

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.—Articles have been filed in the office of the secretary of state incorporating the Baker City Electric Light Co.; incorporators, J. H. Parker, S. A. Heilner, E. H. Mix, J. Lachs, James T. Wisdom, Daniel Smith; capital stock, \$20,000, divided into 400 shares at \$50 each; place of business, Baker City. Also, the Columbia Valley Immigration and Investment company; incorporators, M. C. George, Penimbra Kelly, George C. Sears, Ward S. Stevens, and H. D. Chapman; capital stock, \$10,000, divided into 200 shares at \$50 each; place of business, Portland. Also, a Street Ferry company; incorporators, W. H. Foster, Wm. Bruck, and R. B. Wilson; capital stock, \$10,000, divided into 100 shares at \$100 each; place of business, Portland. Also, Chehalis Valley Board of Immigration; incorporators, H. J. Minthorn, B. C. Miles, and F. S. Cottle; capital stock, \$2,000, divided into 200 shares at \$10 each; place of business, Newberg, Yamhill county. Also, C. Timmins Co.; incorporators, C. Timmins, E. L. Skog, and Geo. W. Sanborn; object of incorporation, can salmon, etc., run saw mills, buy real estate, deal in general merchandise, etc.; capital stock, \$20,000, divided into 200 shares of \$100 each; place of business, Astoria. Also, Northwestern Book and Mercantile company; incorporators, Nathan Rosenthal, E. S. Simpson, and W. L. Simpson; capital stock, \$5,000, divided into 1200 shares at \$5 each; place of business, Portland. Also, the James Williams Packing company; incorporators, James Williams, J. F. Ryan, and James T. Gannon; capital stock, \$50,000, divided into 500 shares at \$100 each; place of business, Astoria.

THE STAGE DISASTER.—The report of the stage disaster mentioned in yesterday morning's STATESMAN was not without good foundation. It appears, however, that it was the Stutz Dramatic company who were the victims of the accident. The company left Ashland at 1 o'clock Wednesday morning for Yreka, going by livery conveyance. Going down a mountain the brake of four-horse coach, in which a part of the troupe, gave way, the horses were forced into a run and the coach was finally overturned, just before the catastrophe occurred Mr. Stutz threw his little daughter from the coach and she escaped with some bad bruises. Mr. Le Compte suffered a fracture of the collar bone. Miss Julia Hazel was badly cut about the forehead. The driver, Jasper Cunningham, of Ashland, was severely injured internally, it is believed, and the others were badly bruised. The coach is a complete wreck. A building near an old railroad hotel was utilized as a hospital and aid was summoned from Ashland. The company will not be able to proceed any further for several days at least.

GREEN MOUNTAIN LEDGE.—M. C. Wilson, who owns a majority of the stock in the Green Mountain ledge on Cow creek in Douglas county, which is rapidly becoming famous, was in the city yesterday, and was seen by a representative of this paper. Mr. Wilson is very sanguine as to the future of these mines, and he says that a person to be able to purchase his stock in the ledge would have to talk about a sum of money that could only be represented by seven figures on the left of the decimal point. He reports work as progressing finely at the mines, and that new and very rich discoveries are being made every few days. Mr. Wilson is also part owner of a ledge a few miles west of Green Mountain, that yields silver in large quantities, that can be traced for six miles by croppings. There is great excitement all through that country, and the entire district there is having a big boom.

FISHING.—The fisherman is now in his glory. The fisherman consists mostly of the small boy, who is enjoying his week's vacation to the utmost of his ability. The fish law is now out of force and the festive trout can be caught with impunity and a hook, if he can be caught at all. Mill creek is the stream from whose banks the youthful Isaac Waltons cast their lines, and many is the speckled beauty which is yanked from the water. A few days before April 1st, one boy, who was in mortal fear of the majesty of the law, caught two or three trout, and dug a hole next to the stream in which he placed his captives, after filling it with water. On several days he caught more fish and put them in the hole. When the first of April came he hastened to where his prizes were and took them home with him, where he ate them all himself.

