

# MEDFORD.

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putting it mildly, but it is a fact that it is situated in one of the best deciduous fruit growing and farming countries in the world. The history of this town covers only a little over ten years, yet here we find all the advantages of long established cities. No vacant buildings are to be found, and the business men are all prosperous.

There are a goodly number of secret and benevolent organizations represented in Medford, and a list of them, with their days of meeting will be found in another part of this paper.

The present officers of the city of Medford are: Mayor, W. I. Vawter; councilmen, F. M. Plymale, D. H. Miller, J. R. Wilson, W. B. Roberts; recorder, R. S. Webb.

## SCHOOLS.

The most desirable thing in a town that professes to hold out inducements to the people who have families to bring up is an educational system that contains all the advantages of the modern plans of education, and in this respect Medford does particularly shine.

The history of the growth of the schools of Medford would be a facsimile of the same progress in any town, except that the transition from the little district school house of 1883 to the present handsome building which was erected in 1891 at a cost of \$9,500, including furniture, Medford prides herself on her schools, which is considered one of the best in Southern Oregon. Graduates of the school are fitted to enter the State University or any of the higher educational institutions of the state without examination. The school is divided into eight grades, and runs from primary to high school. There are special classes in penmanship, commercial law, and book keeping, and these branches are taught as far as can be theoretically. The pupils are also taught vocal music. The school band consists of eighteen instruments, and is a credit alike to the school and their instructor.

The present enrollment of pupils is four hundred. N. L. Narregan, the principal, is a gentleman who has made a life study of the best systems of educating the young, and is assisted in his duties by N. A. Jacobs, vice-principal, and the Misses Della Pickle, Kate Robb, Ellen Bursell, Abby Sinclair and Anna Nichols, all experienced teachers, who devote their energies to making the Medford school second to none in the state.

## THE CHURCHES.

Whilst attending to business and building up of the town of Medford, the people have not neglected to make provisions for saving the souls and our religious tabernacles have been looked after in the same spirit that prompted other undertakings of the people—with a view to their welfare as a cultured, right living, God fearing community. A brief resume of the churches of the city may not be amiss in showing the developments of the city.

The Christian church is under the charge of Rev. S. P. Grant, and services are held every Sunday in their church. Rev. R. S. Craven holds services every Sunday morning and evening in the Methodist Episcopal church. The Rev. A. S. Foster is in charge of the Presbyterian church, and services are held every Sunday at the usual hours. T. H. Stevens is pastor of the Baptist church. The Methodist Episcopal church south hold services the first and fourth Sundays of each month; and the Rev. J. Fenton is the pastor.

## MEDFORD BUSINESS COLLEGE.

WRITTEN BY A STUDENT.

The present term of this institution commenced on the first Monday of last September, under the most unfavorable circumstances. Things looked blue. As Mark Twain would say, "not sky blue, but indigo blue." And other than Prof. Rigby would have been intimidated by the obstacles. Tenacity will accomplish wonderful things, especially when its possessor has the consciousness of having done right.

The first day there were but 4 students and the school met in a rented room in a store building. Now there are thirty-six pupils enrolled, and they have the honor of occupying one of the neatest and most substantial modern school buildings in this part of the state. The building belongs to the college and is the third college on the coast that owns a building of its own.

The course of study is extensive and thorough, embracing everything usually taught in advanced normal and business colleges. Prof. Rigby is unquestionably an expert teacher in all things pertaining to business forms and the methods for normal training are entirely satisfactory. New students are arriving weekly, and the prospects bid fair to enroll a goodly number by the opening of the next term.

The clouds of adversity have passed away and the sunlight of congeniality is pouring forth on the Medford Business College.

W. E. PHIPPS.

## MEDFORD BUSINESS MEN.

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## HAMILTON & PALM.

REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE.

