

PERSONALS.

Mrs. Melson of State street is quite ill. W. J. Herren went to Portland today. Mrs. Jos Aiken has gone to Portland to live. Miss Mary Hill went to Portland on the morning train. George Hatch goes to-morrow to Yaquina for fifteen days. R. H. Dearborn returns from Mehana in improved health. Mr. and Mrs. Pugh and family have gone to Wilhoit Springs. J. P. Veach is back from his three weeks trip to Santa Rosa, Cal. Dr. T. D. McCauley leaves Stayton to take up his residence in Seattle. Mrs. Dr. Slatten and daughter went to Portland to-day to remain. Warden McKinnon at the penitentiary is off duty on account of sickness. Rev. J. L. Parrish and wife arrived home Wednesday evening from Forest Grove and Portland. Mrs. Dr. Mary A. Thompson of Portland is staying at ex-Justice J. O'Donald's, on High street.

E. L. L. Johnson has gone to San Francisco on a business and pleasure trip. Chas. Piper is back in the store.

Miss Addie, daughter of Capt. L. S. Lovell, is not recovering from her sickness which threatens to run into typhoid fever.

Mrs. Allan Rhodes and son Clyde have gone to Mount Hood for recreation. If anybody should discover a United States flag or a white handkerchief waving from the summit let them conclude the Salemites have made the ascent.

A trip through Oregon is becoming very fashionable with California people. On the morning overland train were Mr. and Mrs. Gill on their bridal tour. Mr. Gill is the head clerk of the Southern Pacific freight department, at Sacramento.

Mrs. Rachel Earle, of Grande Ronde, Polk county, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Johnson, arrived by yesterday's train from California. Mr. Earle remains here for medical treatment from which he finds marked benefit, and hopes soon to return in greatly improved health.

Marrying "Royalty."

Some American ladies are accused of going to Europe to marry aristocrats and titles. But Salem has an instance of an European coming to Salem and carrying off a "royal" bride. The fortunate groom is a Christian gentleman, Rev. David Oberg, a native of Denmark, known a thorough American citizen. The accomplished bride, but no longer "Royal," is well known and highly esteemed.

Harold Oberg and Æolia F. Royal, both A. B., of '88, were married in Dallas, Wednesday. It is the purpose of Oberg to continue his studies in the theological school at Evanston, Ill., and afterwards enter the ministry in Oregon. Both are graduates from the Willamette University.

Salem Business Men Appreciated.

It is only a few days since that the employment of Ex-Sheriff W. Minto by Messrs. Staver and Walker, in a very responsible position was noted. Now the same man is called for another Salem man, ex-official of Marion county, George Mack, late deputy county clerk, who exchanges his position in Ladd & Bush's bank for one in Portland.

Send the Journal Abroad.

A considerable number of extra copies of the weekly are printed today, and those who desire to send a paper to friends who are entering about Salem are welcome to bring all ready for mailing if they will call and leave the addresses.

State University Scholarships.

Superintendent Yoder desires to publish the fact that only three of nine scholarships at the State University, to which Marion county is entitled, are yet taken. Immediate application should be made for others.

For Sale.

A nice piano—a bargain. It will make inquiry at this office. aug-20-18.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria

Commission Merchants.

Even the granger who shakes the hayseed from his hair while he discusses the profits made by "middle men," cannot yet altogether dispense with the services of commission merchants. But greater caution should be observed in consigning produce. Some of them have little or no financial responsibility, and too many of them break over the business rule and the law against speculating with the produce sent them to sell solely on commission. The Statesman this morning justly scores the firm of Barclay & Robinson, of San Francisco, for not selling Marion county consignments when importuned to do so, and so involving the farmer in the bankruptcy of the S. F. firm in nearly sixty dollars charges over receipts. The JOURNAL is credibly informed that a Salem man is out over \$800, having utterly failed to get money or account of sales although they had frequently acknowledged that part of his potatoes were sold. A merchant in another part of this county was congratulating himself that he had drawn on the same commission men and had his drafts honored before their collapse. But, hey presto! comes a change. The receiver sends in a bill to reclaim a thousand dollars.

More About the Fire.

