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THE METROPOLITAN MUSIC COMPANY

Methods are Under Investigation
—Many of Our People
Are Interested.

About the middle of last Summer a school of music was opened in this city by a coterie of musicians who claimed to be representatives of the Metropolitan Music Co., of St. Paul. They rented the Brower brick at Sixth and C streets and began soliciting for pupils. As their terms were apparently quite liberal and success to the pupils was guaranteed their efforts were fruitful and several score of pupils joined the school. Lessons were given on the violin, mandolin or guitar. According to the terms of the agreement, a printed copy of which was given to each pupil, \$30 paid for an instrument and a course of 30 or more lessons, the "more" being indefinite. The course was to be continued until the pupil should be able to play from sheet music if the 30 lessons were insufficient to produce this result.

The amount of \$30 was to be paid in installments; the first payment was \$3, in advance. This was for the last three lessons. Thereafter, \$1 was to be paid each week, the pupil receiving a lesson a week. However, the weekly payment must be made whether the lesson was taken or not. Lessons missed could be made up any time within a year by taking two lessons a week. The contract was left without signature.

When the last dollar of the tuition was collected the pupils had lessons in number ranging from three to 15 paid for and not yet taken. About this time the school was closed. The pupils were notified by letter, of which the following is a sample:

Dear Pupil: Our school in Grants Pass, Ore., will be closed for a few weeks. We will notify you when we resume teaching.

Hoping this will not inconvenience you, we remain,
Respectfully
METROPOLITAN MUSIC CO.
Dio. Friedman,

Suspensions of the good faith of the "company," some of the pupils put the matter into the hands of Sheriff Russell for investigation. Mr. Russell sent a letter of inquiry to St. Paul which brought the following reply:

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 19, 1906.
W. J. Russell, Esq.,
Sheriff, Grants Pass, Ore.,

Dear Sir:

Your letter addressed to the Metropolitan Music Co., St. Paul, has been delivered to us, as there is no such concern in St. Paul. We are glad to reply to your inquiry for the reason that this concern, who seem to have defrauded your people under the name of the Metropolitan Music School, have also been carrying on the same kind of business in various towns throughout the State of Minnesota. They are entirely irresponsible, and have performed the same dishonest trick with pupils in a number of cases. They have also stolen the name of the Metropolitan Music Co. of Minneapolis, and on being called to account by an attorney, they dropped the word "Company" and used the word "School" instead, so that they have in a number of cases, been operating under the name of the Metropolitan Music School.

These people had a branch at one time in St. Paul, and when we were going after them we learned that they claimed to have a head office in Chicago, in the charge of a man named H. R. Friedman.

We hope this information may assist you in finding these people, and compelling them to disgorge any money they have carried off dishonestly.

Claus Shears at Cramer Bros.

What We Most Need.

Men who cannot be bought.
Men who put character above wealth.
Men who possess opinions and a will.
Men who will not lose their individuality in a crowd.
Men who will not think anything profitable that is dishonest.
Men who will be honest in small things as well as great things.
Men whose ambitions are not confined to their own selfish desires.
Men who are willing to sacrifice private interests for the public good.
Men who are not afraid to take chances, who are not afraid of failure.
Men who will not have one brand of honesty for business purposes and another for private life.

Chain Letters.

For some time both temperance and religious papers have printed warnings against chain letters but still many people do not seem to understand them. The Epworth Herald of November 24, says in Note and Comment: "Several correspondents have asked us within a few days to advise them. They want to know what to do with chain letters that have been sent to them. What to do—why only one thing! Destroy them. One correspondent sends us a copy of the chain letter he had received. The prayer it contains was sent out by an Eastern bishop, it is stated. The person who receives it and will not write and send out nine copies of it, 'will be affected by some misfortune.' A person who ignored the request 'met with a terrible accident.' The one who sends out nine copies, 'sending only one each day, will on or after the ninth day experience some great joy.' Then follows this climax: 'At Jerusalem, during the holy feast it was here said that he who rewrites this prayer would be delivered from every calamity.' Yet, in spite of exhortation, threat, and unsupported assertion we say that the best place for these endless chain affairs is the waste basket."