Several years the firm of Hamilton & Palm has been identified with the interests of Medford and Jackson county; and are thoroughly conversant with the values of realty, both present and prospective. This firm makes a specialty of handling Medford property and also have a complete list of almost all the lands in the county for sale. These lands are suitable for fruit and grain, and can be purchased on very easy terms. In city lots and additions they have some very choice bargains. Property at present is at its very lowest in account of the late stringency of the money market, and now is the time to

buy. They look after property for non residents, pay taxes, etc., and also loan money for eastern and non resident capitalists at reasonable rates. Any one having business transactions with them will find them thoroughly reliable and gentlemen who conduct all business on a basis of strict integrity and honor. Another branch of their business is insurance, and they represent some very strong companies. Anyone wishing information concerning lands in this and neighboring counties will receive good returns by corresponding with them. Mr. Hamilton formerly held the office of assessor, which undoubtedly gives him a first class idea of values not possessed by others in the same business.

J. A. WHITMAN, PACKER AND SHIPPER OF SOUTHERN OREGON.

The leading fruit packing establishment of Southern Oregon is the one conducted by the above gentleman. This business has been of incalculable value to Medford and the fruit growers of Jackson county. Mr. Whitman buys all kinds of fruit at the very best market prices; in this way saving the grower much worry, trouble and loss by shipping to commission houses. The business has been in active operation for several years and from the beginning has proven a success. Mr. Whitman conducts all business in an honest way. He is an enterprising, go-ahead young business man, well deserving of the success that is coming to him. No one establishment does more towards advertising Medford and Southern Oregon for every town that has apples so they get with them the name of the town from whence they came, thus "bringing bread upon the waters." Mr. Whitman takes a deep interest in all matters pertaining to the advancement of his adopted home.

J. W. ODGERS, DENTAL SURGEON.

It is only within the present century that dentistry has become one of the leading and most comprehensive professions; and to succeed a dentist must possess a thorough education in that part of the human anatomy he is called upon to operate on, as well as to have a good understanding of mechanism. He must be a man of refinement, of kindly disposition, not a "crank," pleasant to all and thoroughly trustworthy. These qualities are possessed to an eminent degree by Dr. J. W. Odgers, of Medford. He is an old resident of Oregon, and sixteen years have passed since he commenced the practice of dentistry. Prior to coming to Medford, one year ago, he had been in practice in Portland and Albany. From the first day of his labor here he has had a very lucrative practice, being well known as a gentleman of good habits, moral conduct, good attainments in his profession, and seems to have found a most cordial welcome. His office is situated over Parker's drug store, and is equipped with all the latest and most improved appliances for the systematic conduct of the business, and a tooth once filled by him is as good as new and will last a life-time. Dr. Odgers has come to stay and has built himself a handsome residence.

MEDFORD NURSERY.

FRANK SUTTER, PROPRIETOR.

Among the various industries of a growing and prosperous country that of the florist assumes an important position. Many new homes are daily springing up and all nature-loving people are anxious to beautify their homes. The Medford nursery is situated at the head of D. street and there may be found a choice and select stock of flowers, roses, shrubs and greenhouse plants of all kinds, which are sold at the very lowest possible prices. All orders by mail are promptly and accurately attended to. Mr. and Mrs. Sutter came here five years ago and in that time have done wonders from a barren spot which they purchased for a home and nursery has sprung one of the prettiest and coolest places in Medford, a neat residence surrounded by flowers, fruit-trees and shrubs, indeed pleasant to look upon. Those wishing to adorn their homes and gardens with flowers and shrubs will do well to inspect the stock of the Medford Nursery. Much of the success this establishment is attaining is due to Mr. Sutter, who is a lover of flowers, and an estimable lady. Anyone doing business with Mr. Sutter will find him an agreeable gentleman, conducting all business in a straight-forward manner.

ED. WOLTMAN, LIVELY, FEED AND SALE STABLE.

There is no livestock proprietor more generally or more favorably known in Jackson county than Ed. Wolman, the pioneer livestock man of Medford. His establishment is so well known that extensive references to it must appear unnecessary. Mr. Wolman does a prosperous livestock and feed business. Indeed if you want a stylish and fine appearing rig this is the place to secure it, and at most reasonable prices. He makes a specialty of catering to commercial men, and they will here find just what they require. Mr. Wolman is an enterprising, go-ahead business man, well known and highly esteemed. His honorable, straight-forward business methods have gained for him the confidence and regard of all.

