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LOCAL RECORD.

QUITE A DIFFERENCE.—The following shows the relative difference in the price of things in a very marked manner. The figures will not exactly apply to Linn county; but they are near enough to make the illustration complete: In 1816 one bushel of corn would buy one pound of nails. In 1838 one bushel of corn will buy ten pounds of nails. In 1816 a pair of woolen blankets cost as much as a cow; in 1838 a cow will buy five pairs of woolen blankets. In 1816 it required sixty-four bushels of barley to buy one yard of broadcloth; in 1838 sixty-four bushels of barley will buy twenty yards of broadcloth. In 1816 it took twenty dozen eggs to buy one bushel of salt; in 1838 twenty dozen of eggs will buy ten bushels of salt. In 1816 it required one bushel of wheat to buy one yard of calico; in 1838 one bushel of wheat will buy twenty yards of calico. With these figures before you, who can justly claim that farm products are not improving? The outlook for the productions of the farm is certainly hopeful. The farmer can exchange his crop for more of the necessities and luxuries of life than at any former period in the history of our country.

PROMINENCE.—Every paper has some claim to prominence. For instance the Astorian is published the farthest west of any daily paper in the United States, the Oregonian is the only daily morning paper in a city of 40,000 people, the Tacoma Ledger is the only eight-paged paper published daily in Tacoma, the New York Herald is the only paper published in America with a French and English edition, etc. And now comes the S. F. Alta. That is the only paper in North America that costs more to take it by the year than to take it by the week.—Astorian, Moral subscribe for the DAILY DEMOCRAT.

POLICE MATTERS.—Six vags were captured last night and this morning, three of them being taken in the hall of the O F building, where they were sleeping. They were given three days apiece in the calaboose. Names—Wm Cook, Jos West, Luke Madison, John Griffin, John O'Brien and John Murphy. About 10 o'clock Chas Powell and E Sullivan were introduced to Recorder Henton, for being drunk and disorderly and were given three days in the calaboose.

A PECULIAR CASE.—Mrs Catterlin, of Salem, was sick. It was thought she had an abscess in her breast, and was being treated for one; but it was not an abscess. It was a pin. A few days ago in coughing violently she threw up a brass pin, almost worn to a thread. She remembered having swallowed it just thirteen years previously. Mrs Catterlin is now a well woman.

R. R. MEETING.—The adjourned railroad meeting will be held to-night at 7:30 o'clock, at No 1's hall, for the purpose of hearing the report of the committee on articles of incorporation, and adoption of the same. A good attendance is desired.

FUNERAL SERVICES.—The funeral services of Mrs J F Backensto, whose death is announced in another place, will occur to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the family residence. They will be conducted by Rev Rogers, assisted by Dr Irvine.

A HAM.—Jas Kelley stole a ham from Wallace & Thompson's store Saturday evening. Was caught by Marshal Hoffman, and to-day Justice Humphrey said ten days in the county jail would serve him about right.

FUNERAL NOTICE.—The members of Neulap Rebekah Degree Lodge No 35, and sojourning brothers and sisters will meet at Odd Fellows hall at one o'clock in the afternoon to-morrow to arrange for attending the funeral of our late sister, Mrs J F Backensto, which will take place at 2 o'clock. WILLIS GILLET, N. G.

The DEMOCRAT wants five cords of wood on subscription. Who will furnish it? Come and see us.

J A Archibald, agent Singer Manufacturing Co., opposite Odd Fellows Temple, Albany.

THE ITALIANS MAD.

The city to-day has been lively with the maneuvers of a mad crowd of dagoes. They want their money, and have made all kinds of threats against Searle & Deane and the O. P. railroad. Along the street in front of the Flinn block about a hundred of them have spent the day, several lively scenes occurring during the time. About 11:30 Searle and Deane appeared among the men and tried to explain that they would make everything all right as soon as they completed the estimates and were paid; but they wouldn't be appeased. Finally Searle and Deane started up towards Hewitt, Bryant & Irvine's office when the whole crowd endeavored to follow them, but were kept back by Mayor Cowan and Marshal Hoffman. Mr. Wm. Vance coming along took off his coat and was about to clean the street of the men at one sweep, when he was induced to desist. It seems that Searle & Deane had given the men checks on The First National Bank, and Job & Hamilton, of Corvallis. The former were honored, but some of the latter were not, as there was no money deposited to meet them and this made them mad. Time checks for one or two months offered were promptly bought by Curran & Monteith for ten per cent off, a low discount and less than customary. Some of the men are said to be without money, depending entirely on the payment of these checks for money to get out of the city on. Nothing very serious is anticipated, though Searle & Deane are watched in a savage manner, and almost any development is possible. Matters were considerably cooled down this afternoon by Curran & Monteith taking up the checks on Job & Hamilton at 10 per cent discount. Some of the men held out though and made all kinds of hot headed threats, declaring they would have the face or nothing.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. J. F. Backensto, the subject of this sketch, died at her home in this city on Monday morning, January 21st 1889, at the age of 66 years, 6 months and 9 days.

