

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Otto F. L. Herse went to Portland, Wednesday, to attend some matters of business.

James Booth writes from the Bay that a number of cottages are in course of erection at Nye Brook.

The pastor's subject at the First Methodist church Sunday morning is, "Jesus the Author and Finisher of Christian Faith."

Services as usual at the United Evangelical church. Rev. Hurd will occupy the pulpit both morning and evening.

Mrs. Gillispie and daughter, Genevieve, returned to their home in Amity the first of the week after visiting Corvallis friends a few days.

Services at the M. E. church, South, Sunday morning at 11, and 7:30 p. m. Subject of morning sermon: "Personal Love to Christ." Evening, "Power of Thought." J. A. Ellison, pastor.

H. H. Cook, of the firm of H. H. Cook & Co., contractors and builders of Newport, has been in Corvallis during the week. The gentleman was looking into matters relative to building.

Mrs. E. Allen entertained the Aid Society of the Congregational church Wednesday. About fifty ladies were present and enjoyed a splendid program after which they partook of a delicious luncheon.

W. E. Dunham, who went to California a few weeks ago, has written that he has purchased an improved farm at Eureka and expects to sell his property near this city and remove with his family to that place.

H. E. Hodges received a letter a couple of days ago from Dick Zahn, of Alesia. The writer stated that last Sunday morning he had killed a cougar that measured ten feet in length from the point of the nose to the tip of the tail. This is the 26th cougar that Mr. Zahn has killed since taking up his residence in Alesia.

Shortly before the hour of midnight Wednesday the S. P. freight crew while switching in this city, got off the track in some manner between the two depots. Agent Cronie, of the C. & E., was routed out of bed and asked for the use of his company's engine for use in pulling the cars back on the track. The request was readily granted and everything was soon O. K.

News to the effect that Mrs. Carl F. Farber died recently at her home at Pincher Creek, Canada. Together with her husband and children she went from this section to Canada last September. The family used to reside in Linn county just across the Willamette river from Corvallis. Mrs. Tamin, sister of the deceased, may soon journey to Pincher Creek and bring the orphans to her home near this city.

We are in receipt of a letter from F. P. Sheagreen, of the Oregon Box & Manufacturing Co., Portland, in which the writer states that the future for the company looks very promising. They have secured a contract for the manufacture of 275,000 salmon cases for the coming season. They have the factory in good working order and are using 1,500 feet of lumber every day in their work. Edwin Rose has become quite an expert box maker.

In the way of valentines there was something doing about town Wednesday. So far as those attached to this office are concerned we have no kick coming. Of course, as usual, one or two of us were not "in it," but our fellow workers were so enthusiastically remembered that matters were about evened up and averaged well. As a sample of our treatment we mention incidentally that Merwin McMaines, our job printer, received an express package from Lincoln county on which he paid 30 cents only to find a bottle of buttermilk accompanied by a verse in commemoration of the day.

News of the death of Frank Wicks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wicks, came over from Albany Wednesday. The parents formerly resided in this city and the boy was born here. It seems that the lad, in company with another boy, was out of Albany some distance at what is known as Millersburg, and rather than walk back they decided to board a freight train just passing. Frank was first to make the attempt and missed his hold and was thrown under the train and killed. At 2:30 yesterday afternoon the funeral services were held in the First Christian church of Albany and the remains were interred in the Masonic cemetery of that city. Rev. Ella Humbert conducted the services. Frank was a good boy, industrious and popular. He leaves many relatives and friends in Corvallis.

Miss Clara Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Baker, who reside near the C. & E. depot, is reported to be suffering with an attack of typhoid fever.

The special meetings soon to be held at the M. E. church will be conducted by the pioneer preacher of Oregon, the Rev. T. L. Jones, author of the book, "From the Mines to the Pulpit."

Frank Howell, well known in this city, but who has passed the winter at Alesia, came out from the latter place Tuesday. After a short visit in Corvallis he intends going to Aberdeen, Washington, where he will be employed in a logging camp.

Yesterday Capt. J. W. Crawford filed his petition with the county clerk announcing his republican candidacy for nomination at the coming primary election for the office of recorder. He is a splendid man in every way and is well qualified for the office.

Teachers' examination is now in progress at Supt. Denman's office. There are, all told, seventeen applicants for papers. Of these, one teacher is taking the "exam" for state papers. In the work of examination Supt. Denman is assisted by Prof. N. Tartar, of OAC, and Prof. O. V. White, of Philomath.

