### THE HOLIDAY PARTY.

#### A Brilliant Assemblage, and a Grand Affair-The Guests, from Salem and Elsewhere.

A large and brilliant assemblage was gathered in the state house on Wednesday evening, the occasion which called it together being the holiday party, which had been announced to be given by the Capital Social club on that date. The spacious hallways were brilliantly lighted at an early hour, and the doors thrown open for the reception of the guests. About 8 o'clock the first installment of guests arrived and from that time until 10 the flow of arrivals was uninterrupted.

At 10 promptly, the grand march, led by Gov. and Mrs. Moody, began. The procession was formed in the senate chamber and was conducted from thence into the representatives' hall. Nearly 200 couples were in line, keeping step to the magnificent music of Parsons' orchestra, and the train extended twice around the large room. The grand march broke up in a waltz, and then the joy was un-confined. All stiffness, if, indeed, there was any, disappeared as if by magic, and every one made himself or herself at home. The guests from abroad mingled among the Salem people as though they were perfectly at home. Every one was in a good humor, and bound to have a

A pleasant feature of the evening was the manner in which refreshments were served. A room had been especially set apart for this purpose, and all that was necessary to be done to get the most elegant of eatables was to step in and take what you wanted. Coffee, fruits, ice cream, cake and almost any thing the appetite could desire were served in abundance.

Not the slightest event or accident occurred to mar the pleasantness of the evening and the enjoyment of the guests. The beauty of the music alone was enough to put the worst old chronic in the world in a good humor, and the arrangements for the comfort of the participants and spectators were perfect. If you did not want to dance, you could promenade through the hallways; and if you did not care to promenade, you could eat; add if you did not want to eat, you could sit in a corner and talk; and, whatever you did, you could listen to the music. It was at a shockingly late hour when the party broke up.

To the activity and generosity of the managing committee is due the success of the evening's entertainment. Neither expense nor pains were spared to make the affair what it was intended to bethe finest ever given in Salem. This may be said to be the high-water mark of the winter's enjoyment.

Some very elegant costumes were ing them would be undertaken. To a tator in the gallery, the effect of the blending of the colors of the different costumes was simply beautiful.

There were present, Gov. and Mrs. Moody, Secretary and Mrs. Earhart, Gov. and Mrs. S. F. Chadwick, Hon. and Mrs. G. W. Webb, Dr. and Mrs. Josephi, Judge and Mrs. W. P. Lord, Hon. Ed. Hirsch, Judge R. S. Strahan, Hon. F. C. Baker, Rev. and Mrs. J. Taylor Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Croasman, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Lafore, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rosenberg, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Strang, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. Werner Breyman, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Waite, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Breyman, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. J. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. Horace W. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Gatch, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. England, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Dalrymple, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Boothby, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Moores, Mr. and Mrs. F. Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Hodgkin, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Cusick, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Murphy, Mrs. Lute Savage, Mrs, Peter D'Arcy, Mrs. I. N. Gilhert, Mrs. Jos. Holman, Mrs. D. Payton, Mrs. S. A. Clarke, Mrs. G. C. Litchfield, Mrs. Gertrude Lownsdale, Mr. W. N. Ladue, Mr. P. H. D'Arcy, Mr. J. D. Mc-Cully, Mr. A. Bush, Mr. M. L. Chamberlin, Prof. N. S. Keith, Mr. E. P. McCornack, and Mr. J. A. Stratton, of Salem Mrs. Gov. Pennoyer, Judge and Mrs. M. P. Deady, Judge and Mrs. J. F. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Durham, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Durham, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gearin, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Powell, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dekum, of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Bowman, Prof. and Mrs. W. A. Wetzel, and Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Breyman, of East Port-Miss Maggie Cosper, Miss Breyman,