Mrs. Backensto's maiden name was Matilda M Stone. She was born in the town of Weston, Erie county, New York, July 12th, 1822, she moved with her parents to Crawford county, Penn., when about 15 years of age, and was united in marriage to Mr. J. F. Backensto on the 8th day of Dec. 1839, and to the time of her death they have passed life's journey together, she having been a true and constant companion and helpmeet for her husband for upwards of 49 years. Soon after her marriage she with her husband moved to the then Territory of Wisconsin, where they remained until the spring of 1853, when they emigrated to Oregon; crossing the plains with an ox team. They arrived in Linn county in the month of September of that year, and settled in what is known as the forks of the Santiam. After taking up and perfecting a title to a donation land claim they moved to Marion county; and in the year 1865 they came to Albany and became permanent residents of this city, where they have lived until the time of her death.

Mrs. Backensto was a consistent christian and a kind hearted and efficient worker in all cases where aid or assistance was required by those in need, ever ready to lend a helping hand, she assisted in organizing and was the first President of the Ladies Aid Society of this city. She united with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in the year, 1855, afterwards uniting with the Congregational Church in this city, and was at the time of her death a member.

FOUND.—A pair of gentleman's eye glasses in case. Call at the DEMOCRAT office.

For Land and merchandise go to E. L. Power

Hotel Arrivals.

REVERE HOUSE.—J B Weise, Upton, C Carls, Grays Harbor; Peter Hettinger, Snahomish, G Velerius, Sandwich Islands; J F Boyd, Chicago; P A Correll, Albina; H Thompson, H Petterson; T Miller, Fayetteville; A R Mattoon, J M Shelley, Portland; J Fogarty, Junction; C Paeneville, Alaska; Dr J S Courtney, Lebanon; J Pasjon; G O Holman, Baker City; Geo Willis; J Williams; E Binley, S F; Kate Heutel, Mills City; J R Crete, Neb; J Long; B Conor; R B Howes and son, Kan; J Craik, Kan; H Bleunt; O Keene; A J Wood; J Doney; F M Sellar, Portland; G Gibony, Lebanon.

ST. CHARLES.—F B Holbrook, T S Scott, J J Taylor, J M Lawrence, G O Lee, A F Peel, G A Pease, Portland; E B Deane, J J Searle, G C Swift, A B McRae, O P R R; W H Hartless, Corvallis; W C Jackson, The Dalles; C W Ross, Linn Co; J S Rawlings, Mehama; W H Fletcher, D Mahoney, S F; J F Yates, M Baumgart, N P Payne, J A Crawford, E Washburn, G W Smith, Albany; F T Wrightman, Salem; C S Clark, Yaquina.

RUSS HOUSE.—F DeCicco; P Muo; J Lidman; M Torvklain; B F Sanders, J Shirley, Salem; F Rolker; E Ivens; N Palbum; M C Fike; R W Dickie; John Lake; L Wirkkala; H Suesens; R D Mothorn; A Thomas; F Naples; G Muolo; G Spina; A Dinto; M Albo; G Caputo; R Marino; H Barone; A A Writth; John Lidman; F Delino; A Madrigrana; J Leke; A J Johnson, Colfax; T Rapp; T East, Denver; P Colbert; C Rhoe; Wm Roberts, Portland; R S Miles, Newport; L Brown; J Johnson, Minn.

HOME AND ABROAD

Chinese New Years in a few days. Burkhart & Royce, job printers. Rev Rominger, of East Portland, is in the city. The state legislature is grinding away again. Merchants who advertise are the ones who sell cheapest.

