A subscriber wants to run the edi torial column of the DEMOGRAT today and presents the following:

1. The habit is at war with temper ance. Tobacco is an intoxicant. It is a part of the merchandise of dramshops, is an incentive to drunkenness The toper, rebuked by a professed tea-totler, with a quid or a cigar in his mouth, might pertinently respond, "Physician, heal thyself."

2. The habit is a self indulgence and

in flagrant conflict with the self-denying spirit of the divine Founder of Christianity. It numbers among its slaves more than 150 millions of human beings. It hinders moral reform, and it impedes progress.

"cleanliness," says the proverb, "is next to godliness." Ladies of refine-ment involuntarily shrink from the man who chews, or snuffs, or smokes, unless custom has rendered them indifferent to those vile practices.

4. The lips of the tobacco-chewer or habitual smoker are swelled and saturated with a disgusting poison, the gums are spongy and tender, and the whole throat and mouth affected by its

5. The habit of using tobacco is inconsistent with the character of a Christian gentleman. "St Paul," Bishop Hooker tells us, "was emphatically a gentleman," Would he have poisoned the air with sickening smoke, or deluged the floor with liquid filthiness? Neverl

6. The habit injures the voice. The chewer often croaks. The smoker articulates huskily. The snuffer speaks through his nose.

The habit is costly. Official statistics show that more money was spent for tobacco in the United States during 1871, than for bread, the staff of life, \$350,000,000 for tobacco in its various forms; \$200,000,000 for flour,

within the year.

8. The habit often lowers the self respect of those who practice it. "I love my pipe," said a clergyman, "but despuse myself for using it."

9. The habit disturbs the regular pulsation of the heart. Tobacco users are thus in constant danger. Many fall dead suddenly.

10. The habit weakens the mind. It

enfeebles the will, produces morbid irritability, diseases the imagination deadens the moral sensibilities, and is therefore an "assault and battery" on the nervous system, the intelect and the soul.

11. The habit is a rebellion against conscience. Those who indulge in it know that it wastes time, money, strength and life, and tramples on the laws of nature, which are the laws of God, hence it is a sin.

12. The habit is as contagious as the cholera. Every mature smoker or chewer infects dozens of youths with a desire to follow his pernicious example. Thus the evil spreads.

For a Clean Albany.

The better the homes the better the citizenship. Good homes do wonders in making a better people. This is not original with the DEMOCRAT but some thing which is being worked out by thinking men. In some of the large European cities the idea is being put to the front in the endeavor to improve the citizenship by the improvement of the homes. In the slums particularly the plan is to make conditions better Neater homes, better sanitation. The result every time will be improvement of the country. In a city the size of Albany there is not the same amount of work to be done; but the idea needs promulgating just the same. Every improvement of our homes is an im mense hooster for the city, both moraly and physically. With about the lowest death rate in the world Albany may well make a specialty of having this the cleanest and neatest city in the world, a city beautiful. And while we are at it we do well all the time to make it just as clean a town morally, a place for a home where the young may be safely reared without fear of con

A clean Albany

Citles and Happiness.

The greatest proportion of happy people are not found in the big cities; but in places like Albany, a fact not sentiment. In the large cities a majority of the inhabitants live unhappily In misery and wretchedness. Even the middle classes, who are not poverty stricken lack the environments for happiness possessed in the rural city

People living in the smaller cities do well to cultivate a spirit of contentment, not thinking that they need to go into the large city in order to prosper and enjoy life. Prosperity consists in more than money making. Character building is a part of it.

Notice to Fruit Growers.

We shall be in the market for fruit during the season of 1909. For information as to what varieties to plant etc. call Home Phone 4059, or address At-BANY PRESERVING Co. Albany Ore. 15 Saturday Night Thoughts.

This week a remarkable thing happened in Oregon. A republican state Legislature elected a democrat for U. S Senator, They had to do it, because they had pledged themselves to vote for the choice of the people for U. S. Senator. They did well. A man always does who keeps his word.

Everybody ought to do that much, but in this age of venality it is often not the case,

Republican papers are telling about the wonderful lesson learned, and how they will not be caught again. It is possible the same thing may not hap-pen just like it, but in four years from now the men who pledge themselves to abide by the vote of the people are 3. The habit is essentially filthy, and cleanliness," says the proverb, "is ext to godliness." Ladies of refinethere is only one George Chamberlain in Oregon; but the man who gets the choice of the people, even if it is Jonathan Bourne again, with all his shortcomings will be the one elected by the state legislature.

