At this each paid his fine.

The 25th anniversary of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry was celebrated in a fitting manner by the Willamette Grange at its special meeting convened for that purpose last Thursday. Owing to the very high stage of water in Muddy, it was impossible to meet in the Grange Hall. This obstacle was overcome by transferring the meeting to the farm residence of Mrs. M. H. Whitby. A godly number of farmers and grangers, together with their families, assembled at her home. The exercises were postponed until after noon. At noon everyone enjoyed an excellent lunch prepared by the grangers for this occasion. Those taking part in the exercises were: John Whitaker, Maude Whitaker, Mr. and Mrs. John Porter, Mrs. Jesse Porter, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Whitby, Charley Logan, G. W. Denman, and the two sons of Mr. Whitby. The program rendered was interesting and very profitable to all. After spending most of the afternoon, those present went home feeling benefitted by their coming.

Bids for Wood.

Bids for furnishing the Oregon Agricultural College with wood for the ensuing school year will be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent up to the thirty-first day of December, 1902. For specifications and form of bid apply at the office of the Clerk, or to the undersigned.
JOHN D. DALY,
Secy. Board Regents.
Corvallis, Oregon, Dec. 8, 1902.

Difficult Traveling.

Friday afternoon, Mart Fruit, liveryman of this city, had occasion to take a hackload of trunks to Albany for some traveling men. He succeeded in reaching that city in safety, but had some difficulty on his way home. After he drove off the Benton county end of the bridge at Albany on his return he had a gravel bar to cross. The water was high enough to cover the flat to a depth of two or three feet and there was some driftwood running. One of Mr. Fruit's horses got tangled up with the drift and became frightened to such a degree that it became unmanageable. In one of its plunges it got a fore foot over the neckyoke and threw itself. The water was so deep that there was danger of the animal drowning and Mr. Fruit was compelled to take to the water to extricate the horse. The harness broke and he was able to get the animal on its feet. He was alone and was fortunate in escaping so luckily. When he arrived at the Stewart bridge, three miles from this city, he found that the south apron of this bridge had washed out since he had crossed it a couple of hours before and he was obliged to go across the country to the Corvallis-Independence road to get to town.

Shortly before Mr. Fruit arrived at the Stewart bridge, one of Frank Skipton's teams, of Albany, started to cross this structure. The driver was bringing a couple of drummers and trunk to this city. The driver, not being aware that the apron was out, drove off into such a hole as to cause the hack to stand on its tongue. The horses plunged and reared about, the "knights of the grip" were terror-stricken and mingled their cries with the snorts of the horses—pandemonium reigned. The result was that the horses were finally stabled in the Stewart barn, while one of the teams from the Brick Stables was sent after the drummers and the trunk. The Skipton hack was left standing on end for the night. The harness was badly broken, but aside from this no serious damage resulted.

"The Irish Pawbrokers."
A frolicsome farce comedy with plenty of bright features, pretty girls in picturesque colors is promised at the Opera House, Thursday evening, when "The Irish Pawbrokers" will be presented with those clever Irish comedians Sullivan and Mack and the favorite soubrette Mazie Trumbull in the leading roles. It is a new piece under the direction of Joe W. Spears. The stars are players with established reputations as promoters of laughter, and this new, up-to-date farcical device is a good vehicle for a renowned demonstration of their varied talents. They are aided in making hilarious merriment by clever young players, including a score of winsome girls. Songs, dances and witty dialogue give the play a brisk and in many places a swift movement. New scenery for each act and other features all combined, form an attraction that is rarely seen in farce comedy.

Additional Local.
Oil meal for sale at Graham & Wells. Splendid feed for dairy stock.
Ten per cent reduction on Men's suits at Kline's. Fit yourself out for Xmas.
Albums, dolls, toilet cases and a full line of general holiday goods at wholesale prices at Small & Son's.
Wear Ralston Health Shoes—the cure for cold and wet feet. All leathers and styles: price, \$4. S. L. Kline, sole agent.

Wanted.
German or Swedish girl for small family. Inquire at this office.

Guns and Ammunition.
In the future I will keep a full line of guns, ammunition and sportsman's supplies. Those desiring to rent guns or have shells loaded to order can secure either at my establishment.
J. K. BERRY.

O. A. C. vs. McMinnville.
There will be a game of basketball at the armory, Friday evening, between teams of ladies from O A C and McMinnville college. Basketball is to indoor games what football is to outdoor sports, and an exciting and scientific contest is promised all who attend Friday night.
The strength of the Agricultural team is an uncertain quantity, but the ladies can be relied upon to give a good account of themselves, and the GAZETTE is confident that they will win.
The athletic management has been fortunate in securing for their coach, Mr. Viggers, Captain of the All Star team of Portland, one of the best players on the coast.
The proceeds from these indoor games will go into the common athletic fund, and an effort will be made to realize something from basketball and other contests to cover field and track expenses in the spring.

