

Expressions.

Council meeting tonight. We are having all kinds of weather. New fur capes at Read, Peacock & Co. L. M. Wheeler is still dangerously ill. Charlie Donnan returned to Albany Saturday.

Dry goods are arriving almost daily at Baker's. All of the diphtheria cases are reported better.

Gents' shoes. A full line at Read, Peacock & Co.

Elder Shen, of Foster, was in Lebanon last night.

Remember we print calling cards at the EXPRESS office.

Dr. G. W. Cheadle, dentist. Office over City Drug store.

Lebanon has quite a number of grass widowers at present.

Mrs. C. G. Harmon is visiting her parents, near Tangent.

R. Thoms is down from the mines on a visit to his family.

If you want the news you should subscribe for the EXPRESS.

J. B. Thompson has been quite sick this week with the grippe.

W. F. Read of Albany, was in the city yesterday on business.

Read the new ads of the Champion Mill Co., and Read, Peacock & Co.

Ladies and childrens jackets of new designs at Read, Peacock & Co.

Gentlemen, call and see the new fall and winter clothing at Bach & Buhl's.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Poesler are visiting relatives and friends in Lebanon.

George Rice represents some of the best insurance companies in the world.

Editor T. L. Dugger, of Seio, was doing business in Lebanon yesterday.

License has been issued for the marriage of Paul Valirius and Dinah Irvine.

Rev. Martin Hickman is still dangerously ill. His death is expected at an early time.

Miss Dumond's for millinery. She is working at cost, and wants no goods left over.

When you want to buy a suit of clothing you will save money by getting it at Bach & Buhl.

G. W. Harris, justice of the peace at Albany, was doing business in Lebanon last Saturday.

Miss Elsie Martin, who has been stopping in Albany for some time, has returned to Lebanon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Boyd and Geo. L. Alexander spent last Sunday in Sodaville, with friends.

It is reported that there is considerable scarlet fever and diphtheria in the Tennessee neighborhood.

Ladies should inspect Read, Peacock & Co.'s new stock of jackets and cloaks before purchasing.

I have several hundred dollars to loan, for clients, on good first mortgages. Sam'l M. Garland.

J. A. Nichols, of Lower Soda, returned home Monday, after a visit of several weeks with friends in this locality.

Lebanon now has three marshals, two extra policemen having been appointed to serve during the diphtheria scare.

Dr. Prill, of Sodaville, had a runaway in this city last Monday, which resulted in his buggy being broken badly.

The very latest in walking hats, sailors and dress hats, cheaper than ever before. Call and be convinced. Miss Dumond.

Married, at the home of J. K. Foster, Dec. 30, by Rev. I. Carleton, Miss Leona E. Foster to Mr. F. L. Smith, all of Linn county.

Married, at the residence of G. W. McElhoes, by Rev. J. H. Cornwall, on the 7th inst., Mr. Wm. I. Bishop and Miss Anna E. McElhoes.

Money to loan. A limited amount of money to loan on good farm security. Call upon or write to S. N. Steele & Co., Albany, Oregon.

To W. E. Chandler if you want tin work or plumbing work done. He works at hard time prices, and guarantees all work to be first class.

A controversy in the Albany papers has brought out the fact that the first church building that city was dedicated by the Methodists in 1850.

The regents of the state agricultural college, located at Corvallis, will hold their semi-annual meeting in the executive office, in Salem, January 8.

Joe Keiser and wife left Tuesday for Albany where they expect to remain for several weeks, and where Mrs. Keiser will have an operation performed.

According to the county equalization board the tax for the year 1896 is \$1,323,085; for school purposes, \$418,151.

Randall Barrett was in the city a few days the first of the week, visiting old friends. He was on his way from the

Dalles, where he had been working, to Medford where his parents reside.

There is some talk of the new council licensing the exclusive tobacco trade of this city. There is considerable talk on the streets about the matter, both pro and con.

Prof. W. W. White left Monday for Albany. He said he intended to put in the week visiting schools. After visiting the Albany schools he would go to Monmouth, then to Salem, then to Halsey and other places.

Mrs. Peacock, mother of W. B. Peacock, was taken seriously ill in Albany on Saturday with paralysis of the brain, and her life was despaired of for some time. But now she is reported better, and it is thought she will recover.

The young men that were arrested for giving a dance in contravention of a proclamation by the mayor of Milton had a trial, paid a lawyer \$20 to defend them, but were convicted. One served two days in jail, the four others five days each.

The Weber Dramatic company has sent us an order for 15,000 programmes. The order was sent from Harrisburg. The EXPRESS office is the place to get good work done at reasonable prices, and the Weber Dramatic company evidently found this to be a fact.