Miss Anna Breyman, Miss Lena Brey man, Miss Jessie Breyman, Miss Hawley Miss Ella Dearborn, Miss Addie Scriber, Miss Grace Scriber, Miss Jennie Gray, Miss Ellen J. Chamberlin, Nora Chamberlin, Miss Julia Chamberlin, Miss Emily Huelat, Miss Mae Carpenter, Miss Boise, Miss May Boise, Miss Teresa D'Arcy, Miss Maria D'Arcy, Miss Earhart, Miss Eva Earhart, Miss Clara Earbart, Miss Ethel Cusick, Miss Dalrymple, Miss Jessie Dalrymple, Miss Kate Dalrymple, Miss Frankie Jones, Miss Addie Cox, Miss Craig, Miss Grace Piper, Miss Jessie Bass, Miss May Chadwick, Miss Grace Lindsey, Miss Leona Willis, Miss Claggett, Miss Rose Smith, Miss Bush, Miss Eugenia Bush, Miss Chambers, Miss Sadie Nelson, and Miss Amelia Savage; Mr. I. A. Manning, Mr. W. J. Clarke, Mr. Frank H. Alliston, Mr. F. S. Dearborn, Mr. O. W. Port, Mr. A. L. McCully, Mr. R. J. Hendricks, Mr. C. A. Piper, Mr. E. B. Piper, Mr. O. E. Kransse, Mr. T. A. Howard, Mr. T. O. Barker, Mr. S. F. Floed, Mr. E. L. L. Johnson, Mr. H. S. Jordan, Mr. Isaac Scott, Mr. E. J. Humason, Mr. W. J. D'Arcy, Mr. Jno. W. Minto, Mr. E. J. Frazier, Mr. Duncan Ross, Mr. Frank Abernethy, Mr. Frank Cross, Mr. Chas. Riely, Mr. Lute Savage, and Mr. Fred. Weatherford, of Salem; Miss Gertrude Pennoyer, Miss Lena Bickel, Miss Lilian Stanley, Miss Mabel Willis, Miss Daisy Eaton, Miss Lily Rogers, Miss Lissa De-kum, Miss Lizzie Beazley, Miss Nellie Durham, Miss Lolla Dalton, Miss Mary

Woodward, Miss Laura Watkinds, Miss Alice Gove; Mr. George Russell, Mr. Harry Hogue, Mr. G. W. Steel, Mr. Chas. Slatten, Mr. Ed. Dekum, Mr. Robert E. Davis, Mr. F. R. Lownsdale, Mr. Jas. M. Wallace, Mr. R. W. Hoyt, Mr. W. L. Boise, Mr. Raiph Moody, Mr. B. F. Jones, Mr. Jas. Dunlap, Mr. O. F. Paxtor, Mr. W. G. Woodworth, Mr. Frank Northrup, Mr. Alfred Holman, Mr. R. G. Morrow, Mr. J. C. S. Richardson, and Mr. Clyde B. Cooke, of Portland; Miss Jordan, Miss Gertrude Jordan, and Miss Cora Wells, of East Portland; Miss Fanny Cochran, of Roseburg; Miss Bell, Miss Blanche Bell, and Miss Connelly, of Astoria; Miss Bertha Neugass, of Corvallis; Mr. Geo. Piper and Mr. Curt Winn, of Albany; Mr. Ino. Foster, of Corvallis; mess wi Mr. W. E. Price, of Scio; Mr. Z. A. in exce Moody, of The Dalles; Mr. Barry Gold- 1885.): water, of Yaquina City.

Honorary Committee — Hon. Z. F.
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man, P. H. D'Arey, Claud Gatch. Committee of Arrangements - E. McCornack, F. H. Alliston, F. E. Hodgkin, F. A. Abernethy, Wm. J. Clarke.
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R. E. Moody, W. J. Clarke.

A RARE FREAT .- On next Tuesday evening Sedgwick Post, No. 10, and Sedgwick Relief Corps, No. 1, will hold a joint meeting, which will consist of the instal- istered, 6 foreign letters, 66 domestic 3rd lation of officers for the ensuing year, as well as a choice musical and literary programme. Among those who will con-Byars, Miss Parvin and Miss Rosa Stannus, of Tacoma. The Chehalis, W. T., Nugget, has the following to say of the abilities of Miss Stannus: "All seemed 30, there were 2s to agree that it was the most refined, poetic and delightful entertainment ever held in Chehalis. Miss Stannus' readings appeal to intellect; they are thoughtman nature. The material significance of her humorous pieces are the delicate bie to give correct classification. Total satire, the cleverly consistent characterization, the good acting, and the correct analysis of human motives and actions. These are among the most admirable features of her entertainment.'