County court met in adjourned session Wednesday for the purpose of hearing objections, if any, to those appointed judges and clerks of election at the January term of court, also to confirm and correct such list. According to law there must be an adjourned term held for this purpose on the second Wednesday of February.

Prof. C. O. Boyer, of the Willamette University of Salem, and formerly President of the Puget Sound University at Tacoma, Washington, will deliver an address at the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday night. Prof. Boyer is a talented man of fine personality and will furnish a rare treat to the students and citizens of Corvallis.

From various sources we hear complaint of boys who make a business of pushing companions into hedges. After a lad has been boosted into a hedge it takes a year or two for Nature to repair the damage. Such actions on the part of the boys borders on hoodlumism and if they continue some of them will find themselves before the police judge charged with the destruction of property.

A few days ago while doing some repair work on his house, known as the old Bell residence, J. W. Woods unearthed an old document that is of some interest to old-timers on account of the memories it will awaken. The paper was the appointment of Matthew H. Bell postmaster of Corvallis. The document bears the date of October 4, 1858, and is signed by J. Holt, postmaster general of the United States at that time. The paper is in a splendid state of preservation every letter written or printed on it being perfectly legible.

A few days ago S. H. Horton, of this city, was commenting on the difference in the weather in Benton county and where he was fifty years ago. Fifty years ago on the 8th of February the first child was born to Mr. and Mrs. Horton, who at that time resided in Rochester, Minn. This child was Henry L. Horton and he was the first male child born in Rochester. At the time of his birth there were two feet of snow on the ground and the thermometer stood at 20 below, and for this reason the father particularly remembers the occasion.

Freight train No. 221 south bound, was wrecked near Millersburg on the East Side shortly after four o'clock Wednesday morning. A journal on one of the cars broke and caused the wreck. The track was somewhat torn up and a rail or two broken. The north bound overland arrived in Albany a little late and ran over to Corvallis on the C. & E. line and passed on to Portland over the West Side. Luckily, in the freight wreck nobody was injured. The track was soon cleared and repaired and it was necessary to send but one train to Portland by way of Corvallis.

Many a man is boosted into office not on account of his educational qualifications, but for his popularity. In order to prove this we submit the following which was written Chief of Police Lane, of this city, by a constable from another Oregon county under date of February 12. "Wanted For Obataing Money Under Falsepretines—A, Fay, a bout 30 years oaid 5 fett4 or 4 inches tall brown hair dark eyes very stuped shoulders walks with head down when last seen wore blue suit of cloths and cap hangs around saloons also a kind of a show man. Arrest and wire me." So far as we are advised Chief Lane has not found the man.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

Doings at National Capital Bearing on the West.

In the rapid evolution of policy to be pursued by forestry officials in treating with stockmen desiring range privileges on reserves, an important question has already arisen in Oregon. The supervisor of the Wenaha reserve has given Washington sheepmen leases on portions of the reserve in Oregon under the announcement that the Washington sheep are want to feed there during the summer. Oregon sheepmen, protesting through the Umatilla Wool Grower's Association, assert that much of this range accorded Washington has been used in the past by them in a predatory manner, and that the action of the forestry officials is perpetuating the wrong.

The effect of the present situation is that Washington men have a total of 174,269 sheep on the entire Wenaha reserve, while the Oregon men have a total of about 25,740. There is said to be a total of 37,230 Washington sheep on the Oregon side, which is more than the Oregon people themselves have on their own side of the reserve. Sheep owners paying taxes in Umatilla county insist that they would use all of the Oregon side of the range, if forced out.

Senator Fulton has been working with the department to change such a policy, and the case has resolved itself into a question of fact. The department, acting under the instructions of the Wenaha supervisor, proceeds on an assumption of facts which is contracted by the sheep men. The result will be formal investigation to learn the real situation, as the Oregon senator intends to insist on fair play; and will not be content with the mere statement of officials that their policy is adhering to the former range practices.

In making preliminary arrangements for construction of a mile of good road on either side of the Cascades, Senator Fulton has been urged by Judge John Scott, of Salem, president of the Oregon Good Roads Association, to strive at all times to keep the average cost of work down to the lowest figure. Judge Scott holds that owing to the sparse settlement in Oregon, such a demonstration will have value in proportion to its permanence and initial cost. The senator has taken this point up with the government officials who will have charge, and hopes that the experimental work will be a lesson in economy, as well in the new science of road construction.