The origin of the fire yesterday morning, over Gibson & Singleton's drug store, is still a mystery. Dr. Smith asserts that he left neither fire nor light burning in the room. He found near the outside office door papers with kerosene on them, and a box that he knows nothing about. But he can conceive of no reason why any one should desire to injure him by incendiarism. If anything of that kind was attempted it is most dastardly being in the heart of the business portion of the city. All parties owning property involved were very wisely insured. The State Insurance company yesterday adjusted the loss of Dr. H. Smith by the preceding night's fire by paying him \$63. Gibson & Singleton's loss was fixed at \$14,500, which will be divided between the State and the Northwest Fire and Marine. The building belongs to the estates of J. H. and Mrs. I. R. Moores and is insured in the State, Hartford, Home and Phoenix companies, so the loss, which does not amount to over \$100, will be settled in full.

THE WARD BOUNDARIES.

The fire bell may sound out the number of the ward in which a conflagration is occurring never so distinctly and it will be of no use in directing persons to the scene if, as usual, nine out of ten ask in bewilderment where is the ward signified by the bell. Below we give the boundaries so that they can be kept by the reader for reference: First ward, all that part of the city north of Center street.

Second ward, all north of Court street to Center street.

Third ward, all north of Ferry street to Court street.

Fourth ward, all south of Ferry street.

Cut this out and paste it on the back of the door through which you usually go when you run to a fire.

N. B. Don't forget to look at it before you go tearing madly down the street hunting for the fire.

Home Again.

Mr. E. B. Piper, city editor of the Statesman, than whom there are few superiors on the Pacific coast in his line, returned to-day from California. As he was part of the time at Napa, where the writer was once principal of the public schools, we would gladly have interviewed him. But as he had his sister, Mrs. Langdon, Miss Addie Scriber and Miss Cosper, and numerous "big boxes, little boxes, handboxes and bundles" under his wing, so to speak, forbearance seemed to be a virtue. Welcome back to home, the social circle, the bicycle, pencil, paste pot and shears.

Published To-day.

The WEEKLY CAPITAL JOURNAL was published this morning, with forty-eight columns of fresh and choice reading matter. Original and carefully written editorials, spicy locals, the latest telegraphic news, interesting correspondence, and well selected news miscellany. The resources of Oregon and of the Willamette Valley in particular are dwelt on with care and emphasis. An excellent newspaper to send to your friends. Subscription price \$1 a year in advance.

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A MONSTER LUMBER RAFT.

A Cigar-Shaped Mass Weighing Fifteen Thousand Tons, Containing Three Million Feet and Valued at Eighty-Five Thousand Dollars.

Safely Towed From Nova Scotia to New York.

As many readers of the JOURNAL are interested in, or observers of, lumbering operations, it is believed that an account of a recent great venture will be acceptable reading. Hugh R. Robertson, of St. Johns, N. B., has long believed that great expense could be saved by towing an immense raft of logs from Canada to New York, instead of loading them on ships. It will be remembered that he patented a plan and attempted it last year, but in a gale the tug parted from it and it drifted off causing great fear of a collision with some ship. However, it broke up and no damage ensued.

Robertson and J. D. Leary tried another one this year, with marked success. It is an enormous affair and looks in the water like some prehistoric whale or the upturned bottom of a giant ship. It is cigar-shaped; 532 feet long, 55 feet beam, tapering to 12 feet beam at the end, 38 feet in depth or hold and draws 22 to 23 feet of water. It contains 21,300 spruce and pine logs, ranging from 25 feet to 65 feet in length, with a diameter, at the butt, of from 11 to 26 inches. It weighs about 15,000 tons, contains about 3,000,000 feet of lumber, board measure, cost when launched \$50,000 and is worth from \$80,000 to \$85,000 delivered in New York.

It was bound together with fifty-eight triple bands of seven-eighth-inch crucible steel wire; through the center there runs a double one and a three-quarter-inch cable, which is connected with the wire bands by cross cables. Forty-five miles of wire and 3,500 feet of cable were used. This went to Nova Scotia from American factories duty free, being for re-shipment.

The great mass was built on stocks and launched like a ship, and was towed from the center cable. The fee for towing it was \$5,000. To bring this in the ordinary way would have required forty-five schooners at a total cost of at least \$36,000, a saving in favor of the raft of \$31,000 or more.

Many attempts were made to annoy the promoters of the enterprise. Owners of lumber coasters endeavored to have congress pass a bill prohibiting such rafts in the American waters, and Canadian opponents claimed that the timber was intended for manufacture abroad and was consequently liable to the export duty of \$1 per thousand feet broad measure that Canada imposes on timber exported for manufacture. These obstacles were, however, successfully overcome.

It is probable that next year will see several such rafts built, and Messrs. Robertson & Leary confidently expect that ere many years they will send great timber rafts to Europe. The next raft will be supplied with steering apparatus, and the logs on the bottom will be peeled, thus the raft will give much less resistance to the water and will glide along much faster with the same expenditure of force.