A NEW SERIES.—The postoffice department is having prepared a series of new designs of embossed stamps for stamped envelopes of one, two, four, and five cent denominations. The head of Franklin has been selected for the one-cent stamp, and the heads of Washington, Jackson, and Grant for the two, four, and five cent denominations, respectively. The general design of the new series is uniform; on the upper side, and following the oval shape of the stamp, is the legend, "United States Postage," instead of "U. S. Postage," as on the stamp now in use. The new series will be sent out to the different postoffices about May 1st. The border of the one-cent adhesive stamp has been slightly modified to conform to the design of the two-cent stamp.

FITTING UP A ROOM.—Secretary of State McBride is fitting up for the railroad commission a comfortable room in the state house, which for the present will be their quarters. The room is one of the committee rooms of the senate, and will be occupied by the commission until other rooms have been finished during the coming summer, in the course of the improvements which are contemplated. Another meeting of the commission will probably not be held before the first Monday in May. Meanwhile Clerk Bell will collect statistics, information, books, bearing on railroad subjects, etc., for the use of the board.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT.—The commissioners' court yesterday went up to Turner to examine into the condition of some bridges there, and will take a trip to Gervais to-day, on a like errand. A. Jette, of Champoug, and A. J. Geer, of Butteville, were granted licenses to sell liquor in less quantities than a quart.

IS TROUBLE.—If the Seattle correspondent of the Oregonian is to be believed, Collector Quincy A. Brooks, and his deputy, W. H. H. Waters, of this city, have gotten themselves into a bad fix. In compliance with a peremptory order of U. S. grand jury, now in session at Portland, Messrs. Brooks and Waters are in attendance upon the grand jury as witnesses, and will be required to testify in regard to certain swamp land frauds, in which Hen Owens, his associates, and the two unwilling witnesses are implicated. The correspondent has his information from a prominent Oregonian, who says "such men as Owens, Brooks, Waters and other speculators would go into the interior of the state, find a tract of unoccupied land which suited them, and then by a little bribery and a good deal of perjury enter these lands under the swamp land act and acquire title to them for a mere song. In this way much of the best arable land in the state, as well as much fine timber land, was fraudulently wrested from the government." He continued: "Brooks and Waters may not be indicted, but if they escape they will be by the skin of their teeth."

DEED FROM HIS INJURIES.—The unfortunate man, Hugh Harris, who was run over by a wagon on Wednesday morning, has died from the effects of his injuries. Meagre reports of the circumstances of the accident and death have reached this city. It appears, as stated yesterday, that he had started from his home at Oak Grove, about nine miles northwest of this city, to go to the west side station with a load of produce, and when going down a hill, just after he started, a jerk of the wagon threw him out in front of the wheels. The wheels passed diagonally across his head, crushing his skull, and in two hours he expired at his home, whither he had been taken. Mr. Harris was a well-known farmer of that section of the country, and was universally respected. His family has been unfortunately in the matter of accidents. Some years ago a son was shot and killed by the explosion of a shot gun, which he was taking from a wagon, and about two years ago another son fell from the seat of a mower, and was dragged some distance receiving such severe injuries that it was a long time before he completely recovered. The family of Mr. Harris has the sincere sympathy of their friends and neighbors.

THE PORTLAND BRIDGE.—The new bridge across the Willamette at Portland is practically completed, and will be formerly opened to-day or to-morrow. The bridge is the property of the Willamette Iron Bridge company and the cost will approximate \$200,000. The total length of the structure, inclusive of approaches, is 1950 feet, about 600 feet shorter than the Salem bridge. The iron draw is 308 feet, and it will require ninety seconds to open and close it. For the present the draw will be worked by hand, but soon steam will be used. The bridge is a toll bridge, and the rates have been fixed by the court of Multnomah county. The fare is about the same, maybe a little lower, as the Stark street ferry. Work on the structure was commenced in earnest in September 1886, and has gone on actively ever since.

ACQUITTED.—Yesterday, the case of The State vs. John D. Belt, postmaster at McCoy, Polk county, charged with attempted coercion upon Jas. K. Sears, which was postponed from last Saturday, was taken up in the court of Justice Clark at Zena. It appears that some kind of a notice had been posted up in the postoffice at McCoy, while Sears was postmaster, reflecting upon the character of Belt, and the latter was charged with attempted coercion in trying to force Sears to take it down. After hearing the testimony, the justice discharged Mr. Belt. Belt will be tried to-day on the charge of assault and battery preferred by Sears, and after that is disposed of he will have to answer to six charges of selling liquor without a license.

