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Christmas Eve.

Two more weddings before leap year.

Christmas trees at the churches this evening.

See the skating race at Ross' opera house this evening.

Reserved seats at the New York Novelty store for "Vim."

John Rogers has opened a provision store at Thos. Mair's old stand.

R. F. Stewart and his bagpipes were making music yesterday afternoon.

Christmas falls on Sunday, but Monday will or ought to be a holiday.

At D. L. Beck & Son's those cigar prizes will be distributed at eight o'clock this evening.

The public schools closed last evening for their usual Christmas and New Year's vacation.

The next session of the circuit court for this county will begin on the third Monday in February, 1888.

A great deal of missionary work may be done by an old overcoat that is put upon a poor man instead of on a closet hook.

Mr. Worsley assures all those who attend the Christmas eve soiree at Liberty hall this evening a social, pleasant,time. First-class music.

The schooners *Excelsior* and *Marion*, bound from San Pedro for the Columbia river, put into San Francisco last Thursday to obtain crews.

The relative status of Seattle and Tacoma may be summed up in very short style: Seattle is doing the business: Tacoma expects to do the business.

Christmas sermon in the Congregational church to-morrow morning; lecture in the evening, "A Story of North Nebraska and one of the Far East."

Geo. Ross has a letter from Thos. Nast, the great caricaturist of *Harper's Weekly*, who proposes to give a night's entertainment at the opera house.

The finishing touches are being put on Jacob Kamm's new boat, and she will be launched next week. She is well built and has splendid machinery in her.

The Congregational church Sunday school will have a Christmas entertainment and trees this evening at 7 P. M. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Seaside Lodge No. 12, A. O. U. W., the banner lodge of the northwest, has 253 members. It is in a healthy condition financially and otherwise, and is in every way prosperous.

The Western Amateur band orchestra will have a complimentary banquet at Liberty hall next Wednesday evening, which gives promise of being a very pleasant social gathering.

The Christmas tree at Grace church is something fine. It will be in fullest leaf and blossom at six this evening and will soon after shed an abundant crop of choice and seasonable fruit.

Sam Mott talks of bringing the Pyke Opera company down here for two nights in their fine opera "A Night in Venice," now running in good style at the New Park theater in Portland.

Next to the *Oregonian*, THE ASTORIAN is the most widely read and quoted of any newspaper in Oregon. Perhaps it would sound better for someone else to say this, but it is so, all the same.

Congressman Hermann writes that he is interesting himself in the matter of arms and equipments for the Oregon National Guard, and expected to shortly have an audience with the war department.

The *A. B. Field* came in from Seattle yesterday, thus completing a stormy voyage from Nestucca. While at Seattle she was repaired and overhauled. Capt. Bell and crew are to be congratulated on the safe ending of a most eventful voyage.

John Fussel was in Seattle last week, but skipped the town. His actions now favor the belief that he is developing into a second rate bilk. If his ability in that regard equaled his inclination he would be a first-class one.

If you know of anyone or two who you think would relish a Christmas dinner to-morrow just as well as yourself, but who haven't the wherewith to get it, remember that your own dinner will taste doubly good if you put them in the way of getting one, too.

The *Manzanita*, Capt. Richardson in charge, arrived in yesterday from the Sound, where stakelights, beacons and buoys have been carefully looked after. The officers and crew have earned a Christmas holiday, but there is no holiday for anyone on board the *Manzanita*.

A resident of Palatka, Florida, writes asking that THE ASTORIAN be sent to him for six months, and at the end of that time he "may possibly subscribe for it." The Palatkan's inducements are not sufficient. He appears to be suffering from a severe attack of enlargement of the gall.

"Is a clam a fish?" was the question before a San Francisco court last week, a Chinaman arrested for peddling fish without a license having proved that it was clams he was selling. The prosecuting attorney argued so strongly that a clam was a fish that his honor took the case under advisement.

What's the matter with having a flouring mill here? An enormous quantity of flour is consumed here, and a still more enormous quantity is shipped from here to adjacent points. Some one makes a profit on it. Why not have a mill here? It would give men employment and would look more American, more business-like than the present dependence on Portland.

"Can the editor of a daily newspaper carry a revolver?" is a question that has just been decided in the affirmative in a Los Angeles county court. Connell of the Los Angeles *Telegram* was arrested for carrying a gun and was acquitted on the ground that he had a right to get the drop on the other fellow if he could. This will make Seattle newspaper men rejoice.

