

Those wishing to consult Dr. Brown will find him at the residence of Mrs. J. W. Morgan, Dec. 31.

Elder Sickafosse will spend Sunday next at Silverton in Marion county before his return he expects to visit daily.

Dr. C. B. Brown will be in Hillsboro, Monday morning, Dec. 31 at the residence of Mrs. J. W. Morgan. He will remain until Saturday.

Mr. Galloway, the inventor with those interested in his new devices are making preparations to manufacture them here on a commercial scale.

Mr. Geo. Carleton, who has been confined to his room for the past six weeks with rheumatism is much improved and able to be on the streets again.

The population of Washington county as appears from census bulletin No. 20 is 14,467. By the census of 1890 we had 11,972. So, in 10 years we have gained 2,495 in population.

We are requested by Dr. Linklater to intimate that parties knowing themselves indebted to him are required to settle by cash or note up to the end of the month, now closing. Owing to the hard times of recent years many accounts have been allowed to await the convenience of the payers, but now the time has come when these must be adjusted, or those known who will not.

One gentleman whose property is within a mile of Hillsboro, signifies his willingness to subscribe liberally to the capital of a creamery and put fifty cows on his farm. Another whose land is no farther away says he will stock up to 25 cows with the privilege of increasing. These are men who have not before been taken into account when making a canvass. There is a more favorable outlook for a creamery now than there has been before.

Christmas was observed in Hillsboro by a general suspension of business. There were no public observances of the day except at the Evangelical church on the evening of the 24th, and at the Washington street M. E. church on Christmas evening. But families assembled at their homes from whose sacred precincts all care had been banished. Business men report that trade this year has been equal to what it was last and many say better. The class of goods bought has been of a better grade. This points to the fact that prosperity prevails generally.

By reason of the low valuation put upon the property of Washington county listed for the purpose of taxation County School Supt. Ball finds that the school fund for 1901 will be about \$1000. This means a deficiency in every school district of about 50 cents per pupil. Superintendent Ball calls attention to this in a circular sent to school officers, and suggests the levying of a district tax to make up the deficiency. District taxes have to be levied in January and certified to the county clerk by the first of February.

Opportunity is given but once to celebrate the departure of one century and the coming of another. At the Congregational church next Sunday night such an opportunity presents itself. The anniversary of the 19th century and the prospects for the 20th century will be the theme of a platform meeting. The speakers include Dr. F. A. Bailey, Mr. John M. Wall and Mr. E. P. Hughes. Occupying the usual length of a Sunday service, it will begin at 7:30. A cordial invitation is extended to all to be present.

A car of Hubbard squashes were recently shipped from Newton station just east of Hillsboro that netted the grower seventy five cents per hundred pounds, a little more than potatoes. Where were these squashes used? In Portland, Idaho, Montana and Alaska. This is the market extended and the opportunity for profitable farming broadened. What is wanted is produce by the carload. It will sell for it is more economical to handle great quantities than small.

Leave your order for New Year's Oregonian at R. Cave's hardware store. Five cents per copy. The number is to be of unusual interest.

Call at the INDEPENDENT office and examine the famous Melton board for mounting kodak prints. Latest thing out. Any size.

Paper napkins, 20 cents per 100, at INDEPENDENT office. Imported from China before hostilities broke out.

John Dennis has the prettiest line of baby shoes that ever came to the city. All colors and very reasonable.

Call at R. Cave's hardware store and see his new stock of Venetian granite ware. 3.

Mounts for stamp pictures at the INDEPENDENT office, 1 doz and a half for 5 cts.

Dr. Brown, dentist can not professionally visit Hillsboro till Dec. 31.

Schulmerich Bros., have blasting powder for sale.

Born, at Glencoe, Dec. 24 to Herman Kamma and wife, a son.

Born, at Glencoe, on the 22nd inst. to the wife of E. C. Maysa daughter.

Dr. C. B. Brown will be in Hillsboro for a week commencing Dec. 31.

A creamery is to be started at Eugene at once and by a manufacturer who first came to Hillsboro, but went away because the encouragement was not positive.

Chickens are not roosting high enough this winter in that part of town where the trouble was a few months ago. It now begins to appear as if a few convictions robbing hen roosts will be necessary before the hen-roost looters can be persuaded to retire from business.

A direct steamship line between Portland and Manila is to be put on in January. Two ships are booked for the route, so there will be a ship depart from Portland every month or six weeks. It is understood that this line has no connection with the Oriental line of the O. R. & N. Co.

