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DRAYMEN, BROWER & SON, McMinnville Truck and Dray Co. Goods of all descriptions moved, and careful handling guaranteed. Collections will be made monthly. Hauling of all kinds done cheap.

Columbus School Notes. Say, Show, Where did you get that pig? Red shoe strings are all the go these days.

Who got the prettiest valentine and who sent it? The one the writer got was O. K. and I extend my thanks to the sender.

Our literary program and debate last Friday was the best that we have had as yet. The program for the next one, which occurs on next Friday, is as follows:

Song—Society. Essay—Cecil Hoskins. Impromptu—Danna Potter. Select reading—Kelton Peery. Duet—Nora Setters, Geneva Vinton. Essay—Estella Hubbard. Recitation—Floyd Patty. Address—Vernon Derby. Impromptu—Minnie Gallentine. Recitation—Will Eberhard.

Debate, Resolved that the southern confederacy was justifiable in secession; affirmative—Myrtle Stewartson, Vernon Dennis, Pearle Robinson; negative—Lola Kuns, Will Palmer, Madison Savage.

Seventh grade Roll of Honor 5th month: Chas. Foster, Alphon Peterson, Meta Matthews, Mary Long, Robert Foster, Lee Fletcher, Eula Harbaugh, Arthur Bogue, Hattie Emmerson, Carl Maloney.

Rank in class: 1st rank, Eula Harbaugh; 2d rank, Linnie Rummel; 3d rank, Lyle Hendricks and Maggie McCann.

The claim of other cough medicines to be as good as Chamberlain's are effectually set at rest in the following testimonial of Mr. C. D. Glass, an employe of Bartlett & Dennis Co., Gardiner, Me. He says: "I had kept adding to a cold and cough in the winter of 1897, trying every cough medicine I heard of without permanent help, until one day I was in the drug store of Mr. Houlahan, and he advised me to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and offered to pay back my money if I was not cured. My lungs and bronchial tubes were very sore at this time, but I was completely cured by this remedy, and have since always turned to it when I get a cold, and soon find relief. I also recommend it to my friends and am glad to say it is the best of all cough medicines." For sale by Howorth.

C. C. Coad, a brother-in-law of Mrs. A. V. R. Snyder, has received the appointment of postmaster at Dallas. Mr. Coad has been assistant sergeant-at-arms in the U. S. senate during the past two terms.—Transcript.

LOCAL NEWS.

G. S. Wright, dentist. Carl Michaux has taken a position as clerk at the drugstore of Rogers Bros.

Wall paper at cut prices. Must be sold. Call and see Hodson.

A nine-pound son was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Murton on Sunday, Feb. 17th. All doing well.

We are paying this week 30 to 35 cts per roll for good butter and 10 to 12 cts for fresh eggs. WALLACE & WALKER. J. J. Henderson, who is spending the winter near Woods, was unable to attend the burial of his mother last week, and did not know of her death until after the burial.

At the old stand, the St. Charles store is still doing business, dealing out a fine quality of groceries and paying the highest price for farm produce.

We extend a special invitation to the Racket store in our new quarters on south side Third street.

C. F. MILLS & CO. Try H. A. Palmer for groceries, the best on the market at prices to suit your purse. Everything guaranteed. No poultry dressed after 5 p. m. Saturdays. Strictly cash or produce. Get your order in early.

The oration of Sherman Wallace is said to be the best that was ever written at McMinnville college, and his friends are confidently looking for him to win the coming contest. His subject is "The Spirit of '76."

Bring your best butter and fresh eggs to Wallace & Walker and get their worth in cash or trade.

Attention is called to the ad of Bhuke's Commercial college, which teaches a system of shorthand that is said to be more easily learned and far superior to other systems.

A carload of people will go to Corvallis March 8th. The pity is that the college people up and down the line cannot have a special train run in their interest, and thereby save over a day's time. Has anyone asked for it? Here is a splendid chance for Mr. Markham to show his enterprise, and it isn't like him to refuse. If a special train were run two carloads or more would go from here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Daniels issued invitations to a number of their friends to a "crokinole" party at their home last evening. A good-natured crowd assembled, and then it dawned upon the guests that they were the principals in a genuine surprise party. The host and hostess had been married just twenty-five years that evening, and instead of a crokinole party they had really invited their friends to a genuine silver wedding.