A SWILL-WAGON EPISODE.-There is an old Chinaman, who lives near town, who comes in about every day with a rickety old wagon and team and a lot of barrels, for the purpose of collecting swill for a number of hogs he has. Yesterday the Chinaman left his team standing in the alley between State and Ferry streets, behind the China houses, and his fiery Arabians became excited, strange to say and started on a dead run down the alley The way they spilled barrels of swill along the alley was a caution. When they struck Church street they turned they struck Church street they turned Year by the City Police worn. It is a matter of regret that there and ran into the country. When the is not about six columns' more space to Chinaman saw his team actually running this paper, or surely the task of describ- away, he stood stock still, paralyzed with astonishment. Then he gave a wild yell, and ran down the middle of the muddy street, with his queue waving out behind like a streamer. Nothing has been heard of either the team or Chinaman since.

> DIED AT ROSEBURG .- On the 28th inst. Mrs. James Demos, of the Demos family, died at Roseburg. The deceased was taken ill recently in California while the family was making a tour of that state. Shortly after coming to Roseburg she remained bed fast until her death. The family have given concerts in thirteen states and have been in the business about as many years. Most of the children were born in Oregon, where they gave their first concerts. They have published much execllent music. It is supposed that the family will reorganize immediately and give concerts again.

ON THE STAGE.-Fred. Summerfield. well known in Salem, who worked for several years for Amos Strong as candy manufacturer, and who was some time since in business in Oakland, California. has adopted a new profession, and now struts and frets his hour upon the stage," or words to that effect, in the Star theatre in San Francisco. He has a regular position, after several months of hard study, and, as he is talented and industrious, Fred is liable to be a star yet. He may pay Salem a visit in the near future, coming with a troupe that will play in the principal places of this coast. He would draw a big house here.

THE SUNKEN BENTLEY.-The steamer Bentley is lying in much the same condition as when she first went down. Some of the doors and windows have been removed and the boat, which was one of the neatest crofts on the river, looks very dilapidated. Agent Young, at the Oregon Paritie wharf, was engaged Wednesday in taking an inventory of the furniture and equipage removed from the sunken steamer. The most of the articles of value which were on the lower. deck and not at first recovered, have been secured. It is thought that the proprietors of the Bentley will be able to raise her, and make her again fit for service.

THE BAPTIST ENTERTAINMENT. - Tonight will be given at the opera house the entertainment of the young ladies of the Baptist church. The first part of the progamme will be musical, and the principal features of it will be the piano solo of Miss Parrish. And the rest of this part of the programme will prove very interesting. The "tableaux vivants" wil be pleasing and novel features of the entertainment, and will be such as can be enjoyed and understood by every one present. The "country choir" and the 'effects of intemperance" are especially interesting and amusing.

Business Change.-B. F. Cooley, of Woodburn, has sold out his general merchandise store to Tooze Bros. Mr. Cooley will start on Monday for Fresno, California, where he will make his home in the future. The Tooze Bros. are excellent young men, competent and enterprising, and will no doubt retain all the old patronage and extend their busi-

An Omission.-In the hurry of the preparation of the names of the guests at the holiday party, published vesterday. several names were omitted, among them those of Mr. Ed. N. Edes, Mr. A. E. Holgate, and Mrs. Alice M. Aiken, of Salem; Mr. H. D. Gradon, of Portland; Stott, Miss Lottie Stout, Miss, Fannie and Miss Bertha Breyman, of East Port-Plummer, Miss May Prentice, Miss May land.

#### SALEM POSTOFFICE.

Some Figures Culled from the Postmaster's Report---Receipts and Business.