A SOFT THING.—Last evening Capt. F. J. Babcock, junior, aged about 11 years, and Major Frank Hodgkin, also junior, aged about 9, were galloping down Union street, one behind the other, on a mare "Maud," a half-sister to Maud S., when the aforesaid mare Maud took a lofty tumble and fell on top of the two boys in a big mud hole. The mud was very soft, and it may be said with a superlative degree of veracity that the boys struck a soft thing. "Maud" continued to remain in her awkward position on top of the boys, until Major Hodgkin, junior, got one foot out from under the wreck and kicked her off. Then the boys crawled out and went home covered with mud and disgust, principally mud.

LATER COMING.—Owing to the uncertainty as to what effect on trade the interstate commerce law would have larger orders for spring goods than usual were sent east by merchants of this city. It would seem that merchants of other cities have done the same, for loads of goods which were started from Chicago a few days westward four weeks ago have not yet arrived, and will not for a few days. This is owing to the large amount of freight which is being handled by the transcontinental railroads. It is stated that the rates not only upon the O. & C. but on the O. R. & N. have not changed at all, since the law went into effect.

THE MARPLE-CORKER CASE.—The trial of Richard E. Marple, charged with the murder of David I. Corker, a merchant of Lafayette, on the first of last November, was begun in the circuit court for Yamhill county on Wednesday, Judge Boise presiding. No great difficulty was experienced in getting a jury. The testimony presented by the prosecution was very strong, though circumstantial, and very damaging to the defendant's prospects. The defense admits that the murder was committed, but claims that it will be able to show that Marple is not the man who committed it.

REUNAWAY.—The team of Tucker, the milkman, while hitched in the alley near Barker's feed stable, yesterday, became frightened at something, and breaking loose started down the alley. They ran through the alley until they reached Court street, when they turned and ran Court street. When near W. F. Boothby's the wagon struck a maple tree and stuck. The team broke loose, and continued on their run, but were soon stopped. No damage, except a broken double-tree, a split axle, and a lot of spilled milk.

PREPARING.—The Rescue hose team has organized for the coming tournament. F. L. Parker was re-elected captain. The department is also getting up a grand ball to take place upon next Monday evening, says the Astorian. The tournament, it is stated, will be held in Vancouver. Seems like the tournament spoken of has been held in this city once or twice.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY.

WILL PROCEED WITH THE WORK.—The college building association met on the 23d inst. and transacted the following business: A contract for 600,000 brick was authorized to be executed, the brick to be delivered, one-half on July 1st and the balance on August 15th. It was determined to proceed with the work and ignore the action of the Methodist (south) trustees. A committee consisting of the lawyers of the board, John Burnett, J. R. Bryson, and M. S. Woodcock, was appointed to confer with the state board of education with reference to the action of the church trustees. An assessment of one-third of the amount subscribed was levied upon the subscribers to be paid by May 1st. Mr. Job informed the board that Col. Hogg had remitted a check for the full amount of his subscription of \$1,000. The question of calling a meeting of the citizens was discussed and it was determined that the people and not the board should take such action. There is considerable talk of such a meeting being called. It certainly should be.—(Chronicle.)

STATE BOARD RESIGNS.—The members of the state board of immigration, C. H. Dodd, W. N. Ladue, W. H. Corbett, H. B. Miller, and S. Rothschild, have handed in their resignations to the governor, to take effect upon the appointment and qualification of their successors. The resignation of C. B. Carlisle, secretary of the board, was made on March 7th, but he was requested by the board to remain in office until the close of their official terms. In a letter to the governor, Mr. Dodd, president of the board, gives an account of the work done by the board since its establishment, and of its present status. Besides leaving a well equipped office, the board has on hand \$1000, enough to run it five months. The reason given for the resignation of the members was a supposed desire on the part of the governor and new administration to appoint a new board. Gov. Penoyer has not yet signified what action he will take.

DOLCE FAR NIENTE.—The Dolce Far Niente club of Albany, which has given a number of select parties this winter, has issued invitations for a calico party to be given in the opera house in that place on Thursday evening, April 21st. A number of invitations have been received by parties in this city. The invitations are very unique, printed on a very pretty design of calico. Music will be furnished by Parson & Bray's orchestra of Portland. The high tone of the club's previous parties is sufficient guarantee that this will be a most enjoyable affair. The committee on invitation is: Thos. G. Hopkins, Chas. Monteth, Curt B. Winn, Wm. Garrett, and Geo. U. Piper.