P. M. Smith left Monday for the Santiam mines by way of Albany and Gates. He will make a thorough examination of the trail leading from the mines to this city, by way of Sweet Home, with a view to ascertain the probable costs of enlarging the trail.

O. H. ("Doc.") South was brought down from the mines last week, where he had been taken seriously sick with typhoid fever. He was brought as far as Foster on a sleigh and then to Lebanon on the stage. They have been keeping him at the St. Charles until today when he was moved to Mr. Burtenshaw's. He is now improving.

A young man named John McDowell was arrested in Eugene on Monday for trying to pass a forged check upon the bank. The check purported to have been drawn in favor of Leslie Haggard and was signed by C. H. Matthews, with Leslie Haggard's endorsement on the back. McDowell was forcibly detained in the bank until a brother of Matthews could be sent for, who pronounced the check a forgery.

Kline, Dubrulle & Co., sold last fall and winter, 350 pairs of boots on a warrant and they are proud to say not one pair came back. They carry the same boots this year and have on hand a very large stock. Also all kinds of shoes. Their children school shoes are the very best. Their ladies fine shoes are the finest and up to date on styles. They are the only exclusive boot and shoe store in Albany. Give them a call.

At the meeting of the Thos. Kay woolen mill company yesterday afternoon it was resolved to raise the capital stock from \$75,000 to \$100,000. The bid of John Gray for the construction of the brick building for \$8,000, was accepted. The contract, however, was not awarded to him, its consummation being deferred until about February 1, it being necessary that Thos. Kay and son should go east to determine the character of the machinery to be used, which will have an important bearing on the particulars of construction.

The diphtheria is evidently on the wane and every precaution should still be taken to thoroughly eradicate the disease from this place. There is always great danger afterward in spreading the disease from contact with clothing, furniture and bedding of the sick. They should be destroyed or rendered harmless. We think the directors would do wisely to discontinue the school for a month or more, until all possible danger is over. Keep the children out of danger. The board should thoroughly canvass the subject before again opening the schools.

A mining deal of considerable local importance has just been consummated at Ashland. M. A. Graham, of San Francisco, a machinery manufacturer and capitalist, has bonded the entire Golden Fleece mining property, with the exception of the Edna quartz mine, which Messrs Z. A. Moody, R. A. Saltmarsh and J. S. Boland will continue to work. The price is not made public, but known to be \$1,000,000 in five figures, with a good size sum paid down as a guarantee. The property bonded is situated just two miles north and west of Ashland, and consists of 289 acres. Mr. Graham will begin extensive operations at once, and intends to erect a milling plant, which will work from 100 to 300 tons of rock per day.

Cut This Out. It will count you 50 cts. on every \$2.00 worth of work, if presented at the Lebanon Art Gallery any time between this date and March 1st. 1896. H. J. BOYD, Photographer.

Call and examine Miller's immense stock of goods without delay.

There are now twelve cases of diphtheria and one case of scarlet fever in the city.

Lloyd Montgomery—Pro and Con.

In Monday's Oregonian another interview with Lloyd Montgomery appeared. Montgomery insisted stronger than ever that he only killed McKereher, and declares that he made the confession of killing all because not in his right mind, and because he thought it would save his life. During the interview he said:

"I'll not be punished for killing McKereher after he shot my parents and tried to kill me, too. My shot that killed McKereher sent him straight to hell. Nothing stopped him on the way. God knows this and so do I."

The Oregonian says: "The Fox boys, who are in the Albany jail for burglarizing a store at Crawfordsville, are old neighbors of Montgomery. They think that he is innocent, and say that his story, since he seemed to fully realize his position, has been exactly the same. The Fox boys say, too, that they know of a difficulty that the older Montgomery once had with McKereher at a school meeting, and that they believe the shooting grew out of this."

"There is undoubtedly a changed feeling at Albany and in the country adjacent to the scene of the tragedy. The boy now has many sympathizers. His story about McKereher killing his parents is generally discredited, but there are a good many who are inclined to believe it."

"Montgomery has many sympathizers because of his being deserted by everyone in his hour of need, and it is generally believed that his execution could be postponed if any effort were made in this direction."

The Albany Herald expresses its belief in Montgomery's guilt and condemns the usual "tender solicitude for a condemned murderer." The Herald says:

"This sympathy for criminals is nothing new. It existed in the world when Pope wrote the familiar lines: Vice is a monster of such hideous mien That to be hated needs but to be seen; But seen too oft, familiar with its face, We first endure, then pity, then embrace."

