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Wanted. 200 wood choppers to cut railroad wood. Timber first-class. Cash pay ments.

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Christmas Reception Lamps. We will have Our Store Illuminated Each evening Until 9 o'clock By our CHINA, GLASS, BRACKETS and JARDINIERS.

THE BRANTON APPEAL

Supreme Judges Grant Stay of Proceedings When Circuit Judges Refuse.

Four Men Hung Without Appeal

Salem Journal, Dec 20: "Justice F. A. Moore of the supreme court has signed a certificate of probable cause that suspends execution of sentence in the case of Claude Branton, the Lane county murderer, who was to be executed next Friday by hanging.

"The murderer of John Linn will thus be given a lease of life about three weeks, pending an appeal to the supreme court.

"Judge Hamilton refused to grant a certificate of probable cause, although it is the usual custom to grant such an appeal in all cases of capital punishment.

"But where this is refused by the trial judge it has nearly always been granted by a justice of the supreme court. No such a request in a case of sentence for capital punishment was ever refused by Governor Linn when he was on the bench.

"Section 1410 of the code, in the opinion of able criminal lawyers, should be amended so that a sentence of capital punishment should become 'ipse facto' proof of probable cause and a ground for appeal, as a matter of right to the condemned man, not a matter of grace with a judge.

"Within the tenure of one of the present justices four men have been executed before the transcript could be laid before them upon which to grant the suspension of judgment."

THE SUPREME COURT

Probable Cause of Appeal Granted by Justice F. A. Moore.

Following is the official instrument from the supreme court which delays the execution of Claude Branton:

State vs Claude Branton.

Now, on this day comes the defendant, Claude Branton, by W. C. Hale his attorney and applies for a certificate of probable cause, the state opposing by Geo. M. Brown and L. T. Harris its attorneys, and it appearing to me, one of the justices of the supreme court of the state of Oregon, that the defendant, Claude Branton was indicted, tried and convicted, in the circuit court of Lane county, Oregon, of the crime of murder in the first degree, alleged to have been committed in the killing of one John A. Linn, and having been sentenced to be hanged on December 23, 1898, he has perfected an appeal from the judgment thus rendered and filed in the office of the clerk of the supreme court of Oregon a judgment roll, and upon inspecting the same I certify that in my opinion there is probable cause of appeal.

Given under my hand this 19th day of December, 1898. FRANK A. MOORE, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Oregon

Xmas Dinner.

Turkey dinner at the Hoffman House, Christmas day. Price 50 cents.

A CABINET SECRET.

Negotiations to Purchase Cuba Stopped by War.

Ex-Secretary Sherman Tells of It

Chicago, Dec. 20.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says: Former Secretary of State John Sherman, in an interview, tells an interesting cabinet secret, which in the days before the war was frequently suspected, but never established. With considerable emotion, the ex-secretary said:

"I tried to prevent this foolish war with Spain. As a matter of fact, negotiations were already in progress to purchase Cuba from Spain when the war feeling suddenly rose and swept everything before it. And Spain would have accepted the terms.

"This is a matter of secret history. And now what have we got to show for all this expense? Some islands in the Philippines, for instance, which are worth about \$200,000 per annum (income); increased indebtedness of \$300,000,000 and a lot of islands inhabited mainly by man-eaters. And too most distressing feature of the affair is that we are now about to be called upon to pay \$20,000,000 for territory that we could have taken without expending a dollar."

LAW NOT YET PERFECT.

Senator Kuykendall Wants Qualifications of School Electors More Clearly Defined.

Portland Telegram.

"State Senator Kuykendall, who is the author of the law defining the qualifications of school electors, passed at the special session of the legislature, is not yet satisfied with the law, and will in all probability further amend it at the coming regular session. He is contemplating the introduction of a bill that shall require a school poll tax in addition to a property tax as a qualification to vote at school elections. He would have this tax imposed upon women as well as upon men.

"Senator Kuykendall takes a deep interest in educational matters, and is much pleased with the labors of the joint legislative committee upon revision of school laws."

A Downward Career.