RAILROAD OFFICIALS COMING.—C. P. Huntington, vice president of the Southern Pacific railroad, is expected here early in June, says the Portland News. Col. Charles F. Crocker, third vice president, and Timothy Hopkins, treasurer, of the same company, will probably be here about the end of April or early in May. Their visit is for the purpose of looking over the Oregon & California, and to look into the Southern Pacific company's interests here generally. Col. Geo. P. Bissell, of Hartford, Conn., vice president of the Portland & Willamette Valley railroad, will stop a few days here in June, on his return home from Japan.

DISCHARGED.—The third scene, second act, of the everlasting Shaw-Kearns controversy is over. The curtain has rung down, and the lights are put out. Scott Shaw, who was arrested upon complaint of Thurston Kearns, charging him with assault, was yesterday discharged, in Justice O'Donald's court, upon motion of the prosecution. This ends these cases for the present. The parties returned yesterday to their homes up near Annsville and Stayton. It seems that Kearns, after swearing out the complaint and having the time set for hearing the examination, left the city and did not appear against Shaw, hence the dismissal. The costs were taxed to the county.

CUNNINGHAM WANTS \$25,000.—A. C. Cunningham, of Portland, claims riparian rights on Bull Run river, which he thinks have been infringed upon by the water committee. He has made out a bill for \$25,000 and wants an amicable settlement with the committee. He would like to sell his rights and titles to the committee. Col. Louis Fleischer reported the above facts at the committee's meeting Tuesday afternoon and said he had been so informed by Attorney Joseph Simon. Mr. Cunningham will receive word that the committee will consider any communication from him on the subject.

BOUGHT A HALF INTEREST.—Rev. J. S. McCain, formerly of the Dallas Itemizer, and lately Methodist minister at Newport, has been in the city for several days, negotiating for the purchase of a half interest in an evening paper published here, the Daily Talk. It is understood that arrangements have been perfected, and that Mr. McCain will soon assume the editorship and the dictation of the future policy of that paper. He says that it will be run "on the right side of all moral questions." Mr. McCain is an able and vigorous writer and will no doubt make a success of the Talk.

THE COURT HOUSE YARD.—The county commissioners' court is considering the advisability of fixing up the grounds of the court house. It is proposed to construct a drive coming from the four corners of the lot and running up to the doors and entirely around the building. Between the roads grass seed is to be sown, and the grounds beautified in many ways. It is to be hoped that the court will consider the proposition favorably, and that work will be commenced with the opening spring. The court house building is entirely out of proportion with its surroundings.

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TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The Proceedings of the Second Day of the Institute of the Third District at Albany.

MORNING SESSION. Institute opened promptly at 9 a. m. Remarks were made by Supt. McElroy. He urged the necessity of having written contracts to avoid misunderstandings, etc. Usually the fault of directors.

Language lesson continued by Mr. Williams, followed by Supt. Robinson, of Polk, Supt. McElroy called Supt. Peebles to the chair, who asked Mr. Strange to continue the discussion of preparatory work and discipline, followed by Messrs. Bashor, Peebles, Pentland, Shanks, and Brooks. "Morals and Manners" was introduced by Mr. Lonsay and discussed by Messrs. Peebles and Brownson.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON. Language lessons were continued by Mr. Rigdon, of Marion, followed by Messrs. Randle, Lane, Jewell, Jarvis, Miss Godley, Messrs. Leatherman, Miss Kirkpatrick, Miss Bristow, who expressed themselves as being in favor of Sill's grammar.

President Van Scoy introduced the subject of Recitation. Miss Bristow favored Prof. Van Scoy's idea not to give the lesson over. J. W. Jewett introduced the subject of school government, discussed it well, and was followed by Mr. Childers, Mr. Randle and a number of ladies whose names were missed by the correspondent.

EVENING SESSION. In the evening an interesting programme was presented, composed of vocal and instrumental music, recitations, calisthenic exercises, etc., and an able address by Prof. Van Scoy, of the Willamette university.