A particularly bright, vivacious and satisfactory performance is promised for Wednesday, January 2, 1901 at the Hillsboro Opera House. "A Bell Boy," the name of the ringing musical farce, headed by that capable little comedian, John M. Welch, who is ably supported by a direct and well selected company of eastern artists.

Mr. Robert Crandall, of Duluth, Minnesota, after an absence of about eleven years returned Christmas morning on a visit to his father and mother, Judge and Mrs. R. Crandall. Bob is the same Bob, but Hillsboro is not as he left it. There is hardly a landmark that is familiar. He expects to remain here till about the middle of March when he will return to his Lake home.

Wit and music are to be found in the sparkling farce comedy success, "A Bell Boy," which will soon be seen at the Opera House this season, and it is claimed to have the finest, withest and prettiest collection of singers, dancers, clever comedians and graceful girls that has ever been banded together in farce comedy. The company has played to crowded houses in Portland for ten days.

Nothing more dashing and chic in the line of singers and dancers can be seen anywhere than the Young Sisters, duetist; in fact, you can "see the steam coming out of their shoes." Their duets are a collection of the funniest French songs cleverly intermingled with negro melodies and rollicking ditties. Their specialty is one of the many "good things" offered in the performance of "A Bell Boy," which will be seen at the Opera House on Jan. 2, 1901. First 5 rows 75 cents, balance 50 cents. General admission 35 cents.

Ex-President Cleveland is writing for The Saturday Evening Post a series of strong articles which will appear in the magazine during the winter months. Some of these papers will deal with political affairs, and others with the personal problems of young men. They will be Mr. Cleveland's first utterances in any magazine on the questions of the day since he left the White House. Mr. Cleveland's opening paper, which is to appear in The Saturday Evening Post of December 22, discusses in a masterly manner a most important phase of our national politics.

Died, in East Portland, Dec 3, 1900, Mary A. Bullington aged 84 years and 23 days. Grandma Bullington, as she was called was born in Galia Co., Ohio, Nov. 13 1816, and was married to Jonathan B. Bullington July 11th 1833, came to Oregon in 1844, resided in East Portland until 1870, then moved to Middleton, Washington county, Oregon, where she lived ever since until 12 days before her death she was taken to the home of her daughter, Mrs. I. A. Best. Grandma Bullington fell and was badly hurt several years ago and although able to attend to her household duties was a constant sufferer until death came to her relief. The sad news of the death of her two grandsons, one having occurred at The Washington, Nov. 17th, and the other at Jackson, Miss. Nov. 17th, was a great shock to the aged one, although every precaution was taken that could be, yet this and the hurried funeral condition perhaps hastened the end. She leaves many friends who will think of many acts of kindness done by her. She leaves three daughters and two sons, five granddaughters, three grandsons, to mourn her loss, her children are: Mrs. I. A. Best, East Portland; Mrs. P. M. B. Oiler, Pocomo, Washington; Mr. J. M. Bullington, Oxford, Kansas; Mary A. Bullington and W. K. Bullington, Middleton. "Our name lived on again before, she is done with all suffering her body is laid to rest, her spirit is with its God. Our loss is her gain and while we are "walking through the valley and the shadow" our loved ones are on "that other bright shore" waiting to welcome each of us home.

Dead Letter List.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed for in the postoffice at Hillsboro, Dec. 22, 1900:

- Blochinger & Son, Geo. W. Cassidy, Geo. Cooper, Geo. Gardner, J. Ernest Giesler, Eli Hineck, William Jurgens, Herriek Kambout, M. F. J. Murphy, Rold J. Tyacke, A. Wilson, Sarah Daniels, Mary Johnson, Mrs. Letitia Smith.

All letters not called for by Jan. 5, will be sent to the Dead Letter Office. One cent will be charged for each letter called for.