A full line of Child's bath tubs at G. W. Smith's. Choice Herkimer Co cheese at Brownell & Stanard's. If you want any kind of stove repairs call on G. W. Smith. A new barrel of sauer kraut just received at F L Kenton's.

G. W. Smith has the largest stock of sugar kettles in Albany. Tacoma is filled with thugs, and it is unsafe to be out nights. G. W. Smith gives the white enameled iron ware with his fine cook stoves. A full assortment of brass kettles from one to eighteen gallons at G. W. Smith's.

Flour delivered to any part of the city at \$1.15 per sack by N A Blodgett. The E. O., of Pendleton, is talking of publishing a daily Portland edition. Found—On the 7th just a pair of ear rings on Third Street. Owner call at this office. Two routes to the sea is what Albany wants and what she is destined soon to have.

Call on G. W. Smith and get one of those Missouri Steam Washers warranted to do as recommended. The largest, finest and best assorted stock of groceries in town can be found at Brownell & Stanard's. The settlers at St Michael, in Alaska, will not know the result of the election until next July. A big country this.

Mrs. Martin Payne is prepared to take first-class boarders at her residence opposite the Congregational Church.

All the delicacies of the season received daily, cabbage, apples, turnips, beets, and parsnips, at the Willamette Packing Co's store.

If you have any job work to do call on G. W. Smith who is prepared to do it with neatness and dispatch, and as cheap as any one.

H R Kincaid, who has been editor of the Eugene Journal twenty-five years, since Harrison was elected has begun printing his name Harrison R Kincaid.

If you want the cheapest and best heating stove call on G. W. Smith, who is offering some of them at cost to make room for his large spring stock of cook stoves.

Albany has three tailors. If our citizens would patronize them instead of giving orders to irresponsible itinerant measurers, they would all make a good living.

Mr G W Simpson has purchased the remainder of Monteith & Seitenbach's stock of goods amounting to \$4,000, and will continue to offer immense bargains.

About a dozen legislators are in the city waiting for the belated morning train, two cars of which were run off the track at Riddles. The train is expected in at 7 o'clock to-night.

Wm Fletcher, one of the leaders of the famous Albany hose team that went to Portland and Seattle, is in the city, after a residence in California of several months.

According to the following from the Astorian Astoria must be the wettest place in Oregon: 'The Astoria rainfall for '84 was 49.35 inches; '85, 56.16 inches; '86, 71.59 inches; '87, 92.09 inches; '88, 68.73 inches.'

A man has been forging on the banks of Spokane. One \$15 check was changed to \$1500, and paid; one of \$25 was changed to \$2500, and paid. Two or three other checks are out, and they may yet be presented, and the man be caught.

About the only things that have failed in Oregon this winter have been newspapers. It takes considerably more than buying some type and an ink roller to run a newspaper in Oregon. Just try it you are not satisfied of the fact.

One Jim Kelley went to the calaboose Saturday much against his will. He showed fight all the way to that palatial institution, and only a policeman's club would appease his desire to run the city himself.

It has been figured out that 200,000 people will come to Oregon this year. If 100,000 remain in the state Linn county should get from 5000 to 10,000 of them, just getting its share. Of course the 100,000 is somewhat of an exaggeration.

The London Times says that the young emperor of China, who is soon to be married, will be presented with one principal wife, five subordinates and seventy-five concubines, on the day of his marriage. Who wouldn't be a Chinese emperor.

Rev Hays, who has been assisting in religious services at the U P church, returned to his home at Waitburg this morning. Rev Logan, of Portland, will take his place this week and services will be held afternoon and evening.

A gentleman informs us that the man who disappeared from Tacoma and could not be found, left there because he was disgusted with the place, and came to a better city, Albany.

The New York World has made arrangements for an exploring expedition to Central Africa to obtain authentic news of Stanley and Emin Bey. It will be led by Thomas W Stevens, who will make a tour around the globe on his bicycle. He is now on his way to Zanzibar, from where the expedition will start.

The man who stated last season that he had made a profit of over \$200 from six hens the previous season has let the secret out. It seems he sold them early in the spring and made his money by enly planting his garden once.

W. R. Hearst, the proprietor of the Examiner, is now in London, England, and left California during the middle of December by special request from James Gordon Bennett. It is generally rumored that the proprietor of the New York Herald is negotiating with Mr. Hearst for the purpose of jointly issuing the two papers and forming a combination that will startle the American people.