"It is the same sentiment which prompts weak minded women to shower flowers and attentions upon such murderers as Durrant, but we are surprised to see a great newspaper like the Oregonian devote its columns to the publication of such flippant nonsense. Such tender solicitude for a condemned murderer, extended into a two-column plea in his behalf, is altogether out of place."

"Repeated excuses for crime and outrages upon justice is what leads to lynchings, mob law and disorder. If there is any new evidence tending to establish the innocence of the condemned man, let it be produced by all means and let him have the full benefit of it, but if not, mere sympathy for the murderer should be overshadowed by the fact that the peace and safety of the community demand that the laws be executed."

"Had McKereher really killed Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery and had their son then killed him, it would certainly have been a righteous act, and he would not have hesitated to tell just how it happened at first, instead of inventing so many different stories."

"Mr. N. M. Newport, one of Montgomery's attorneys, stated to a Herald reporter that in all probability the execution would not take place on the date fixed by Judge Burnett, as they had asked for further time to prepare a bill of exceptions on which to appeal the case to the supreme court. If this is granted, he thought a stay of execution would be granted until the appeal can be heard."

The EXPRESS was informed by an Albany gentleman that the general sentiment of Albany citizens was in favor of Lloyd not being hung, especially as leniency has been shown so many criminals in this county, as well as other parts of the state.

We have also heard that a petition is being circulated, asking that the sentence be commuted to imprisonment for life.

Have you seen the new line of dress goods at the Racket store. All wool serges, put up at the factory in dress patterns. Bright and new goods at reduced prices. Have also received many other new goods, such as dress flannels, cassimeres. A large lot of outings. Remnants of cassimeres, boys' suits, overalls, men's boots and shoes, ladies' shoes, plain and needle toe, umbrellas, curling irons, cutlery, and spoons, (nice spoons for 15c and up.) A new and fine line of corsets, corset steels, dress stays, ladies hose and men's socks, yarn, cotton-baiting, table linen and towels. These are all new goods direct from New York, and sold at the lowest possible cash basis.

Bakery for sale or trade—the Lebanon Home Bakery and the fixtures belonging thereto, situated in the Kirkpatrick building. One of the finest brick-ovens in the west.

L. & L. ELDRIDGE, Lebanon, Or.

Buy your tickets East over the N. P. R. R. of W. C. Peterson, Local agent.

Complete line of pocket books, blank books, etc. Just received at Miller's.

H. Baker carries the largest line of boots and shoes in Lebanon.

Another Pioneer Gone.

Mrs. Isaac D. Kees died at her residence, in the suburbs of Lebanon, on Saturday morning, the 4th inst. Her maiden name was Catharine R. Wilson. She was born in West Virginia in 1823, hence was in the 70th year of her age at the time of her decease. She was married to John Lambert in 1851. They crossed the plains in 1852. Mr. Lambert, however, died just as they were entering the valley. In 1854 she married Isaac D. Kees. She professed religion in early life and continued in that faith until death. Her funeral service, conducted by Rev. J. H. Cornwall, at the family residence, was attended by a large number of relatives and neighbors. J. H. C.

Who shall write the history of the noble pioneer women of Oregon? their patient endurance under trials and perils, their sacrifices, their sorrows and sufferings, their many discouragements, far surpassing those under which strong men have lain down their burdens in despair, but out of which many of our pioneer women by patient endeavor and indomitable courage have won victory?

Aunt Kate Kees' experience has been that of hundreds of our pioneer women whose ranks, alas! are sadly thinning as the years go by. She, with her young husband and her babe, started on the long and weary journey across the plains some forty-three years ago, their young hearts elate with the thought that in the far off west a comfortable home could be built up. The year of 1852 is known to all the early emigrants of that time as the dreadful cholera year, but the young people passed through all the discomforts and tribulations of that dreary journey until the Blue mountains was reached, when their babe sickened and died. Sadly leaving the lonely little grave, the bereaved young couple pressed on towards their goal—the Willamette valley. The husband sickened on the way, and he, too, died just as they were entering the valley, in 1852. The young widow, notwithstanding the loss of both child and husband, with invincible courage went to work to make for herself a home, and in 1854 her perseverance and industry attracted to her Mr. Isaac D. Kees, to whom she was married that year. Two children, Mr. Austin A. and Ella, survive as the fruit of this union. Mr. Isaac D. Kees died on his farm near Lebanon, some thirty years ago, and on Saturday morning, January 4th, 1896, at the same place the faithful wife and mother, Catharine Wilson Kees, bade a last adieu to earthly joys and sorrows and passed over to join her beloved in that land where partings never come and where sorrows do not enter.