The following teachers from Marion county are present: Mary E. Reynolds, Salem; Addie Scriber, Salem; Grace Scriber, Salem; Maggie Collier, Salem; Lizzie Dearborn, Salem; Lilly Littlefield, Salem; Laura Shaw, Salem; Lella Waters, Salem; Florella Phillips, Salem; Emily Huelat, Theo Van Wagner, Salem; A. L. Clark, Salem; Geo. A. Peebles, Salem; B. A. Childers, Jefferson; Lydia Denyer, Turner; H. C. Holcomb, Macleay; Libbie English, Marion; W. T. Rigdon, Jefferson; Hattie C. Smith, Jefferson; J. B. Leatherman, Woodburn; Miss L. B. Lewis, Salem; Laura Galtra, Salem; Prof. Van Scoy, Salem; Prof. M. G. Lane, Salem; Geo. P. Littlefield, Salem; H. H. Smith, Jefferson; Prof. S. A. Randle, Salem; Julia B. Thayer, Salem; Mrs. J. E. Dawne, Salem.

ACQUITTED.—The second of the cases against John D. Belt was taken up in the court of Justice Clarke, in Zena precinct, yesterday. This was a charge of assault and battery upon Jas. K. Sears. The State was represented by Deputy District Attorney Townsend, of Dallas, and Geo. Ringham, of this city, and the defense by W. H. Holmes and Benj. Hayden, of this city. The case was tried before a jury, and resulted in a verdict of acquittal for the defendant. Upon motion of the district attorney, four of the six charges of selling liquor without a license were dismissed, and he will be examined to-morrow upon the other two charges.

THE MARPLE TRIAL.—The second day's trial of the Marple case was continued on Wednesday, in Lafayette. Marple made but a brief defense, placing his wife and mother on the stand in his behalf. They endeavored to account for the blood which was found on Marple's coat, and which was considered a strong circumstance of his guilt. On that evening District Attorney Belt and Attorney H. Y. Thompson submitted their argument to the jury, and on yesterday morning Attorney Hurley closed the argument on behalf of the prosecution, and the case was submitted to the jury.

A MISSING MAN.—County Judge Cox, of St. Helens, has offered a reward of \$75 for information as to the whereabouts of Frank Vickers and \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the person who murdered him, if he was murdered. Vickers was a witness before Coroner Cook in the case of David Cloninger, who shot and killed Frank Pierce at Seapoose landing. Vickers has not been seen since that time. Cloninger was sent up for fifteen years and died in the penitentiary about a year ago.—(Oregonian.)

A NEW PAPER.—The first number of the new monthly paper will be issued in Salem to-day. It will be called the Marion County Bulletin, and is published by J. B. Tichenor, immigration agent for Marion county, and issued by Hendricks & Sautert, real estate agents. Its circulation will be simply unlimited as to numbers. It will be scattered free gratis for nothing all over this broad land, and no advertisements will be inserted in it. It will be a lively paper. Long life to it.

PROPERTY SOLD.—Yesterday the property just northeast of town, known as the Bonham place, was sold at executor's sale by Jacob Ogle, executor. There were several bidders, and the property was knocked down to Mrs. Sullivan, who lives about six miles east of town, for \$1655. Mrs. Sullivan will move her family from south Howell Prairie to this place for the purpose of letting them attend school. The property consist of a good frame house and ten acres of land.

TAKEN CHARGE.—Rev. D. M. Dick, the new evangelical minister who recently arrived from Lochaven, Pennsylvania, preached his inaugural discourse last Sunday, and made a very favorable impression on his congregation. Rev. Dick comes very highly recommended to this city, having held an important charge in Pennsylvania. He has brought his wife and family, and they have taken up their residence in the parsonage of the Evangelical church, on Liberty street.

ONE DRUNK.—Monsieur Louis De La Mar was yanked up before the recorder yesterday morning, charged with being drunk and disorderly. Mr. De La Mar was given the usual dose—four days in the city jail.

FROM SUNDAY'S DAILY.

