

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

A. F. Peterson went to Ashland Friday on business.

Rev. T. S. Handsaker returned from Albany on Friday.

Miss Frances Murphy, of Albany, was in town on Friday last.

W. A. Gellatly was in town Saturday. He stopped at the Occidental.

Pres. Gatch spent Saturday and Sunday in Portland, returning yesterday.

E. F. Wann was registered at the Hotel Corvallis Saturday, from Waldport.

Miss Lillith McKenney left Saturday for Wren, where she goes to teach a term of school.

Mrs. A. D. Morrison has returned to Carlton, after visiting for several days with relatives in this city.

The closed season for ducks commenced Tuesday March 1 and runs until September 1. The hunting the past winter has not been good.

Dave Gellatly started Saturday for Wenatchee, Wash. where he has accepted an offer of a position in his brother John Gellatly's office.

L. E. Bender and wife, of Ashland, have been at the Occidental for several days. They are seeking a business location and may move to Corvallis.

The Coffee Club gave a dance in the City Hall Friday night and was attended by the largest crowd of any party given by the ladies this season. Music was furnished by the Young People's orchestra.

Misses Gladys Moore and Ethel Pierce and Mesdames James Taylor, Jennie Chipman and W. G. Emery were elected as members of the Ladies' Coffee Club at its regular meeting last week.

Beginning tonight Rev. G. K. Barry of Portland will deliver a series of lectures on Church History at the Church of Christ. Services will continue throughout the week beginning each evening at 7.30. Lecture at eight o'clock.

Wm. Bogue who is spending the winter at Lava, Oregon, writes: "We had a very pleasant winter up to the first of February, although it has snowed 52 days since the first of November, and the snow is three feet deep on a level here now. We are all well and still getting fat."

E. E. Wilson, of Corvallis, spent Sunday at the beach. He was over to Toledo on business, and took the opportunity to run over here and get his lungs filled with salt air. Ed. might have been blown into the ocean only the wind couldn't get a "grip on him."—Newport News.

Fred Wann, a former student, and who is now locating parties on timber claims in the Yahats country, passed through town Saturday, enroute to Portland. Fred now wears a full beard, but says he is not afraid of the bunco-men who are liable to take him for a "Rube."

Miss Cecil, daughter of Joe Bryant, was married at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon to L. B. Turner, Judge Holgate officiating. Mr. Turner has been in Portland for several weeks, where he has a good position. He left for that place yesterday and Mrs. Turner will join him in a few days. They will make Portland their home.

The Rebekah lodge of this city gave a farewell reception in their hall last Thursday evening in honor of two of their members, Miss Pearl Simpson and Mrs. W. H. Curria. Several instrumental and vocal selections were rendered and with games and light refreshments a very enjoyable evening was spent. Miss Simpson leaves soon for Washington, and Mrs. Curria for McMinnville.

Herbert White, of Philomath College, at Philomath was chosen on Thursday evening, at the contest of the Intercollegiate Prohibition Association, to represent his college in the coming State Intercollegiate contest, to be held at Philomath, April 8. Mr. White's subject was, "Weighed in the Balance." Geo. W. Denman, T. T. Vincent and Rev. Green all of Corvallis were the judges who decided the contest.

If any of our readers are interested in the poultry business we call their attention to the ad. on the first page, headed "Valuable premium." We offer a three months trial subscription to the best poultry journal on the coast, free, to every new subscriber, or old subscriber who renews and pays a year in advance. Cut out and sign the blank order in the ad. If the poultry journal suits you, you can get it a full year more for fifty cents. If it is not to your liking, you can order it stopped at the expiration of three months. It is worth trying.

Thomas Whitehorn and son Claude left for San Francisco last Wednesday to join Mrs. Whitehorn, who has been spending the winter with relatives in that city.

Mrs. Jessie S. Pettit Flint has recently received her ordination certificate from the Spiritual Association of Oregon. This gives her, under the laws of Oregon, all the privileges given to the clergy of other denominations.

Here is what a correspondent in one of our exchanges has to say about one of their citizens: "Dr. Scott is our excellent dentist, our popular city marshal and a very amiable and worthy young man." The writer is evidently trying to retain the good opinion of that popular office holder.

