

WEATHER DURING 1891.—The annual summary of meteorological observations taken by Mr. John Higgins, for the U. S. Department of Agriculture, is on our table, and shows the following interesting facts. The average barometer was 29.96; the lowest average was 29.73 in February; the highest average, 30.12 in November, though it raised nearly all the month, and the average for December was 29.95, with 13.19 inches of rain, while the average for the year and the rainfall was the least, 21 inch, which reads cross cut. The highest temperature for the year is given as 84, in August, the lowest 33.6 in February. The highest mean was 67.2 in August and the lowest mean 37.36 in February. The greatest rainfall was in December, the lowest in July, as given above. The total was 53.19 inches. Average, 4.43 inches. The departure from rainfall was plus in seven months, minus in four months and average in one month, in a period of twelve years. The temperature was plus in five months and minus in seven months. The total snow-fall was 8.25 inches, nearly all in February and March, 5.5 inches falling on Sunday, March 1st.

"AUNT DINAH'S HERRING PARTY" WAS presented last evening at the W. C. T. U. Hall by the Y. P. C. E. of the U. P. church to a good audience, who seemed well pleased with the manner in which it was given. The stage was arranged in the form of a barn with galbe and fore-sets being applicable, and consisted, beside the colloquial parts, of solos, choruses, recitations, story, composition, etc. Following was the cast of characters: Uncle Reuben, Jay Blain; Aunt Dinah, Ava Hamilton; Steve, Floyd Dorris; Moses, Elliot Irvine; Josiah, Van Wilson; Jonah, F. O. Brockenridge; Hezekiah, Ed Blodgett; Johnny, Jasper Wyman; Jedediah, Clem Irvine; Benjamin, F. F. Nutting; Betsy, Mrs. Fred Blumberg; Esther, Miss Hettie Miller; Folly, Miss Mamie Cundiff; Ruth, Miss Ethel Davis; Rachel, Miss Clara Davis; Dorothy, Miss Annie Flinn; Mary Ann, Miss Bertha Ellis; Sue, Miss Ollie Marks.

THE FINEST CLIMATE.—This morning J. D. Smith received a letter from F. C. and H. R. Shumway, the Eastern friends who were visiting him here only a short time since. It was dated at Los Angeles, Dec 25th, and the gentlemen complained of the cold weather there at that time. On Christmas eve the ice was two inches thick in their washbowl, and it was the coldest it had been for eight years. The Messrs. Shumway have stopped every hundred miles or so to look at the country since they reached Victoria, B. C., and this last letter received by Mr. Smith concludes: "Yours is the finest climate we have yet found."—Roseburg Review.

A SERIOUS AFFRAY.—The year 1891 was closed by a very serious encounter in a First street saloon, between E. A. Milner and Ed Davidson, resulting in the latter stabbing the former with a jack knife in the abdomen, so seriously as to cause an intestine to protrude. Going to another saloon Davidson was followed by Milner and given a "thrashing" that will probably lay him up for some time. Milner's wounds were dressed by Drs. Maston & Davis.

THE FIRE RECORD in Albany during 1891 was remarkable. The actual damage was only nominal. Since the city began the use of horses for its engine, a period of about six months, not a single alarm has been given. As a preventive is better than a cure this is a pleasant feature of the matter. There is no better sign of prosperity than this. Fires as a rule do not occur where everybody is doing well.

THE KEY TO SUCCESS.—That is what we all want. It isn't luck, for there is no such thing. It is principally being careful about small things, for instance, the buying of the best quality of groceries, fruits and produce for family use, at the smallest cost. This counts in the long run. Those who deal with Conn & Henderson report bargains both in quality and price. They also have a fine line of crockery ware, toys, etc, suitable for the holiday trade, which will pay the public to call and see before buying.

CALL AND SETTLE.—All persons indebted to G. L. Blackman will please call and settle within ten days, as he expects to leave for Portland, and after then all accounts will be left for collection.

INSTALLATION.—The members of Safety Lodge will hold an installation of officers at G. A. R. Hall Monday evening Jan. 4, 1892. It will be public to the members and their families and lunch will be served in the W. C. T. U. Hall. All members and their families are requested to attend.

A SHOE ITEM.—S. E. Young has just received a large stock of shoes, for men, women and children, including particularly a fine line of school shoes. The best makes in the market can be found in his shoe department.

