

NEWS OF THE CITY.

The well to be put down in the Odd Fellows cemetery is now an assured proposition, at least the starting of the well and an effort to secure water is assured.

The trustees of Medford Lodge, No. 33, I. O. O. F., have closed a contract with W. F. Dodge, the contractor, and Monday morning of this week the machinery was put in place and Tuesday noon the work of boring was commenced.

The spot selected by the trustees for the well, is at nearly the highest point in the cemetery and near the north fence. As to the depth at which a sufficient amount of water will be secured, Mr. Dodge thinks eighty or ninety feet will supply the demand and is positive no greater depth than one hundred and fifty feet will be required, but no vision is made in the contract for a greater depth than two hundred feet.

When a sufficient amount of water shall have been supplied, a large tank will be built of brick, with a pump, a pump in the well and a windmill put up to pump the water. The tank being placed at so high a point, there will be no difficulty in conveying the water to all parts of the cemetery. Something over two hundred dollars has been raised for the purpose of carrying out this project.

Some of the board of trustees are sufficient to complete the work, and we are therefore asked to say that if there are any who have not donated, their subscriptions will be gratefully received. The proposition is a most worthy one and one in which we are all interested. That it will be successfully carried out is intended by the gentlemen in charge.

The ladies of the Methodist Episcopal church will give a Harvest Home supper at the Opera house, to-night. Supper will be served from 6 o'clock to 10. A full, warm meal and splendid social time for 25 cents—children under 10 years, 15 cents. Come every body, get the full worth of your money and help along a good cause.

A petition has been circulated and quite generally signed by the business men and citizens of Medford, asking the city council to have an electric light put up near the Bear creek bridge. The petition will be presented to the council at its next meeting, but what action will be taken is, of course, unknown. The petition is well worded and this particular point cannot be admitted, and while every resident of the city is, or at least ought to be, in favor of making the expense of the electric light as small as possible, we believe none will object to the addition if they will acquit themselves with its necessity.

There is a great amount of foot traffic across the bridge, and when the nights are dark and rainy it is a place of travel not wholly safe, as a matter of fact is very dangerous. As a matter of establishing a precedent and encouraging petitions for lights from other localities, there seems little danger at present for this, as there is another unsafe place of travel in the city.

—Horse shoeing \$1.50 per horse, and all other blacksmithing reasonable. C. W. Milton, shop opposite Davis' flour mill, Medford, Oregon.

Although Dave Parker is not a professional bicycle rider, and rides only for his convenience and amusement, he has made the fastest record in the state, by riding from Medford to Point and Grants Pass tracks. Upon a special invitation, and with a promise that he would be provided with a speedy racer, he attempted the feat. But he was not in it. He found that if he entered the race and rode at all his last chance was a little sixty-four geared wheel, while his most successful competitor had a seventy-two geared wheel—the latter wheel having a vast percentage over the former at each revolution of the pedal. But on the morning of the race he found the files of the Portland crack in at least one chase, and he did it in good shape, being beaten by Hewitt only about two feet. The race was won simply because he was entered, making no pretensions for championship, knowing that he could not possibly overcome the advantage in the wheels.

—I am now prepared to rell barley and grind grain of all kinds. I make Graham flour and corn meal. Will grind on the last three days of each week. E. Hines at Medford nursery.

—Sheriff Patterson made a double swish this week. After leaving Mrs. Swacker at the insane asylum he went on down to Oregon City, and came into his custody on Loren Stowell, who was apprehended at that place for an offense committed out at Eagle Point last summer. The sheriff arrived here with his prisoner on Wednesday morning and at once took him to the county jail. Stowell is charged with forging the name of Mrs. Elizabeth E. Woolley to an order on George E. Brown & Son, of Eagle Point merchants, and received therefrom a saddle. Upon being questioned by a MAIL reporter the prisoner admitted having forged the order. He bought the saddle, and he was going to acknowledge the forgery and hope for the leniency of the courts. Stowell has lived about Eagle Point for some time and is a young man, not more than twenty years old. A preliminary hearing was had Wednesday afternoon and he was bound over to await the action of the grand jury.

—Two bits for a shirt is pretty cheap, but so long as it is a good article—worth twice that figure—you of course would want one, at Muller's corner grocery.

—As an illustration, says an exchange, of how county fairs are demoralized by the devotees of horse racing, we quote one county fair in Indiana which offers about \$1000 in purses for horse races, while the aggregate of its premiums for fruit, including apples, grapes, pears, peaches, plums and quinces, amounts to the insignificant sum of \$125. Not until such time when the management of fairs shall have sensibly arrived at the conclusion that horse racing is not the only attraction at county or state fairs, will the exhibits of fruits and stock be an interesting and profitable feature of these now alleged annual shows.