The following figures regarding the postoffice are taken from the quarterly reports of Gen. W. H. Odell, postmaster: OFFICE RECEIPTS.

fiscal year ending September 30. (The report for the quarter ending Dec. 31, is not yet complete, but that quarter's business will be about the same as, or a little in excess of the corresponding quarter for

Amount of stamps sold during the

Fourth quarter 1885... 1886... 1886... Second I886... Total From box rent-Fourth quarter, 1885 \$ 405 68 First quarter, 1886.

Second quarter, 1886

Third quarter, 1886 ...

-\$1,627 64 Total revenue of office. \$10,271 16

412 25

399 91

REGISTRY BUSINESS.

During the quarter ending March 31, 886, there were 335 domestic letters regand 4th class packets, and 45 official, free. Total 543.

During the quarter ending June 30, tribute to the literary part of the enter-tainment are Miss Amelia Savage, Miss tered, 12 foreign letters, 66 domestic 3rd and 4th class packets, and 43 official,

During the quarter ending September tered, 12 foreign letters, 63 domestic 3rd of worth, and he is to be congratulated and 4th class packets, and 29 official, free. Total 407.

During the quarter ending Dec. 31. ful and represent the mental side of hu- there were 476 registered packets. The report not being complete, it is impossi-

Total registers during the year, 1794. Number of registered letters and packets received during 1886, 3312.

MONEY ORDER BUSINESS.

Amount of money orders and postal notes paid during 1886, \$118,492.16. Amount of money orders and postal notes issued during the year, \$78,742.16. Number of money orders issued, 3901; ostal notes, 2284.

Number of special delivery letters and growing in importance so rapidly. packets received and delivered since Oct.

## POLICE COURT RECORD

Officers

made by the police officers.

January-For disorderly conduct, 17; vagrancy, 6; indecent conduct, 1. February-For disorderly conduct, 17

ragrancy, 3. March-For disorderly conduct, 15; vagrancy, 1; leading a horse on the sidewalk, 1.

April-For disorderly conduct, 20; vagrancy, 7. May-For disorderly conduct, 7; vagrancy, 2; insulting a person, 1.

June-For disorderly conduct, 8; vagrancy, 3; street fighting, 2. July-For disorderly conduct, 19; vagrancy, 5; keeping a dog without a license, 1; keeping an opium den, 1; be-

ing found in an opium den, 2; smoking opium, 1; assault and battery, 1. August-For disorderly conduct, 21: vagrancy, 10; peddling without a license, ; rude, indecent and disorderly conduct,

September—For disorderly conduct, 33; rude, indecent and disorderly conduct, 1; peddling without a license, 2; vagrancy, 8; resisting an officer, 2; auctioneering without a license, 1; running a gambling

game, 2 October-For disorderly conduct, 11 vagrancy, 8; rude conduct, 1; committing a nuisance, 1; carrying a concealed weapon, 1; insulting a person, 1; ped-

dling without a license, 2 November-For disorderly conduct, 12: vagrancy, 8; keeping a disorderly house and allowing boisterous and disorderly conduct therein, 1; refusing to assist an

officer, 1 Decembor-For disorderly conduct, 10: vagrancy, 1; resisting an officer, 1.

## A GOOD SHOWING.

The Loss from Fires During 1886, Less Than Six Thousand Dollars--- a Full List.

During the year 1886, Salem was very fortunate in its freedom from the devastation consonant with visitations of the fiery destroyer. There were only eleven alarms during the year, when the assistance of the department was needed, and which they occurred.

January 11-Fire broke out in Wrage's tailor shop, but discovered.

barber shop. Loss nominal. May 12-Residence of Mrs. Beaman,-North Salem, burned. Loss \$700, insur-

ance \$200. May 24-Small blaze in rear of Haines tailor shop. Loss nominal. June 1-Fire in J. B. Forsythe's house

on Front street calls out the department. No damage. Adam's barn burned. Loss \$750; insurance \$350.

Trade street; damaged \$150. property on block bounded by State. High, Ferry and Church streets, burned. Loss \$2000; partly insured. August 31-W. T. Gray's barn. Loss

September 18-Thompson house gutted. Loss \$1500; insurance \$700. Catholic church destroyed. Loss \$1000.