LARGEST ASSORTMENT OF HEATING STOVES. —AT— MATTHEWS & WASHBURN'S

THE LOTTERY OF LIFE.

A List of Linn County Marriages During 1891.

- JANUARY. 7. J. W. McCune and Maggie McBride. 8. Wm H Burns and Ella M Collins. 9. Frank Barrows and Mattie Green. 10. E. W. Ashton and Sarah Lear. 11. J. M. Smith and Iona Arthurs. 12. Bennett Wheelodon and Bertie Brandon. 13. Stephen Singletary and Etta Kelsey. 14. William Worth and Sarah Young. FEBRUARY. 1. Oliver Baskin and Sophie Rhodes. 2. F. M. Downing and Lizzie Burton. 15. Geo Cutsforth and Nora Rodgers. 8. J. B. Howe and Lillian Bruce. 9. Charles Arnold and Mary A. Brock. 10. Henry Susens and Gessy Hadlay. 4. Jas A Pearl and Katherine Standish. 10. Wilson Blain and Carrie Chamberlain. 13. Ala B Marshall and Mattie Wallace. 22. Geo L. Huston and Clara Pugh. 22. John F. Wilson and Hester Neeland. MARCH. 1. J. E. McClan and Elmira Dunaway. 11. W. S. Paine and Lillie Mundorf. 15. J. F. Gaines and Willia E. Quener. 11. R. E. Lee Miller and Edith Miller. 11. Alonzo J. Miller and Mattie A. Trites. 29. J. J. Gillard and Spee E. South. 29. Dan Meyers and Nellie P. Rhodes. APRIL. 2. Levi Shanks and Lois L. Tendall. 2. M. T. Phillips and Isaphine Morris. 8. H. Y. Kirkpatrick and Lorena Ralston. 14. John Burnett and Mary Hockenburgh. 14. E. B. Kendall and Besie Kendall. 25. J. A. Brown and Julia Quener. 29. R. L. Kile and Della Bentley. MAY. 2. Peet Nettleton and Bertha Vulmore. 6. Wilson Glass and Lavina Ramsay. 3. L. W. Moench and Mary Trachsel. 2. W. W. Hale and Lina Morris. 17. A. B. Loveall and A. M. Morrow. 20. Conrad Miller and Mary Simmons. 28. W. D. Messervey and Mary Snapp. 31. E. A. P. Lafollett and Anna Gulliford. JUNE. 6. Alfred B. Brown and Mrs. Nina Griggs. 10. Walter B. Martin and Ava J. Smith. 17. O. H. Irvine and Emma Hall. 17. B. F. Kirk and Alice M. Blake. 25. Robert E. Crawford and Belle Brown. 23. F. W. Fesler and Mary Schieffer. 29. V. B. Goin and Jane Cyrus. 29. L. E. Barnett and Maud Drury. JULY. 1. S. A. Newberry and Sarah Wheeler. 1. F. C. Starnard and Maggie Dunn. 4. A. B. Patterson and Ollie Coon. 7. B. E. Critchlow and Ella Thompson. 9. Henry Broders and Ella Harler. 12. Jonathan Thompson and Martha Luffler. 11. W. W. Bailey and Kittie Cooley. 12. Peter H. Wigle and Mary J. Morris. 21. W. T. Baker and Nellie O. Royce. AUGUST. 13. Wm M. Downing and Emma Clark. 8. J. A. Elliot and Annie Minnie. 9. John R. Ballard and Ellen Beard. 18. W. H. Yank and Martha Smith. 24. Ellsworth Pickel and Elda Carothers. 26. Chas H. Parkes and Elfreda Ewert. 27. John Miller and Olive Bland. 27. W. P. Weiss and Katie Sisney. 24. Geo W. Dow and Matilda Wood. SEPTEMBER. 2. W. S. Mayberry and Addie Smith. 2. Samuel Anderson and M. J. Penland. 9. Grant Davis and Emma Phillips. 5. W. W. Elkins and Nancy Cockerell. 8. J. E. Hamilton and Anna Greenlee. 8. J. P. Shuell and E. M. Anderson. 16. Carson Kendig and Emma Morgan. 10. A. C. Simpson and Josie Ieeman. 17. Fritz Brummer and Mary Obenhans. 15. Grant Dodge and Sarah Williams. 20. Jesse Palmer and Nellie Kyniston. 20. Wm Abbott and Iva Powell. 20. S. H. Davidson and Callie Powell. 17. John Dodge and Maggie Ruby. 23. E. R. McDaniel and Etta Pearl. 24. A. J. Howard and Adda Smith. 27. William Bates and Clara Crabtree. 30. W. H. Cyrus and Leticia Stringer. 28. Geo. Dodge and Josie Jackson. 17. I. W. Holman and Vida E. North. 30. Jas A. Dickson and Josie Nimchick. OCTOBER. 7. W. Carothers and Armitie Woods. 1. J. Chundley and Hannah Wickizer. 1. Levi Pierce and Della Myers. 7. M. P. Long and Mary Arnold. 4. C. W. Cowan and Sue Clemens. 24. Carl Peters and Amelia Rosenthal. 7. J. C. Mariman and Kate Quinn. 6. Alex Power and Carrie Lane. 7. J. C. Standish and Abbie Taylor. 11. Chas Irvine and Iva Anderson. 12. J. I. Matlock and Olive Pendleton. 9. Grant Nixon and Belle Smith. 10. J. G. Winfrey and Rosa Mackey. 13. W. M. Parker and Bertha Martin. 18. W. H. Dyer and Lizzie Huber. 14. Carter Sharp and Beatrix Morgan. 18. William Cowdrey and Minnie Avery. 21. S. V. Barrand Olive Hamilton. 18. J. D. Smith and Lillie Hardy. 20. Leonard Tyer and Ala Vennum. 20. G. W. Rodgers and Leatha Stahl. 24. T. L. Dodson and Eliza Smith. 25. C. H. Davidson and Viola G. Long. 31. Arthur G. McDonald and Lorena Rodgers. 28. Wm Davidson and Margaret Rawhl. 28. C. M. Rainwater and Ella Stuprow. NOVEMBER. 1. Edward Trask and Lucina Shelton. 1. C. P. Hassler and Icyphene Charlton. 4. Edward Chambers and Millie Davis. 4. J. E. Propst and Ida Goan. 7. J. H. Enhouse and G. V. Drummond. 11. John L. Ray and Stella Anderson. 11. R. C. Farwell and Grace Matthews. 15. Jas Markley and Lella B. DeArmond. 11. H. M. Williams and M. A. Nash. 14. M. Farley and Ida Driver. 15. William Davenport and Mary Hassler. 15. A. B. Brown and Lula Whitbee. 16. Geo Nettleton and Alice McNeil.

