

Salem Microbes.

The Salem Journal man has evidently been drinking some of the Salem microbes.

He declares that the railway mail service in Oregon is rotten and corrupt.

The writer of this knows whereof he speaks and can tell the Journal that the railway mail service in Oregon is as good as it possibly could be.

F. E. Whitney, the chief clerk of this service, is located at Portland. He is a man of much experience in railway mail matters. Supt. Thrall, at San Francisco, the head on this coast, is a practical man of many years experience and is a first class man in his position.

When the Journal says that this service needs "revolutionizing, that it has long been in an asphyxiated, ossified, paralyzed semi-inert condition," it simply states an untruth.

Mail is handled expeditiously and correctly in the railway postoffice, the errors are reduced to nearly next to nothing. The postal clerks, however, are human and occasionally err.

If the Journal can prove its statements we will give the editor a new hat, but a statement such as they make is false. It is a safe assertion to say that the writer of the article was never in a railway postal car, that he never made a good, legitimate complaint to the officials, unless it was promptly investigated and that he does not know whereof he wrote.

If any complaint is justifiable we will guarantee it to be either in the Journal's mailing department or the Salem postoffice.

Dan Frazer, a hop-sampler, will probably keep off the road in Polk county hereafter unless provided with a few dollars at least. He was held up and robbed of seventy five cents at the Polk county end of the Salem steel bridge the other evening by two highwaymen. They promised that if they caught him again with no greater sum of money in his pocket they would "kick him all over Polk county." That would be adding insult to injury—or injury to insult would better fit the suppositious case.

San Antonio, Texas, is suffering from an epidemic of yellow fever, and the nearby towns and counties are establishing shot-gun quarantines against her people. It's no joke to be caught in a Southern fever town. You die if you stay and you are shot if you leave.

Oriental shipments do not require great bulk to run up into immense sums in value. The Tosa is just in at Seattle with four thousand tons of Oriental stuff of the value of \$750,000. Eight hundred bales of silk alone is valued at approximately \$400,000.

An Everett, Washington, man was working in a power and light plant when the boiler exploded and blew him through the roof and 200 feet through the air. Not considering that he is lucky enough to be alive, he is suing the company for \$40,000. If his luck is consistent he'll get it.

A young woman snake charmer was squeezed to death by a boa constrictor during an exhibition in a German town the other day. To her screams and frantic struggles the spectators responded with "bravos" for what they thought was her realistic acting.

Henry Ward Trauer was the man behind the battleship Indiana's 8-inch gun that put four successive shots through the bull's-eye of the 17x22 yard target at the 1400 and 1600 yard ranges during the recent target practices of the vessel. He hails from St. Paul.

All the Serbian murderers of the king and queen whom their oaths bound them to defend, have now been substantially rewarded. This proof that regicide is a profitable industry in Serbia will not increase the soundness of King Peter's slumbers.

Rev. C. H. Mattoon, of Monmouth, gray haired and with the weight of years upon him, is the holder of the oldest license of the Baptist church issued in the state. He commenced his work in 1853 at what is now Turner, Marion county.

How the Big Fellows Steal.

It is a pitiful story, the immense losses suffered by innocent investors in steel stocks. Steel, common, is not supposed by the business world to represent anything but prospects. It was mostly sold to small investors who were tempted by the big interest on small investments, and while they got nine dollars a share dividends they have seen their stock shrink about \$40 a share.

How did these big thieves rob the people? They simply paid big dividends for a time on the \$500,000,000 of common stock, no difference if it did not earn it. The bait tempted the gulls, but when the half billion of worthless stock had all been fed out dividends ceased.

Penitentiary! The gallows is none too good for such wholesale scoundrels. And how about the laws that permit such things and allow the high-toned millionaire robbers to go unwhipped of justice?

Those who escaped "Hiawatha" will certainly succumb to "How old is Ann?"

It is, of course, a question whether the successful strike that closes the factory permanently is of any very great advantage to its former employees.

It is said that Kipling throws away more stuff than he prints, and this moves the Birmingham News to remark that he must have thrown away the wrong batch recently.