J. L. Norton Carroll, residing at Far Rocka-way, Queens Co., N. Y., was so crippled with inflammatory rheumatism, of ten years' stand-ing, that he had to use crutches. He was com-pletely cured by taking two Brandreth's pills every night for thirty nights, and will answer any written or personal inquiries. any written or personal inquiries

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS .- The local force of this paper has been very well treated during the old year. The reporters wish to return their sincere thanks to each and every one of the state officials for the many acts of kindness during the year, and especially to Frank E. Hodgkin, assistant secretary of state, and Finley Perrine, bailiff of the supreme court. They also desire to thank all the county officers, especially the efficient sheriff and his faithful deputies, and County Clerk Chapman and his assistants, and Geo. A. Peebles, superintendent of schools. They are also grateful for many accommodations to the city officers, to the justices of the peace and constables, to the marshal and members of the police force, to all the cabmen, and especially Henry Price, to Prof. W. S. Arnold, Rev. J. W. Webb, and to many other good citizens who \$2,637 65 have helped to make the duties of get-2,221 21 ting up the news easy and a pleasure. 1,956 00 The force also wants to thank Prof. J. B. 1,828 66 Horner, of Roseburg, Joseph Whitney, of Albany, Elmer Mallory, of Portland, and Al. Holman, of the Oregonian; also, able correspondents at Turner, Gervais,

Wedding Announced. - The many friends of Miss Maggie Caples, of Portland, who spent five or six years in this city, attending the university, will be pleased to learn that she will be married, on next Wednesday evening, to Mr. Chas. H. Hale, of Portland, at the residence of her father, Hon. John F. Caples. Miss Caples, by her agreeable ways and engaging manner has made many friends among the people of Salem, both old and young, whose most hearty good wishes will go with her upon her assumption of the title of Mrs. Hale. Mr. Hale, 30, there were 289 domestic letters regis- also, is known in Salem as a young man upon having drawn so valuable a prize in the matrimonial lottery.

and other points, for favors and efficient

services. The force wishes all of its

friends a happy and prosperous New

Year, and hopes that there will be as

much to be thankful for this year as last.

DISTRICT TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.-The teachers' institute for the second judicial district convened in Eugene on last Wednesday with an unusually large attendance from nearly all the counties in the district. At the opening there were double the number of teachers present that were there at the last one held in that county. From Salem are noticed the names of Rev. M. L. Rugg, and Percy Willis, of the North Salem school. In addition to the large number of public school teachers, the colleges in that district were well represented. It is gratifying to see the interest of education

### A COWARDLY ATTACK

#### Augus Shaw, of Stayton, Assaulted by John, Geo., and Thurston Kearns.

Friday, about one o'clock, while ad the following business, under arrests | the law office of Tilmon Ford, in Patton's block, the door was opened, and George and Thurston Kearns entered and assaulted him, knocking him over his chair and striking him several hard blows about the head. The father of the two boys, John Kearns, was stationed out in the hallway while the fracas was going on. The two assailants then joined their father and went down on the street, leaving Mr. Shaw insensible on the floor.

The trouble between the parties had ts origin in the fact that Thurston Kearns, about seven weeks ago, eloped with the daughter of Shaw, and took her to Portland, where he married her. At the same time his brother, George, eloped with and married a Miss Retta Cooper, of Stayton. The fathers of both the young ladies were opposed to their marriage to the Kearns boys, and elopement seemed to them to be necessary. Mr. Shaw succeeded in getting his daughter to come back home a short time ago, and he immediately sent her away to Canada. This was probably the immediate cause of the assault, although the Kearns boys claim that the quarrel was about money

The three men were arrested and ar raigned before Justice Payne, and the case was continued until next Monday at one o'clock, p. m.. Their bonds were fixed at \$100 each, and the money was

immediately furnished by them. The condition of Mr. Shaw is considered dangerous. He is a man of about years, feeble in health, and prone to eart disease and hemorrhage of the lungs. He is now at the Monroe House, and is constantly attended by physicians.