HOME AND ABROAD

Good-bye, 1891.

Ninety-seven divorces were granted in Tacoma last year. Our contemporary issued a creditable holiday edition of fourteen pages. The Presbyterian church, at Oregon City, says the Courier, in three years, has increased from a membership of nine to over one hundred. Rev G. W. Gibbons, formerly of Lebanon, is the pastor. Will & Stark, the jewelers, ask for Crockett at F. E. Allen's. Fresh roasted coffee at F. E. Allen's. Cheapest and cheapest candies at Isom's. The best roast coffee in the city at Conrad Meyer's. All kinds of nuts 15 cts. per pound or 4 pounds for 50 cents at Isom's. Isom sells candy at retail at wholesale prices. Call and be convinced. Holiday slippers and oxford ties at your own price at Klein Bros. Those oxford ties and holiday slippers at Klein's are to be sold at the purchasers price. That piano at Klein Bros will be donated to the orphans home if the owner does not call for it in 60 days. Repairing neatly done at the large gilt boot store. See the big French doll at the Ladies Bazaar. Allen Bros always keep their customers supplied with fresh butter and eggs. In the line of spectacles and eye-glasses, French, the jeweler, leads. Ladies Oxford ties at greatly reduced rates at Klein Bros. Must be sold. A large line of elegant gold watches in tasty new trays at Will & Stark's. Ladies Oxford ties at Klein Bros. Cheapest in the city. Will be sold at greatly reduced rates. All kinds of choice eating and cooking apples at Allen Bros. Magnolia syrup, the finest in the market in quantities to suit at F. E. Allen's. Hulin & Akin, druggists at French's corner, have a large line of choice holiday goods, which they are selling very low. With his new bakery Conrad Meyer able to offer old and new customers everthing first-class in baked goods. You can get the worth of your money by buying your watches and clocks at F. M. French's, the corner jewelry store. Decidedly the largest and choicest variety of tea in town is at C. E. Brwell's. Sun dried, basket bred, green, black, English breakfast, &c. Conn & Underwood, successors to Wilcox, are prepared to do first-class photographic work at their gallery at Second and Ferry streets. Give them a trial. Hal's Vegetable Scallion Hair Renewer is unquestionably the best preservative of the hair. It is also curative of dandruff, tetter, and all scalp affections.