SHAWVER & NICHOLSON, CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS.

In a careful and accurate review of Medford's leading business interests that of the contractor and builder attracts prominent attention, for to his taste and genius we have to look for the beauty and strength of our buildings. Representative among the number is the firm of Shawver & Nicholson, who are ready at all times to give estimates for any class of buildings, no matter how extensive or small it may be. They are practical mechanics who thoroughly understand their business in detail, and any work they undertake will be well and faithfully fulfilled. Parties intending building will do well to see them. The members of the firm are W. T. Shawver and A. C. Nicholson, who are held in the highest esteem in the community for their many sterling qualities.

WEEKS BROS., FURNITURE MANUFACTURERS, PHOENIX, STORE IN MEDFORD.

Within the last decade the manufacture of furniture has greatly advanced in Oregon, both in extent of production and improved facilities. The demand for Oregon furniture is ever increasing.

In this line Weeks Bros., who have their factory at Pocomo, four miles from Medford, are becoming well and favorably known throughout Southern Oregon for the class of goods manufactured as well as the prices at which they are sold. They manufacture all kinds of styles and qualities of parlor, bedroom, diningroom, library and kitchen furniture. They employ several skilled mechanics at their factory, the machinery, which is of the latest and most improved kind, is driven by water power. They shortly intend erecting a large store in Medford, where all kinds of furniture will be for sale; undertake to present their stock in this city is not complete as it will be found in their new building. They make a specialty of bar, office, store and bank fixtures. This business was established three years ago, the Weeks Bros. having formerly been engaged in the same business in Woodstock, Canada. They are go-ahead, enterprising gentlemen, who are doing much towards building up the manufacturing interests of the Rogue river valley.

G. F. MERRIMAN, GENERAL BLACKSMITH.

If there is one business more than another necessary in an agricultural community, it is that of the blacksmith. He is the farmer's doctor, and his services are daily called into use. Not only does his work require strength of arm, but careful study and a thorough knowledge of the business to carry it on successfully. Such a man have we in G. F. Merriman, who has made quite a reputation for his scientific horse shoeing. General blacksmithing, and especially plow work, receive prompt and careful attention. Mr. Merriman has been engaged in business here for the past eight years, and during that time has made many friends by his strict attention to business.

EMIL KIRCHGESSNER, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.

In making a review of the commercial and productive resources of Medford and surrounding country, we would not be fulfilling our duty were we to omit the professions. Especially is this the fact when we talk of the medical fraternity. The duties of a physician in this country are varied, and many times the doctor has to undergo many hardships in fulfilling them. In this connection we would make mention of Dr. Emil Kirchgessner. This gentleman came to Medford eight months ago, and by strict attention to his duties, coupled with undoubted skill, has made a reputation which has set him on the high road to success. He has won and maintained a position, both as a private gentleman and physician, entitling him to the confidence and consideration of all the community. Doctor Kirchgessner is a graduate and member of the following institutions: makes a specialty of nose and throat diseases; Grosse Lyceum, Carlsruhe, Baden, Germany; Bennett College, Chicago, Ill.; 1893; Post Graduate, Polyclinic of Eclectic Medical and Surgery, Chicago Dept. Eye and Ear diseases; Member West Side Medical Society, New York City; Late Resident Physician and Surgeon, Cook Co. Hospital, Chicago, Ill.

MEDFORD BRICK YARDS.

There are few industries of so much importance as that of making brick in a prosperous city. Mr. G. W. Priddy, proprietor of the above yards, has shipped from his yard all the brick used in the building of the principal business blocks in Medford. He now has on hand 140,000 brick, which are of first quality. Large and small orders are promptly filled. He also does all kinds of brick work and satisfaction guaranteed. Mr. Priddy has been engaged in business for several years, and during his long and busy career has sustained an excellent reputation for sterling integrity and honorable dealing.