EASTER DAY.—To-day, Easter, the day observed in commemoration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, will be celebrated in some appropriate manner in the churches of this city. Easter is one of the movable festival days of which there have been many methods of computation to settle the day upon which it should happen. The Christians of Jerusalem, and, after them, those of the Asiatic churches generally, were accustomed to hold the feast of Easter simultaneously with the Jewish Passover. This usage was unacceptable to the Gentile churches of Italy and the West generally, which preferred to celebrate Easter on the Sunday following the feast of the Passover. This difference in practice led to grave dissensions between the East and West, which were at length pacified by the agreement reached in the Council of Nicea (A. D. 325), to make the Western usage universal. Since this early period Easter has been observed throughout the Christian world on the Sunday following the full moon which happens on the 21st of March (provided it takes place before noon of Saturday, otherwise on the next Sunday); but if the moon falls before the 21st, then Easter is the Sunday following the next full moon, with the proviso above as to its happening before noon on Saturday. It will thus be seen that the vernal equinox is the "constant" factor in this arrangement. By this rule, Easter can never happen earlier than the 23d of March nor later than the 25th of April.

PORTLAND WORKED AT LAST.—Friday morning the long-talked-of street fakir, with his brass cuff buttons and watches, opened up his stand on the corner of First and Morrison streets, and proceeded to gull the public, says the Telegram. The suckers in this city seemed just as ready to bite as the much-lauged-at people of Albany, Salem, Corvallis, and other interior towns. Fools will be fools the world over, and those who were taken in, don't deserve sympathy. The city authorities are grossly to blame however, for permitting a known swindler to openly ply his vocation on the public thoroughfare; but the principal duty of a policeman in this town has always been to draw his salary. The fakir gathered in about \$200, then went, and had some dinner, after which he took himself and his stock in trade over to East Port and, besides taking in the suckers of East Port, the gentleman mentioned has been taking in the sound country, selling the personal effects of that benighted region his brass chains and tin watches.

THE MARPLE CASE.—On Friday morning Judge Hurley made an eloquent argument before the jury in the Marple case, for the conviction of the defendant. The case was submitted to the jury at 1:30 o'clock. At 9 o'clock the jury brought in the following verdict: "State of Oregon vs. R. E. Marple.—We, the jury in the above entitled case, find the defendant guilty as charged in the indictment, and recommend him to the mercy of the court. W. Carl, Foreman." Marple, at the request of the court, stood up while the verdict was read to him. He did not show the least sign of concern, and sat down apparently the least affected of any of the large crowd that had gathered in the court room to hear the verdict. He was to have been sentenced yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. The last part of the above verdict seems extraordinary, in view of the fact that the only penalty of murder in the first degree is hanging.

A DULL DAY.—Yesterday the ubiquitous reporter made himself hoarse in asking the time-honored question "What's the news?" and bored those who sometimes, unfortunately for them, have given him an item, so long and persistently that he narrowly escaped with his life on three separate and distinct occasions. But it was a dull day—sort of damps, as it were. Mr. Jupiter Pluvius transacted most of the business, and spread out over a good deal of territory. The river was nine and one-half feet above low water mark, and it will boom about to-day. Farmers are getting impatient about the long-continued rains, and say that it will delay considerably their spring plowing and sowing.

POSTAL ITEMS.—The tri-weekly mail route between this city and Macleay has been discontinued, and the mail now goes by way of the narrow gauge. The order of discontinuance went into effect yesterday. Four new postoffices have been established in this county recently. The first is Switzerland, between Silverton and Macleay, on the narrow gauge near the old McAllister place. Mr. Green, postmaster; the second is Howell, at the Howell prairie corners, Mr. Saunders, postmaster; the third is Time, between Annsville and Macleay, Angus Shaw, postmaster; and the fourth is the postoffice at Cnemawa, which was renewed on April 1st; the son of Col. Lee is postmaster.

W. U. MEDICAL COLLEGE.—The twenty-second annual commencement of the medical department of the Willamette University will be held in Portland, in the Taylor street church, to-morrow evening at 11 o'clock. The following is the programme: Opening prayer, Rev. F. P. Tower; commencement address, Rev. J. W. Alderman; music (horn solo, with organ accompaniment), C. C. Fallienius; charge to graduates, Prof. W. H. Watkins, M. D.; valedictory address, Otis D. Butler, M. D.; solo, "Moorish Serenade" (Kucher), Miss Harris; Mrs. M. A. Smith, accompanist. Following is the list of graduates: Otis D. Butler, Herbert W. Cardwell, Curtis Holcomb, W. D. Jeffries, John J. Sellwood, and Frank S. Wright.

