

ITEMS IN BRIEF.

From yesterday's daily: Mrs. Chas. Hansen returned today to her home in Hood River.

Miss Sadie Orr, of Wasco, is in the city, the guest of Miss Ethel Deming.

A marriage license was issued today to Mr. A. N. Bohn and Miss Henrietta Rand, both of Hood River.

Mr. W. H. Taylor, who has been suffering from a severe attack of asthma, is reported convalescent.

Mr. E. C. Myers, a prominent farmer of Gilliam county, was in the city this forenoon en route to Portland.

The snow has caused a lively demand for cutters. Messrs. Gunning & Hockman have sold six since the storm began.

A chinook wind is reported to have prevailed in Oak Grove county yesterday, settling the snow down to four inches.

Mr. James Snipes' new residence on the hill is completed. It is a commodious building and presents an elegant appearance.

Mr. T. F. Sturtevant, recently from Portland, will in a few days open a cigar store in the room formerly occupied by W. E. Garretson.

The railroad company has already begun observing the holidays. The engine that brought the local in this forenoon was decorated with evergreens.

Bro. Armsworth, of the Wasco News, arrived today from Salem. He has secured a royalty on that complicated churn, so we are informed by Mr. Jacobson.

At a late hour this afternoon Col. Sinnott informed our reporter that he had recruited flogging in so rapidly that he will muster in a battalion. The Colonel's rank will be raised to general.

Today Gory Ousel, of Paulina, filed a homestead application for 120 acres in sec. 11, 16 & 23. Final proof was received at the land office from Chas. B. Sears, of Mayville, on 120 acres in sec. 25, 1 & 19.

Workmen have about completed the ways on which the Regulator will be drawn for repairs on the first of next month. The boat will be thoroughly overhauled, and when it goes into the river again will be as good as new.

The board of trustees of The Dalles Commercial and Athletic Club have ordered carpets and furniture for their rooms. The furniture will be bought in Portland while the order for the carpets has been placed with Messrs. Prinz & Nischke.

Two deeds were filed with the clerk's office today. Hood River Townsite Co. to J. N. McCoy and others, lots 11 and 12, blk 23 in Hood River, containing 12.5 acres.

HOW HE LOST HIS DINNER.

A True Christmas Story by C. De C. Williams. Christmas Eve, in a Superior boarding house, a young man. His god-natural face wore, for him, a very unusual sadness of expression.

Tomorrow, said he, as though speaking to himself, is Christmas, and tomorrow I shall be without a shilling and without a home. I have spent my last, and my week's notice to quit is up today; my landlady's patience has expired at my inability to pay the rent, and I must leave here in the morning.

Christina morning bore a lovely, sunny, cheering morn, which made it easy to feel that renewed tidings of joy and good will to man were being re- spread over the earth that day.

And yet there stood that day, on Elizabeth street, at about 11 A. M., one without a home, one who had not broken his fast—the night before, when we were introduced to him.

"I wonder," he was saying to himself, "I shall have to go without my Christmas dinner."

All who attended the ball given by the Gessing Yacht club at the Baldwin Saturday night are a unit in pronouncing it a splendid affair. The Orchestra Union furnished its best music, and the gentlemen who had the management of the party in hand left nothing undone to make all present enjoy themselves.

Mr. Ellis, stock inspector of Umatilla county, informs the Pendleton Tribune that there are about 240,000 sheep in the county and, contrary to recent reports, they are in good condition for the winter.

Mr. Grimes arrived here yesterday with six carloads of hogs from La Grande and North Powder, en route to Troutdale, and unloaded them at the stock yards to feed. When he left Grand Ronde valley Saturday morning, eight days of age and after crossing himself was hurring on, when an expression in the child's face pulled him up, glancing at her again he saw tears falling fast on the little cheeks and observed that she was staggering under a parcel far too heavy for one of her age.

"What is the matter, my dear?" he inquired. "The bundle is too heavy for me," came in a pitiful wail, and she explained that she had to carry it to Clifton Hill.

"Well," thought her sympathizer, "if I carry it for you, I shall undoubtedly lose my dinner." But be it so, I can still have some Christmas tea.

So seizing the bundle, and bidding the little girl show him the road, he trudged off, followed by the now smiling child. After walking with her a little way he had turned all the history of the little one. She knew it was Christmas day, but she was not going to get any nice things, for her father was dead, and her mother was very poor.

"Well," thought her companion, "poor child, young as you are, you are learning what trouble is, but though I go without my tea you shall have some nice things."

And at the first fruiterer's she came to he took her in, and planting her on a chair, bade her look around and say what nice things she would like for her Christmas present.

Then stood the child, the child of humble parents, but clearly the child of the righteous, clean, winning and well spoken, her little face lit up with eager expectation of childish pleasure to come.

On, for the pleasure of giving joy to the heart of a little one, of whom it has been said, "Suffer little children to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

DON'T SHOOT SOLD SHOT.

Artillery Has Abandoned the Use of That Projectile. The use of solid shot in warfare has been practically given up. The projectile of today is a conical shell of steel and sometimes loaded with powder so as to explode, or by a time fuse.

Such a shell, passing near a man, will tear his clothes off, merely from the whiffage. If it comes very near, though it does not hit, it will still do him some drops dead without a sign of a wound.

Whereas an old-style shell would burst into a few pieces, the modern projectile falls into a myriad of small fragments, each of them moving with the velocity. It may easily be imagined that half a dozen six-pound Hotchkiss shells finding their way into a vessel would scatter and destroy it in every direction.

On the 10th the state board of equalization had completed the footings of all classes of property in the state, except that included in the assessment of Umatilla and Lincoln counties, returns from which had not been received.

The horse was getting the "worst of it" for some time. First he was found to be edible and was made into sausage and canned and sold in steaks here in the city.

The crowing incident, however, went unreported the other day. Down Grand Avenue, says the Register, Star, rolled a man on a wheel, leading a fine, sturdy, middle-aged horse, in the prime of life and usefulness.

As viewed from a numismatic standpoint it is the condition of a coin which fixes its value. It is not the date or age, except in less than thirty years.

By the use of Shiloh's Cure. This great cough cure is the only known remedy for that terrible disease. For sale by M. Z. Donnell.

Yesterday a serious cutting affray occurred at Wasco, Ed Stacey and Thomas Edmondson engaged in a dispute over a trivial matter, and in a fit of anger, Stacey drew a knife, striking Edmondson, inflicting a dangerous if not fatal wound.

The London Spectator lately had a clever article entitled "The Tyranny of Coincidence." The example shown is of a lady who was driving outside of her car when a horse was halted.

AN OLD AND WELL-TRIED REMEDY.—Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers all over the world.

Dr. J. H. Watts, druggist and physician, Humboldt, Ore., who suffered with heart disease for many years, has cured himself and others with his own medicine.

Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure, and was surprised at the result. It put me into a new life and made a new man of me.

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure is sold on a positive guarantee. It is a new and powerful medicine for heart disease. It is sold in bottles for 50¢ and 1.00.

THE GARLAND STOVES AND RANGES.

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