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A CORRUPT BALLOT.

As the tumult of the recent political contest rolls away, so that particular parts of the field can be scanned, it becomes more and more evident that the cash purchase of votes was an enormous factor in the election.

What is important in such a crisis is not to fix responsibility upon one party or the other, but to take steps to save the fabric of government from swift destruction.

It is the distinguishing badge of a free man. The responsibility is so great, that it does not cease with the dropping of the ballot into the box.

Some people are a little anxious about fuel for the future, and a vast number of people in Kansas, Nebraska and Dakota almost perish for want of coal.

There must be a moral quarantine established if our country is to fulfill the aspirations of Washington and Jefferson and the early pioneers of genuine Republicanism.

THE TIME.

Now is the time to strike. Salem has an opportunity to be something. Will she do it? A short time ago a railroad company proposed to the people of Spokane Falls that if they would raise the company one hundred and fifty thousand dollars that said company would run the road to the Falls.

CORNER GROCERY MUST GO.

The St. Louis Republican, one of the leading journals of the West has become very emphatic on the liquor question. It claims that the saloon element controls the city politics, and says the corner grocery—with its saloon attached—must go.

By the Australian plan of voting the tickets, which are printed by the state and furnished to the voters, have on them the names of all the candidates.

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THE JOKE IS ON THE GOVERNOR OF Maryland who fixed the date of a criminal's execution on the 23rd day of February, 1889.

A WRITER who has been in Japan for five years says: "The first month I was in Yokohama I was invited to a state ball.

AN UNMARRIED man recently drew a crisp new five dollar bill out of the bank. A happy thought struck him, and he wrote an ardent love letter across the face of it in blue ink.

Only a Rumor as Yet.

E. O. Norton informs the Portland News "that the state has purchased 800 acres of the L. M. Savage claim at Salem.

—You will always find No. 1 groceries at L. S. Winters, the popular Court street Grocer.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN.—High street, Rev. B. F. Moody, pastor. Services Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.—Elder P. R. Burnett, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Prayer meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Chemekete and Cottage streets. Low mass at 7:30 a. m. High mass and sermon at 10:30 a. m. Sunday school at 3 p. m. Vespers, sermon and benediction at 7:00 p. m. every Sunday.

UNITARIAN SOCIETY.—Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m., and Mental Science class at 3 p. m., Sunday. Conducted by M. V. Rork at their hall, corner of Court and Liberty streets, up stairs.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—Corner of Liberty and Marion streets. Rev. A. R. Medbury, pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. Sunday school at noon. Young Peoples' meeting at 6:45 p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Thursday evening. All are cordially invited.

M. E. CHURCH.—Services will be held in the M. E. church to-morrow as follows: Morning, at 10:30; evening at 7, Sunday school at 12 m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 6:30. All are invited. Seats are free. Prayer meeting every day at 3 p. m. Extra seats have been provided that all who come may be made comfortable.

Morning subject: The star of Bethlehem in the ascendent; evening: The way young men defeat themselves.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Services at 10:30 a. m. Sunday school at 12 o'clock, Christian Endeavor meeting at 6:00; evening service at 7. Rev. Anselm B. Brown, pastor. A cordial welcome is extended to all. Seats free.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Rev. H. A. Newell, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Society of Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Sabbath school at 12 m.; R. S. Wallace, supt. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:00 p. m. Welcome to all at all the services.

The services to-morrow will be appropriate to the Christmas Season. On Monday evening, Christmas eve, at 7 o'clock will occur the Christmas exercises of the Sabbath School. The public are invited and all strangers in the city are welcome.

Every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, holiness meetings are conducted at 115 High street.

Band of Hope meets Sunday afternoons, at 3 o'clock, in the W. C. T. U. hall on Court St. All are cordially invited.

STATE OF OHIO, City of Toledo, Lucas County, S. S.

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co. doing business in the city of Toledo, county and state aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of one hundred dollars for each and every case of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. '88.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75 cents.

Ducks are very plentiful now in the swales.

A Natural Product of California.

It is only found in Butte County California and in no other part of the world. We refer to the tree that produces the healing and penetrating gum used in that pleasant and effective cure for consumption, bronchitis, asthma and coughs, Santa Able the King of Consumption.

Wheat looks well and from the amount sown last fall we will surely have a large yield next year.

TO CONSUMPTIVES.

The undesigned having been restored to health by simple means, after suffering several years with a severe lung affection, and that dread disease consumption, is anxious to make known to his fellow sufferers the means of cure.

We are to have a Christmas tree and also a ball on Christmas eve.

Wonderful Cures.

W. D. Hoyt & Co. Wholesale and Retail Druggists of Rome Ga. say: We have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery, Electric Bitters and Bucklen's Arnica Salve for four years.

—Studd and Burke will be here on the 27th and commence the great revival.

Personal.

Mr. N. H. Frohline of Mobile Alabama writes: I take great pleasure in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, having used it for a severe attack of Bronchitis and Catarrh.

Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, is sold on a positive guarantee. Trial bottles free at H. W. Cox's Drug Store.

—Wheat continues at 75 cents in Salem with little hopes of an early rise.

Digest and be Jolly.

Did ever anyone see a jolly dyspeptic? We row not. What natural cheerfulness is proof against the almost ceaseless annoyance of chronic indigestion? People whose stomachs are constantly disturbed exhibit the utmost peevishness and nervous irritability.

—Wheat is worth only 72 cents at Albany now. Salem continues to pay 75.

An Absolute Cure.

The ORIGINAL ABIE TIN OINTMENT is only put up in large two-ounce tin boxes, and is an absolute cure for old sores, burns, wounds, chapped hands, and all skin eruptions.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Advertisement for Boots and Shoes, featuring an image of a boot and the text 'BOOTS AND SHOES'.

Advertisement for WM. BROWN & CO. Dealers in Leather and Findings! CASH PAID FOR Wools, Hides, Pelts and Furs.

Fruit Farms of Ten to Forty Acres!!!

CONVENIENT TO TWO RAILROADS. These lands are not offered at enhanced prices. The soil and location are especially adapted to growing PEARS, PRUNES, AND OTHER FRUITS for shipping green to the Mining districts and Farther East.

The Very Best Land For Fruit Growing!!!

ONE HOURS DRIVE FROM SALEM. The canneries of SALEM, WOODBURN and ALBANY are at easy of access. None but first class families desired. Will meet Parties with team. Correspondence solicited.

Address J. J. HARDEN, Stayton, Or.

FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

—NOTHING IS NICER THAN— FINE WATCHES, JEWELRY, SILVER WARE, SPECTACLES, Etc.

Beautiful Holiday Goods!

Has just been received at the Old and Established Salem Jewelry Store of

S. W. Thompson & Co.

All kinds of Watches, Jewelry and Silverware. Prices satisfactory and Goods First Class.

THE BEST STOCK OF STOVES

IN THE CITY IS AT

R. M. WADE & CO'S

282 to 286 Commercial Street, SALEM.

Advertisement for GARLAND STOVES AND RANGES, featuring an image of a stove and the text 'GARLAND STOVES AND RANGES'.

AND MANY OTHER LEADING STYLES.

Also a Complete Stock of Hardware and Farm Machinery, Wagons and Carriage