The Ancient Order of the Red Cross, one of the fraternal organizations of our city, gave a very pleasant social to a number of their friends on last Monday evening at Wright's hall. It was the regular meeting night of the lodge, but they suspended the rules and spent the evening in social converse, music, playing games, etc. The ladies of the order had prepared a nice, dainty lunch, which was served in the banquet room. Misses Lola Kuns and Ethel Law were detailed as waiters to pass "the cup that cheers but does not inebriate." This order of the Red Cross is new in our city, but is rapidly coming to the front as one of the safe, reliable fraternal societies.

There was a mock trial out at district No. 46 last Saturday evening. Before the trial quite an extensive literary program was given, and when court was called to order after recess there were about one hundred people present. The case was "Charging one Charles Kuns, with crime of stealing coal oil and bread from the home of D. W. Shepperd." The Judge was Mr. Harrington. Mr. Haight and Prof. Dodson were plaintiff's attorneys, and Mrs. Nettie Old-Haight for the defendant. Much fun was enjoyed in the examination of the witnesses. The witnesses on one side would testify to one thing and then those on the other side would contradict each and every statement and vice versa. Prof. Dodson put up a strong and well-spoken plea for the plaintiff, but Mrs. Haight by her eloquence tore down the plaintiff's statements, proved her defendant innocent and won her case. She told the jury that if Mr. Kuns was found guilty "that it would be a disgrace not only to the community but upon the beloved daughter whom the defendant was so ably rearing."

W. W. Nickell will take charge of the local house of Mitchell, Lewis & Staver, March 1st. He will spend the last days of this month at the firm's Portland house.

The Figures for McMinnville. When the census bulletins were issued there were expressions of disappointment from a number of Oregon cities, notably Salem and Medford. Salem's population was given, only as 4,253, but the addition of six precincts outside the city limits swells the total to 11,595. Medford was not satisfied with the figures—1791, and a new census was taken by the citizens which brought Medford's population up to 2109. McMinnville was not disappointed at having less than two thousand within the incorporate limits. Taking the four precincts comprising the city and immediate suburbs, we are able to claim 2,807 people, viz: Baker Creek, 634; Fairlawn, 609; North McMinnville, 661; South McMinnville, 399. If we should enumerate as Salem did, six precincts outside of these, we might be able to claim eight or ten thousand. But of the 2,807 persons enumerated in the four precincts forming the corporate limits, a large majority may properly be termed residents of McMinnville.

G. B. Wright, dentist. Star 5 Star shoes at the Racket Store. Seed oats for sale. 10-4 Wm. Eborall, Bellevue, Or. John Handley has been appointed county stock inspector.

C. A. Wallace has been fighting off the grip this week. Born, Saturday, Feb. 16, to the wife of Bert Levison, a boy.

The Oregon legislature has decided to adjourn sine die at midnight on Saturday. Friendship Rebekah lodge will have degree work and a banquet Tuesday evening, at their hall.

The St. Charles store for a full line of crockery and chinaware of the latest designs.

The Christian Endeavor of the C. P. church gave a very pleasant valentine party and shadow social on Thursday evening of last week.

Why do you sell your eggs for 10c per dozen when you can get 13c at M. E. Hendrick's?

A more convenient social and banquet hall has been fitted up in the Odd Fellows' building just beneath the library room.

Prof. H. L. McCann has resigned his position at North Yamhill and has accepted the position of principal of the Park Place school, Portland.

The wood air tight heater will save the price of a stove in one year. Hodson sells them.

The Peery Drug Co. has opened with a fresh, new stock of drugs, medicines and toilet articles. Prescriptions carefully compounded. Union block, McMinnville.

Dressmaking done at 75c per day at your homes or at my place of residence with Mrs. Newhouse, Third street. 8-4 MISS LAURA BANDLE.

PRELIMINARY REPORT.

