

LOCAL RECORD

IT GLUED HIM.—A certain business place in Albany has been afflicted with an overdose of men who have nothing particularly to do but to bottom chairs. A reasonable amount of chair seating does very well; but where it becomes perennial it loses, like hash, its meritorious qualities. Such was the case in the certain business house mentioned; and so at the proper time, a chair was well smeared with Pages liquid glue. The bait took, and Mr Chair Bottomer on seating himself found that he was glued to the chair, and on attempting to rise the chair followed suit. The predicament was an excruciating one; but it was greatly appreciated by all except the victim, who will probably bottom chairs some where else in the future. This is somewhat like the stories about Peck's bad boy; but it is an Albany fact—nevertheless.

DISHEARTENING.—A private letter to Mr. James Elkins from his son in Prineville, as well as other letters received in Albany, confirm the reports of the Prineville papers and previous statements, that the damage done in Crook county is very great; in fact, disheartening; perhaps the greatest in the history of the country, entailing immense damage to stockmen, as well as paralyzing business at least for the time being. The situation is really a bad one, a fact that will be greatly regretted by Linn county people, who take a vital interest in their next eastern neighbor, many of whose residents formerly resided here, and have numerous relatives in this county. But Crook is a young and vigorous county and will soon jump up from the disastrous results of too much snow and cold.

WHEAT ALL RIGHT.—As nearly as the Democrat can learn from conversation with farmers the present cold snap has not affected the fall wheat, which looks well and promises a fine crop, except, perhaps, in very low places. The ground is too dry and the freeze has not been deep enough, as a rule. In order to raise wheat from the ground by freezing the ground needs to be very wet, and the freeze needs to be alternated by daily thaws, or the joints need to be developed some. Most of the conditions are favorable for some fine fall wheat, and it is to be hoped that the idea will not be allowed to get out that the wheat is affected more than it is.

HONEST BALLOTS.—The Australian ballot system is probably the best devised, and should be introduced in Oregon. A fine explanation of this system was given in a recent West Shore and attracted considerable attention. As complete as it is it is subject to evasion. From an exchange it is learned that in Nashville, recently, the ward workers used a "shrewd arrangement" for enabling voters who could not read to place their cross in the right place on the ballot of the Australian system. They had tin plates made just the size of the ballot, and with slots cut in them at such intervals that the open spaces would come over those names which the voter desired to cross. A young lawyer of Nashville invented the device the night before the election.

ONLY A BOY.—Monday a little boy of this town, says the Lafayette Register, went to the postoffice with five one cent stamps and wanted to sell them to Postmaster Redding, saying that he wanted to buy five cents worth of candy. Mr. Redding thinking that he would accommodate the boy, gave him a nickel and put the stamps away with a lot more that he had. It being late in the evening Mr. Redding did not notice them very close. On Tuesday morning he had a call for stamps, and on opening the box that he kept them in, discovered that the stamps the boy gave him were old ones and had been used.

CAPSID.—Last Wednesday O. F. Taylor and Albert Thompson were rowing a boat about seven miles this side of Harrisburg, on their way down the river towards Salem on a hunting expedition, when a swift current upset their boat. They succeeded in getting on to some drift wood and were saved; but lost their guns, blankets and game. They crossed the country to Halsey and passed through Albany on the cars for Salem, not much elated over their hunting expedition.

BEATS BOSTON.—Some or some other chool ma'am, e nd how a goat butted a boy over te, said: "He hurled the previous is anatomy against the boys after an earnestness and velocity ed up the ponderosity of the goat's a coldupoints parted to the youthful masculine a momentum that was not impeded or relaxed until he was landed on terra firma without the pale of the goat's jurisdiction."

THEIR FEES.—Census enumerators will get the following fees and the work is to be done in the month of June: For every living person, 2 cents; for every death, 2 cents; for every firm, 15 cents; for every factory, 20 cents; for every veteran widow, 5 cents; in special cases an enumerator may be paid by the day, not to exceed \$5.

THE HOMLIEST MAN IN THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY, after a close and careful inspection of the stock of hardware and tools and the quality of tinware carried in stock by Matthews & Washburn, says they excel all the other stores in the valley in quality and low prices.

"THE LOSS GREAT."—And now comes the report that the loss by the recent high water in Western and Southern Oregon is not great. After reading about the numerous bridges, dwellings, warehouses, manufacturing, wharves, barns, saw logs, etc., that were swept away by the flood a reader of the Oregonian would naturally suppose that some one had lied. Many miles of railroad have been washed out, besides a vast amount of rich farming land has been washed away by raging rivers. In Jackson county the loss by the latter is placed at \$200,000, and yet the "loss is not great." The loss throughout the state caused by the recent flood is doubtless over \$2,000,000. The Union Pacific Company are heavy losers, while the loss to the Oregon & California is doubtless up in the hundreds of thousands.—Baker City Blade.