The style of Indiana, as stated above, are being able second right here in Oregon. The farmer and fruit grower must be paid in premiums somewhere near the actual cost of preparing the exhibits before he will devote time and money in making them ready.

—The ad of Prof. P. J. Sead, musical instructor, repairer and tuner of organs and pianos, appears on another page of today's MAIL. The great pianist has recently been appointed exclusive agent for Jackson county for the Weyl & Allen company, of Portland, Astoria and other places. The firm is guaranteed by them to be strictly first-class. Mr. Sead is also working into a good business as piano and organ tuner and repairer. He has some splendid endorsements from the best musicians of our city. His class of pupils for musical instruction is now numbering forty-three, and are to be found at Ashland, Medford, Jacksonville and Sams Valley. These he visits at their homes, where he gives them their lessons.

—Come up slow is what the clown in the circus told his pet giraffe. It is different with Wolters, the grocer, he wants you to come up swift and catch a bargain—every purchaser draws a prize in lot weight, best goods and a square deal.

—Tailor Fetsch attended the hay sale out at the Hanley ranch last Saturday, and but for the courtesy of friends he would have been compelled to walk home. Ditto Henry Pohlman. Mr. Fetsch's horse broke loose from its mooring out at the ranch and started for Medford, at which point he arrived a few minutes later, but the buggy, it didn't get here. It stopped by the wayside, against a tree, in a grove just west of Medford—a total wreck. Mr. Pohlman's equine partner is like about the same time the other horse loosened its mooring, and things were popping generally thereabouts. Henry found some horse and rider on the right side of the road and only slightly damaged.

—Wolters, the grocer, has just received an EL-E-GANT line of goods for the fall season, and they are going for little money.

—Mrs. O. Swacker was brought to Medford Saturday from Foothills creek by her husband and from here she was taken to Jacksonville where she was examined before the insanity board, who adjudged her insane and Monday she was taken to Salem by Sheriff Patterson, accompanied by her husband. The unfortunate lady had been deprived of her reason by having taken medicine in which it is alleged was a great amount of opium. Her mind seemed to have taken a religious turn and this subject occupied the greater part of her attention. Medical men who had examined her case were inclined to think that the hallucination would soon disappear with proper treatment.

—One hundred cords of good, dry firewood wanted by the Medford Electric company. Apply either at Hotel Medford or electric light station.

—At the last meeting of the city council an ordinance was passed requiring a license from traveling photographers. The ordinance requires the payment of \$2.50 for a license, and the license is valid for three days. This is another move in the right channel. There can be no better method adopted for the upgrading of the home industry than the taxing of outsiders, who drop in among us for a day or two, gather in a few loose shreds and are away to-morrow. Men who help to pay the county's taxes, improve their properties, and assist in many ways to making a city a prosperous one, are entitled to all protection which can possibly be given them.

—Full rains will soon begin. Prepare! Full line of elegant rubber goods of every description, at lowest prices, at Thompson & Meeker's.

—The question of whether or no there are deposits in the Rogue river valley is fast being settled, and in a manner quite flattering. Another find has recently been made, to the north of the state capital, in Oregon, and about five miles north and east of Medford. The gentleman who has made this find, Mr. T. James, has sunk a shaft and finds a three foot vein of gold. The vein is rich and it is. He is now working on another shaft further up the hillside. Mr. Tolman is also sinking a shaft on his Roxy Ann hill. He has had to report the result of his labors and we will give it to our readers.

—Wagons, buggies, horses, carts and harness for sale at the Variety store, two doors south of the Clarendon hotel.

—There isn't anyone saying a word, because they haven't anything in this particular line to talk about, but there is a whole lot of surmising going on among the folks here. Mr. Wm. Hoseney, president of the Medford-Jacksonville shortline, W. A. Buchanan, superintendent of the same line, and J. C. Emery, of Oregon, are now down at Medford. They had been in the county before coming here, but there don't anyone seem to know for what purpose, yet all are "kindergarten" thinking of ways about that talked of extension. From here they went over into the Applegate country.

—A full line of gunnery, glassware, crockery and lamp at the Variety store, south of the Clarendon hotel.

—You can hardly miss seeing the big ad of Deul & Stevens in this issue of THE MAIL. These gentlemen will have their immense stock open for inspection to-morrow, and all are invited to call and get acquainted, both with the proprietors and the stock. They have a large stock and promise a quality of articles that will prove satisfactory to all. They carry dry goods, boots and shoes, gents' and ladies' furnishing goods, and notions, and are located in the Baranov new brick block, opposite the Norman library stable.