> The state legislature has gotten down to business and has begun grinding out appropriations, with prospects of an enormous total for the people to place their shoulders under. But there should be no growling for the men clected are of that kind, and the people in referendum have not spoken out very loudly. When this legislature is over there will be some more work for the referendum committee in the interest of the people, and it will be done.

This is the revival season of the year, special time for effort in the interest ot a better manhood and womanhood through the gospel of Jesus Christ. That should be the great object, not the increasing of church member-ship alone, alwas commendable, but for salvation from sin. It is not a question of the number to go through the form of being taken into the church, but the number who really make a turn about, on such a solid basis of belief, as to make them willing to sacrifice their own passions and desires for their fellow men. The genuine conversion takes away much of one's selfishness, and building up a spirit of forbearance and love. Men never become perfect, but they do raise the standard of char acter into a royal manhood. In genu-ine Christianity there is a spirit of tolerance, an appreciation of human weakness, a willingness to continually jump up after a stumble and try again, a perpetual warfare against the tendency downward.

A sample of the graft system of the state legislature, which the people submit to term after term was illustrated this week. Out of 45 clerks only seven were found at work and thirty were not found at all, just drawing their salary, the money of the people.

Something is the matter of the dear public when it votes for men for members of the legislature who introduce bills to prevent the use of hatpins over ten inches long and hotel sheets under nine feet.

Frenzied Thoughts.

Tom Platt is writing a book. If he tells all he knows, it will be among the six best sellers.

Roosevelt will hunt in the Congo region, but not for evidence concerning the rubber business.

"Uncle Andy" Carnegie has announced that he is two years older than he thought he was. With all her blunt frankness, he cannot immagine Mrs.

Hetty Green making any such statement concerning herself.

"Carry Nation was warmly received in Glascow," says a headline. There is generally a hot time in Carrie's neighborhood.

"Incups: Chemawa—Katie Henry and Maggie Jerry forwards, Violet Edwards center and Mary Gibeau and Annie Olsen forwards. Ethel Lagan and Ella Farris say.

Albany—Mildred McBride and Norma Greffoz guards. Clara Eckert center.

A Fool Bill

The bill introduced in the legislature prohibiting a candidate from making a preelection pledge is the height of foolishness, and of course will be dealt with as it deserves to be by the mem-bers. Even a republican legislature will not stand for anything so ridicu

The Weather.

Albany got another dose of the beau isul last evening, two inches of very loppy snow falling, and this morning the ground was white. The tempera-ture went down to 29 during the night. During the day the maximum was 43. The river kept rising until about 3 a. m., when it began failing. It reached 23.8 feet. It has since failen over a

foot.
The prediction is. Rain or snow to

night and Sunday.
Mr. Beals made a good hit at the

APPLES.—Baldwins and Jonathans for sale. J. G. Gibson, phone 40:4 Home. 14t WANTED, -Girl to do general house-work. Apply at 739 Washington work.

C. H. NEWS.

Recorder's office: Release of mortgage \$1547.

Circuit court: Suit to register title by Jerome C. Garman et al. No. 49. Hewitt & Sox, attorneys.

Hunters licenses: W. A. Gilderman, H. F. McIlwain, Chas. Wolfe, S. E. Russell, P. E. Prettyman. Total, 115.

Second account approved in estate of Carl Benton Tucker et al, minors.

Hunters licenses: Virgil Rice, Holley; Daniel Connor, Albany.

Transcript of judgment filed in C. A. Patterson agt. Luella C Parrish, for \$3015.65, from Multnomah county.

Deeds recorded:

Mortgage for \$700. Assignment mortgage for \$3523.

Some new cases for the clerks office, have arrived, and will be placed in position woon.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL

J. A. Wilson, of Salem, was in the city this afternoon.

C. H. Burggraf went to McMinnville this afternoon on architectural business, A. I. Davis, of Thomas, was in town today. He hasn't much confidence in the Sanderson bridge.

Mr. Jake Bilyeu, who has been at Boring, Multnomah county, returned this afternoon.