Wouldn't it be singular if the award of Portland Canal should result in the annexation of Canada to the United States? Perhaps the American boundary commissioners merely cast bread upon the waters.

Invention is the mother of necessity. And so it is of the people who take stock in the invention, and then have to pay assessments on the stock. Some flying machines and wireless telegraph schemes are not prospering.

Senator Hanna tells the people of Ohio, that the TonJohnson supporters "are stealing upon you with seductive promises and ready to put the blade to your throat and to poison the water you drink." Many of Mr. Hanna's friends are not pleased with his new style of oratory.

The dwellers in small cities and rural districts have no cause to envy the mass of the residents of places that put on metropolitan airs. For instance there are over 350,000 dark rooms in New York without any windows opening to the outer air or even to another room which has windows opening to the outer air.

The price of seats in the New York stock exchange has dropped heavily of late. Seats that sold for \$80,000 not many months ago can now be readily had for \$50,000. Of course in the general slump wildcat securities have struck bottom, while those of unquestioned standing have suffered. Too much speculation, gambling in fact.

Some land frauds are being unearthed. The Interior Department should be aided in exposing actual fraud, but the line should be drawn when special agents tell claimants they cannot have counsel, but must meekly submit to any decision made by special agents. Every American citizen has the right to employ an attorney, if he wishes, in an investigation before any officer of the government, and no claim can be cancelled by a special agent. The final hearing must be held before the officers of local land offices, so says Commissioner Richards and the United States Supreme Court.

The Southern Pacific has issued orders to cut the passenger service throughout the Pacific coast, the order going into effect Saturday. The locomotives thus released from passenger trains are to be transferred to the freight service. The order affects two trains running out of Oakland, and two trains that have been running out of Los Angeles will be completely eliminated from the time-card.

The government is going to probe the land frauds to the bottom. Yes, but care will be taken that they will not be probed deep enough to hurt anybody's political chances. It all hinges on that point. Can somebody without a reputation at stake be pinched. Can some clerk or understrapper be roasted without scorching the whiskers of the real criminal in the next pew? It may be a close shave, but it won't hurt anybody big.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT

Joseph W. Stewart, of Springfield, Instantly Killed.

The Accident Happened Sunday Morning at 8 O'Clock--A Pioneer Merchant and Prominent Citizen.

Joseph W. Stewart, pioneer resident and merchant of Springfield, was suddenly killed at that place about 8 o'clock Sunday morning.

Mr. Stewart was voluntarily assisting in adjusting the gate of the mill race near Washburne's flour mill. A log had become fastened in some manner in the bottom of the gate, and the men were endeavoring to release it. Mr. Stewart had hold of the windlass when the log suddenly became disengaged from the gate and the windlass flew around, one of the arms striking Mr. Stewart on the head, knocking him off the platform to the ground below, a distance of about ten feet. The other men immediately clambered to the ground to give him any assistance that might be needed, but to their horror they found that he was beyond human aid and was fast dying as the result of a gaping wound in the left temple.

Dr. Jayne was called at once to administer relief if possible, but the injured man had died before the doctor reached him. He never was conscious after being struck and died perhaps ten minutes after the accident.

Tender hands bore the lifeless body to the family home, only a couple of blocks distant. It was a terrible shock to his family and to the whole town, as well as to his numerous friends and relatives in Eugene.

The funeral will take place at the family home Tuesday afternoon and the remains will be interred in the Eugene Masonic cemetery. Rev. D. E. Loveridge, rector of St. Mary's Episcopal church of this city, will conduct the ceremonies. A large number of Eugene people will attend, as the deceased was as well known here as in Springfield.

SKETCH OF HIS LIFE.

Joseph W. Stewart was born in Macoupin county, Illinois, on September 13, 1835. He moved with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eben Stewart, to Missouri, thence to Iowa. In 1852 the family came to Oregon, crossing the plains by ox team. They settled on the Willamette river near Eugene, and in 1855 they took up their residence in Eugene. The deceased lived here until 1862, when he went to the Elk City gold mines in Idaho. After staying there for five months he went to the Boise mines and then returned to Lane county and settled at Springfield, where he went into the mercantile business, conducting a general store from Nov. 5, 1863, until about a year ago, when he sold out and retired from active business life.