In long years past and gone one day, A letter came along my way. Asking that I'd three letters write. Copies of that which they'd indite. And send to friends, requesting each To write three more and to beseech Each one to send a ten cent coin. To friendless children in Des Moines. I did the best I could to aid; The letters wrote, the money paid; And then a friend who knew about it Said 'twas a fake, she didn't doubt it. And still chain letters come to me. But they will never answered be; If sent to me 'twill be in vain, For gladly will I "break the chain."

L. W. BLOOD.

Prietor of Art Gallery back of First National Bank is the only located photographer in town. He owns his house and a nice home on Iowa Street. 19-21 St.

The latest in calling cards at the Courier office.

ASHLAND AND A. A. C. PLAY NO SCORE GAME

Ground a Sea of Mud and Water
Makes Football Game a
Punting One

A very interesting game of football was played between the A. A. C. and Ashland teams at Ashland on Christmas day, in which neither side made a score. The day was unusually wet and disagreeable and the ground covered with water, but the rain could not dampen the ardor of the boys for they went into the game with a dash and spirit characteristic of the true Oregonian.

In the beginning Hopkins of Grants Pass kicked off to Larson on the 10 yard line, and he carried the ball forward five yards when he was downed. Ashland tried twice to advance the ball and then punted out of danger. Grants Pass advanced by steady crossbucks and end runs to the 10 yard line where they were held for downs. Owing to the fact that the field had no goal posts on the south end of the field the boys were prevented from trying for a field goal. All during the first half the game was played in Ashland's territory, but Grants Pass was unable to score a touchdown.

In the second half Sayles kicked to Schmidt. In this half the rain fell so fast and the field became so sticky that it was impossible to use any fake plays or passes and both sides depended on punting. The second half was played mostly in Grants Pass' territory, but their goal was in danger only once, when Sayles circled the end to the 10 yard line where he was downed by Schmidt. Grants Pass held Ashland for downs and then punted out of danger. The last of the game was hotly contested but neither side was able to score.

Hopkins was disabled in the last scrimmage in the last half and Dean was placed in full and Shade took left half.

Ashland will play a return game with Grants Pass, New Years Day at the A. A. C. grounds in this city.

Christmas Reflections.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.— Luke 2:14.

It matters but little whether Jesus was born on the 25th day of December or on some other day. It is enough to know that his life work stands out before the world as a model of wisdom and purity. The purpose of his advent into the world is of far more importance than the exact time of his birth. Neither does the manner of his birth add to or take from his greatness. He was great because he did great things for humanity.

That the mission of Jesus is still misunderstood by many of his professed followers is evidenced by the lack of unity that is seen all about us. Peace and good will are essential to happiness, and necessarily involve unity of purpose. We may differ in opinion as to abstract propositions, but in dealing with things tangible there must be harmony in order to enjoy that degree of satisfaction which is certainly the common heritage of all. To be happy is the normal condition of our race, and to be unhappy is the abnormal condition.

Our lack of peace and good-will throughout the world today is largely due to our lack of knowledge; and our lack of knowledge is largely due to our unwillingness to cut loose from the traditions of an ignorant and superstitious priesthood. We are slow to learn that the laws of nature are the same in all ages and among all people, and that to work in harmony with these laws is the highest duty of man. Anything that man has done in the past can be done by man in the future. Whatever was possible 3000 years ago is possible now; and whatever is possible now was possible at any time in the past.

Jesus made no effort to set aside the established order of the universe. His sole aim was to persuade men to recognize their obligations to observe and respect this order. His unwavering confidence in the ultimate triumph of divine humanity was manifest in all of his teaching, and his constant claim to sonship was in keeping with this idea that all men were the sons of God—that there was one common father and one common brotherhood; and that each individual was the maker of his own destiny—capable of rising to the stature of full manhood or sinking to the brute level.

STEPHEN JEWELL.

Now is the time to buy an electric motor and put in electric power. The recent advance in the price of copper wire has raised the price of motors. We still have a stock of motors on hand, which we purchased at the old prices. If you desire to purchase an electric motor do so at once, as we intend to reduce our stock, and in future motors will have to be ordered from the factory.

CONDOR WATER & POWER CO.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

FOR SALE.