Because of the insinuations, misrepresentations and false accusations that have been made, for the purpose of bringing about certain changes which have recently taken place, and also because the report of the auditing committee was withheld at the recent meeting of the Oregon Fire Relief Association, I have obtained permission to publish a preliminary report showing the results of the investigations of the expert accountant up to the present time. If Mr. Fuller or any other person has any doubts as to whether his payments have been properly accounted for to the treasurer, he should have the expert accountant look into the matter. F. J. MARTIN.

The following is a preliminary report from the committee: McMinnville, Or., Feb. 14, 1901. Mr. F. G. Adams, Chairman Auditing Committee, O. F. R. Association.

Dear Sir: The investigation of the books of Oregon Fire Relief Association is partly completed, and nothing has come to light so far to cause censure to any officer or employe of the Association.

The percentage of clerical errors is very small and they in no way affect the cash account. Respectfully, EDWARD S. BRYAN, Expert Accountant.

This is published with the full consent of the auditing committee. Signed, F. G. ADAMS, A. J. HUNSAKER.

H. A. Palmer's daughter Ruby has been quite ill the past week.

Mrs. M. T. Cressey of Independence visited her son Warren in this city last week.

W. C. Arthur has fitted up a fine carpenter shop in the old Flynn building on B street.

Mrs. E. C. Dallas has gone to live with her daughter, Mrs. Cone, a few miles east of the city.

Rev. G. W. Fender returned from Eugene on Monday, after holding a profitable series of meetings.

Walter Wade got tired of "baching" and left Saturday to join his wife, who is visiting in southern Oregon.

Mrs. Delia Boardman, who five weeks ago fractured both lower limbs, has improved wonderfully, and will be able to sit up in a few days.

A. D. Hoskins has been quite seriously ill for a few days. He was taken suddenly ill in his harness shop on Tuesday, from convulsions due to kidney derangement.

The annual school meeting of district No. 40 occurs on Monday, March 4th, at Columbus school building. A successor is to be chosen to Dr. E. E. Goucher, and also a clerk.

An operation for pelvic abscess was performed for Mrs. Dr. E. E. Cable at St. Vincent's hospital on Wednesday, which was well withstood, and her recovery is hoped for. Her husband is with her.

Gus S. Lake of Hopewell was arrested yesterday on complaint charging him with maliciously exposing poison which killed the dogs of Geo. Branson and L. H. Kirkwood. His hearing is set for tomorrow at 10 a. m. before Justice Pugh.

McMinnville takes pride in the formation of a new orchestra, which made its first appearance at the college chapel last Friday evening. The membership is as follows: Verne Grinnold and Miss Edith Hamblin, 1st violin; Miss Jennie Snyder, 2d violin; Miss Maude Hobbs, piano; E. A. Smith, cornet; C. E. Branson, clarinet and Earl Rowland, trombone.

AT WASHINGTON'S TOMB.

Mr. Cooper Visits the Home of the Father of His Country.

EDITORS REPORTER: A visit to Mt. Vernon, the home and final resting place of Washington, never fails to be of great interest to an American. A ride of sixteen miles in an electric car, one hour, delivers you from the center of Washington City to within two hundred yards of the Washington mansion at Mt. Vernon, on the banks of the Potomac.

The land occupied by the homestead is very similar to the hilly country around North Yamhill, except it is covered with scattering trees, oak, walnut, red cedar, etc. The buildings and grounds around the mansion have been saved from decay by a society of women. Everything of the old that could be preserved has been kept intact and is carefully guarded from relic hunters. The relic hunter may be condemned, but there are very few Americans with the desire or curiosity to tramp over these hallowed grounds and through the sacred rooms, where the father of our country lived and died, who are not possessed with a desire to carry away some memento of their visit.

We went in at the gate by the small electric railway station, paying 25 cents admission fee. Then up a slight incline of one hundred yards to the grounds in front of the house. It is one of the most lovely spots on earth, on an eminence a hundred feet above the broad Potomac that washes its base on the south. Although now barren of leaves and bleak winds whistling through their branches, the trees about the old mansion are grand and beautiful. The light sandy soil is such that walks may be made lovely and easily kept. They either lead straight to the various buildings about the premises or wind through the stately trees.

