

TIMELY LOCAL ITEMS AND CITY NEWS

Gleaned From Various Sources and Put in Condensed Form.

For the Edification of Review Readers Interested in What is Going On.

Yesterday, Thanksgiving, was observed in many families by reunions and social gatherings.

Extra copies of The Review, wrapped ready for mailing, can be had at this office, for five cents a copy.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Carr who reside at Point View, died last Monday. The child was five days old.

An improvement club has been organized in the Piedmont Junction district, and promises to do good work in that locality.

Fred Koerner has commenced work on a 16x20 addition to the building occupied by the Hazelwood, corner Jersey and Broadway.

The West Coast Laundry Co. received and put in position this week a large new mangle. It is a ponderous machine weighing three tons.

The pump at the water works pumping station was out of order Tuesday morning, and the water supply was shut off for about an hour.

Some one has asked: "What has become of the Lions' lodge?" Our reporter has made diligent enquiry, but is unable to answer the question.

The St. Johns Land Co. is now pleasantly located in its new building on Jersey street, north of Bickner's store. The officers are commodious and comfortable.

Nathan Friedman is putting the finishing touches on his new block, and expects to open up about Dec. 1, with a complete stock of clothing and men's furnishing goods.

The Steamship Dispatch took on a deck load of lumber at Cones' mill, last Friday, departing for San Francisco Saturday. A part of her cargo was taken on at Vancouver.

The St. Johns M. W. A. band will give a dance at Bickner's hall Saturday evening, and every fourth Saturday during the winter months. All are invited. The boys are worthy of encouragement.

The residents of John street and the neighborhood thereabouts, have petitioned the street car company to make said street a regular stopping point. The powers that be have granted the request, the order going into effect Wednesday evening.

Bickner Bros., O. S. Chapel and the St. Johns Land Co., have had a new sidewalk laid between Bickner's store and the north side of The Review office, for which public-spiritedness these gentlemen have the thanks of the public.

Geo. A. Dyson, of Eugene, Ore., purchased, through D. C. Rogers, the lot 100x100 corner Jersey and Baltimore streets, for \$1800. Wm. Evans was the former owner. This is a fine business property, and the price obtained is regarded as reasonable.

Earnest Elliott, the pharmacist, advertises to give a gold ring to every boy baby under one year of age, if the mother or guardian will call at his store accompanied by the boy. Liberal offer, but Elliott believes in encouraging the budding captains of industry.

The ladies aid society of the M. E. church met at Mrs. Mills' residence Tuesday afternoon, to make arrangements for the "season social," which they will hold Thursday and Friday evenings, December 8th and 9th. The ladies promise an interesting entertainment.

Venus, the 16-year old daughter of Councilman T. J. Monahan, has been seriously ill for some time. Her condition causes her parents great solicitude, and their constant and devoted attention. Their legions of friends hereabouts earnestly hope the daughter will soon fully recover.

The freight service of the Portland & Suburban Express Co. is excellent, and the rates appear to be quite reasonable. The manager, W. R. Stearns, is to be congratulated for the prompt and efficient manner with which he handles and delivers freight matter entrusted to him. The patronage given this company proves the appreciation of the peninsula public. But there is one feature which might be improved, and that is the establishment of a freight depot in St. Johns, with a resident agent. This would add very materially to the efficiency of the line.

William Jobe, who met with a serious accident last week, is reported as improving and the chances are favorable to an early recovery. He was taken Wednesday to a Portland hospital to undergo an X-ray examination.

To the recent arrival from the east: No, The Review does not care for your effusions on "The Beautiful Snow." Its out of order in this land of sunshine and sundry heavy mists. Send it back to your home editor, where the "beautiful" covers the fields and lawns about one half the year.

Geo. H. Bonville, the electrician, has wired the Artisan temple at Portsmouth, and the hall will in future be lighted by electricity. The M. E. church, The Review office and several other buildings about the city have been fitted up to use electricity when the "juice" arrives, which will be in a few days.

The Thanksgiving dinner, served by mine hostess Rich, at the St. Johns hotel yesterday, was excellent, and well patronized. All the delicacies of the season were served. Miss Rich has the reputation of knowing how to serve the public, and she sustained this reputation Thursday in a most satisfactory manner to her patrons.

W. H. King is building a two-story office building between St. Johns market and the Friedman block, on Jersey street. Mr. King is also making an addition to the building occupied by the St. Johns market, bringing the front to the line of the sidewalk. This is an improvement which will add greatly to the appearance of the business center.

Cochran Bros. have purchased of W. H. King, the fifty feet fronting on Jersey street, adjoining the Cochran block, corner Jersey and Broadway streets, paying \$2000 therefor. It is understood the purchasers will erect a fine two-story business block on the premises. The building now on the lot will be moved to a lot on another street.

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, quite a number of visitors were in the city Sunday last.

It is reported that efforts are to be made to organize a lodge of Odd Fellows in St. Johns. There is room for such an organization here, as this excellent order already has many members residing here. There is no doubt a large membership could be obtained.