Most of the loss to the railroads and those mentioned by the Blade were from the snow blockade in Southern Oregon and had nothing to do with the floods. The loss by the latter in the valley at least is remarkably small, considering the territory covered. We publish the above to show how things get mixed after going only a few miles. What would they be on reaching the East?

BURY A DOLLAR.—In Walla Walla real estate now and when you kick it up three or four months hence it will be a twenty-dollar gold piece.—Statesman.

There's confidence for you. There's prospects. Twenty-fold in four months. In Albany if we double in four months it is considered a fine thing, but in Walla Walla it will increase twenty-fold according to the above. This great Northwest is blooming with real estate Jack O' lanterns. They loom up on paper, but when you reach out your hands, well the result is good, but old towns like Walla Walla don't twenty-fold so electrically.

THE ITEMIZER has been trying for some time to elevate the moral tone of Dallas. Its work is a grand success and Dallas is soon to have another saloon.—Independence West Side.

There is some sarcasm in the above, suggested by both places desiring the county seat; but the item offers an interesting theme. While Dallas gets the saloon keeper Albany loses him, and it is in order to suggest that the itemizer man needs more than ever to preach sermons to the young men of that city, for their temptations will be greatly increased by the addition.

SOCIAL.—The members of Beulah Rebekah Degree Lodge, No 35, I O O F, will give one of their popular socials on Saturday eve., March 1st, at the I O O Hall. All Odd Fellows and families invited, when the following program will be presented:

Song by Gay Osborn.
Recitation by Daisy Hendrickson.
Quartet, Messrs Sears, Goff, Fortmiller & Hart.
Recitation, Miss Frances Gilbert.
Vocal Duet, Elma Parker and Jessie Clifton.
Instrumental duet, Misses Malin.
Vocal duet, Mr and Mrs J C Litter.
Address, Hon Geo E Chamberlain.
Refreshments.
Collection.

NO DOUBT the future prospects for Albany are bright, but the good people of that place must not be too certain that the O P offices are to be removed there from Corvallis. They are still located here and no doubt will remain for sometime to come.—Leader.

There is nothing like hope in this world; but that of our Corvallis friends will grow less on the head office subject as the O P's brick rears itself on a corner in Albany the coming year. Keep your eyes on Albany as the O P's headquarters in the near future.

TO THE LADIES.—H J Sower has leased the store recently vacated in the Froman block, on First street, and is now busy fixing the place up, and during the coming month will open a Ladies' Bazaar, and in connection with the same will carry a fine line of millinery. It will be to your advantage to call at the bazaar before ordering your spring hats.

OUR SHOW WINDOW is filled with all kinds of useful prizes to be given away with our Unity Tea. A prize worth from twenty-five cents to three dollars and a capital prize worth fifteen dollars.

DR PATTON treats successfully all diseases of women, and guarantees to cure all curable private diseases. He has a sure remedy for catarrh of the head. He sleeps in his office and answers city calls day or night. Consultation is free and everything is strictly confidential. He can be found in his office in Blumberg's Block from 10 to 12, 2 to 4 and 7 to 8.

UNITY TEA DRAWING.—We have just received our second import order of ten chests of a pure uncolored Japan Tea called Unity, in order to sell these ten chests before our third order of tea chests arrive in sixty days, we will give a prize with each pound and a number for chance at the capital prize worth fifteen dollars.

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BUY ALBANY PROPERTY first and last and all the time, yet if men must and buy Astoria lots and acre property always buy the best and nearest to water front and O R N docks and that addition is Kinney's addition to Astoria, the nearest by one mile. While we have lots and acre property in nearly all the additions and acre tracts near Astoria, will be pleased to quote prices and terms on all and each of them.

OREGON LAND CO.

WHERE TO GET THEM.—When wanting an organ or piano call on G L Blackman, where you can select from a first class stock.

A RIGHT IDEA.—We refer to the large line of line of saws and carpenters tools at Price & Robbons. The best in market and prices the lowest.

THE MAN ABOUT TOWN.

Never before in the history of Albany did so many school teachers face the Superintendent at one time. What a varied crowd—first, second, third and no grade, handsome and homely, stalwart and weakly. Some might govern an army—of children; others probably cannot govern even themselves. This matter of government is a big thing in a teacher. Often a third grade teacher has no government and keeps a better school than a first grade teacher with a third class government. So no people think it is a teachers business to teach "arning"; but during school hours he has the moral welfare of the scholar at stake, as well, and the responsibility is a great one.