# RESIGNED AND APPOINTED.

#### Wm. Savage "Gets There" as Light House Keeper at Cape Arago, Coos Bay.

William Savage has tendered his resgnation after sixteen and a half years' service as janitor in the state capitol, and has received the appointment and confirmation from the United States only five or six false alarms. Following treaury department, Washington, D. C., is a full list of the fires, with the dates on as light house keeper at Cape Arago, Coos Bay, Oregon. Mr. Savage feels proud of his endorsement by the following wellknown citizens. There was no politics February 14-Fire in H. Diamond's in the appointment, and Mr. Savage has the congratulations of a host of friends. The following are his endorsers: Z F. Moody, governor; R. P. Earhart, secretary of state; Edward Hirsch, state treasurer; E. B. McElroy, superintendent of public instruction; W. P. Lord, chief justice; W. W. Thayer, associate justice; John B. Waldo, retiring chief justice; ex-Senator James K. Kelly, Hon. C. B. Bel-June 9-Dr. H. Smith's barn and linger, Hon. Cyrus A. Dolph, Judge Seneca Smith, Judge E. B. Watson, Hon. John F. Caples, Hon. L. L. McArthur, June 24-J. H. Miller's house, 191 Senators John H. Mitchell and J. N. Dolph, Congressman Binger Hermann; June 25-Hughes' barn, and other D. P. Thompson, banker; Louis Fleischner, ex-state treasurer; Sol. Hirsch, state senator; J. C. Carson, state senator; E. S. Larsen, T. Patterson; C. W. Roby, postmaster at Portland; R. Mallory, excongressman; T. McF. Patton, ex-consul; W. L. White, mayor of Oregon City; W. W. Skinner, mayor of Salem; S. W. September 28-Barn and residence at Church; H. B. Miller, senator from Josephine; A. Bush, Werner Breyman; F. N. Shurtliff, O. F. Paxton, W. H. Effinger.

"Oh! dear, I am so tired of this everlasting darning, darning!" "Well, why don't you go to Staiger Bros. and 'heel' yourself and family with those Heel Protectors: They are just the thing."

FROM SUNDAY'S DAILY.

DRIVE WHIST PARTY .- A small drive whist party was given on Friday evening, by Mrs. J. M. Rosenberg, in honor of Miss Bertha Neugass, of Corvallis. After spending the first part of the evening very enjoyably in playing drive whist, rereshments were served in a novel way. The winners of the prizes were then announced. Miss Addie Cox wen the first ladies' prize, and W. J. D'Arcy distanced his competiturs in the race for the gentlemen's prize. Miss Esther Hall and Miss Fannie Cochran were a tie for the ladies' booby prize, and the sentlemen's will prove interesting reading: booby prize was secured, after hard labor, by Chas. Riely. The remainder of the evening was spent in singing, playing games, and in various ways, and at a late hour the guests adjourned, having spent a most pleasant evening. Those present were Miss Bertha Neugass, of Corvallis; Misses May Prentice, Alice Gove, Cora Wells, Amelia Nicholas, of over the said crosswalk, on the 8th day Portland; Miss Fanny Cochran, of Roseburg; Miss Mary Thompson, of Albany; the giving way of a portion of the cross-Misses Addie Cox, Maggie Cosper, Ame lia Savage, Lena Breyman, Addie Scriber, Grace Scriber, Lizzie Dalrymple, Mary Chadwick, Esther Hall, Emily Huelat, Nellie Hawley, Emma Crawford, and Angie McCulloch, of Salem; Mr. Barry Goldwater, of Yaquina City; Mr. John Foster, of Corvallis; Messrs. H. S. Jordan, C. A. Piper, T. Howard, W. J. D'Arcy, Ed. N. Edes, Chas. Riely, E. L. L. Johnson, O. E. Krausse, W. J. Clarke, and A. E. Holgate, of Salem.

Mrs. Hampson-Hemue. - Arrangements are all made for this lady's meetings this and the following week. The general committee of arrangements met yesterday, electing Rev. M. C. Wire. president; J. W. Webb, secretary; Geo. Johnson, treasurer; with appropriate committees. The preparatory meetings will be held to-morrow night, in the M. E. chutch; Tuesday, in the Baptist; Wednesday, Evangelical; Thursday, Congregational; Friday, Christian. Mrs. Hemus will speak on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday nights. On Sunday, January 9th, she will preach at the opera house and every night of that week except Saturday, also on the following Sunday. All who heard her at the large watch night meeting on Friday were so impressed that they will wish to hear her again, and to invite their friends. Prof. Starr has charge of the singing. children's meeting and one for Sunday school teachers will be announced.