J. A. Shaw returned this noon from Astoria, where he has been looking after the business of the Curtis Lum-ber Co.

W Hogue, a former Albany boy, who has been in California the last three years, is in town from Klamath Falls, Oregon.

Oregon.

Mr. Al. H. Ewart arrived last night from Ukiah, Calif. 23 hours fate, meeting man, delays on the way, coming to attend the funural of his mother.

W. L. Grove, of Tangent, was in town to-day. He and his family will reside there during the construction of a residence on the farm near Shedd he recently bought.

Mr. Chester Stevenson and wife arrived from North Yakima and will make their home in Albany. Mr. Stevenson will be associated with his brother-in law in the Toggery. He was formerly a clerk in the freight department of the S. P. here, and both have many friends who are glad to see them residents of Albany again.

In and Around Albany.

The Democrat man lost a pair of gold-rimmed eye-glasses somewhere. Has any one seen them lying around

A fire in Hi Henry's car, standing near the depot last evening caused some excitement for awhile. It was put out without much difficulty, and was not very serious.

Miss Harkness wants twenty more subscribers to Sunset to complete her 250, and has a week in which to get them. Subscribe and give Albany a boost in the big inaugural trip.

Basket Ball Tonight,

The best game of the season is the girl's game tonight, Albany H. S. against Chemawa with the follow fast

Greffoz guards, Clara Eckert center, Dollie Bending and Alice Martin for-wards, Elsie Bain and Ella Howard

Officials—Tebeau referce, Marks um-Admission 25 cents, Game at

Some Texas Cotton.

The Democrat appreciates a box of cotton from Corsicana, Tex., sent by K. Haight, of this city, who is down there selling Spaulding buggies, Speaking of the weather Mr. Haight writes; 'It is cold and foggy, with lots of rain for Texas. The north winds are something fierce, and we had some snow



LEGISLATIVE DOINGS.

Many more bills were introduced yes terday, besides many personal and local bills the following being of general in-

In the house:—
Bean — Insurance department with
\$400 commissioner.
Farrell--Regulating use of hat pins,
limited to ten inches.
Reynolds—Taxing legacies of \$2000 or more. Bonebrake-\$130,000 for more build-

ings at O. A. C. Brooks and Bean—Prohibiting any candidate to make any preelection pledge, a whack at statement number one. Farrell-Making stockholders in sav-

ings and state banks responsible for double the amount of stock. McCue—\$153,000 for land and dorm-itories at Weston, Monmouth and Ash-

itories at Weston, Monmouth and Ash-land normlas.

Leininweber—Preventing discrimin-ation in passenger rates.

Reynolds—Creating office of fire marshal.

In the senate:—
Cole—Prohibiting secret societies in public schools.
Johnson—Increasing the appropriation of the O. A. C. to \$100,000.
Coffey—That all criminal insane, rapists and criminals twice convicted be sterilized.

sterilized.

Abraham - Dividing the state into five normal school districts.

Also waking it a misdemeanor to kill a human being by mistake for an animal.

F. J. Miller-Fixing the salary of the school superintendent of Linn county at \$1200, and \$300 for clerk hire and \$300 for travaling averages. for travelling expenses.

Kay – For sanitarium for tubercolosis patient.

petitions.
Smith of Marlon—For only one state normal, with appropriation of \$100,000

for it.

Kay—For bounties: cougars \$10, wildcat \$5.

Hart—For inspection of mines by deputy labor commissioners.

Both houses have passed several bills. In the house Jones bill for extending the time for the use of the \$300,000 for the locks, to March 1911, Dimick, increasing the penalties for highway rob-bery and local bills. In the senate six, one permitting renewal of judgments eyery ten years, another providing for appe als in justice courts within thirty

days.
Some new bills are:
In the house:
Brooks-\$15,000 for Snake River in Brooks—\$15,000 for Snake River in Malheur county.

Mahone—Two bills hittin; Chinese.
Davis—For office of boiler inspector
at \$2500 and \$900 for clerk.

Hawley—For a state veterinary at

\$2,000. McDonald-Prohibiting manufacture

McDonald—Prohibiting manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

Bryant—Protecting crabs and clams. Rusk—\$15,000 for topographical maps Miller—Creating county of Nesmith. In the senate;
Parrish—\$2500 annually for experiment station in Eastern Oregon. Also \$750 annually for fair at John Day Schofield—Permitting any one over 21 to serve summon s.