—The Gents' and ladies' macintoshes have arrived! Make your selections now, Angie & Plymale.

—James Cottrell, living up at Phoenix, has been dependent upon the county for support for some little time, but now that all indigent persons must be taken care of at the county hospital, his acquaintances propose to give him a little benefit on the side. To do this they propose giving a dance at the Phoenix hall Saturday night of this week, and raising the money to provide for all who attend, and the management are particularly solicitous that all who can will turn out and give this very deserving old gentleman a lift.

—When in country of olden times, he is time-tried and his goods are proof for the best quality in any market.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report



to carry. However, it in no way affects the excellent quality of the goods kept in the store. It is a very good building, too, now that it is completed.

—Dress goods! Dress goods and trimmings! You ought to see them at Angie & Plymale's.

—Prof. Rigby has organized writing classes at several different points in the valley, among them being one at Phoenix, Griffin creek and in the Round school district. The gentleman visits each locality one evening a week. There is no question but that Mr. Rigby is an excellent penman and an able instructor. Any pupil who takes a course in penmanship under his instructions cannot fail to acquire a knowledge of the art which will be of much profit to him.

—A full line of fresh groceries at Wilson's new grocery, McAndrews building—sign of the big T.

—The person who guessed there would be little demand for fruit jars in Medford this season because of the short fruit crop was guessing with very little ground for his guess. Merchant C. W. Wolters alone has sold 270 dozen fruit jars and has ordered fifty-eight dozen more. When we are told that other merchants have probably each sold as many more the number reaches a big aggregate.

—The Variety store, south of the Clarendon hotel, is the place to buy second hand goods.

—What a world of variegated opinions and notions this is! Let us cite: Charlie Lewis, to prevent the wind from whistling its merry notes through his whiskers, cuts em off. Dr. Pickel, to give the wind an opportunity to thus make merry in his immediate locality, is growing a full set of whiskers. Queer notions! What is one man's hobby is another man's horror.

—A nice line of ladies' sailor hats, cheaper than any place in the city, at Mrs. C. W. Palm's.

—The neighbors tell us that School Superintendent Gus Newbury is taking a pretty sleek residence out at Phoenix. It is just a little nicer than the one he is now occupying, but the neighbors are not envious, knowing as they do that Gus earns every dollar he gets and does it honestly.

—I have a quantity of good shakes which I will sell cheaper than anyone in Medford. Inquire at the Big T store.

—B. Trainor, proprietor of the Star restaurant, is having posters printed this week, calling attention to his place of business on South Front street. They promise a good time and plenty to eat to all who come.

—J. D. Whitman, the well known orchardist, is improving the appearance of his place by doing the painting. Ed. Johnson is the brush manipulator.

—Fair dealing and fresh goods at the Big T grocery.

—The pastor of the M. E. church will serve supper to-night—Friday—at the Opera house, from 5 until 9 o'clock. They promise a good time and plenty to eat to all who come.

—Ladies' Misses' and children's cloaks. Prices can't be beat—Angie & Plymale.

—Everybody is rejoicing because of the rainfall of Wednesday. The dust has been laid, the smoke cleared away and we are again a happy people.

—Embroidery from 5 cts. a yard up, at The Fair store.

—Mrs. P. Stewart has opened dressmaking parlors in the Hanley block. Medford ladies are all invited to call, and see work and get prices.

—Snow fell in Lake county last week. It's little wonder Rogue river valley people don't care to camp there any great length of time.

—Mrs. E. M. Lumsden and daughter, who have their church at "begin a series of protracted meetings September 27.

—A. J. McLeod has moved to the Childers residence on South D street, recently occupied by L. M. Lyon.

—A goodly number of Medford young people attended the dancing party at Jacksonville, last Friday night.

—George Faucett has taken his brother-in-law, the Racket, for a couple or three weeks.

—W. H. McGowan has opened his bar, on West Seventh street, near the Clarendon.

—The woods are full of acorns, and boys are exultingly laying on the layers of fat.

—Murray Ross, who has the contract for painting the convalescent at Jacksonville, is now at work at Jacksonville.

—Next Monday the board of equalization will meet at Jackson's.

A Big Help to Pensioners. A law was passed by the late congress allowing postmasters of the fourth class to administer any and all of the required to be made by pensioners and to give them the same effect as officers having a seal. Such postmaster must strike the stamp of his office on the back of the check, and be obliged to travel some distance in order to execute their vouchers.