Mr. Stewart was first married to Miss Julia Walker, and to them two children were born, Henry Stewart, of Pendleton, and Mrs. Hattie Wheeler, of Portland. His second marriage was to Miss L. Elizabeth Evans, and the issue of this union was three children as follows: Mrs. James L. Clark, James Stewart and Harry Stewart, all of Springfield. His wife, and the following three sisters and one brother, also survive him: Mrs. T. G. Hendricks, Mrs. Ashley Stevens, Mrs. J. S. Luckey and John Stewart, all of Eugene.

The deceased was well known all over the state. He was a man of sterling worth and was always counted as one of Lane county's foremost citizens. He was of a kindly disposition and was noted for his many acts of charity. He did not belong to any secret order or any church, yet he was not an unbeliever. His character was far above reproach. He reared his children in such a manner that they all are highly respected and trustworthy citizens. The sorrowing family and relatives have the sympathy of all.

COAL FOR FUEL IN EUGENE

Loughmiller & Peter, the hardware firm, has received from a hard in Washington state a carload of fuel coal, which they will dispose of to different parties in town who will use it for fuel to see if it is cheaper than wood is at the prevailing prices.

Good fuel oak wood sawed and delivered now costs the consumer from \$5.50 to \$6.50 per cord, and many think that the coal, even if shipped two or three hundred miles, is cheaper than that.

Whether or not the experiment is successful remains to be seen.

Crack in Item. (Guard Special Service.) L. D. Scarborough is engaged in picking the apples in his fine orchard.

He will probably gather 200 bushels. The Dr.'s apples were awarded the premium at the Eugene fair.

The children of the public schools are very busy this week. This is examination week.

Miss Georgia Parker visited in Creswell two or three days last week.

Mr. Summers, of Camas Swale, has moved to the house just vacated by Wm. Miller.

The Day school west of here will have no school, as they are unable to get a teacher.

Aunt Winnie Davis has removed to Gosben to reside at C. H. Mathews.

Edgar Parson has erected a nice little barn on his place in the edge of town.

Mr. Van Prooyen is moving from his place to Leaburg to reside.

Shep Smith is applying a coat of paint to his house on Smith avenue.

Marandus entered Mooney's store and purloined a barrel of cider. He seems very anxious to make their acquaintance.

It seems very queer that many persons as well as newspapers are bitter in denunciation of Secretary Hitchcock, regarding the timber controversy, but they are unable to see that Roosevelt is responsible for the official acts of the secretary. Without this policy is reversed the people of Oregon will serve notice on the administration that they should have some rights as well as the corporations.

SATURDAY'S BIG GAME

The Albany College Team Received a Severe Drubbing by the U. O. Eleven.

The much-talked-of Albany aggregation of football players went down to overwhelming defeat Saturday afternoon at the hands of the Varsity eleven. At no time during the game was the U. O.'s goal in danger and when time was called the score stood 22 to 0.

The visitors were simply outclassed in every respect and the Varsity tore great gaps in their line and sent their heavy backs smashing through for good gains.

THE GAME IN DETAIL.

The game began shortly after three o'clock. Albany kicked off to Oregon. Oregon started with a determination that could result in nothing short of a touchdown, and in just eleven minutes of play scored on the visitors. Templeton kicked the goal. It was evident that the game belonged to the home team. It took but a few more minutes to score another touchdown and before the first half ended still another was made and the score stood 17 to 0 in favor of Oregon.

In the second half the visitors braced up somewhat while the Varsity players took things cooler.

Only one touch down was made in this last thirty minutes of play. Albany was anxious to score and in her determined efforts tried a place kick for goal but failed.

The halves were 30 minutes each. The officials were: J. M. Edmondson umpire and E. C. Judd referee.