E. L. BROWN, THE BUSY WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER.

The rapid growth of Southern Oregon has caused many business men of energy and enterprise to locate in our midst. Two years ago E. L. Brown located here. He carries a well selected stock of watches, clocks and jewelry at very moderate prices. By devoting all his time and attention to watchmaking, he has mastered the art of watch repairing and can refer to his past work as a guarantee of all orders entrusted to his care, will give satisfaction. Those who have favored Mr. Brown with their work only speak of the result with the highest praise. During his two years career here he has gained an enviable reputation for the class of work done.

O. HOLTAN, MERCHANT TAILOR.

With many years' experience in the merchant tailoring business, Mr. Holtan possesses many advantages which cannot fail to commend his establishment to favorable notice. He started business here in 1885, and has, with the aid of a thorough knowledge of the business, backed up with energy, push and enterprise, largely increased his resources and secured a good and prosperous trade. He is prepared to turn out work at most reasonable prices. Mr. Holtan has a judiciously selected assortment of foreign and domestic fabrics, from which customers may choose to suit their different tastes. He is highly esteemed by his fellow citizens for his honorable dealings and sterling integrity.

RAILROAD EXCHANGE.

M. H. HANLEY, PROPRIETOR.

A neat resort where all the best of imported and domestic wines, liquors and cigars are displayed by polite and attentive bartenders, is the Exchange saloon as conducted by M. H. Hanley. He handles none but the very best of wines, liquors and cigars procurable, and any one patronizing this establishment will find him a courteous, obliging gentleman who conducts his business on a basis of strict integrity never taking advantage of any one in regards to prices. All mail orders receive the promptest attention. Mr. Hanley has been identified with the business interests of Medford for several years.

REDFIELD BROS., GINSENGES.

The proprietors of this establishment have carried on this business in Med-

ford for over a year. Being thoroughly practical mechanics, it cannot be wondered at, that their trade has steadily increased. Those who have occasion to deal with them will always be treated with courtesy and dealt with in the most upright manner. They fill all orders entrusted to them promptly and carefully. This is the only place outside of the eastern factories where sporting rifles are made to order, weight, size or calibre, and gun-barrels reloaded on short notice. They keep in stock all kinds of breech loading guns, revolvers, ammunition, fishing tackle, cutlery, etc. With undoubted skill and experience, and unequalled facilities, Redfield Bros. can offer inducements to the trade that cannot be surpassed.

COLE & JONES, PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS.

The medical profession is finely represented here by Drs. G. B. Cole and W. S. Jones, honored members of the medical fraternity. Dr. Cole came here in 1891, from La Salle, Ill., and practiced through the summer, and then removed to Arizona, where he resided until November of this year, when he again returned to Medford and became a member of the above firm. Dr. Cole graduated from the medical department of the Worcester University, Cleveland, Ohio, in 1868; after practicing six years in La Salle, he took a post graduate course in the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York; from thence returned to La Salle and practiced there until coming to Oregon. While in La Salle he was a member of the staff of physicians of St. Vincent's Hospital, of that city.

Dr. Jones came here from Iowa in 1888. He is a graduate of the American Medical College, St. Louis, Mo., and had much valuable experience and practice in the city hospital for two years prior to graduating.

These gentlemen are building up a large and honorable practice since their settlement here. They are bright, courteous, clear-headed, ambitious men of the world, and gentlemen who hold an enviable position in the profession and community. In addition to their general practice, the Drs. make a specialty of all chronic diseases, surgery and diseases of women.

FRUIT CULTURE.

As a fruit growing region the Rogue river valley, by nature, is the best of any country, and fruit raising is becoming one of the leading and most successful industries of this valley. The truth of its merits is little known beyond the Rockies, and if it was brought to the knowledge of the outside world a good and prosperous class of people would be flowing into the valley. Neither grain growing or stock raising are to be compared with fruit raising as far as profits go.