Just received now and opened for retail at C. E. Brwell's the following: Chow Chow, Cooking Molasses, Pickles in vinegar, Salt Herring, Salt white fish, Salt salmon.

MONEY TO LOAN.—I have money in sums of \$500 to \$20,000 to loan on improved farm lands in Linn and Benton counties, at lowest current rates. No delay in furnishing the money. C. G. BURKHART, Real estate agent, Albany, Oregon.

Go to F. E. Allen when you want something sweet. Honey, maple syrup, etc.

MARRIED.

CROUCH—INGRAM.—On Thursday evening, Dec 31, 1891, at the residence of Mr. E. A. Parker in Albany, by Rev Geo W Hill, Mr James A Crouch and Miss Annie Ingram—both of Albany. Mr and Mrs Crouch have the best wishes of many friends for life's choicest blessings.

DIED.

SPINKS.—On Thursday evening, Dec. 31, 1891, at his home near Harrisburg, of consumption, resulting from the lagrippe, Mr Ernest B Spinks, aged 31 years. The deceased was a native Oregonian, and was a son of Mr Perry Spinks, of this city. He was a young man of excellent character well liked by all, and leaves a wife and four children, besides many friends to mourn his death.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

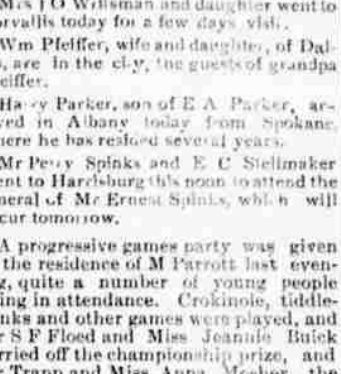
Ed Homphrey has just returned from a trip to California. Max J O Whisman and daughter went to Corvallis today for a few days visit. Wm Pfeffer, wife and daughter, of Dallas, are in the city, the guests of grandpa Pfeiffer. Harry Parker, son of E. A. Parker, arrived in Albany today from Spokane, where he has resided several years. Mr Perry Spinks and E. C. Sielmaker went to Harrisburg this noon to attend the funeral of Mr Ernest Spinks, which will occur tomorrow. A progressive games party was given at the residence of M Parrott last evening, quite a number of young people being in attendance. Crokinole, tiddewinks and other games were played, and Mr S F Flood and Miss Jeannie Buick carried off the championship prize, and Mr Trapp and Miss Anna Mosher, the booby prize.—Roseburg Review.

Fabela Degree meeting to night. Installation. At Will & Stark's May be seen the finest stock of gold and silver watches, diamond and other rings, jewelry, silverware, &c, in the city.

WANTED.—Highest price paid for furs at the fur factory, Albany, Oregon. FOR SALE.—House and corner lot in H's 3d add. \$750. Apply to J W Davis

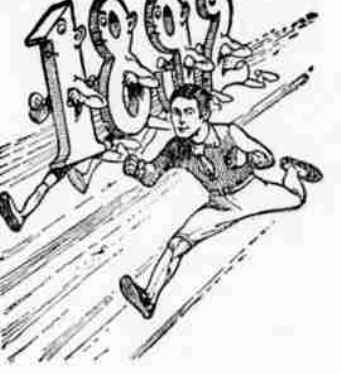
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'92 IS HERE AT LAST!



With the lightning speed of a fiery steed, down the track past the goal flies '92.

The New Year is now upon us — lader with things good, bad and indifferent to us all. Those who will get the largest share of the good out of it will be those who take advantage of our offerings. So "Get ahead of the new year" while we clear up for stock taking. We have made a reduction on all lines of winter clothing, and on overcoats especially, of which we have still a large stock. Just received some late style hats and latest shades in neckwear. "Remember we carry the largest stock of men's footwear in the city."

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