It was an ideal day for a football game, but nevertheless the attendance was small. Manager Grattan was very much discouraged about this as he is at a large expense bringing visiting teams here this year.

Five of Oregon's games will be played on Kincaid Field, and this requires the hearty support of the Eugene people.

Florence Notes.

(From The West.)

O. L. Hanson, who has been first assistant keeper at Hequeta light house for the past seven years, has been transferred to the light house at Sand Island, near Port Townsend, Washington, where he has been appointed head keeper. Mr. Hanson has been in the light house service for about eleven years and thoroughly understands the duties of the position. He left Sunday morning by way of Yacquina for his new station. Mrs. Hanson and children will remain on their homestead near Sutton lake.

Saturday's Football Scores.

- NORTHWEST. Multnomah 16; O. A. C. 0. Portland Academy 20; Bishop Scott Academy 0. Columbia University 11; Pacific University 5. Willamette 28; Monmouth Normal 0. University of Washington 25; Whitman College 0. U. O. 23; Albany College 0. Roseburg High School 11; Eugene High School 0. CALIFORNIA. Berkeley 40; Chemsawa 0. Stanford 0; University of Nevada 0.

CITY'S REPLY FILED TODAY

The Christian Injunction Case Will Be Fought

The City Alleges that Twelfth Street was Set Aside and Dedicated When the Plat Was Made.

(Daily Guard, October 25.) City Attorney J. M. Williams this afternoon filed an answer to the injunction case against the city, to prevent the city from opening East Twelfth street through the Christian land, between Oak and Pearl streets.

A portion of the answer reads as follows: "Defendants for a further and separate answer and defense allege the fact to be that on the 18th day of November, 1884, Catherine Christian being the owner of the lands described in plaintiff's complaint and of the land whereon 12th street in the city of Eugene, Lane county, Oregon, herein mentioned is located, together with her husband, D. R. Christian, made, executed, witnessed and acknowledged, so as to entitle the same to be recorded, a plat of the said ground designated thereon as Christian's addition to Eugene City.

That the said plat was duly recorded in the office of the County Clerk of Lane county, Oregon, in deed book P, of the Lane county deed records, at page 601. That on said plat the part known as 12th street thereon was dedicated to the public as a public street; and thereafter the said parties sold lots in said addition according to the said plat. That the lines of the streets mentioned in said plat conformed in all respects to the lines of said streets in said city of like name theretofore platted, dedicated and laid out and opened for travel.

"That by the acts of the said Catherine Christian and her husband D. R. Christian, all the ground lying between block 2 and block 3, as shown on said plat and as exists in the said city of Eugene became and was dedicated to the public as a public street in the said city; that the said ground is 66 feet in width and was so dedicated the full width thereof. That the plaintiff had an obstruction in said street completely obstructing the said street between lot 8, block 2 and lot 1, block 3.

"That the defendant, J. P. Turner, is the duly appointed, qualified and acting Street Commissioner of the said city of Eugene; that as such Street Commissioner it is the duty of said defendant to remove all obstructions in the streets of said city. That the common council of the said city ordered and directed the removal of the said obstructions to said street."

ROSEBURG HAD A PROFESSIONAL

Bradley Won the Game Saturday From the Eugene High School.

The score of 11 to 5 in favor of Roseburg, as given by Saturday's Guard, was the final score in the Roseburg-Eugene High School football game at Roseburg.

Roseburg played Bradley, the well known league baseball player, and not a High School student, and it was he who won the game for Roseburg. The game, however, was played without any ill feeling, and it was a clean and hard fought contest throughout. No one was injured, but of course there were the usual bruises and scratches.

Coach R. S. Bryson, of Eugene, was umpire and C. Wagner, of Roseburg, was referee.

In the evening a reception was given at the home of Mrs. Parrott in honor of the Eugene team.

QUAKER DOCTORS NEARLY MOBBED

Had a Strenuous Time at Vancouver--Dr. Berry Called a Buzzard.