The saving effected by this mode of transportation is immense. First there is the saving in freight, and it costs little if any more to build such a raft than to stow the same quantity in schooners. If the timber is intended for manufacture the Canadian export duty is \$1 per 1,000 feet, while the United States imposes a duty of \$2 per 1,000 feet on manufactured lumber. But under our laws unmanufactured timber comes in free of duty, so that a raft of these dimensions (300,000,000) of fine timber, intended to be sawed here, would pay a Canadian export duty of \$3,000 and save the United States import duty of \$6,000 were it already cut into beams, boards, etc.

It would be cut up here and give employment to men around New York instead of men in the wilds of Nova Scotia. This is not the only economy, however. There is great waste in timber sawed or manufactured where grown. All the poor stuff is left behind. In fact, it is estimated that the ordinary waste would pay the freight of a raft.

DIED.

LAWRENCE.—At his home a few miles south of Salem, Wednesday, August 22, 1888, of consumption, Levi Lawrence, aged 23 years.

He was buried yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

LOCAL NOTES.

Call on Winters & Thomas for the best groceries in town.

Painless dental operations at Dr. T. C. Smith's, 92 State street.

It is said that 9,000 people witnessed Sells' circus in Portland.

Cream soda, ice cream soda, milk shakes, lemonades, at Strong & Co.'s

Willamette Assembly of the Knights of Labor will meet to-night.

If you have oats to sell read the ad of E. E. McKinney & Co., Turner.

Sells' Bros.' mammoth circus will parade the streets Tuesday of next week.

To-morrow afternoon Rev. Wm. Rollins will administer baptism by immersion in the creek.

The circuit court will meet in Salem to-morrow to attend to some unfinished business.

Mr. Judson, who lives near Prospect Hill, brought in a fine lot of peaches to Weller Bros., to-day.

The price of wheat is still upward in tendency. Yesterday one load sold as high as 66½ cents per bushel.

McMinnville people believe that they have fully quarantined their smallpox case and that it will not spread.

There is talk of getting a cotton mill at Oregon City. The magnificent water power there ought to be more fully utilized than it is.

The Oregonian says the Catholic church at Salem is to have its windows made at the Art glass works here. There are to be eight memorial windows in the building.

There is some likelihood of Dallas gaining and Salem losing M. J. Wilkins, late steward of the asylum. Mr. Wilkins and family are too desirable members of society to be willingly given up.

Owing to the hurried report of the funeral of Rev. Dr. Roberts, yesterday, which took place as we went to press, the name of Dr. Tower, who offered the very fervent and appropriate prayer, was omitted.

Conflicting reports are received about Layton Tindall, who was struck so severely on the head by Wm. Davis, of the threshing machine, at Ballston, some time ago. Some late advices say his recovery to mental and bodily soundness is quite doubtful.

Good schools do much to build up a town. Salem realizes that. Mrs. S. E. String, of Junction City, is visiting the family of M. G. Wilkins, and will locate here as soon as she can find a house to rent, so as to send her children to school.

"Edward, why do I hear that you have disobeyed your grandmother, who told you just now not to jump down these steps?" "Grandma didn't tell me not to, papa; she only came to the door and said, 'I wouldn't jump down these steps, boys.' And I shouldn't think she would—an old lady like her."

No band concert to-night as Prof. Coomer has severed his connection with the 2d regiment band to accept a more remunerative position in Portland. The many creditable public performances of those under his instruction, as well as his own splendid and often original solo playing on the cornet, have well demonstrated his skill. In the musical line he will be much missed in Salem.

A Sad Cortège.

At the depot to-day, Ford's hearse and a number of carriages were awaiting the arrival of the 12:52 p. m. train with the remains of Mrs. L. D. Brower, of Yaquina, who died after a few days' illness yesterday, August 23d, 1888. She was the daughter of Mr. Sam C. Richey, a well known Oregon pioneer, brother of Mrs. Dr. W. C. Warriner, formerly of this county. Mrs. Gillingham is her cousin. Her husband and their only child, a boy of eight years, Mr. and Mrs. Richey and Mr. R. A. Stratford accompanied the remains here. At the depot they were met by Mrs. and Miss Grace Gillingham, Mr. William Bodman and wife, a sister of Mrs. Brower, and Mr. S. S. Richey her brother, and wife, from Portland; and by Elder Burnett, pastor, and Deacon H. A. Johnson and J. W. Webb late pastor of the Christian church, Salem. The remains, after appropriate services were laid to rest in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

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