Improving Their Plant.
M. G. Flynn and S. S. Ewing, the Benton county sawmill men, were in Dallas Tuesday morning on their way to Portland, where they go to buy new machinery for the plant of the Benton County Lumber Company. This mill

is located in a fine body of timber about seven miles southwest of Philomath. The mill has had a fine run this season, but has been compelled to close down for the winter on account of lack of facilities for transporting the lumber to the railroad for shipment.
The company is preparing to construct a flume from the mill to the track of the C. & E. railroad, and will soon be enabled to run the year round. The flume will be seven miles in length, and will be constructed on a plan similar to those now in successful operation at Fall City. Messrs. Ewing and Flynn are experienced sawmill men, and find a ready demand for all the lumber they can turn out.—Observer.

Incipient Conflagrations.

Prompt action by the fire Department Sunday evening about six o'clock, saved Ben Woldt another costly conflagration. The blaze started around the chimney near the roof. Slight damage resulted.
The residence of J. Fred Yates came near going up in smoke Saturday afternoon. In some manner the curtains in one of the rooms caught fire and the flames spread to the carpet. Mr. Yates burned his hands quite severely in extinguishing the blaze.
Two good Samaritans who happened to be passing at the right time, saved Mrs. Hemphill's fine new residence from destruction Saturday evening. That lady, after lighting a lamp, threw the match in the wood box. When she returned to the kitchen, the wood box was on fire and burning briskly. An effort to get the box outside simply scattered the flames. Matters looked dubious until two passers-by lent assistance.

Will Play a Week.
The popular young actress, Clara Mathes, supported by a capable company, will begin a week's engagement in this city, next Monday evening. Her repertoire consists of the latest successes, carefully produced with every attention to detail, special scenery, elegant costumes and a number of high-class vaudeville features.
Miss Mathes has met with great success in her rendition of legitimate roles. Her "Juliet" has been compared favorably with Mojeska's, and eminent critics have spoken in highest terms of her "Nell Gwynne."

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Watch Confidence
Makes traveling a pleasure, when correct time is always a necessity. Yours may be a capable timekeeper, but through incompetent repairing you have lost faith in it.
Bring it in to me. I will repair the worst wrecked watch, and I will do it economically.
Albert J. Metzger
Occidental Building. Corvallis, Ore.

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Teacher of Voice and Pianoforte
Terms Reasonable.
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Special Sale
—OF—
Smoking Tobacco
AT KLINE'S.
To close out some lines that we will not carry in the future:
1 1/2 oz. Fashion, regular 5c, now 7 for 25c
2 oz. Golden Cupid, " 10c, now 4 for 25c
2 oz. Lime Kiln Club " 10c, now 4 for 25c
2 oz. Plum, - - " 10c, now 4 for 25c
1 1/2 oz. Sledge Mixt, " 5c, now 7 for 25c
2 oz. Seal North Car. " 10c, now 5c
These cannot be bought at factory for prices offered and smokers are invited to take advantage of the above price.

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Pigs for Sale.
About 20 head of young pigs. Enquire of
WALTER TAYLOR,
Corvallis, Ore.



The Best Dresser

We want the man who thinks he's the best dresser in this vicinity to come in here and try on one of our Hart, Schaffner & Marx suits. We guarantee a fit, but we guarantee much more—style, good tailoring, satisfaction in every way—you'll find nothing better anywhere. Received new suits this week—more coming soon. This store is headquarters for good clothes of every sort, suits, overcoats, hats, shoes, furnishings—you can't make any mistake here.

Clothes made to measure from the reliable Continental Tailoring Co. Fit guaranteed.

S. L. KLINE.

Xmas Gifts
My large stock of
Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Etc.
Has been constantly added to, and will continue to be added to preparatory for the Holidays. I have the largest line of Holiday Goods ever displayed in your city. Call and look it over.
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The Jeweler and Optician.

Fruits for the Christmas Table
do here abound—fruits fresh and fruits fresh when encased in glass or tin; therefore sweet, fine flavored, luscious now.
Then there are the relishes appetizing and belonging to that famous feast, the Christmas dinner. We have these, too, in plenty—sauces, catsups, chow chow, etc. Everything to help make the meats and vegetables a royal repast here.
P. M. ZIEROLF

Home-Seekers:
If you are looking for some real good bargains in Stock, Grain, Fruit and Poultry Ranches, write for my special list or come and see me. I shall take pleasure in giving you all the reliable information you wish also showing you over the country.
HENRY AMBLER, Real Estate, Loan and Insurance.
Philomath, Benton County, Oregon

THE MUSICAL MIX UP
THE IRISH PAWBROKERS
Opera House, December 11th

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