Announcement of the interior department that reclamation work for some time would be confined to present projects, because available funds are pledged, is dejecting for the Oregon workers in congress. Oregon's contribution to the reclamation fund being larger than the other states, her people expected proportionate work, but have been disappointed. The varied troubles through which the state has passed made all efforts in her behalf for the past year unusually difficult, and just as these were being swept aside, the department expressed the purpose of entering upon no new work. Senator Fulton has been contending with the interior department for a long time that his state had as many practicable projects for reclamation as any other; and should be given money in proportion to its contribution to the fund. He hopes yet to establish this principle, so as to have it observed in the future.

Remember Nolan's Remnant and Rummage Sale will close Saturday at 9 p. m.

A Healing Gospel. The Rev. J. C. Warren, pastor of the Sharon Baptist church, Belair, Ga., says of Electric Bitters: "It's a Godsend to mankind. It cured me of lame back, stiff joints, and complete physical collapse. I was so weak it took me half an hour to walk a mile. Two bottles of Electric Bitters have made me so strong I have just walked three miles in 50 minutes and feel like walking three more. It's made a new man of me." Greatest remedy for weaknesses and all stomach, liver and kidney complaints. Sold under guarantee at Allen & Woodward's drug store. Price 50 cents.

Additional Local.

J. M. Porter arrived home Wednesday evening and Thomas Whitehorn yesterday. They had been together in Portland on business for about ten days.

Drop head sewing machines \$18 at Blackledge's. 97tf

Presbyterian church, M. S. Bush, pastor, Bible School at 10 a. m. Worship at 11 a. m., subject, "The Great Supper." C. E. meeting at 6:30 p. m. Let every member be present. Evening song service at 7:30, Worship at 8, subject, "John's Axe."

Rev. C. L. McCausland, presiding elder of the M. E. church, South, arrived home a couple of days ago from an extended visit to Southern Oregon, during which time he was attending business matters of the church. The reverend gentleman speaks well of conditions in the sections where he visited.

Rev. G. M. Street, a minister reputed to be on the "rum side," was billed at the court house last night to lecture on the liquor question. He declares in favor of temperance, but not prohibition, and stated that he would prove his arguments by the Bible. He further declares that he is on the stump of his own volition and is not in the employ of any liquor clique.

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Owing to the serious epidemic of typhoid fever raging at Eugene and the presence of several cases in this city, the board of directors of the Corvallis public schools deemed it wise to adopt precautionary measures. They have ordered a forty-five gallon kettle for boiling all water used by the school children. A 60 gallon tank is also ordered for cooling purposes and for use as a reservoir. This was a wise move on the part of the board.

- On account of Contagious diseases Raging elsewhere, The city board of Health recommends That our people Boil all water before Using.

Elijah Skipton died at his home near Philomath yesterday morning after an illness of some length. On the 17th day of last November he was 74 years of age. He was born in Iowa and came to Benton county, Oregon, in 1865. He was a prominent and well esteemed citizen and has served the county as assessor. The remains are to be interred in Newton cemetery this afternoon. We hope to have an extended write-up of the life of this well-known citizen, now deceased, in our next issue.

Dry slab wood at Saw Mill, \$1.25 per load. 15-23+

Congregational church: Sunday School 10 a. m.; Young Men's Class 10 a. m.; Worship and Sermon 11 a. m.; Junior Endeavor 3 p. m.; Senior Endeavor 6:30 p. m.; Vespers and Sermon 7:30 p. m. Morning sermon "Hidden Treasures," evening sermon, the first in a series on "Life's Contracts" "Pride and Humility." Sunday evening music, a duet by Miss Von der Hellen and Mr. Ed R. Hughes. The solo by Miss Edna Allen with violin obligato by Mr. Rosenstein will be repeated by special request.

James Flett and family arrived here Tuesday evening from their Five Rivers homestead, where they have passed the winter and where he wielded the birch both educationally and otherwise. They will be here for about a week after which they will return. Business and pleasure brought them here.

Wood Wanted.

Bids will be received until Feb. 25 on second growth red fir wood, 4 feet long, split to, medium size and well corded at the Corvallis Waterworks and delivered by Sept. 1st in amounts from 50 cords to two or three hundred. We reserve the right to reject any and all bids. 16-17 G. R. FARRA.

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