TEMPERANCE COLUMN.

Edited by Albany W. C. T. U

The Madagascar Times dated Antananarivo, October 27th, 1888, announces that Mrs. Leavitt left that city the preceding Thursday. It says that the Sabbath preceding she gave four lectures in different places, including the Chapel Royal where she was invited by Her Majesty, the queen, to fulfill the moralizing duties of the pulpit. The scene as described by the reporter is heart stirring: "The Palace Church crowded with eager listeners; the young monarch on her carved oaken throne towering above the elite of the Hova Court, all look on and listening to this venerable lady. Her lecture, or sermon, was highly appreciated. Monday evening she addressed a meeting presided over by Mr. Pickersgill, H. B. M. Vice-consul; her topic was 'Reforms of the Nineteenth Century—prison reform, anti-slavery, anti-drink, anti-tobacco.'"

The most reliable authority declares that "6,000,000 barrels of malt liquor are annually consumed in New York and its immediate vicinity. Some breweries produce each 160,000 barrels of beer in one year, and of such establishments there are no less than 150. It follows that brewers have grown wealthy and exercise a commanding influence in the city government. Beer saloons are found on every square of the business streets. On the corner of 7th Avenue and — street, the writer, at the beginning of this month, counted no less than eight liquor saloons in full blast. Most of them were fitted up superbly with polished mahogany and numerous mirrors, and, we were assured, with pictures which only a very broad taste could fail to denominate as obscene. Yet these eight saloons were in the very heart of those noble piles of flat-houses in which a large and wealthy class of inhabitants make their homes.

A colored preacher "supplies a long felt want" by inventing a word: "What you want, bruderen," exclaimed he, "what you want is sanctification! Get sanctification if you don't get nothin' else." We say amen with as big emphasis as if we were Methodists. Grace, grit and gumption has been our favorite recipe; sanctification means the same, and there are folks who will be more impressed by one big word than by three little ones.

Thompson & Overman keep the best harnesses.

GOLDEN RULE HAZAAR.

Cash Goes a Long Ways at Julius Gradwohl's

I have made arrangements for buying goods direct from the factories in Europe, and will sell at wholesale or retail, cheaper than any where else on the Pacific Coast. The following are some of my cash retail prices: 1/2 dozen unhandled tea cups and saucers, 35 cts. 1/2 dozen unhandled coffee cups and saucers, 45 cts. 1/2 dozen handled coffee cups and saucers, 50 cts. 1/2 dozen seven inch dinner plates, 45 cts.

These goods are all iron stone China and not a cheaper grade of goods. I have also added a good stock of groceries, which I ask people to call and examine and judge for themselves as to qual and prices.

JULIUS GRADWOHL.

PURE MILK.—Mr. Henry Stewart has established a milk route in this city and asks for the patronage of our citizens. Tickets for sale at Brownell & Stanard's.

AUCTION.—Auction every afternoon at M. J. Monteith's, at S. E. Young's old store. Goods at your own price. Must be sold.

We will sell you groceries cheaper than any one else. BROWNELL & STANARD.

CURIOSITIES.—Some very fine persimmons, Japanese oranges and sugar cane at F. H Pfeiffer's. Try them. It will cost nothing to see them.

DR. W. H. DAVIS, Physician and Surgeon.

Office up stairs in Strahan's Block. May be found at his office day and night.

FOR RENT.—The store formerly occupied by Monteith & Seitenbach, on First street, opposite S. E. Young's, splendidly fitted up for any business. For particulars inquire of SENDERS & STERNBERG.

DR. G. WATSON MASTON Physician and Surgeon.

Office opposite the Democrat.

THANKS.

Having now been established in business one year, I desire to thank the people of Albany and vicinity for the very liberal patronage with which I have been favored. It has been my aim to keep goods of the best quality and to furnish them at the lowest cash prices. I shall always endeavor to please my customers, and respectfully solicit a continuance of their patronage and hope to secure many new customers during the coming year. I shall at all times keep on hand a full stock of staple and fancy groceries, confectionary, etc. The public are respectfully invited to call and examine goods and prices. I receive subscriptions for all the leading newspapers and magazines. Also take orders for rubber stamps of all descriptions.

Very Respectfully,

F. L. KENTON.

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