We can raise the finest of cereals here, too, it is true, but we can raise fruits far better advantage, and with greater profit to ourselves in the long run. During the past year many thousands of fruit trees have been put out, and now nearly every farmer has an orchard of a few acres. Any kind of deciduous fruits grow luxuriously in this valley. Good prunes and apples always find a market. Prune growing is becoming a very favorite industry, and growers are being built all over the country. The following is an example of what Mr. W. C. Leever, of Central Point, accomplished in prune growing on five acres of land:

Cost of 5 acres of land.....	\$150
Cost and planting of trees.....	80
Cost of same for five years.....	150
Picking, drying and boxing 9000 lbs. of prunes, 11 cts. per lb.....	135
Total cost.....	\$435
Value of crop at 7 cents per lb.....	\$720

which is putting the price at a very low figure. Next year the crop will in all probability amount to 13,000 or 14,000 pounds of dried fruit. Pears, peaches, apples, plums, grapes and cherries all can be grown profitably, and the time will come when the fruits of the Rogue river valley will be in demand all over the eastern states.

OREGON AGAIN LEADS.

GREATEST NUMBER OF AWARDS IN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

WORLD'S FAIR, CHICAGO, OCT. 26.—The awards were made to-day in the department of agriculture. Oregon secured 20 medals, Washington 4 and California 12.

## CENTRAL POINT.

Central Point is situated three and a half miles north of Medford, and 325 miles south of Portland on the Southern Pacific railroad, and in the center of the Rogue river valley, surrounded by a very rich agricultural and fruit country. The townsite was laid out in 1884 by Messrs. Bell, Amy and Macgruder, and in 1887, was incorporated as a town and is governed by a board of trustees. The present incumbents are, W. C. Leever, president, A. A. Whiteman, P. W. Oldwell, M. S. Welch and J. H. Gay, trustees; A. M. Ford, recorder; J. E. Harvey, treasurer, and David Lyons, marshal.

The facilities for educational purposes are first class, with a handsome school building which was erected at a cost of \$3000. This is a favored spot for fruit growing, and some very fine orchards are adjoining town. The Baptists have a church which cost \$1500, and the Methodists and Christian denominations are represented and hold services every Sunday. Land can be purchased with easy distance of town at very moderate prices and on easy payments. Fruit culture is becoming a leading industry, especially prunes and apples. Mining is carried on extensively within from four to eighteen miles of town. A large saw mill is in operation, also a new flouring mill. A few years ago a bill was past through the legislature giving certain parties a franchise to construct a flume

from the head of Rogue river to Central Point for lumbering and irrigating purposes, and a company has been organized to construct the same, and for several months have had their surveyors in the field for the purpose of surveying the line. The following are some of the leading business men of Central Point, who will answer all correspondence.

STOREY, DEALER IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

One of the best known, largest and deservedly popular general merchandise establishments in this section is J. W. Merritt's of Central Point, ranking as it does as one of the representative houses in its line in Jackson county. This house was established about five years ago by the present owner, who was formerly engaged in business in Jacksonville. The stock carried is without doubt the largest in this part of the county, embracing clothing, dry goods, boots and shoes, hats and caps, fancy and staple groceries, etc. The stock is selected with great care for their trade, which is large, and constantly increasing. Mr. Merritt is a gentleman of long experience, and has been identified with the interests of Central Point for five years, and has gained an enviable position in the community for ability, sound business and honorable dealing.

INTERNAL ROLLER MILLS, J. B. & M. S. WELCH, PROPS.

Among the great and most needed industries of Oregon is our flour mills, and we take great pleasure in mentioning the Internal Roller Mills, of Central Point, which is one of the representative mills of Southern Oregon. The mill was erected last year at a cost of \$11,000, and is equipped with all the latest and most improved machinery procurable. It has a capacity of fifty barrels per day, and the leading brand manufactured is "Golden Sheaf," which has given it a reputation which it zealously maintains, extending throughout the country. An elevator with a capacity of 25,000 bushels, is attached, greatly facilitating operations. This mill confines itself to custom trade, that is, exchanging wheat for flour, and farmers for miller patronize it. Messrs. J. B. and M. S. Welch are millers of long experience who thoroughly understand their business in detail. They are enterprising, go ahead gentlemen, conducting their business in a straight-forward manner, and are highly esteemed by the entire community.