The Vancouver, Wash., correspondent of the Portland Journal tells how the Quaker doctors came near being mobbed at that city the other night. The trouble began when a man named Cox demanded his money back from the doctors, he alleging that the medicine was of no value.

The next night Dr. Berry told the audience that the matter had been settled and that the bonus of \$100 still stood to any one who could prove that they did not have a Portland office, and that they were not reputable doctors with the best cure all on earth. At this juncture Mr. Cox waved his hat in the air and cried that he was ready for the \$100.

"Come onto the stage," said Berry. Once on the stage Cox started to tell how the medicine had been of no use, how he had searched the city of Portland for the office of the firm, and how, finally, he had been told by Woodard & Clarke that the pretensions of the "Quakers" were not genuine. At this juncture the doctor interfered and the term liar passed between the two. The next thing the crowd knew Cox was kicked off the stage by Berry and the fan began.

A rush was made for the platform, and to stop the crowd Berry cried, "I'm an Eagle." "You're not, you're a buzzard," replied the crowd. "He's a vulture, he's a shark," cried some soldiers. "You fellows in blue are hired to keep the peace, why don't you protect me?" yelled the doctor. Then the real rush began, some of the crowd looked for the electric wire to cut off the lights, others rushed towards the stage and yelled and drowned the company's efforts to entertain with minstrel music and jokes.

An adjournment was had to the Hotel Columbia with a raging crowd following close behind. Later the doctor was fined \$30 and costs by Justice Sparks in an impromptu session. The soldiers spent the rest of the evening in giving impromptu speeches from the Quaker platform and bestowing advice on the crowd.

ALBANY'S PROFESSIONALISM

Corvallis Gazette Makes a Few Remarks Along That Line.

The Corvallis Gazette in speaking of the alleged professionalism in Albany College's football team says: "Manager Wallace, of Albany, resigned at the beginning of the football season because he announced that Albany College did not have the material this year for a first-class team, but nevertheless, they have organized and scheduled games with the strongest teams in the state. Now the question is, where did Albany procure the football players that they claim is now making such a strong line-up, when they had practically no material for a team at the beginning of the season?"

"Albany's action in sending men to Corvallis last Saturday to try and persuade Rumbaugh to join them, when he is now attending the O. A. C. and playing on this year's team, has not endeared Albany in the hearts of the football admirers in this city. If Albany does not give a satisfactory explanation it is very likely that the game scheduled for the 31st will not be played.

"With the line-up of the O. A. C. this year, Albany would have very little show of winning, but the local team does not care to meet any college that resorts to such tactics that the Albany team now stands accused of. It is now up to them to explain."

Junction Items.

(From The Times.) City election will be held Monday, Nov. 2. Mayor, three councilmen, recorder, treasurer and marshal will be chosen at that time.

The enrollment at the public schools is now greater than it has been in this term and is steadily increasing. The enrollment last Friday being 188 pupils and at present is at least 195.

H. L. Rann has purchased the Beebe cottage which is occupied by Ben Campbell. It is a neat and very desirable cottage. Consideration, \$500.

Oak Grove school will commence Monday with Miss Ella Moffit teacher. The district has four vacant houses two farms without houses and three bachelor's houses.

Work commenced Thursday on the warehouse of Miller & Buckman. The building will be 30x70, and in order to secure the necessary frontage, the shoe shop was moved west five feet.

Marshal Robinson ran in four hobos Tuesday night. The following morning they were arraigned before the police court, three of them charged with vagrancy and one with drunkenness. They were fined \$5 each, and not having the necessary change in their overalls, they were set to work digging a sewer diagonal across the Avenue and Holly streets. If the city council could always have work for these chaps they would soon give the town a wide berth.

Married.

Miss Edith Wilson, a graduate of the University of Oregon last year, and W. H. Johnson, of Applegate, Jackson county, were united in marriage Saturday afternoon at Woodburn, Rev. B. F. Rowland, of Eugene, officiating. The bride has many friends here who wish her much happiness.

Shooting Match Yesterday.