The weather during the latter part of last week would make one believe that Father Time had played a joke on us and slipped the calendar up a few months. Upon awaking in the morning, instead of usual patter of the rain, you hear the songs of the robins and larks as they greet the new day. The days are warm and pleasant, and in the evening you can listen to the frogs as they announce the coming of Spring. Give us Oregon, if it has the reputation of raining thirteen months in the year.

Take a look at the proposition in ad. on first page headed "Valuable premium," and call the attention of your neighbor to it. If he is a chicken fancier, or thinking of going into the chicken raising, this will be just the proposition that will suit him. We wish to place the GAZETTE in every home in Benton county, and to do this we offer these inducements, a three months trial subscription to the Poultry Journal mentioned there, absolutely free to every new subscriber to the GAZETTE, or to any old subscriber renewing, on the conditions there proposed. Look over the ad. and see what you think of it.

A Crazy Social will be given by the Presbyterian Ladies' Aid Society at the home of Mrs. John H. Simpson on Wednesday evening, March 9, 1905. A number of guests are expected from Salem. A doctor will be in attendance and all found perfectly clothed and in their right mind will be fined not more than five cents nor less than one cent. The following digestible articles will be served to those attending: "The staff of life," "a la goat," "a tireless worker among women," "a dead beat with sticks of wood," "something to get rid of" and "An agent for a wedding. Admission, 15 cents for one or two for a quarter. Everybody come.

While thawing dynamite preparatory to blasting stumps at Burton's hop yard, two miles north of Independence Saturday morning at 8 o'clock, over a 100 pounds of dynamite exploded, killing Curtis Baker and Gilbert McCabe, young men of 22 and 18 years respectively, of Independence. The bodies were were torn to pieces, almost beyond recognition, and members of the bodies were hurled 120 feet. The legs of both were torn off at the knees. The shed at the place of thawing was shattered to splinters and hurled 220 yards. The earth was torn up for several feet around to the depth of four feet. In a house 50 yards away the windows and doors were shattered. A woman and child in the house were not hurt.

"We certainly have an easy time getting eggs in Corvallis," said a local landlord recently. "Every other person in the town brings them in for sale. Farmers, business and professional men all seem to keep a score or more of chickens. And they keep the kind that lay eggs, too. No little, puny ones that belong to a bantam, but large, clean white eggs that we are always glad to get." We cannot doubt the landlord's statement, for we have noticed the same thing time after time. Coming to town in the morning you notice numerous town people taking eggs to the stores and hotels. While on our way to the city one morning recently, we passed a gentleman with a large bucketful of eggs. He was talking to a lady who remarked, "You must have lots of chickens to be able to take so many eggs to market." "I have only about 60, and I wish I had that many more." He was evidently a person who raised chickens for profit. And he is only one of the many in this vicinity who are doing likewise. We'll wager there are more fancy breeds of chickens in Corvallis than in any other town of its size in Oregon.

Chief of Police.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Chief of Police, at the coming election to be held May 16, 1904, and if elected will endeavor to see that the laws are enforced to the best of my ability.

LEE HENKLE.

COMING BY HUNDREDS.

Rail roads Already Bringing Large Number of Settlers.

Though the season has scarcely opened, the tide of immigration has already swept hundreds of settlers into the Northwest, says Sunday's Oregonian. Many hundreds more are on their way, and before the season of special rates shall have closed, thousands will have come into this district for the purpose of building their homes. At least this is what the railroads confidently expect. They believe that the influx of settlers in Washington and Oregon during the present year will far exceed that of any year in the past. Some of the roads have already booked more of the immigrants for the present season than they handled last year, and that is looked upon as a fair sign that traffic will be extraordinary.

The advance guard of this army of settlers was the party of about 300 that reached Portland Friday afternoon over the Northern Pacific. Yesterday all Northern Pacific trains were running in two sections, to handle the settlers that are traveling in this direction. Owing to the bad weather the trains from the north were all delayed several hours and reached here last night. From now on until the close of the special rate season it is expected that all trains from the North and East will be run in two sections to accommodate the increased traffic.