W. C. LEEVER, DEALER IN HARDWARE, STOVES, TINWARE, ETC.

There is no line of business which requires a higher degree of enterprise and business capacity than the hardware trade, and in this connection we desire to call attention to the excellent establishment of W. C. Leever, of Central Point. This business has been in active operation since the town started, and was formerly owned by J. C. Sheridan, and was managed by Mr. Leever. Six months ago he purchased it from Mr. Sheridan. This business has won its way as one of the first-class establishments of this part of the country. He handles none but the best quality of goods, and his well assorted stock speaks for itself. The liberal and prompt way in which this establishment is conducted bespeaks an unusual share of popularity. As an establishment this house is so well known for its truthful representations that any comment from us would be unnecessary to strengthen its well deserved prosperity.

M. WILLIAMS, LIVELY, FEED AND SALE STABLE.

A first class lively stable is a prime necessity in any community, and one that is closely identified with the development of Central Point is the establishment conducted by Mr. Williams, who has been engaged in business there for the last four years. Here can be found at all times a fine complement of horses, some of them quite speedy, buggies, hacks, etc. Mr. Wilson makes a specialty of commercial trade, and the travelling man will find here just what he requires. Orders by letter or telegram are promptly attended to and satisfaction guaranteed.

Mrs. A. A. WHITEMAN, MILLINERY AND FASHION ARTIST.

For the benefit of our lady readers we wish to introduce this estimable lady who occupies an important position in her profession, being recognized as the leading fashionable milliner of these parts. Her patronage is very extensive among the ladies of Central Point and surrounding country, who are not slow to recognize true merit. Her stock embraces all the latest styles in millinery and lady's furnishing goods, and at prices that defy competition. Those that patronize her will find her a lady whose every effort is directed to maintaining her reputation as a leader. Mrs. Whiteman has just completed a large new building to accommodate her increasing trade.

DRUGGIST & PHYSICIAN AND DEALER IN REAL ESTATE.

The leading drug store in Central Point is conducted by the above gentleman. This business had its inception eight years ago, and since the beginning has enjoyed an excellent and growing business. The stock of drugs and chemicals carried are always fresh and pure. Prescriptions are carefully compounded, also a stock of toilet articles, fancy goods, notions, school books and supplies, watches, jewelry, etc. Dr. Hinkle also enjoys a large practice in Central Point, and neighboring country. He also deals in real estate, and is ready at all times to answer correspondence concerning the country, etc. His books contain a large list of desirable properties. Dr. Hinkle has been identified with all projects that have had for their ultimate aim the advancement of Central Point. By his and some other leading citizens' influence he has been instrumental in getting a responsible company to contract to construct a flume and ditch to Central Point and other parts of the country from the head of the Rogue river, for milling and manufacturing pur-

poses. The doctor is also interested in mining interests, and he intends putting in a 20-stamp mill on his property the coming spring. He is the owner of one of the largest quartz ledges on the coast. Any one requiring information concerning this part of the country will do well to call on or correspond with Dr. Hinkle.

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## JACKSONVILLE.

Jacksonville is the county seat of Jackson county. It is the oldest town in the valley. It is located on the western side of the valley, four and three fourths miles from the O. & C. railroad, and is connected with that road by the Rogue River Valley railroad, which makes connections with all trains on the main line. Every line of mercantile business is conducted here with full stocks of goods. The merchants are usually able to discount their bills, and by their goods in carload lots; hence goods can be bought as cheap, if not cheaper, than on the line of the O. & C. railroad. It has a population of 1000. It has three churches, a large public school, also an academy, conducted by the Sisters of Charity. The latter institution, being the only Catholic school in the county, is well patronized. It has a bank, which does a general banking business; also a large, steam flouring mill. The principal buildings are the Court House, Public School House, Sisters' Academy, Town Hall, and the halls of the orders of Masons, Odd Fellows and Red Men. The town contains thirty brick buildings.

FRANK THEISING, PROPRIETOR.

The reputation of Jacksonville beer is growing and extending to every quarter wherever introduced. Since the brewery came into possession of Frank Theising, the qualities for which Jacksonville beer is distinguished are purity, brilliancy of color, richness of flavor, and the result of excellent water, intelligent care and experience of Mr. Theising. Mr. Theising has reason to congratulate himself upon the fact that he has an article that he can recommend to his patrons for its pure and healthy qualities.