The Review prints posters, dodgers, invitation cards, ball and entertainment programs. Orders executed with neatness and dispatch, and the prices are correct. All societies and clubs having their printing done at the St. Johns Review office will receive notices and announcements in the paper free of charge. A good thing to remember, friends, where you have printing to give out.

John White, who is wanted by the sheriff for horse stealing in the eastern part of the state, managed to get into town Monday and get his wife and children and with them left for parts unknown, leaving the stolen saddle behind. Marshal Organ telephoned the facts to the sheriff's office Tuesday morning but could give no definite clue by which White could be located.

One cannot help but be impressed with the lamentable condition of the streets. If it is possible, temporary sidewalks should be laid along the principal thoroughfares at least. The city has many attractions, industrial and otherwise, but the streets are not among these objects of interest to the visitor. Let's wake up and see if something cannot be done to help matters along this line.

A habit practiced by boys, one both annoying and dangerous, is that of jumping off the street cars as they pull in and out from the station. It is a violation of the rules of the company, and should be stopped. One of these days some boy will get hurt, and probably lose a limb, and perhaps get killed. It seems as though the city marshal could stop this practice, if he would make an example of a few of these mischievous little fellows.

At the last regular meeting of St. Johns Camp No. 773, W. O. W., nominations and election of officers were

held. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Past consul, F. S. Lindley; Consul commander, R. C. Clark; adviser lieutenant, G. Mallett; clerk, Walter E. Coone; banker, H. B. Bickner; escort, Richard Southwell; watchman, J. M. Moore; sentry, Peter Holman; managers, Robert Anderson, Clyde Heath and I. E. Foraker.

A long-haired "Mede" from Posey county, Ind., remarked to us the other day in pathetic tones with a nasal twang, "Thar's jist one lone real estate man at Portsmouth, and he's jist gone thar from Univrarsity a little ways. St. Johns' sweet sixteen ought to give him a 'sprise. Sixteen to one. With a fair show to be 32 afore old Sal crosses the line agin." The Review proposes to fine each real estate agent who does not locate at least 6 1/4 families in the next ninety days. This means 100 families, or 500 persons more for the lower peninsula. Now, do your duty. One day something will "drap" and then The Review will demand 5000 in 90 days, and get them, too.

Postoffice Matters.

It is not generally known, perhaps, that a postoffice is rated by the number of stamps cancelled, and not by the quantity of stamps sold. Yet it is a fact. The class, the standing and salary of the postmaster is fixed by the number of letters which pass outward through the mails, through his office. The postmaster may sell ten thousand dollars worth of stamps, yet if he cancels only five hundred dollars' worth of stamps, the remaining nine thousand five hundred dollars' worth of business was done for nothing, except, perhaps, what glory there might be in it. With the postal authorities at Washington the character of the town is estimated by the number of stamps cancelled, and postal accommodations given accordingly. The result is, the people are directly responsible for our local postal facilities. If we want them improved, see that every letter you write is mailed at the St. Johns postoffice. We are sure it is a matter of thoughtlessness on the part of many, that letters are sent "down town" to be mailed. Mails leave here morning and evening, and will reach their destination just as quick if mailed here as if dropped in a box in Portland. Local pride is at stake in this matter, and if you want to help get better postal facilities, mail all your letters from the office here.

United Artisans' Fair.

United Artisans Assembly No. 3, have announced their fifth annual fair, which will be held at Artisans Temple, Portsmouth, December 14, 15, 16 and 17. The general program as arranged, is of such a character that guarantees a season of amusement not to be missed. The opening night, Wednesday, Dec. 14, the excellent comedy, "Rebecca's Triumph," will be presented. Thursday evening, "Our Boys," a fine comedy, will be on the boards, and it is a good one. Friday evening, a miscellaneous program will be rendered and distribution of prizes will take place. The season will close Saturday evening with a grand ball. The prices of admission will be fifteen cents, except Saturday evening when fifty cents will be charged gentlemen, and ladies free. Coupon tickets will be sold and every ticket holder will have a chance to win a handsome prize. The Artisans are noted artists in providing enjoyable entertainments, and there is no doubt they will sustain their reputation in this event.

Our Water Tested.

Prof. A. R. Sweetser, State Biologist and Professor of Biology at the state university at Eugene, was in St. Johns last week making inspection of the water works system. This is in connection with several months study which he has been conducting at the request of the water company with the view to finding the cause of odors arising from water in the ends of the pipes where there is little circulation. Prof. Sweetser announced that so far he had been unable to find anything which would produce disease of any kind and that he intended to continue his search as requested by the water company. He took cross sections of the pipe for microscopic examination. The work which Prof. Sweetser is doing is supplementary to investigations carried on at the request of the water company by Dr. Woods Hutchinson of the State Board of Health. Dr. Hutchinson has made a bacteriological analysis of the water, and he too has been unable to find anything in the water which is in the least harmful. The water company seems inclined to trace to the bottom the cause of the odor arising from the water in some of the pipes.

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