A Deserved Present.-Mark S. Skiff has been working for W. W. Martin, the eweler, for three years, under an agree ment to stay that long, and his time was up on Friday, the last day of the year. At that time Mark resigned his position in Mr. Martin's store, as he expects to go into partnership with his father, L. S. Skiff, the dentist. Mr. Martin, apprepresent, and is a fitting testimonial of riendship, faithfulness, and apprecia-

A CARD OF THANKS .- Joseph Albrecht and family desire to return thanks to the officers and "the boys" at the state capitol who so generously showed their kindness by sending them such a beautiful present. Words cannot express nor can pen describe our astonishment and surprise on receiving such a lovely and beautiful present on New Year's morning. We shall ever appreciate their kindness, and we shall ever preserve the present, thus to show our love and esteem for them. God alone can repay them, and we sincerely

Wish them all Both great and small, A thrice happy New Year, hoping that heaven will reward their kindness. JOE AND HIS FAMILY.

A FINE PRESENT .- Joseph Albrecht, under-janitor at the state house, was yesterday presented by the state officials and assistants with a fine dinner set of over one hundred pieces and a glass water set, with a brass tray. This present was made as a token of the appreciation of the donors for the faithful and efficient services of Mr. Albrecht in the duties of his position during the past eight years. And it was deserved. An expression of Mr. Albrecht's gratitude will be found in another column.

New Year's Day.-Yesterday was a quiet day, although not so much so as Christmas. Many new year callers were out, and the "rounds" included a great many houses. Besides the list anquite a number of ladies who received inhome to friends. Overcoats were a superfluity, and the day was mostly clear. Instead of the jingle of the sleigh bells, the clatter of feet on dry sidewalks was heard. It was surely a beneficent inreduction to the new year.

THE ENTERTAINMENT.—The entertainment at the Opera house last night was very successful, both financially and in the matter of attendance. The principal features of the first part of the programme, as was intended to be foretold vesterday, were the piano solo of Miss Jones and the vocal solos of Miss Parrish. The vocal solos of Mr. Starr and Mr. Ross won for each a hearty round of applause, and the duet by the Misses Baker was very nicely rendered. The "tableaux vivants" were interesting throughout.

## POLLEY, CHURCHILL & CO.

Manufacturers of Sash, Doors, Blinds Mouldings, etc., and other Wood Work.

The sash and door factory in the brick building familiarly known as the "Agricultural Works," on the corner of Trade and High streets, is an establishment of fully fifteen years standing. Just four years ago this day, W. J. Polley, E. C. Churchill, and Joseph Cooke took charge of the business, under the firm name of Polley Churchill and Co. Each member of the firm is a competent mechanic, and well acquainted with all the arts of the trade in which they are engaged. Their work ranks high everywhere, and their business has gradually increased since the firm's inception. They manufacture all styles of sash, doors, blinds, mouldings, etc., make every description of house finish to order, while scroll sawings and trimmings of any kind are neatly

### THE CITY'S LIABILITY.

How Far the City is Liable in Damage Suits---The Sheridan Case.

For the information of those who are lesirous of knowing how far the city is liable in damage suits, an abstract of the opinion of Judge Thayer in the Sheridan case is appended. In view of the fact that the city has lost two suits for damages in the last three years, the decision

This appeal is from a judgment in an action in favor of the respondent for a personal injury alleged to have been sustained in consequence of a defective crosswalk across one of the appellant's streets. The respondent, while traveling of May, 1885, received a fall, caused by walk, which occasioned the injury complained of, and, in a suit against the city, she recovered \$900 damages.

A number of grounds of error are assigned in the appeal, the first of which is that the complaint is defective in not alleging that the respondent's claim was presented to the common council before the action was brought. One provision of the city charter provides that the common council has exclusive power to appropriate for any item of city expenditure. and to provide for the payment of debts and expenses of the city.