HUGH ELLIOTT, GENERAL BLACKSMITH.

Mr. Elliott has been engaged in this business 24 years. For the last 8 years he has been running a shop in this city. He makes a specialty of horse shoeing, and among horsemen, he is known all over the valley for his skillful work in this line. He is an enterprising, go-ahead business man, transacting all business in an honest, straight forward manner. He expects to make Jacksonville his future home, and any one calling on him will be consulting their own interests.

SILAS J. DAY, REAL ESTATE, LOAN, INSURANCE, AND ABSTRACTOR OF TITLES.

There is no financial interest of such magnitude and importance as that involved in real estate. In this connection it is a pleasure to make mention of an old established and thoroughly representative house, and we refer to the business of Silas J. Day. He carries on a general real estate business, selling, exchanging real estate, negotiating loans, taking full charge of property for non residents. Legal contracts and all notarial work is promptly attended to. Mr. Day is possessor of a complete and correct set of abstract books, and his abstracts have always been regarded by bankers and capitalists as perfect and conclusive. His books contain a choice and select list of farms, orchards and tracts of land both small and large suitable for fruit growing, mines and city property. He is regarded as a reliable authority upon present and prospective values. Mr. Day has held many important offices during his forty years residence in the county and is widely and favorably known throughout Southern Oregon.

J. C. WHIPP, MARBLE WORKS.

Sculpture is an art which has ever been held in esteem by all civilized nations, and occupies an important position, viewed as an industry which produces articles of practical utility. The marble works of J. C. Whipp, is a representative establishment, where are manufactured marble mantles, all kinds of monuments, headstones, slabs and marble works in general, turning out some of the most beautiful specimens of artistic work to be found in Southern Oregon. There are few families but some time or other have the mournful task of erecting a monument over the grave of some dear deceased; in consulting Mr. Whipp, they will at the same time best consult their own interests. This business was established 12 years ago by Mr. Whipp, who is a thorough, practical stone cutter, marble worker and designer, and he enjoys a deservedly large patronage.

E. C. BROOKS, JEWELRY AND DRUG STORE.

Prominent among the leading and most reliable business houses in Jacksonville is that of the above named gentleman. He has been established in business here for the last twenty-three years and has built up a large and lucrative trade. He keeps in stock a large line of diamonds, watches, clocks and all kinds of jewelry. His drug department is complete in every detail, and especial attention given to doctors' prescriptions. He also carries a large line of stationery,

school books, etc. His facilities enable him to offer special advantages to customers, and to execute all orders in the promptest and most satisfactory manner. Mr. Brooks is widely known in trade circles as an honorable, conscientious business man. In addition to the low prices which Mr. Brooks' goods have always been sold he is now selling goods at cost in order to reduce his stock.

GEO. HINES, LIVELY AND FEED STABLE.

Four weeks ago the above gentleman bought out the business of Mr. Plymale, and has equipped this large and commodious stable with the best horses that could be procured, and handsome carriages and buggies, which are of modern style and build. Special attention given to commercial trade. Being acquainted with the surrounding country he can take parties to any part of the country by day or night. He is an honorable and straight forward man. Mr. Hines will build within two blocks of the depot in the spring a large and complete barn and will be equipped throughout with the very best market affords in that line. All orders for hauling baggage will be promptly attended to.

JACKSONVILLE PLANING MILL, CHAS. CLURCH, PROPRIETOR.

This business was established in 1889, and is identified with the manufacturing interests of the Rogue river valley. This establishment does all kinds of bank, store and office fitting work, rustic flooring and ceilings made to order. He manufactures all kinds of material used in house building, and constantly keeps on hand a stock of rough and dressed lumber, sash, doors, blinds, etc. Another branch of his business, is dealing in all kinds of mill feed, barley, grain, etc., barley and oats are rolled to order. He conducts his business in an honorable and straightforward manner, and has succeeded in building up an appreciative patronage. He is highly esteemed by all who know or have transactions with him.