A gentleman, who manufactures a good grade of butter, one of the best on the market, was asked this week to attend the Annual Dairyman's Association to be held here, January 3 and 4. "No, I never attend such meetings. A man better be at home expanding effort in making a better grade of butter." "Wait, you bring an exhibit from your dairy?" He had a box of fine butter which he was shipping to a well retail grocery house in Portland. "No, I won't bother with it. I could sell more than I can make." And yet there will be no one attend the annual meeting who more needs instruction in packing butter for market. His packing would have been perfect according to the ideas five years ago. But ends of his blocks were not even partially covered. True they were covered when in the box but when out they are completely exposed. Continuing the conversation he said, "The speakers at these meetings are not practical men. Look at their farms. They are a disgrace to the calling. The owners had better be at home putting up fences, cleaning out fence corners, drawing manure from the barns and spreading on the meadows rather than showing off at public meetings." "You are a practical man, come and give the Dairyman's Association a practical turn." "No, it pays me better to stay at home and improve my product." The gentleman has a wrong idea of the meeting. The committee of arrangements has done its utmost to bring practical men to the front and leave theorists at home, and the address will be interesting and instructive beyond anything that has before been arranged for in this county. Competition is the life of an industry, and there will be competition here. Facts and figures will be marshaled and butter makers will learn more new things about their occupation in two days than they will by experimenting at home for a year. Ahio Watt is right when he says that the difference between civilization and savagery is that enlightened men are the result of stored energy while savages waste effort. The annual association here on the first Thursday and Friday of January is going to be a profitable meeting and will be worthy the attendance of all our dairymen.

The U. S. Postal Inspector last week visited the postoffice at Blooming. Of course he found the accounts in perfect shape. Incidentally he mentioned that the Blooming office is in more prosperous condition than any other office of the same grade in his inspection district.

Mr. Al. Latham started on Tuesday morning for Portland to enter the employ of the Southern Pacific Company. The first work he will do is firing on a locomotive. AP's ultimate object is the place of Division Superintendent.

Charles E. Hicks late one of Hillsboro's boys, but now publisher of the Arlington Independent was in a train wreck on the O. R. & N. Co's road last week. He was well shaken but not taken.

Mrs. Annie E. Smith, started on Monday evening last over the S. P. Co's lines for Howard, Kansas. On the same train J. W. Budy, wife and son started for Nevada, Missouri.

Mr. Sanborn, of Eugene, is visiting with his ace, Mrs. A. A. Morrill. The visitor is favorably impressed with our town and finds it larger than he expected.

Next Sunday morning Rev. H. Oberg will present to his congregation the subject, "Christ's Welcome." In the evening, "The Shrine of Immortality."

Frank Rood, of Heppner, visited over Christmas with the family of his uncle, Judge Rood.

Born, in Hillsboro, Dec. 23, to O. B. Gites and wife a daughter.

COURT HOUSE.

PROBATE. Est W F Babton deed; semi annual report filed. Receipts including cash on hand \$1146.09, disbursed \$411.75, balance on hand \$734.34. Report approved. Est Juno Gilholley deed; will proven in open court and estate admitted to probate. Peter Jansen appointed executor to serve without bonds. Appraisers John VanDehey, Antone Kruger and Theodore Vandyke. Est John Duzer deed; final account examined and allowed and the estate closed of record. Est Charles Herb deed; final account allowed and estate closed of record. Est N C Richardson deed; report of administratrix approved. Ordered that the claim of Dr J. P. Tameisic for \$103 be paid. Est Geo Thing deed; report filed and approved. Ordered that the sum of \$300 be distributed to the heirs.

Est Gertrude and Gussie Smith, minors; ordered that citation issue to heirs returnable January 8th. If no valid objection is produced the guardian will be permitted to sell real estate for the benefit of the said minors.

MARRIAGE LICENSE. Licence to wed was issued Dec. 22, to Oscar P. Wagener 29 and Maggie M Woodcock 26.

Captain Collins as installing officers yesterday induced into their stations the officers of Tualatin Lodge No. 6, A. F. and A. M. as follows: Dr. W. D. Wood, Master; Ed. Schulmerich, Sen. Warden; J. W. Bailey, Jun. Warden; R. Crandall, Sec; L. A. Rood, Treas.; P. O. Brown, Sen. Deacon; Frank Wallace, Jun. Deacon; J. E. Adkins and G. H. Wilcox, Stewards and Chas Laughlin, Tyler. The officers of Tualatin Chapter, O. E. S. installed by Lara Wagener are W. M., Grace Post; Patron, Miles Everett; Assistant M., Grace A. Wood; Sec., Elizabeth O. Crandall; Treas., Letitia Bailey; Cond., Grace Boscow; Assistant Cond., May Willis; Adm., Zula Linklater; Ruth, Wilma Wagener; Esther, Esther Brown; Martha, Rebecca Merryman; Elects, Leona Deichman; Chaplain, Letitia Adkins; Sen., Chas. Laughlin; Organist, Mabel Adkins. After the installations lunch was served in the hall. This was followed by addresses delivered by Dr. F. A. Bailey, Hon. W. N. Barrett and Hon. H. V. Gates.

We had sunshine yesterday and a promise of more today. But with clear weather we may have frost. Fools that way.

MOUNTAIN HOME ITEMS.