At a regular convocation of Sts. John Chapter No. 14, R. A. M., last Thursday night the following officers were elected: H. C. Thompson, H. P.; J. Q. A. Bowlby, K.; P. E. Ferchen, S.; B. Van Dusen, C. of H.; Jay Tuttle, P. S.; F. W. Ferguson, R. A. C.; R. T. Humphries, M. of 3rd V.; E. R. Hawes, M. of 2nd V.; E. H. Jackson, M. of 1st V.; B. Van Dusen, treasurer; J. Q. A. Bowlby, secretary.

There are nearly 300 deeds and other papers left to be recorded at the county clerk's office. These papers are accumulating, are an inconvenience to the clerk and his deputy and should be taken away by their owners. They have been recorded and the county clerk is not responsible for their safe keeping. In case of fire it would be better to have the deed than to have it and the record both burned. Call and get your deed, or other paper of record.

The *Register* says that arrangements have been made with a capitalist and banker to float the bonds of the Vancouver, Klickitat & Yakima railroad company in the early spring. In the meantime enough money has been advanced to enable the immediate construction of the first ten miles to be commenced. Engineers are now in the field making the permanent location of the ten miles and the profile will be ready for contractors probably by January 15, 1888.

"'Twas the night before Christmas, and all through the house not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse: the stockings were hung by the chimney with care, in hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there." To-night the good old practice of hanging up the stocking for bountiful Santa Claus to fill with Christmas gifts will be observed, and bitterly disappointed, indeed, will be the boy or girl, from five to seventy-five, who hangs up the stocking and fails to find in it to-morrow morning some friendly remembrance.

A physician in extensive practice was lately asked: "What proportion, should you say, of those people who send a servant flying to your office with, 'come right away!' or make the telephone jingle with, 'Come as quick as you can!' are suffering chiefly from fear and imagination." Stroking his beard, the learned medicine replied: "Well I might safely put it at two-thirds. When I arrive, the mere announcement that it is nothing serious allays the fear. While I am writing the prescription and chatting pleasantly on some other topic, the last stage of convalescence has been nearly reached, and when I say, in an assuring tone, 'Take this and you will be all right in the morning,' the case is settled."

The estimated amount of money to be raised by taxation for state purposes is $483,709.37; the several items are as follows: Executive fund, $10,500; judicial fund, $38,000; incidental, $12,500; insane and idiotic, $75,500; insane (conveyance to asylum), $8,000; convict, $7,000; fugitive, $1,500; printing, $12,500; indigent, $4,500; penitentiary, $33,340; general, $54,570; special appropriations and sundry deficiencies, $30,189.95; specific appropriations not authorized by law prior to 1887, $189,109.42; for amounts appropriated by the legislature of 1887 in excess of estimates therefor, $21,100; for amounts omitted from estimates of 1886, $400. The county commissioners will make the levy today and then we will know what our total state and county tax will be. The levy comes so late that there will be less than ninety days from the receipt of the tax roll till it becomes delinquent.

Fine Dwelling House to Rent.

Good terms to suitable tenant. Inquire at this office.

House to Rent,

Above the Hospital: for particulars apply at this office.

House to Rent.

Cottage with 6 rooms and kitchen on lot 8, block 15, McClure's Astoria Apply to John Hahn.

The finest assortment of plush goods in Astoria, consisting of ladies' and gent's dressing cases, odor cases, cuffs and collar boxes, etc., is to be found at J. W. Conn's drug store.

A fine assortment of Lace goods at Mrs. G. B. McEwan's.

THE DAY'S DOINGS.

What Happened in the World Yesterday.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—A rumor was spreading this morning that the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad company's employes at Port Clinton had struck, and that the Schuylkill miners would follow. It was subsequently learned that there had been trouble among the coal men and wharves but there was no open rupture. In financial circles the belief that there will be a strike grows apace.

SEXTON'S SERIOUS ILLNESS.

DUBLIN, Dec. 23.—Thomas Sexton, member of parliament for Belfast, is seriously ill in this city. He is suffering from an attack of typhoid fever.

A MYSTERIOUS MURDER.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—James Miller a real estate dealer, 50 years old, was found lying dead this morning on the floor of his room. Beside him lay his wife, unconscious and dying. On her face and head were several deep gashes. It is supposed that the couple were attacked and beaten by robbers. The discovery was made by the letter carrier who knocked at their door. He received no answer, but heard labored breathing from within that caused him to think that something was wrong. He called a policeman who broke open the door. The furniture of the room and the kitchen utensils and crockery were broken and fragments were strewn over the floor in every direction. Miller was wealthy and the deed was evidently prompted by cupidity.

FIRE AT GILA CITY.

YUMA, Dec. 23.—The Gila City section house was destroyed by fire early this morning. The section foreman, Edward Burk, was fearfully burned, probably fatally. He was brought here for medical attention. The cause of the fire is unknown.