21 to serve summon s.

Mulitt - Exempting state, county, city and school district bonds from tax

ation.

Barrett—Limiting the catch of crabs in Lincoln county to 50 a day.

Nottingham—Requiring perry hallocks to be 4 1 2 inches square, 27-8 deep, 53.46 cubic inches.

The normals only want \$328,000, the O A. C \$485,000 and the U. O. money galore.

The clerk abuse was shown in an investigation in the senate. Out of 45 clerks only seven were at work, 8 were doing nothing and the others could not be found at all.

RELIGIOUS

M. E. church south: Corner Montgomery and 3rd. Services at 11 a. m. Sunday 24th. Subject: "Consecration." A cordial invitation is extended to the public. Geo. M. Gardner, Pastor.

Those protests down at Salem were childish enough. Every man had voluntarily gone into the pledging business and had to be to be elected. It will be United Presbyterian: Morning text:
"For none might enter into the king's
gate clothed in sackcloth." Evening
text: "The power of an endless life."
Pastor's Bible class at 11:45 a. m. You

are invited. are invited.

St. Mary's church: Services Sunday at 8 and 10:30 a. m. The pastor will officiate and preach from the gospel of the day. Father Moran will conduct the Sunday services at Lebanon. The public is cordially invited.

Evangelical church: Sabbath sch-Evangencal church: Sarbata striat 10 a. m. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "Reward of a Fruitless Life" Evening subject, "Whom Will You Serve?" H. R. Geil, Pastor.

H. K. Geil, Pastor.
First Presbyterian church. F. H. Geselbracht, minister. Morning service 10:30, theme Science and Christianity: Faith. Evening seruice 7:30, theme: Possibilities of a Changed Life. Sabbath School 11:45; Junior endeavor 3; Christian Endeavor 6:30. Every one is cordially invited to be present.

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M. E. church: There will be patriotic address at the M. E. church Sunday at 10:30 on "Some Dangers that Menace America." A program prepared by the Home Missionary Society will be used. The theme in the evening, 7:30, will be "For His Sake" or "Serving God through Humanity." Class meeting 10 o'clock. Sunday school 11:45. Junior League 3 o'clock. Epw. rth League, 6:30.

Try a cup of coffee and a sandwich at Fronk's near the depot.

MISFITS.

Forty days of notoriety Appropriation bills galore.

The small streams slopped over.

The back scratching at Salem is ter

The referendum will again be invoked, and should be.

Oregon is paying two colleges for do ing the work of one.

The Columbia can cause a good deal of trouble when it tries. Illinois has a deadlock. Better get

nto Statement No. 1 wagon. Wanted and wanted badly, more nouses for rental, in Albany.

The people will sustain statement

number one by a big majority. The Columbia river is blocked with

ice gorges, the Willamette is spring

Boost the fruit interests of the country. Make this a Hood River in importance.

If the O. A. C. tries to get too much it will also have some referendum experience.

Farrell will now take a seat with Kellaher for fool bill introduction. His hat pin bill is a lula.

patient.
F. J. Miller—Bill of the conservation commission for a water code.
Smith—Prohibiting paying for circulation of initiative and referendum length of hotel sheets.

In four years from now the men who make the pledges will be the ones elected. The others will get left.

Kellaher with his nine foot sheet bill and Farrell with his ten inch hat bill are due for fame with the fools of Shakespeare. Another fool legislator who ought to

be sent home is Brooks, who wants men fined and imprisoned who make pledges before election. Even the state fair board, seeing the

temerity of others comes to the front with a demand for \$50,000 of the people's money for their show. What would a merchant be thought of if he advertised goods he did not have. Albany needs houses for new-comers it has been sending for.

With Linn county paying more state taxes than any county in the state except Multnomah and Marion it certain-y is entitled to a little \$20,000 armory.

The pocket books of the people are going to be slaughtered by this legis-lature. The figures are now estimated at \$4,000,000, more than double usual appropriations.

The normal schools will be punctured during the session. The state should have two good schools, one in eastern Oregon, one in western Oregon, that's

and had to be to be elected. It will be mained, two or three more inches havthe same next time.

