

Mr. and Mrs. Kerkes had their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. N. Rowe, of Portland, for Christmas guest.

Our merchants all report a fine Christmas trade.

C. A. Kitch was a Portland visitor Monday.

F. E. Burns transacted business in Oregon City, Monday.

H. C. Stephens was on the sick list the fore part of the week.

J. B. Abbott spent Christmas with a niece in Salem, returning Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Morgan went to Portland Thursday to stay over Christmas.

Miss Nell Richmond of Portland spent last Thursday night with her sister Mrs. Burt Moore.

A. C. Cogswell, of Eagle Creek, was in town Monday morning. He reports an excellent Christmas trade.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Lilburn of Roseburg, were guests of their daughter Mrs. L. A. Wells and family for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Palmateer received a card Tuesday, from Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nunn from Florence, Italy. They are looking forward to the time when they can meet the Palmateers again, but expect it will be at least another year.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Keatinge, with their children, spent Christmas with friends in Portland. Mr. Keatinge's mother has just come for a visit with her son.

S. P. PESZNECKER Machine Shop Oxy-Acetylene Welding



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The Family Theatre

THURSDAY NIGHT

December 30

HAROLD B. WARNER

— IN —
"ONE HOUR
BEFORE DAWN"

SATURDAY NIGHT

January 1st, 1921.

A fine Film will be run befitting the New Year.

First show opens at 7 p.m. sharp
Prices: Adults 25c, war tax 3c.
Children 10c, war tax 1c.
W. E. LINN, Manager.

OLD CASTLES TO BE RENTED

Structures of Naworth and Douglas
Date Back to Feudal Days in
Great Britain.

Naworth castle, the ancient baronial seat of the lords of Gilsland, the home of the Howards, earls of Carlisle, is to be let furnished for a term of years. The castle stands in a park of 500 acres to the south of the River Irthing, near Brampton. The original character of this feudal stronghold, first mentioned in the reign of Richard II, remains unspoiled, though it has been modernized as a place of residence. Armor, pictures, tapestry and antique furniture of great value adorn the banquet hall and other rooms. Shooting over ten thousand acres and trout fishing are among the sporting attractions of Naworth. Vestiges of the great Roman wall are still visible in the district, and an occupier of antiquarian tastes could find matter for interesting speculations as to the origin of other features of the countryside near Brampton, including what are supposed to be the traces of a Danish encampment.

Douglas castle, Lanarkshire, is also to be let for a long term furnished, with 40,000 acres of moorland. A loch in the park and the Douglas water afford excellent trouting.—London Times.

EAST INDIAN WATER MONITOR

Reptile, Harmless in Itself, Is Used by
the Singhalese to Brew Most
Deadly Poison.

The water monitor is one of the standbys of the citizens of India, Ceylon and the Malay peninsula and Dutch East Indies, although it is a reptile of no beneficent appearance, with its long forked tongue, extending from a sheath like unto a snake's. It is one of the largest of existing lizards, reaching a length of seven feet, although its nearest relative, the gigantic Australian monitor, grows from 12 to 30 feet long. The monitor lays 20 or more white, soft-shelled eggs in hollow trees, and in Burmah these bring a much higher price than hen's eggs, according to the Scientific American.

It is a swift runner, able to overtake the speediest mammals, frogs, turtles and snakes, on which it feeds. It climbs trees for squirrels, birds and their eggs. At other times it may be



found digging along stream banks for the eggs of the crocodile, of which it is most fond. If surprised when up a tree, it drops into the water, swimming with powerful strokes of its flattened tail which acts as oars and rudder. When being captured it fights with teeth, claws and tail.

The natives term the monitor "Kabarata-Goya." Although it is harmless and non-poisonous, it is used to produce deadly poisons. The Singhalese are experts in brewing a deadly poison termed "Kabaratel." They extract poisons from venomous snakes, adding arsenic and other drugs, boiling the combination in human skulls. And here the monitor comes in as a part of their superstition. They tie three monitors on three sides facing the fire. Then they torment the monitors with whips and make them hiss to cause the fire to blaze up. You and I would take a bellows for this purpose, but the natives believe that the hiss of the monitors adds to the poisonous quality of the deadly brew.

Patronize your home paper.

PRE-INVENTORY SALE!

Pursuant to Our Regular Policy, we are

Marking Down Our Entire Stock of Merchandise

for this week, to Reduce Our Stock as much as possible before Inventory, and to make room for Our Spring Goods.

IN OUR SHOE DEPARTMENT,

We are making a cut of from ONE TO TWO DOLLARS PER PAIR on the entire line. It will pay you to anticipate your wants and BUY SHOES THIS WEEK.

WATCH OUR WINDOW FOR GROCERY SPECIALS.

Come in and Hear the Sweet Toned Mandel Talking Machine

THE BEST POPULAR PRICED MACHINE ON THE MARKET, TODAY!

IT PAYS TO SAVE YOUR CASH REGISTER TICKETS

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