The Man About Town has just seen a picture of ten or eleven years ago. There were eleven men on it, all boarders at a certain Albany boarding house. It suggests how people change about in this great Northwest and is a fair sample of matters. Those who have lived here for several years will better understand the application by the present residence of the characters in the picture, all solid figures in Albany when taken: Walter and George Turrell, Tacoma; Gus Stalger and George Purry, Seattle; Jim Titus, Arlington and Tacoma; Pete Wilson, Corvallis; E D Haven, in San Francisco, when last heard from; Mr Eaton, don't know; L E Blain, F M French and Cal Burkhardt, Albany.

Baker needs money to run the city government and the council has passed an ordinance, providing that all business houses of every nature pay a city license. Baker City evidently does not believe in encouraging business enterprises. Its present course is a good one to keep out new institutions. Too much license is a bad thing. While on the subject the Man About Town is informed that there are several things in Albany subject to a license under the provisions of our charter and ordinances that are not asked to pay at all.

OAKVILLE.

The eastern mail has at last all got through and everybody is satisfied, with the exception of the chronic growlers.

The bridge work has already commenced. Mr. H M Stone, the contractor, is repairing the Owl creek bridge, near Hamilton's. Mr Stone has all the work he can do this summer.

The Literary and Reform society met last Friday evening. The subject for discussion: "Resolved that the works of art are more pleasing to the eye than the works of nature" was ably debated by A Y Smith and Wm Morgan in the affirmative, and D E Junkins and R A Bamford in the negative. The decision of the judges was given in favor of the negative.

Mrs Williamson and family, of Olympia, Washington, arrived here last week. They expect to make this their future home.

Mr J C Mohr has moved on to his farm near here.

Our winter school closes on the 28th. Prof J E Love has been very successful as a teacher and has many warm friends in Oakville.

Mr Silas Couey, of Scio, is visiting friends here.

Mr E R McDaniel, of the State Normal school, is visiting his sister, Mrs J B McCoy. He will go back to Monmouth next week.

As Amicus has failed to write up the items from this place for a week or so, and as he is very busy at present, and probably will be all summer, I will attempt it.

Dr Leonard is moving his barn to high land. He says he can't afford to keep a boat to go to his barn, and still he likes Oregon.

The lace peddler visited Oakville last week.

Mr H M Stone is expecting his nephew, Mr Nathan Needham, of Centerville, Ia, the last of the week.

There will be a basket sociable at the U P church on Tuesday evening, March 4. All are invited.

LITTLE ROCKHURD.

Sunday's Dinner.

Maccaroni, Oranges,
Vermicelli, Dates,
Cabbage, Smyrna Figs,
Apricots, Lemons,
Peaches, Pickles,
Sauer Kraut, Piccalilly,
Chow Chow
and a
Fine Dressed Chicken.
All of the above to be found at the
WILLAMETTE PACKING CO.

THE HANDSOMEST LADY IN LINN CO., after making a careful inspection of Matthews & Washburn's stock of stoves and ranges and very closely examining their make of tinware, says they have the most complete stock in the Willamette valley and at the lowest prices.

NEW ARRIVAL.—A large and complete stock of carpets, linoleum, oil cloths, shades, etc., at the store of A B McIlwain, all of the latest designs, and which will be sold at from 10 to 20 per cent lower than by other houses.

CENTER TABLES.—A large and elegant shipment of center tables, in new designs, finest stock in the valley, just received a Fortmiller & Irvings.

FOR SALE.—One No 8 Superior cook stove, 1 cluster black walnut dining table, 1 safe, 6 cane-bottom chairs and 1 A Grade phonograph for sale at a bargain. Inquire of M J Monteith.

KNOCKED IN THE HEAD.—A barrel of tin sauer-kraut and pickles. We have also opened a lot of fine Smyrna figs, Persian dates, oranges, lemons, dried peaches, apricots, &c. Willamette Packing Co.

Contents every day.
Charles E Brownell.

The best 5 cent cigar in town at C E Brownell's.

HOME AND ABROAD

Bargains at Read's.

F. M. French keeps railroad time. For artists' supplies go to Stanard & Gusick's.

Fresh fish received daily at Schultz's market.

Bandmann played in Walla Walla last night.

Mr L Sanders went up the road to-day buying horses.

Only two counties have paid any of their state taxes.

Great clearance sale on the next 30 days at W F Read's.

Good evening.—Have you tried Hubbards Elegant Lotions.

Chipped beef in quantities to suit at Geo C Henderson's.

Mr Damon Smith, of Harrisburg, has been in the city to-day.

43 teachers are attending the teachers examination at Corvallis.

A shooting gallery has been opened next to Schultz's meat market.

Maj Geo Stoney, who has been ill for some time, is on the streets again.