There are very few people here this cold day. However, signs are everywhere for the guidance of visitors. "To the entrance" and we walk on around to the porch on the Potomac side. The doors are all closed. "Where do we enter?" we ask a bystander. "Any of these doors. They are always open to Americans." With reverent touch I take hold of the door knob, open the door and walk into the hall. I am in the old home of Washington. His words hang in a glass case on the wall. Sitting rooms on either side. A little old piano in one room, keys broken, all showing its great age. "Ellinor Parke Curtis' Piano" is the placard on the piano. An adjoining room has a melodeon, everywhere the ancient furniture, beds, chairs, music stands, books, pictures, etc., of the family. We can wander through some of the rooms and look into and inspect all of them, touch and handle the furniture and the sacred relics.

In a glass case at the head of the stairs in the second story stood young Washington's surveyor's compass. I examined this with interest. It was set on a "Jacob staff" and is not near so good as those old needle compasses owned by Branson or Maloney.

On this floor are the Curtis children's bedroom, and the beds as they were of old. Over the door in the south room is the placard "Room in which Washington died." Our hats are off as we enter the house, but as we gaze into this room and at the bed on which he died, there is a reverential feeling to "uncover" in the martial spirit. On the wall opposite the door to this room is posted a newspaper of Dec. 21, 1799, giving an account of his death. In the room immediately above this, in the attic story, Martha Washington died.

Much of the furniture in the various rooms has been supplied by citizens of the various states, all designated. But everywhere are the relics of the illustrious American. There are many relics, presents from Gen. LaFayette. In one place hangs the Masonic apron of LaFayette, near by in another is the past master's jewel of Washington.

In the kitchen you can buy a lunch and sit down and eat at the table and be waited on by old colored women, descendants of Washington's servants. This room and the greenhouse are the only places about the premises where you can buy relics and mementos. We bought several in the kitchen. There were several gavel made from the red cedar so abundant on the premises. "I will buy one of these for my Masonic lodge at Weston," said L. S. Wood of Weston. "I will take one for my lodge at Roseburg," said Judge Riddle, and "I will take one for my lodge at McMinnville," said I. Neither had known it before, but we looked at each other and smiled and were better acquainted.

A walk down the hill to the southwest, past the "smoke house," and the "coach house," with its ancient coach, and a hundred yards beyond, facing the noon-day sun, is the modest tomb of Washington. So simple, so plain, so lovely. A whole chapter could not tell it all. We read the inscription "George Washington." The whole world knows the story emanating from that sacred spot. Washington, Feb. 14. J. C. COOPER.

Jacob Johnson of West Chehalis, and Hon. Lee Laughlin and W. R. Laughlin of North Yamhill, were transacting business in McMinnville yesterday.

Lair Thompson represented McMinnville College in the meeting of delegates to form an intercollegiate athletic association at Monmouth last week. He was chosen president of the association and secured the first athletic meet for this city, to be held the first Saturday in June.

CHICAGO STORE. Another Week of the Special Sale. It seems strange, don't it, that during February, the dullest month in the year, a sale could be inaugurated that would equal in volume the trade of October, but it's a fact, nevertheless. It is not because people want to spend their money. It's Values That Do The Work. We have added dozens of new lines at special sale prices. All the goods advertised in last week's newspapers continue the same. Here are a few of the lines added to the slaughter this week: Fleece Lined Crepes, regular price 18c, now \$.12; White Venetian Corde, 25c, cut values. .13; Checked Crash Skirting, value 16c, now .10; 20 pieces 19c and 25c Dress Goods, all go at .12; Several Hundred Fine Fur Hats, the \$2 sort 1.19; Fine Ki-Ki Waist Silks, 50c values. .29; 200 Ladies' fine Percale and Madras Shirt Waists, the \$1.25 and \$1.50 kind, all go at .79; Men's Dollar Ribbed Wool Underwear. .59. We will open this week New Silks, New Dress Goods, New Hosiery, New Laces, NEW EMBROIDERIES, NEW SHOES AND NEW LINENS. New Lines will be added daily. Better come every day, as besides getting some of the greatest bargains you ever bought, we'll show you lots of new pretty things coming in every day. Thousands of articles for Spring wear that will please you. Many lines of our New Spring goods will be placed on sale at Special Sale prices. We would rather do business during February without profit and see things humming. Sale lasts until Saturday night, March 2, 1901. CHICAGO STORE.