Now that the senatorial contest is over the Democrat wishes to remark that one of the biggest campaign lies ever uttered was the oft repeated one that a large number of Democrats voted for Cake a republican in the interest of Governor Chamberlain's election. Cake was a stronger man than Fulton.

Barrett Bros.

TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO Jan. 21. - The death list may reach 65 as a result of the explosion of the crib in late Michigan. In the morgue 47 bodies, mutilated beyond recogonization, repose in 47 sacks.

THE DALLES, Jan. 21.—The ice peorge imperils the canal at Celilo, the Colimperis the canal at Cello, the Columbia is a mass of piles of ice, from
Celilo falls to he Little Dalles. The
water is rapidly backing up to the government buildings, which may go. The
Cellio Falls have disappeared, the water has backed up to their top.

PORTLAND Jan 21.—The Willamette

is rising at the rate of a foot an hour blocked with a hugh amount of drift. Steamers are unable to make their way up the stream.

FOREST GROVE, Jan. 22. - Montoe Huber, who murdered Wm. Heltzel at the latters barn near the banks last night and fled, was found dead not far from the scene of the crime this morning. He was slipping from the home of William Thornburg, where he spent the night, when he saw the officers approaching.

He fled about daybreak and two hours later officers found his body in a clump of bushes. He had committed suicide using the rifle with which he shot Heltzel.

PORTLAND Jan. 22.—A rise in the Huber, who murdered Wm. Heltzel at

PORTLAND Jan. 22.-A rise in the PORTLAND Jan. 22.—A rise in the Willamette is checked at 20 feet 6 inches stage, but may go higher. This lacks seven inches of last year's freshet record. The train service is in bad shape, all schedules annihilated, no trains from the north or south in the last 24 honrs.

FRUIT UNION FORMED.

After some oratory yestesday afternoon at the meeting of the Linn county Horticultural Society, a Linn county will not spend much time debating the length of hotel sheets.

The crankiest thing in the world would be a newspaper if it followed the whims of everybody.

A Missouri man has sixty feet of sons all of them church members but one. There are ten of them.

With a contest between a pitchfork and a big stick there ought to be something doing for the crowd.

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This should be a record breaking house building year in Albany we must have them or quit advertising.

News from Albany's Six Early

Trains.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Barrett, Misses Lottie Morgan and Letna McCullough of the public schools and Mrs. Wilbur E. Francis left this morning for Portland to see Ben Hur, Gen. Lew Wallace's masterpiece, in a great stage production. It is always a great theatrical event worth going miles to witness, and Albany always sends several down to the event.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morris, of Lebanon came down this morning. Mr. Morris is father of Mrs. Carter Lee. Mrs. Jos C. Meyer, of Lebanon, came down on the 7:20 train.

Ernest Hornbach, of the lunch store, was somewhat disgusted when he reached his place of business at 7 o'clock. The boys the night before had polled two big snow balls against the front door, great solid masses of damp snow, causing quite a job to get out of the way. But Ernest is one of the boys himself and went at it philosophically.

Mr. Harry Wilkins went to Portland,
Jos Weichman, the plumber, who
learned his trade with Ludwig, returned
to Salem after doing a Eugene job.
Miss Tressa Acheson, of Portland,
returned home after an Albany visit of
several days.
Mr. Crawford, foreman of construction work for the Home company, through
the valley, went north on the local. He
has been in Eugene in the hospital ill
for several weeks.

Trainmen reported nine or ten inches of snow on the ground yet at Detroit mostly the old article, which has reing been added.

A Double Sruprise Party.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Way, of West Fifth Street, who united their fortunes this week, were given a double surprise

this week, were given a double surprise last night.
Early in the evening several fellow members of the Baptist church of Mrs. Way, with their pastor, called for an evening, and a fine time was had. About 10 o'clock some cow bells and other loud instuments were heard near the front door, and upon investigation it was found that a crowd of fellow members of the Lady Maccabees had called to pay their respects to the bride and groom, and the good time was continued.

Will Continue.

The meetings at the Christian church are proving so helpful that they will continue through the following week. Every night large numbers have heard the evangelists with profit. More interest now prevails than at any time during the meetings and large numbers are yet expected to come into the church. Several will be baptized following the service this evening.

The Kind You Have Always Bought the Chart H. Telechor.