DYING AT ALBANY.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 23.—At noon it was belived that ex-secretary Manning would not survive the day, but he had brightened up later on and recovered his consciousness. He is slowly but steadily weakening throughout his entire system. It is noticed that the pulse is becoming intermittent and the sight is failing. At latest accounts he was still taking a little stimulant at intervals. The family are prepared for his approaching end.

CAUSED BY BAD DRAINAGE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—A Washington dispatch says: Dispatches from Albany state that the illness of ex-secretary Manning was caused in a great measure by bad drainage in the treasury building. This was one of the causes privately assigned when he was first stricken here with an illness as to the nature of which physicians at the time were not disposed to take the public into their confidence.

FATAL RAILROAD ACCIDENT.

PHILIP, Wis., Dec. 23.—The evening passenger train on the Wisconsin Central railway was thrown from the track by a broken rail two miles south of Fifield last night. Three cars were thrown from the track down a fifteen-foot embankment. One person was killed and fourteen wounded.

KILLED BY DYNAMITE.

HALIFAX, Dec. 23.—An explosion of dynamite at a limestone quarry near Brookfield this morning killed four men, one of them being Alexander McDonald, proprietor of the quarry. The usual warning signal regarding the dynamite previous to using it for a blast was omitted when it occurred.

UN TREMOLO.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Dec. 23.—A deep, rumbling sound lasting three seconds and accompanied by a tremor of the earth was noticed here shortly after midnight. The disturbance aroused the people from their sleep. The shock was felt at Acushnell and other towns in this vicinity.

Their Business Booming.

Probably no one thing has caused such a general revival of trade at W. E. Dement & Co.'s Drug Store as their giving away to their customers of so many free trial bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Their trade is simply enormous in this very valuable article from the fact that it always cures and never disappoints. Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, Croup, and all throat and lung diseases quickly cured. You can test it before buying by getting a trial bottle free, large size $1. Every bottle warranted.

Something for the boys—wagons, velocipedes, wheelbarrows, ice skates, roller skates, printing presses, steam engines, magic lanterns, tool chests, books and toys of all kinds.

GRIFFIN & REED.

—All the patent medicines advertised in this paper, together with the choicest perfumery, and toilet articles, etc., can be bought at the lowest prices, at J. W. Conn's drug store, opposite Occident hotel, Astoria.

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For 1888, at GRIFFIN & REED'S.

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That we have the finest stock of Holiday Goods and Novelties in the city.

GRIFFIN & REED.

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Every mother is interested in knowing that a special preparation for children, called "The Child's Cough Syrup" is now for sale only at Dement's drug store.

Just Received.

A large assortment of Candies and Christmas Tree Toys at the Oregon Bakery, Main street. Home made Taffy and drops of all kinds Fresh Every Day, and guaranteed to be made of first quality sugar, and unadulterated.

For the very best pictures go to H. S. Shuster.

Be sure and avail yourself of the reduction sale of Xmas cards at the New York Novelty Store.

Too many Xmas cards for the market, so will make a great reduction in prices for to-day.—New York Novelty Store.

INFANTILE SKIN DISEASES

Our oldest child, now six years of age, when an infant six months old was attacked with a virulent, malignant skin disease. All ordinary remedies failing, we called our family physician, who attempted to cure it; but it spread with almost incredible rapidity, until the lower portion of the little fellow's person, from the middle of his back down to his knees, was one solid rash, ugly, painful, blotched, and malicious. We had no rest by night, no peace by day. Finally, we were advised to try the CUTICURA REMEDIES. The effect was simply marvellous. In three or four weeks a complete cure was wrought, leaving the little fellow's person as white and healthy as though he had never been attacked. In my opinion your valuable remedies saved his life, and to-day he is a strong, healthy child, perfectly well, no repetition of the disease having ever occurred.

GEO. B. SMITH,
Att'y at Law and Ex-Pros. Att'y, Ashland, O.
REFERENCE, J. G. Weist, Druggist, Ashland, O.

THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN.

Are born into the world every day with some eczematous affection, such as milk crust, scall head, scurf, or dandruff sure to develop into an agonizing eczema, the itching, burning and disfiguration of which make life a prolonged torture unless properly treated.

A warm bath with CUTICURA SOAP, an exquisite skin Beautifier, and a single application of CUTICURA, the Great Skin Cure, with a little CUTICURA RESOLVENT, the New Blood Purifier, is often sufficient to arrest the progress of the disease, and point to a speedy and permanent cure.