(Daily Guard, October 25.) A shooting match for beef was held at J. M. Martin's brick yard yesterday. C. Rickman won first prize; Andy Heitzman second and fourth; Ira Johnson third, and John Kist fifth.

REFUSES TO BE INTERVIEWED

Miss Ware Remains Silent While in Portland--Grand Jury Resumed Work This Morning.

(Daily Guard, October 25.) Today's Oregonian: Miss Ware, who, with H. G. McElroy and S. A. D. Pater, is accused of being implicated in schemes to defraud the government in land deals, arrived in Portland Saturday from her home in Eugene, to be present during the closing sessions of the Federal grand jury. She is registered at the Portland Hotel, and will remain in the city until the case in which she is interested has been disposed of. When the investigation began it was announced that Miss Ware would, in all probability, not appear during the sessions of the jury, but she has evidently concluded to be on the ground, when a report upon the case is handed in.

Efforts to see her yesterday were unavailing. She refuses to be interviewed, announcing that she had nothing to say about the case until it has been closed.

The grand jury will resume its work on the land fraud and pension matters this morning. A number of witnesses in both cases are to be examined, and about two days, it is thought, will be required for the consideration of documentary evidence. When this has been done, the case will go to the jury for its consideration.

SOCIAL REALM.

(Daily Guard, October 25.) A surplus party was given Mrs. R. B. Snodgrass at her home in Richmond, last Saturday evening, it being the 50th anniversary of her birth. The evening was spent merrily with games and music, after which an elegant supper was served. Mrs. Snodgrass was the recipient of many nice presents. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Mummy, Mr. and Mrs. George Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. Stingley, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Ivy, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Snodgrass, Mr. and Mrs. E. Goodchild, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. G. R. Ford, Mrs. Rybolt, Mrs. A. D. James, Mrs. E. J. James, Mrs. J. J. James, Misses Alice Snodgrass, and Maxie James; Messrs. F. Jamieson and F. L. Snodgrass.

Helmetta Temple, Rathbone Sisters, had a highly enjoyable social session in I. O. O. F. hall Saturday evening. It was Division No. 15 in turn to entertain and the committee in charge furnished the means of spending a pleasant evening at the business session of the temple of the great temple, Mrs. Florence Taylor, was read, and a vote of thanks to Mrs. A. G. Holden, grand manager, for her work in the grand temple was tendered. The initiation of a candidate also took place. After the business of the temple was completed, cards were played and a delightful luncheon was served in the banquet room.

Saturday evening a party of young people gathered at the home of the Misses Green on East 13th street and proceeded to make themselves at home. "Flitch" proved to be very fascinating, after which light refreshments were partaken of. It was a late hour when the surprises left, leaving behind them the memory of a very pleasant evening. Mrs. Emma Green left Sunday to receive her school work at Leaburg.

The depot platform was crowded yesterday afternoon more than usual. The Albany College football team and 30 or 40 rooters were taken to go away and the Eugene High School team and a crowd which accompanied the team, arrived. Besides these there was the usual Sunday crowd and friends of both teams.

S. L. Moorhead Honored.

Hon. S. L. Moorhead, editor of the Junction City Times, was honored by the State Press Association in session at Salem last week by his election as president of the association. The other officers chosen were: first vice president, E. Hofer, Journal, Salem; second vice president, Geo. M. Cornwall, Timberman, Portland; secretary, Albert Tuzier, Portland; treasurer, Miss Frances E. Goshall, Portland; sergeant-at-arms, Arthur Conklin, Mining Journal, Grants Pass; historian, Geo. E. Himes, Historical Quarterly, Portland.

Drunk and Disorderly.

(Daily Guard, October 25.) Joe White and Ben Wilson were arrested last night on the charge of being drunk and disorderly. They were brought before Police Judge Dorn and this morning and each fined \$5, costs, amounting in all to \$8. Wilson paid his fine but White, not having the necessary coin, is working out his fine on the streets.

Saturday evening at 8 o'clock L. Willard and Miss Pearl Jones, both of Cottage Grove, were united in marriage by Justice of the Peace C. A. Wintermeier.