Telegram: Edward Felling and Henrietta Felling, executor and executrix of the estate of Henry Felling, have commenced suit in the state circuit court to foreclose a mortgage on the Gilman house, on First and Alder streets. The amount demanded, independent of interest and attorney fees, is \$23,000.

The loan on the property was made in 1886, when the Gilman house yet was a first-class hotel, and the property brought a rental of from \$1500 to \$2000 per month. It was then that First street was the gay and popular promenade of the city, and real estate values along that street stuck their noses into the sky.

The Gilman was the favorite resort for "drummers," and the money taken in was something enormous. But after the flood of 1894 that hotel began its downward career like a rocket.

ECCENTRIC BONNIE RILEY

A Former Oregon Girl Died a Countess in Paris.

A CHECKERED CAREER.

Of Bonnie Riley who, as a girl was quite well known about Eugene, Tuesday's Oregonian says:

"From the fact that the state department at Washington advertised in Harrisburg, Pa. some three weeks since for information as to the legal representative of Vesta Hastings, who died Countess D'Henriot, in Paris, October 30, it is surmised that property awaits her heirs. A Harrisburg dispatch states that Vesta Hastings was Bonnie Riley to her Harrisburg friends, and adds:

"She came here in 1873 as a student in Miss Woodward's seminary. Her father is a Californian. Leaving here she went to Washington, and then returned to her home in California. A few years later a story floated hither from New York, in which Vesta Hastings was the central figure in an apartment house sensation. After that she went to Paris. Two years ago she visited this country and called on old friends, whom she told of her marriage to Count D'Henriot."

"With this incorrect information to start with it is unlikely that the state department will find the legal representative of the Countess D'Henriot, who is her brother, residing in this city, Countess D'Henriot, alias Vesta Hastings, was Bonnie Riley, who was born in Portland at the corner of East Park and Salmon streets. Her checkered career is well known to many here. She had been a student at St Helen's Hall, and on account of some escapade was sent to Harrisburg to school. Her father died some years since, and her only living relative so far as known is a brother residing here. If she left any property he is probably the legal heir to it."

ANOTHER SOLDIER DEAD.

Charles F. Kent Died at Honolulu, November 17.

A letter from the Red Cross society gives particulars of the death of Charles F. Kent, November 17, at Honolulu. He was about 25 years old, was born in Iowa, and for the past 10 years had resided near Smithfield, this county.

Young Kent was one of the 27 that left Eugene under the last call for men to fill the Oregon regiments to full fighting strength, leaving San Francisco October 17. When the transport reached Honolulu he and one other were left there on account of sickness. No account of his death has yet been given in the papers, probably on account of the fact that no cable connects the Hawaiian Islands with the main land.

B. F. Kent, father of the boy, resides on West Fifth street, this city, and he has one sister, who is attending the Eugene public schools. His mother is dead.

The report of City Superintendent E. D. Ressler shows the enrollment in the public schools of this city at the close of the third month of the present school year was 820, a large increase over last year.

POULTRY SHOW

Opened Today With a Fine List of Fowls.

Will Continue Until Saturday

The second annual show of the Willamette Poultry Association opened its doors to the public this morning.

The exhibit is not as large this year as last, but the quality and high grade of the individuals bid fair to excel those shown last year.

When the show opened this morning 341 chickens had places on the benches, 6 geese, 16 turkeys, 6 pigeons, two guinea fowls, two pea fowls and two hares.

G. W. Downs, Sr., of Portland, will be the judge of awards. He is considered one of the best fanciers and authorities on fine poultry in the Northwest.

It is very flattering to remember that birds exhibited in this show last year received remarkably good prizes, not only here, but at the state show.

A number of exhibits are expected to arrive today so that before the close of the show the number of exhibits may be materially increased.

JAMES H. YATES

Died Suddenly Yesterday From Neuralgia of the Heart.

James H. Yates, a well known resident of the western end of the county died suddenly yesterday at his home near Elmira, from neuralgia of the heart. He was making preparations to drive to Eugene when the end came.