Hence, no mother who loves her children, who takes pride in their beauty, purity, and health, and in bestowing upon them a child's greatest inheritance,—a skin without a blemish and a body nourished by pure blood,—should fail to make trial of the CUTICURA REMEDIES.

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BABY'S Skin and Scalp preserved and beautified by CUTICURA MEDICATED SOAP.

Constitutional Catarrh.

No single disease has entailed more suffering or hastened the breaking up of the constitution than Catarrh. The sense of smell, of taste, of sight, of hearing, the human voice the mind—one or more, and sometimes all, yield to its destructive influence. The poison it distributes throughout the system attacks every vital force, and breaks up the most robust of constitutions. Ignored, because but little understood, by most physicians, impotently assailed by quacks and charlatans, those suffering from it have little hope to be relieved of it this side of the grave. It is time, then, that the popular treatment of this terrible disease by remedies within the reach of all passed into hands at once competent and trustworthy. The new and hitherto untried method adopted by Dr. Sanford in the preparation of his RADICAL CURE has won the hearty approval of thousands. It is instantaneous in affording relief in all head colds, sneezing, snuffling and obstructed breathing, and rapidly removes the most oppressive symptoms clearing the head, sweetening the breath, restoring the senses of smell, taste and hearing, and neutralizing the constitutional tendency of the disease towards the lungs, liver and kidneys.

SANFORD'S RADICAL CURE consists of one bottle of the RADICAL CURE, one box of CATARRHAL SOLVENT, and IMPROVED INHALER; price, $1.00.

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Strains and Weaknesses,

Relieved in one minute by that marvellous Antidote to Pain, Inflammation and Weakness, the CUTICURA ANTI-PAIN PLASTER. The first and only pain-killing strengthening plaster. Especially adapted to instantly relieve and speedily cure Kidney and Uterine Pains and Weakness. Warranted vastly superior to all other plasters. At all druggists, 25 cents; five for $1.00; or postage free, of POTTER DRUG AND CHEMICAL CO., Boston, Mass.

PERSONAL MENTION.

M. J. Kinney is in San Francisco.

D. G. Ross, of Gray's river, is in the city.

Prof. Francis leaves for Portland to-morrow night.

Hon. C. Leineweber returned yesterday from Seattle.

Marcus Warren is down from college for the holidays.

P. G. Eastwick returned from Fort Stevens yesterday afternoon.

Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Fulton are expected to arrive this afternoon.

Capt. H. Olsen was one of the passengers on the *Columbia* yesterday. He will remain till January 15th, and will then take charge of a coasting schooner running out of San Francisco.

Brace Up.

You are feeling depressed, your appetite is poor you are bothered with Headache, you are fidgetty, nervous, and generally out of sorts, and want to *brace* up. Brace up, but not with stimulants, spring medicines, or bitters, which have for their basis very cheap, bad whiskey, and which stimulate you for an hour, and then leave you in worse condition than before. What you want is an alterative that will purify your blood, start healthy action of Liver and Kidneys, restore your vitality, and give renewed health and strength. Such a medicine you will find in Electric Bitters, and only 50 cents a bottle at W. E. Dement & Co.'s Drug Store.

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This Is Important.

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STYLE AND FASHION!

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—IS AT THE—

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BUY YOUR HEAD'S UP

BUY YOUR

HATS

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The Largest Assortment, * * * * * * and the Lowest Prices.

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Clothing AT HERMAN WISE'S.

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That you go to the right store, if you are on the lookout for BARGAINS!

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HERMAN WISE,

THE RELIABLE

Clothier and Hatter,

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SO IS CHRISTMAS!

But We Can't Wait for Either,

But must buy our Family Supplies right along just the same, and the

RUSH

Is still to D. L. Beck & Sons', for that is where you can buy the best goods, get honest weights and the best value for your money. To those accustomed to deal with us it is not necessary to say these things. To all others we say we don't brag, but come and try us and be convinced. We carry in stock a full line of

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Groceries and Provisions, a large stock of China, Porcelain, Crystal, Crockery, Agate, Wooden and other wares. Silver-plated and other knives, forks and spoons. The best stock of all kinds of Lamps ever shown in Astoria. Cigars, tobaccos, etc., in unequalled stock and at unequalled prices. Coal oil and patent oil cans, paints, linseed oil and turpentine. All kinds of Cannery supplies, nails, cordage, etc. Lunch, market and clothes baskets, brooms, whisps and hearth brushes, dust-pans and brushes; wheats, oats, rolled barley, shorts and bran.

BUT WE MUST STOP!

For if we mention all the articles we have in stock we shall fill up the whole paper. Try our genuine N. O. Molasses in gallon cans at only 75 cents, and our new Yeast Powder, guaranteed equal to the best, and only half price.

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