W. A. Howe, General Merchandise. We have to offer our customers good prices in the following lines: Rubber Goods Heavy Winter Wear. Wait a little and see our offers on Summer Goods. Best Prices for Farm Produce. W. A. HOWE, Carlton.

Sealed Bids For Lumber. Will be received by the county court of Yamhill county, state of Oregon, at the March term of said court, 1901. Lumber to be furnished in the several road districts of the county, in wagon load lots in said districts, when and where directed and ordered by the supervisors of each district. All lumber to be of good sound fir timber, and bids to be for the year of 1901. Bids will be opened on the second day of said term at 1 o'clock p. m. The court reserves the right to reject any and all bids. By order of said court. J. H. NELSON, Clerk.

Sealed Bids For Wood Wanted. Bids will be received by the county court of Yamhill county, state of Oregon, for 25 cords of second growth fir wood, to be of good quality and well seasoned. 25 cords of oak pole wood, well seasoned and to be not less than three inches in diameter at the small end, both the fir and oak wood to be full 48 inches long, and the fir to be split small enough for use in ordinary heating stoves, all to be carefully corded up on the grounds just north of the court house not later than Sept. 1st, 1901. Bids will be opened on the second day of the March term, 1901, at 2 o'clock p. m. The court reserves the right to reject any and all bids. By order of the court. J. H. NELSON, Clerk.

For Sale. Advance threshing machine and Russell engine, with tanks, cook wagon and complete outfit. Easy terms. Enquire of W. Houck, McMinnville, Or. 10-3.

Clearance Sale of Shoes. Now is the time to get some genuine bargains in ladies' and men's shoes as we need room for spring stock. There is no place like the Racket Store for real values.

Ed Fuller, foreman of the S. P. bridge gang, had his car broken open this week while in the yards at Portland, and robbed of tools to the value of about \$35.

Cook School Notes. Miss Daniels, who has been quite ill for some time, has resumed her work in the 3d and 4th grades. Miss Villa Brown, after a week's illness, has entered school again.

The Ben Franklin literary society held its regular semi-monthly meeting on Friday. The subject was "Resolved, That United States Senators should be elected by the direct vote of the people." It was well discussed, and the judges, who were William Ladd, Fred Bradley and Florence Simms, gave their decision in favor of the negative. Miss Cecil Peckham sang "College Chums" in a way which delighted all present. Miss Gardner played the accompaniment on the organ.

Miss Gardner and Willie Morris were visitors one day last week.

The program for March, 1, 1901, is as follows: School paper, Ethel Law, Fred Bradley, Cleve Perry; select reading, Letha Henry; recitation, Bertha Converse; debate, "Resolved, That more honor is due to Lincoln than to Washington by the American people," affirmative, Gussie Updegraff, Alice Adams, Earl Wisecarver; negative, Lillie Grannstrom, Jennie Savage, Fred Herkowsky.

When you want a physic that is mild and gentle, easy to take and pleasant in effect use Chamberlain's stomach and liver tablets. Price, 25 cents. Samples free. Every box guaranteed. For sale by Howorth.

County Clerk Nelson arrived home yesterday from a visit to Salem.

Mrs. J. B. Gardner is visiting in Salem, the guest of Rev. Henderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Goulet of Brooks visited in this city over Sunday with the families of E. C. Apperson and W. F. Dielschneider. Invitations are out for a whist party at Wright's hall tomorrow evening. The invitations are unique, being printed on kakhi linen. They were issued by Messrs. W. L. Hem-bree, V. L. Grinnold, L. R. Nelson, E. F. Perkins and W. J. Wisecarver.