Another provides that no claim against the city shall be paid until it is properly audited and allowed by the council, and then the treasurer shall pay it upon a warrant drawn upon him by the recorder. We think these provisions were intended only as a restriction upon the treasurer in paying out the money of the city, and are doubtless within the rule laid down in Stockpole vs. School District, 9th Or., 508. A person who performs service or does something for the city at its request, for which compensation is to be made, tacitly agrees that he will present his claim to the common council for audit and allowance. But, in cases of tort, the action is for damages, and the party is under no more obligation to present his claim to the corporation than he would be to a private person who had done him a wrong. The city only agrees to pay a contracted indebtedness in case the claim is presented as mentioned, and the action is for a refusal to audit and allow it; but if it commit a tort, the action matures at once.

The next assignment of error is the question of the liability of a municipal orporation for damages occasioned to passengers along its streets and sidewalks in consequence of the neglect of its offisers to keep them in repair. The appelciating Mark's faithfulness and other lant's counsel contends that the power good qualities, presented him with a fine delegated by the legislature, contained gold watch, with a hunting case. It is of in the city charter of the appellant, in the Elgin make, and of the finest grade reference to the case of streets, sidewalks, During the year 1886, the city recorder Angus Shaw, of Stayton, was sitting in made by that company. It is a beautiful and crosswalks, is conferred exclusively ipon the mayor and aldermen, ing the common council, and that they alone should be held liable for the consequence resulting from their own carelessness. I have always thought that view the correct one. I have never been able to discover any justice in allowing officials charged with a specific duty relating to an affair in which the entire community is interested to shirk the consequence of their own inattention, if not absolute heedlessness, upon the taxpayers of a particular district. Juries are not inclined to make that discrimination, when a public corporation is defendant, between that corporation and the injured party, which they would make were the responsibility upon an individual. The only rational solution of the problem is to recognize no common law liability of a corporation unless it is expressly given by statute. If municipal corporations are to be held responsible for the acts of its officers, the charter granted by the legis-

lature should expressly say so. Another assignment of error is that it does not appear that the crosswalk was maintained by the authority of the city council. It did not appear from the testimony that the city council had ever expressly directed the repair of the crosswalk. There was evidence strongly tending to show that the crosswalk was maintained by the city. The fact that the two streets, Marion and Winter, were common thoroughfares, would tend to show that the tity was responsible for their

care and repair. The appellant's counsel also submitted a question as to whether the city had any charter aside from the amendment of 1868. The difficulty, however, in the counsel's position, in maintaining that the legislature, in amending the city neunced in yesterday's paper, there were | charter in 1868, repealed the former charter, is that the act of 1868, instead of beformally. Of course, every body was at ing a revision of the former act, or an amendment thereto, as counsel claims, was only supplementary thereto. The effect of the counsel's logic blots out the charter of 1862, and leaves the city without any provision for boundaries, taxation, or any other requisite for ordinary municipal government. If that were the result, I think it would overtax his ingenuity to explain how it succeeded in retaining an attorney to present its defense herein, or how it could be brought into court, even. The argument, it seems to me, if conceded, would have an unfortunate rebound.

The judgment appealed from will be affirmed

Public Installation.—District Deputy Grand Master A. M. Clough went up to Aumsville yesterday morning, and publicly installed the newly elected officers of Aumsville Lodge, No. 90, A. O. U. W. He was assisted by Geo. P. Litchfield, G. Stolz, Jacob Leidinger, and I. A. Mills. After the installation a basket dinner was held in the school house, and a fine time

DINSMORE BEATEN,-Yesterday afternoon, at Turner, the race between Frank Glover, of Turner, and Johnny Dinsmore, of Salem, for seventy-five yards and \$50 a side, was won by the former. The race was very close and Glover won by only two feet.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES, -Supt. McElroy returned from Eugene yesterday. The institute for the Second district was a great success, there being 169 teachers present from Coos, Benton, Douglas and Lane counties. Crowded houses greeted the lecturers at every session.