Old and young of Lebanon knew and loved Aunt Kate Kees, as she was familiarly called by every one. For forty years or more her home has been in our near neighborhood. Through all these years Aunt Kate has lived in the respect and esteem of her neighbors, and her death leaves a void in the hearts of her relatives and friends to whom she was endeared by her many deeds of kindness and her unswerving devotion to duty amid the joys and sorrows of life.

It will be a source of comfort to our friend, Mr. A. A. Kees, to know that his filial love and affection for his aged mother during these many years has won for him the respect and esteem of the citizens of Lebanon and vicinity. C. B. M.

City Council.

Tuesday night the council met and transacted the usual business. After this was done, Mr. Miller, the retiring mayor, gave an interesting and detailed account of the work done during the year, and his views as to the prospects for the ensuing year. He made a neat speech introducing his successor, R. B. Montague. The new mayor, in an appropriate address, expressed his appreciation of the honor conferred upon him by his electors, and declared his purpose to so conduct the affairs of his high position as to give no one good grounds for complaint.

The mayor announced the following committee:

Ordinance—J. R. Smith, A. Umphrey, I. Baker.

Ways and means—N. S. Dalgleish, C. E. Pugh, N. R. Beaman.

Accounts and expenses—C. E. Pugh, N. S. Dalgleish, A. Umphrey.

Streets and public property—A. Umphrey, N. R. Beaman, J. R. Smith.

License—N. R. Beaman, J. R. Smith, H. Baker.

Health and police—H. Baker, C. E. Pugh, N. S. Dalgleish.

Mr. Garland, who for several years has held the office of city attorney, tendered his resignation, which was accepted. His successor has not been elected as yet.

The ordinance governing contagious diseases was discussed at length. The council thought it defective and instructed the proper committee to prepare amendments and report on Thursday night, to which time the council adjourned.

The marshal appointed, and the council approved as his deputies, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Retherford, who are

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to give their attention strictly to the quarantining of diseases in the city. The mayor and councilmen give abundant evidence of their ability and purpose to properly manage and care for the city's interest during their term of office.

Albany's "400."

From the Oregon Silver Imprint. Albany, socially, is the worst mixed city on the coast. Social events are almost an impossibility on the account of the divided classes, their not being enough of any particular clan to make a festive gathering with the richest gifts of social life. Albany has a "400" circle?—did we say "400"?—we meant a "300," as some of the leading lights have gone by the board—

One was tried before the U. S. grand jury for embezzling from a Linn county bank, another stands to-day sentenced to the penitentiary for embezzling wheat from the Red Crown Mills, one more is now serving a three years term in the penitentiary for embezzlement while county school superintendent, and still another was shot while robbing a store in Portland, and now an Albany doctor, who is still a member of this gang, is about to be pointed out as a ghoul in the recent body snatching affair. If the curtain were raised and this would-be "400" crew unmasked, a scene would be revealed that would make a cast-iron monkey blush. What points of superiority they have over the "common" people, we are unable to conceive.

'Tis not their beauty, for some of their faces would stop an eight-day clock; 'tis not their fortune, for some have not enough money to jingle on a tombstone; 'tis not their brilliancy, for a more uneducated lot of "yaps" never congregated for a common purpose; 'tis not their morality, for some of them are fit subjects for pirates on the

high seas. In general, Albany has as good a list of residents as ever trod this mundane sphere, and let all cliques and clans drop this blind selfish ambition to outstrip the other, and unite for their mutual and reciprocal benefit—both socially and morally.

There is some talk of discontinuing our public school until next fall. J. A. Dotkins has moved into one of Mrs. F. M. Miller's residences, on Main street.

T. L. Wallace has sold his residence property on the corner of Seyenth and Elsworth streets to his brother, Dr. J. P. Wallace, and will soon remove to San Diego, Cal., with his family. —Herald.

A stabbing affray occurred in the neighborhood of Lacombe, last Saturday. One of the Mills boys stabbed a Bostwick boy in the back. The report was that Bostwick and Mills had a fight and Bostwick was getting the best of it, when Mills' brother stepped in and stabbed Bostwick. There have been no arrests.

Howard Simpson, the 10 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Simpson, died last night about 8 o'clock, with diphtheria. This makes the third child Mr. and Mrs. Simpson have lost within the last two weeks with this dreadful disease. They certainly have the heart-felt sympathy of the entire community in their sad bereavement.

J. A. Cain has rented the old bank building where B. M. Donaca formerly had his grocery store. Mr. Cain has fitted it up and opened a butcher shop. He opened today. Mr. Cain's parents live at Halsey, but he has recently been running a shop at Harrisburg, but sold it out. Mr. Cain is a nice appearing young man and we wish him success in his undertaking.

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