A car load of Australian seed wheat has been received in this city.

Some skating was done yesterday and day before in the suburbs of Albany.

The flood is past and still you can get the best printing at Phelps.

Don't fail to get your printing done at Phelps—he does the best.

Large size "I, small 50 cents. For sale by H C Hubbard, druggist.

10 per cent off on all cash sales for the next 30 days—at W F Read's.

We can and will sell cloaks cheaper than any Portland house. W F Read.

Low prices are what counts and C E Brownells is the place to get them.

You can save many a dime by trading at H C Hubbards new drug store. Try it.

Sauer kraut, pickles, pickled pigs feet and everything nice at C E Brownells.

Watches, clocks and jewelry carefully repaired and warranted at F M French's.

A good second-hand organ for sale cheap at the Art studio over Linn County Bank.

No need to suffer with the headache when Hubbards Capsaules will surely cure you.

If you want a fine toilet or bath soap call on Stanard & Gusick, City Drug Store.

A suit has been begun by Mrs W H Greenwood for divorce, cruel treatment being the grounds.

Wells Fargo is making arrangements to carry express on the local as well as on the express trains.

E F Sheridan, familiarly known throughout Southern Oregon, died last night of heart disease at Roseburg.

Mr John Webber, the insurance man of Portland, is in the city, the guest of his father, our veteran barber.

Dr Alf Kinney, of Astoria, is in the city. Dr Kinney is becoming one of the leading surgeons of the north west.

Mr Conrad Meyer, who has been confined to his home for several weeks, the DEMOCRAT is glad to see is again on the streets.

Mr H Farwell returned this noon from Portland, accompanied by his daughter who had been on a several weeks visit at Palouse.

Last evening a darkey and a white man got into a fight. The former was arrested, but the latter succeeded in escaping and left the city.

Hon Jeff Meyers, Mayor of Scio, is in the city on his way from Salem, where he has been looking after his extensive property interests there.

Mr W W Briggs, of Harrisburg, father of Oliver Briggs, who was arrested on account of the Harrisburg robbery, has been in the city to-day.

Mr Stanard of the firm of Stanard & Gusick is a competent Prescription druggist of five years experience. All prescriptions entrusted to them will be accurately compounded.

Mr J B Hughes, of this city, has bought the well and rock boring outfit of Mr Roberts, and parties desiring anything in the line should give him a call. He is prompt and reliable.

The residence of Robert McElhenry, in Benton county, across the river was burned Wednesday afternoon, together with the contents. It was insured in the Albany company for \$450.

The thermometer went down to within one tenth of 19 below zero last night at La Grande, being the coldest this winter. Farmers and stockmen report much suffering by stock, and the prospects for heavy loss are good if there is not a change soon.

Ella Higginson, who ranks among the leading writers of verse and fiction in America, and stands at the head among the literary women of the Pacific coast, now resides in Sehome, Washington. Her poetry has given her a national reputation: Mrs Higginson has taken charge of a Woman's Department in West Shore, and the wives and mothers can depend upon finding something fresh and interesting in the pages that will be under her control.

DELAYED WOOLENS.—Zachies & Son merchant tailors and drapers, opposite Post Office, have received notice that the two large shipments of woollens consigned to them are soon to arrive. It will be to your interest and advantage to examine their stock before purchasing, as they anticipate the largest and finest grade of spring and summer goods in foreign and domestic delicacies ever brought to Albany.

KID GLOVES.—I have just received an invoice of the celebrated P. Centemeri kid gloves in black and colored. These with the other brands I handle, Foster genuine hook and Our Own brand, makes an assortment that any lady can be suited in prices and quality. These are all first-class goods and warranted as represented.

SAMUEL E. YOUNG.

ALBANY Marble and Granite Works, Having lately purchased the stock of S A Riggs and G W Harris, we shall be pleased to show designs and give prices to all intending purchasers. Best of workmen employed and prices as low as any for first-class work.

Visit us before purchasing elsewhere.

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(next door to Democrat office) Albany, Or.

GET A MACHINE.—And when getting one let it be either a Domestic or Davis Price & Robson are agents for these superior sewing machines and invite an inspection of what they can do.

SUITINGS THAT SUIT.—Mr W R Graham, the tailor, has just received the largest and finest lot of suitings ever brought to Albany, to which he wishes the men of Linn county and vicinity to call and examine them and judge for themselves. They consist of an elegant line of imported goods, of the best quality, including several new designs never before brought here. A more popular line of fabrics it would be difficult to secure, and those wishing suits, or parts of suits made up in the latest style will do well to give him a call.

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For the next 10 days we offer our entire stock of
Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, Gents
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At prices that will make them go. In order to make room
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