Practically all of those who arrived in Portland Friday were families whose heads had been here on other excursions and selected places to settle. The result was that all of them went out again as soon after arriving as they could catch trains to their respective destinations. It is estimated that since the special rate went into effect in the neighborhood of 1000 settlers and their families have been brought into the Northwest over the Northern Pacific, Great Northern and O. R. & N. roads. The majority of these, it is said, are coming through to Oregon to build homes in the rich productive valleys of this state. A large number are stopping off in Washington and some are headed towards Alberta, Canada.

On March 15 the round-trip rates from Eastern points will be put into effect by the northern railroads. These rates are for the benefit of those who are looking for homes and desire to visit the Coast in search of suitable locations. They, of course, do not come prepared to remain, and they are given the advantage of the round-trip rate to enable them to return to their homes and prepare to move here during the following season—the fall season. It is expected that by the middle of the month the one-way traffic will be largely disposed of and the roads will be better able to handle the traffic of round-trip excursionists.

Local railroad men say that Oregon may expect to profit greatly by the travel of home-seekers this season. The state and its resources have been advertised this year as they have never been advertised before, and the eyes of those seeking homes are turned in this direction.

Miss Pauline Kline returned yesterday from Portland.

We are glad to announce that Edwin Rose is improving, after a severe siege of typhoid fever.

George Linderman, of Mountain View, was in town yesterday and says the farmers of his section of country are putting in a rural telephone system. They will at once put in a phone from Mr. Linderman's to Jud Calloway's farm, and they expect E. F. Wiles and John Smith to connect with them. Kings Valley people will then build to meet the John Smith line so that Mr. Linderman can communicate by phone with Dallas by way of Kings Valley and Falls City.

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for this week's delivery:
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Veal dressed, 8 to 7c.
Live chickens, hens, 11c.
Live roosters, young, 10c.
Live roosters, old, 8c.
Live geese, 7c.
Live turkeys, 13½¢.
Live ducks, 9c.

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BACK TO OREGON

Corvallis Citizens Return Home From the Windy City.

Mr. Jas. E. Cronk, an old and well-known citizen of Corvallis, and his wife, returned home on Saturday last. They were summoned to Chicago in the early Fall, on account of the serious illness of a daughter, and left here on September 30th. Fortunately the daughter, Mrs. Gale, has fully regained her health, and they are glad to be able to return to the land of genial winters. Mr. Cronk reports an unbroken sheet of snow and ice all the way from Lake Michigan to Puget Sound; the first time that the ground showed through snow was after crossing the Cascade Range. The winter has been very severe in Chicago, and the gentle breezes of the "windy city" have kept up their reputation as the only rivals of the famous "Washoe zephyrs" of the Comstock.

On the train on which they returned came the first installment of the spring immigration under the reduced rates. The two sections of the train brought nearly a thousand people who expect to settle on this coast. These were mostly for Washington points, and parties left the train at Spokane, at different points in the Yakima Valley; and at Seattle and Tacoma.

The Lewis & Clark Fair has evidently advertised Oregon, and when the tide of settlers start for Oregon, as they will on the 15th of March, there is no doubt but the number will be very large. Mr. Cronk is a veteran of the Civil War, having been a member of the famous 2d Wisconsin Cavalry that made a record in the Vicksburg campaign. Mrs. Cronk was last year the president of Ellsworth corps, the auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic, Woman's Relief Corps. We give them a hearty welcome.

See Nolan & Callahan's special bargains for March.

A number of U. of O. boys attended a basket ball game between two girls teams last week. Only young ladies were admitted, but the boys wanted to see the game, so donned girls' dresses and made their way in all right. But as the game progressed and excitement ran high the fake girls gave out a masculine whoop, and were discovered in their feminine attire. Now the boys are wondering what's going to happen to them.

News reached Corvallis Sunday afternoon that Eddie Rosendorf who was attending a medical school in Philadelphia died in the hospital at that place Sunday morning of pneumonia. Mrs. Rosendorf, in answer to a telegram that her son was dying, left this place Friday for the East, but will not reach there until tomorrow, two days after his death. We are unable to publish more definite news regarding the burial.

In conversation with Manager Stokes of the O. A. C. basket ball team, he says no definite arrangements have yet been made for the games with Dallas and Salem. The game with Dallas was thought to have been definitely arranged for next Friday night but the manager of the local team informs us that he wishes to make a different date. Salem wants to play on Saturday night, and in all probability one of the games will be pulled off during the week.



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