Mr. Yates was born in Missouri, April 18, 1841, and was therefore aged 57 years 8 months and 2 days. He removed to Oregon about 13 years ago, and had since resided near Elmira, this county.

Mr. Yates leaves quite a large family, who reside here with the exception of two sons, who reside a short distance east of The Dalles. They have been notified of their father's death and are expected to arrive in time to attend the funeral.

Deceased was a member of the G. A. R., and was quite prominent in the circle in which he moved. The funeral will occur tomorrow to the Inman cemetery.

Brushes.

Hair brushes, 25 cents and up. Clothes brushes, 25 cents and up. Bath brushes, 25 cents and up. Tooth brushes, 10 cents and up.

AT YERINGTON'S

R. Popenpese, a native of Germany, has filed with Clerk Leo his intentions of becoming a citizen of the United States.

Free Medical Advice

Do you understand just what Dr. J. C. Ayer's medicines will do for you? Are they helping you as fast as you think they ought? Write to our doctor. He will answer all questions, and give you the best medical advice, absolutely free.

Address the J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.



Perfumes that Rival Nature's Sweetest Flowers.

The scent of the woods, the fields and the gardens. The largest and finest assortment ever brought to Eugene, now on sale at Osburn & DeLano's Drug Store

Excellent goods and low prices. Call and see

FINE XMAS CANDLES

The Chicago Bakery Proposes to Furnish Candy to Lane County.

O. J. Zeigler proprietor of the Chicago Bakery, has made every preparation to furnish candy to Lane county for the Xmas trade.

This morning the bakery received a new and fresh shipment of candles, and can furnish bouquets, fancy boxes and packages of every description.

The bakery also has a fine line of Xmas tree decorations of every variety, colored candles, paper novelties, tinsel etc.

All this is in addition to the bakery department, which is complete in every detail. Bread, cakes, pies, cookies, everything in endless profusion and best quality.

Piano Lessons.

W. Gifford Nash, four years in Leipzig Germany.

Mr. Nash has a few vacant hours on Mondays and Saturdays, and owing to the numerous applications for 50 cent lessons, he will take two pupils together under the age of 15, and of any grade for \$1.00 per lesson.

Notice.

A competent man wants a class of ten men in bookkeeping. Will give lessons three evenings in a week. For particulars inquire of C. S. Farrow at Green's grocery store.

HOW IS YOUR WIFE?

Has she lost her beauty? If so, constipation, indigestion, sick headache are the principal causes. Karl's Clover Root Tea has cured these ills for half a century. Price 25 cts and 50 cts. Money refunded if results are not satisfactory. For sale at Wilkins and Linn Drugists.

DeMoss Family.

All should hear the DeMoss family at U. B. church Thursday night. Tickets 35 and 25 cents; children 15 cts. On sale at Corner Drug Store.

Important Notice.

We are selling MILL PRICES by ton ing Feed at MILL PRICES or sack

GROCERIES

Is complete, fresh, and prices low. All kinds of hay for sale.

I. K. PETERS, 9th St

CHRISTMAS SPECIALTIES !!!

We Must Close Them out This Week

- Seeded Raisins per pkg..... 11 cts
Mashed Currents per pkg..... 11 cts
Best Citron per pound..... 15 cts
Plain Mixed Candy, two pounds..... 15 cts
Fancy Bonbons per pound..... 25 cts
Our Mixture..... 15 cts
English Walnuts..... 10 cts
Chestnuts, Peacocks, Brazil nuts and Pinenuts per pound..... 15 cts
Oranges per doz..... 25 cts
Lemons..... 20 cts

Everything in Proportion

COOLIDGE'S,

Walton Block.

HERE * AT * LAST

House Coats Smoking Jackets

Just the thing for a present. See them in our Clothing window.

What do you say to a swell top coat, tan covert cloth, for \$8.50 \$12 is what you usually pay for them.

A Splendid line of HOLIDAY NECKWEAR, MUFFLER and HANDKERCHIEFS.

Gents' Initial Handkerchief Worked in Silk, 10c

New things in Ladies' Purses and Side Combs. We have a Splendid assortment of nice things.

Come and See F. E. Dunn