Last Sunday afternoon, a large tree was blown across the road between Mr. Baker's place and the Mountain Home church. Mrs. Wonderli returning home from church had to leave her buggy stand until Monday morning when the tree was removed.

Mr. J. C. Crawford, of The Dalles, is the guest of his cousin, Mr. J. D. McCulley.

Tonsillitis seems to have run its course and the children are returning to school.

Mrs. Estella Vincent is staying with her sister, Mrs. B. Yorgen, while Mr. Yorgen is away from home.

The dogs of the neighborhood made an attack on Mr. Schmelzler's sheep last week, but fortunately none were killed.

Mr. and Mrs. Kinnen, of Buville, made their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tarant's visit last week.

The street committee is laying some new plank on Second street south from Washington which will be greatly appreciated by the teamsters. New lumber is used in the worst places and old when the break is small.

The Hillsboro Pharmacy PURE DRUGS. HIGH GRADE CHEMICALS. Beef, Iron and Wine Is a Good Tonic. We Have the Best Fair Dealing Requires no Fairy Tale.

Furniture for sale AT PORTLAND PRICES. To prove this call at the corner of main and Third streets and get prices P. O. BROWN, Furniture Dealer.

J. F. DAVIES, PRESIDENT. C. T. BELCHER, SECY AND TREAS. St. Charles Hotel INCORPORATED Front and Morrison Streets, Portland Oregon. Electric Lights, Electric Bells and Hydraulic Elevator. 150 Rooms at 25 to 50c, Suites, 75, to \$1. Good Restaurant in Connection. Give us a call, DAVIS & BELCHER, Managers.

A BELL BOY Hillsboro Opera House Wednesday January 2 5:30 A.M.

PRICES: FIRST FOUR ROWS..... \$ .75 BALANCE CHAIRS..... .50 GENERAL ADMISSION..... .35

OREGON DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION. The following very entertaining program has been arranged by the Executive Committee of the Dairymen's Association and will be the order of exercises at the annual meeting to be held at the Court House next Thursday and Friday. Farmers are requested to bring a sample of fodder they are using. A cordial welcome is extended to all. The Ladies of the Congregational church will serve a chicken dinner at the Grange Hall on Thursday where the public will be relieved of their hunger for 25 cents. Thursday, January 3, 1901, 10:00 a. m. MUSIC Address of Welcome..... Dr. F. A. Bailey Response..... Hon. Thos. Paulsen MUSIC Paper..... Dairying for profit Wm. Schulmerich, Farmington DISCUSSION Paper..... Good Roads and Modern Dairying R. Scott, Milwaukie DISCUSSION 1:30 p. m. Address..... Dairy Products from the Commission Man's Standpoint W. H. Chapin, Portland DISCUSSION MUSIC Address..... What I Know About a Silo Geo. W. Weeks, Salem DISCUSSION Paper..... What to Feed Alex Chalmers, Centerville 7:30 p. m. MUSIC Address..... Dairying, Grain Raising and the Fertility of the Soil Prof. A. L. Kinsley, Corvallis DISCUSSION RECITATION Address..... Oregon Creameries and Cheese Factories Prof. F. L. Kent, Cornelius Paper..... Butter Making from Hand Separator Ad. Skyles, Astoria DISCUSSION MUSIC Friday, January 4, 10:00 a. m. Address..... Problems in Feeding Dr. Jas. Withycombe, Corvallis DISCUSSION Address..... Veterinary Obstetrics State Veterinarian Wm. McLean, Portland DISCUSSION 1:30 p. m. BUSINESS MEETING REPORTS OF OFFICERS President Paulsen ANNUAL ADDRESS ELECTION OF OFFICERS MUSIC Address..... Is Dairying Profitable? T. S. Townsend, Portland DISCUSSION MUSIC Address..... How a Creamery Will Benefit Hillsboro and Vicinity Hon. W. N. Barrett, Hillsboro DISCUSSION

ROYAL Baking Powder Absolutely Pure

Makes hot breakfast-breads wholesome—no yeast germs, no alum. Makes cake, biscuit and pastry of superior fineness, flavor and delicacy. Makes food that will keep moist and sweet. Is most economical, because it is the purest and greatest in leavening strength. In the easy, expeditious preparation of the finer cakes and pastries appropriate to the season, Royal is indispensable. Care must be taken to avoid baking powders made from alum. Such powders are sold cheap, because they cost but a few cents per pound. Not only will they spoil the cake, but alum is a corrosive acid, which taken in food means injury to health. ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., 100 WILLIAM ST., NEW YORK.