ONE 345 foot fish net and boat. Call at Blue front wagon shop 6th and J street. 12-28 tf

FOR SALE OR TRADE One good heavy 3 1/2 inch wagon, nearly new one good, cow. Inquire of D. A. Harmon, P. O. Box 87 call. 12-28 2t

FOUR ACRES of land fenced and part seeded to grain on north 10th street for sale. No reasonable offer refused. Call or address E E Cargill, Box 14. 12-28 tf

COW—A good, young cow to be fresh in a few days. Can be seen at E. E. Cargill's place on North 10th street. 12-21 tf

CHICKENS—Parties desiring choice chickens for Sunday dinner or special occasions can secure same from John Summers, North Sixth Street 11-23 tf

TYPEWRITER—Visible writing machine for \$40 at the Music Store. All kinds of typewriter ribbons and supplies.

FOR SALE—By E. Steele at 2d ware house west cold storage plant—Sugar Pine Shakes, Plymouth Rock Cockerels, Fruit, Vegetables, all kinds, fresh ocean fish, crabs, shrimps, clams, oysters by the pint, quart and gallon, also in cans. Cash paid for fruit and produce. E. Steele. 11-2 tf

FOR RENT.

ROOMS—Three nice light and airy rooms for housekeeping, furnished, for rent, price reasonable; address P. O. box 553. 12-28 tf

COTTAGE—Furnished cottage with bath and electric lights, rent \$15. Inquire P. O. Box 335 12-21 tf

WANTED.

WANTED—Grain Sacks, Tools and other second-hand goods. Harrison Bros., Second hand-store, corner Sixth and J streets. 2-9 tf

C. L. NOEL of Odessa wants loggers and timber cutters to deliver 2,000,000 feet of logs to mill by contract before snow flies; short haul, level roads, one 4-horse team, two trucks, chains, etc. furnished. Also left hand 3-gang edger wanted. Write or call at mill Odessa, Ore. 8-3 tf

LOST.

LOCKET and chain found; owner can find same at Courier office. 12-28 tf

HELP WANTED.

WANTED—Salesmen. Many Make \$100 to \$150 per month; some even more. Stock clean; grows on Reservation, far from old orchards. Cash advanced weekly. Choice of territory. Address Washington Nursery Company, Toppenish, Washington. 9-28 tf

WANTED—Gentleman or lady with good reference to travel by rail or with a rig for a firm of \$250,000 capital. Salary \$1072 per year and expenses, salary paid weekly and expenses advanced. Address with stamp Jos. A. Alexander, Grants Pass, Oregon. 12-28 tf

MISCELLANEOUS.

DRESSMAKING—Mrs. Pepin, 724, H street, cor. Eighth. 12-21 St

BOARD—Table board first house west of tennis court on D street. 12-7 tf

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Discount on Suits 20 to 50 per cent

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FASHIONABLE dressmaking and tailoring. Mrs. T. C. Horr, 107 C street. 9-14 tf

FRANK BURNETT—Upholstering, mission furniture made to order.

CARD OF THANKS.

I wish to thank the many friends who so kindly assisted me during the sickness, death and burial of my wife.
HENRY GIER.

Royal Neighbor Officers.

Edith C. Stipe Camp No. 2908, Royal Neighbors of America, have held their annual elections and placed the following officers in charge of the Camp for the ensuing year:

Oracle—Mrs. Carrie Watson.
V O—Mrs. I. R. Rader.
P O—Mrs. A. J. Anderson.
Recorder—Mrs. Henrietta Zoller.
Treas—Mrs. O. O. Lund.
Marshal—Miss Nina Watson.
Chaplain—Mrs. Stephenson.
Sentinel—Mrs. J. D. Honck.

Placer and quartz location notices, mine deeds, leases, etc., at the Courier office.

NOTICE!!


Starting Jan. 1, 1907, all rough, dry and flat work will be done at list prices. All rough dry must be in the Laundry by Tuesday noon of each week. We do this so we can get your work back early enough to be ironed before Saturday.

Finish	Not Ironed.
Shirts	Overshirts
Shirts, open front	Nightshirts
Shirts, pleated	Undershirts
Collars	Drawers
Cuffs, per pair	Socks
	Hose
	Pajamas
	Union
	Ladies vests
	Children's Overalls
	Starched
	Dresses
	Skirts
	Waists
	Corset Covers
	Chemise
	Drawers
	Nightdresses
	Wrappers
	Aprons
	Plowshams pair
	Child's Pieces

No shirts, collars, vests, overalls or jumpers done rough dry. No bundle less than 25c. All finished at usual list prices.

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