THE TWO SALES.—The Bashor farm of 80 acres was sold at sheriff's sale at 2 o'clock yesterday to Gilbert Bros., for \$853.25, the amount of the execution which the purchasers held against the owners. The Hubbard place of 276 acres was not sold, but the sale was postponed until next Saturday, at 11 o'clock. This latter is a valuable piece of property and should bring a good round sum. It is hardly probable, however, that it will go for any where near its value at sheriff's sale.

A GOOD CHESTNUT.—It is an old saying that "Cleanliness is next to godliness." If you would be clean, get a cake of that elegant toilet soap "Speciosa" at Felt's, No. 100 State street.

A VISIT TO ALBANY.

District Teachers' Institute—An Entertainment—A Growing Town.

A representative of this paper spent Friday in the city of Albany, in attendance at the district teachers' institute for this judicial district. It being, virtually, his first visit to Albany, that is the first when he had time to "view the town," of course the day was pleasantly and profitably spent.

Of course the first visit was to the teachers' institute, which was held in the opera house. The writer regrets to concede it, yet it is a fact, Albany has a far better and more comfortable opera house than this city, and it is on the ground floor, at that. The stage is probably smaller, yet the scenes and flats are better and more attractive than those in the opera house here. Another thing, it is clean, and is a good auditorium. It was well filled with teachers, and friends of education all through the session, and an excellent interest was manifested.

Albany's prospects have improved great deal since the completion of the Oregon Pacific railroad to that city, and it is estimated by careful judges that the population of the place has increased by fully a thousand souls during the past year. It is said to be impossible to find a desirable house vacant in the place. There are several very neat residences in the city, surrounded by very tastily laid out and well taken care of grounds. There has been a great improvement there in the style of architecture, as there has been every where else, during the past year.

Real property is held rather high in that city, the owner of a prominent corner lot having refused \$10,000 for it a few days since. However, there appears to be considerable activity in real-estate circles there, and a good many sales are reported. Albany will make a good-sized and prosperous city some time in the future, as its natural advantages are enhanced by good water-power, etc., and it has the aid of joining railroad lines.

The institute closed out Friday evening, and an excellent entertainment was given as a grand finale. Several of Salem's teachers participated, and the reputation and standing of the capital city were well sustained. Miss De Forest amused and interested the audience by her delightful elocutionary efforts; Miss Addie Scriber and Miss Emily Huelat each gave excellent recitations, and Miss Helena Holman, of the blind school, gave a couple of alto solos, which were sung in good voice. A male quartette, solos, music by the band, and a children's chorus, together with a silent gymnastic drill by a class of children, made up the entertainment, which was well attended. Every body seemed well pleased with their treatment at the hands of the Albanians during the institute.

BROWNED AT MIDNIGHT.

Sherman Evans, of Salem, Drowned by Falling from the Kellogg Dock, at Portland.

Sherman Evans, while attempting to board the steamer Joseph Kellogg, which was lying at its dock a short distance below the Jefferson street ferry, in Portland, Friday, at midnight, fell into the Willamette, and was drowned. Of the circumstances connected with the accident, but little is known. Young Evans was a deckhand on the Joseph Kellogg, a steamboat which plies between Portland and points on the Cowlitz river, in Washington territory. He left the boat on Friday night, in his usual health and spirits, and when he returned he lost his bearings in the dark, made a misstep, fell into the river, and found a watery grave in the cold Willamette.

Capt. Kellogg began the search for the body yesterday morning, but it was not recovered until two o'clock in the afternoon. The body was turned over to Coroner De Lin, and the coroner's jury returned a verdict in accordance with the above facts.

The parents of the young man in this city, W. A. Evans, the deliveryman, and Mrs. M. J. Fisher, were notified of the sad circumstance, and their wishes in regard to the disposal of the remains conformed. They will be brought up from Portland to-morrow morning on the 10:35 train and buried in the Odd Fellows' cemetery.

Young Evans was 22 years of age, and was quite well known in this city. About four months ago he left here and, after working in several places, secured a position as deck hand on the Joseph Kellogg. His sad and unexpected death has been a severe blow to his parents and to his brother, Ross Evans. He will be buried immediately after the arrival of to-morrow morning's train. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral.

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