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The reputation of Jacksonville beer is growing and extending to every quarter wherever introduced. Since the brewery came into possession of Frank Theising, the qualities for which Jacksonville beer is distinguished are purity, brilliancy of color, richness of flavor, and the result of excellent water, intelligent care and experience of Mr. Theising. Mr. Theising has reason to congratulate himself upon the fact that he has an article that he can recommend to his patrons for its pure and healthy qualities.

HUGH ELLIOTT, GENERAL BLACKSMITH.

Mr. Elliott has been engaged in this business 24 years. For the last 8 years he has been running a shop in this city. He makes a specialty of horse shoeing, and among horsemen, he is known all over the valley for his skillful work in this line. He is an enterprising, go-ahead business man, transacting all business in an honest, straight forward manner. He expects to make Jacksonville his future home, and any one calling on him will be consulting their own interests.

## GOLD HILL.

Is pleasantly situated on the north bank of the Rogue river, eleven miles from Jacksonville, the county seat. The river here furnishes the finest water-power in Southern Oregon, and there is ample power for all kinds of manufacturing. Gold Hill has a Methodist church, good school, a first class flouring mill, and is surrounded by a rich farming and fruit growing country, most of the trade of Sam's Valley comes to this town. It is the center of the mining district of Southern Oregon and many valuable quartz ledges are to be found here which require capital to develop them. The Lucky Bart mine on Sardine creek, owned by Lindley & Co., is being operated with very flattering results; they have a five stamp mill which is the most complete mill ever brought into Southern Oregon. The O. Horn mine, known as the Home is a good claim, and all it needs is capital. The Old Gold, the Branden, and many other good properties are to be found here. There are many good investments in mining property to be found here. This is a good opening here for a reduction works, pork packing establishment, etc., also for a good, live physician. Large quantities of fruit, grain, bacon and gold dust are shipped annually.

J. W. MARKSBERRY, DEALER IN GROCERIES, CLOTHING, ETC.

Among the leading merchants of this part of Jackson county is the establishment conducted by J. W. Marksberry, dealer in fancy and staple groceries, dry goods, furnishing goods, etc. This business has been in active operation for several years and last April Mr. Marksberry purchased the business from W. P. Jacoby. The stock carried is of a superior quality. This house also does a large business in produce, taking the same in exchange from farmers for groceries, etc., at market prices. As an establishment this house is well known for its strict adherence to truthful representations. Mr. Marksberry takes a deep interest in all matters pertaining to the advancement of his adopted home.

E. RAY, DEALER IN FRESH AND SALT MEATS.

This business had its inception three years ago, and from the beginning proved a success. Mr. Ray deals in all kinds of meats and supplies the miners and farmers with meats at reasonable prices. He is a gentleman who gives close atten-

tion to business, and stands deservedly high in the community.

## GOLD HILL FLOURING MILL.

MORELOCK & SIGNOROTTI, PROPS.

In the whole list of manufacturers and trades in Oregon, there is no more useful or important one than that of the miller. Among the representative mills in Southern Oregon is the Gold Hill flouring mill which has been in active operation for several years. Early this spring Messrs. Morelock & Signorotti purchased this property from Chas. Lambert. The leading brand manufactured is the "White Rose" which has become very popular among customers. The proprietors, Messrs. Morelock & Signorotti are gentlemen who are well known in Southern Oregon. Mr. Morelock formerly represented Linn county in the legislature, a position he filled with honor to himself and satisfaction to his constituents. Mr. Signorotti is well known as the finder of the Lucky Bart quartz mine, which is now showing such good results. The mill is located on the Rogue river about one-half mile from Gold Hill at a point where the best water power in Southern Oregon is obtainable.

A. C. STANLEY, DEALER IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

Among the various enterprises of Gold Hill which merit special mention in this edition, is the one conducted by A. C. Stanley. This establishment is the consolidation of Mr. Stanley's Sams Valley and Tolo stores, and has been located in Gold Hill for one year. The stock carried is diversified and heavy, covering all kinds of general merchandise. Mr. Stanley has been engaged in