That Tired Feeling Which is so common and so overpowering, is entirely driven off by Hood's Sarsaparilla, the best blood purifier. Hood's Sarsaparilla overcomes weakness.

Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, assist digestion, cure headache, etc., a box.

PURELY PERSONAL.

J. S. FISH was up from Central Point Tuesday—trading.

Attorney FITCH returned from San Francisco last Friday.

Senator S. H. HOIT returned this week from the state fair at Salem.

EDWARD SMITH, the jeweler, was at Wolf creek this week, on business.

Attorney W. I. VAUTER was at San Francisco this week on legal business.

Mrs. A. S. HAMMOND and baby are visiting Ashland friends this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. PIERCE, of Seattle, were visiting in this locality last week.

P. B. O'NEIL left Wednesday for San Jose, Calif., where he will remain for several weeks.

J. A. MARTIN, one of the good, thrifty farmers of Holt, was doing business at the Hub, Monday.

Miss BIRDIE SCHMIDT, of Jacksonville, was visiting all day Wednesday with Mrs. Wm. Simmons.

Mrs. J. A. ANDERSON left last week for Seattle, Wash., where she will visit for a month with her parents.

SCOTT GRIFFIN, the Toled real estate dealer, storekeeper and postmaster, was in Medford Tuesday—business.

Mrs. FRED LUTHEMEIER and children left Tuesday morning for San Francisco, where she will join her husband.

L. R. WARNER has returned from a business trip to the Applegate country. He is wearing nursery stock and writing insurance.

Hon. S. M. NEALON came over from Table Rock Tuesday to get the lay of the ground hereabouts and look up our local news.

J. R. BROWN left Medford Monday morning, for Applegate, where he will resume work on his extensive and quite rich placer mines.

J. W. McCULLY, M. B. RAY and J. B. FOX, of Boise, are in Medford here with the intention of making this place their permanent residence.

Miss NELLIE VANHARDENBURG, whose parents reside over in Sams valley, came Tuesday evening from a quite extended visit with friends in Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. THOS. COURIE, of Sisson, Calif., were here last week, looking after their business in Medford. They returned without consummating any deal.

Mr. and Mrs. P. CHARTREND left Tuesday morning for California, where they will probably remain during the winter, after which they expect to visit Michigan.

J. W. MYER was in from Holt, Monday, and with him came \$174 in gold, taken from his quartz ledge near Jump-off, where he is about to start a mine in San Francisco.

Mrs. M. A. STODARD stopped off in Medford Wednesday, for a visit with her sons, the Taylor boys. The lady was en route from Portland to her home in Loui, Cal.

JOHN REUTER, of Jacksonville, a former student in the office of Dr. E. Kirchgessner, left Wednesday for Portland, where he will enter the Portland Medical college.

L. E. VANLEIT and family, of Boone, Iowa, arrived in Medford Sunday, and will make this their future home. They are desirous of purchasing a small fruit farm.

Postmaster J. S. HOWARD has been stopping off and on at Ashland for the past week or two and indulging himself in drink and bad company.

GEORGE MONROE, of Seattle, is in the valley metropolis for a few weeks, perhaps months. The gentleman was a resident of the valley ten years ago, and the second oldest building in the city was put up with his assistance.

Mrs. Wm. DEUNKEL, of Tacoma, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wolters at the latter's place, where she and her latter lady is also visiting at the Wolters household.

O. HANSON, JOHN O'CONNOR and Wm. TUBBS, left Monday for Grants Pass, from which place they will start out on a prospecting tour, covering a goodly portion of the country on the south between that point and Coalinga.

G. M. PIERCE started out Monday morning to finish his prospecting tour on Little Applegate. He has several promising leads which he is following up and has one of them located. The old is prospecting pretty rich and the old gentleman has great hopes for it.

J. W. SHEARER and family left Medford Monday, for Sams, Iowa, where they expect to remain for some time. Mr. Shearer and his estimable family are good citizens anywhere, and when they have had a sufficiency of Iowa droughts their return will be welcomed here.

BEIT CASE, of Sams Valley, who is now representing the Wheeler & Wilson sewing machine company, with headquarters at Jacksonville, was in Medford Wednesday, on business connected with his company. He's a good, hard working gentleman, and is doing a pretty fair business.

Geo. COLTER, who he used to do prospecting here, returned Sunday morning from York State. Mr. Colter, a better known as "Old Virjio," will make these parts his future home. The conclusion was reached by the prospectors, from his return reception, is that he's a welcome comer.

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