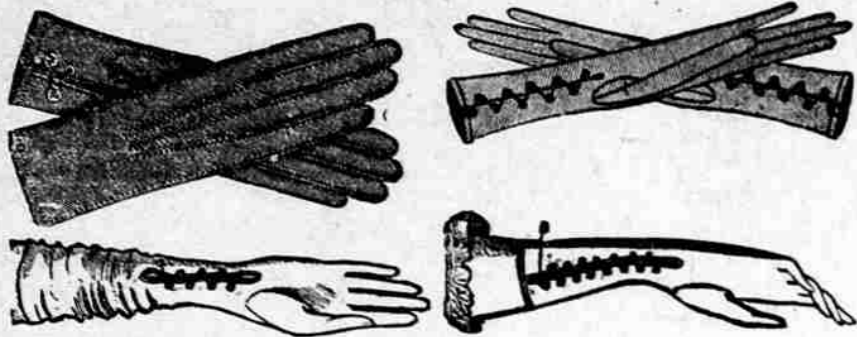


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He is of few days; but quite a plenty.

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MEDFORD, FRIDAY, NOV. 22, 1895.

Our Clubbing List.

THE MAIL and Weekly S. F. Call	\$2 25
" " Examiner	2 35
" " Chronicle	2 35
" " Oregonian	2 00
" " Cosmopolitan	2 65
" " Rural Northwest	1 50

THE duke and ducats have been made one.

THE Tamany tiger didn't appear to be dead; it has only been sleeping this last year.

THE next electrical college will contain 447 votes and 224 will be necessary to a choice.

MORE massacres in Armenia are leading the European powers up to the question, "How shall Turkey be carved?"

WE LOVE music for the buried hopes, the garnered memories, the tender feelings it can summon at a touch, says a writer.

AUSTRALIA in an importer of wheat this year, and recently bought a cargo of the California article for 40 pence a bushel.

BANKERS who accommodate too many friends are very apt to get into trouble. That is said to be the reason for Salem's bank wreck.

PARKHURST is in much the same position as the lamb that lay down with the lion, but just inside of the lion. He formed a combination with Platt, and there is nothing but Platt left.

AN OREGON agricultural writer says that it has been fully demonstrated that one bushel of corn makes ten pounds of pork, and that four bushel of potatoes will do the same thing.

THE Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroad cannot unite, decides Judge Kelley, of Minnesota. They are parallel and competing lines and their charters expressly forbid consolidation within Minnesota.

TACOMA has an indebtedness, bonded and warrant, to say nothing of accrued interest on warrants, of \$3,881,167.21, and to meet this the finance committee found that there was \$442.49 in cash. The largest resource of the city are its claims against defunct banks, ex-treasurers and their bondsmen. For examples of political wickedness Tacoma leads them all.

RAILROAD COMMISSIONER EDDY writes that the commissioners did not order that pine tree cut down, of which mention was made in THE MAIL a few weeks ago. At the time mention was made our reporter learned from a supposedly reliable source that the commissioners made the order. Mr. Kelley now relates that Mr. Galvin ordered the

tree removed. For the benefit of Mr. Eddy we will state that we have not learned of any thing the commissioners did in Southern Oregon. We had given them credit for having done a little something, but the gentleman has removed that trifling credit.

THE fact leaks out that a second hand book dealer in Washington is selling government documents at half price and is getting the benefit of the franking privilege. There are other things besides the Oregon state insane asylum that need overhauling, and the government printing office is one of these. The government loses hundreds of thousands of dollars in this kind of business.

EVEN if the Durrant case is not furnishing very much material for San Francisco papers these days, they are not without sensations down there, as the first page of Saturday's Examiner will attest. The crime for which three old men, one of them within one year of an octogenarian, answered in Judge Campbell's court is one of the most appalling in the criminal annals, yet the court room had it been three times as large would not have held the crowd. Aside from the morbid and intensified curiosity which this late sensation brings out, is the horror of mothers submitting to the destruction of little children for the sake of the few paltry cents with which they returned.

FRED WAGNER, of the Tidings, was in Jacksonville Tuesday. Had not the records told us differently we would have concluded he was over there "looking after the interests of some of his political friends." The records, however, say to us that upon the above date a marriage license was issued to Fred D. Wagner and Miss Clara Austin. Here are our congratulations, young people, and with them go kind wishes for a life of pleasure, prosperity and plenty. May the bright sun of Southern Oregon pour upon them nothing but its blessing and a warmth of spring time which will weld their hearts to an inseparable and lasting union. They were married on Wednesday of this week.

QUITE a discussion is going on between Eugene and Ashland papers about the proper route to Crater lake. The Eugene Register claims that the Ashland route is a day longer than that by Eugene, while the Ashland paper simply rails at the conclusion, but blinded by local interest this discussion has studiously avoided the only direct and most approved course over which to reach Crater lake, namely that by way of Medford. If the Mazamas, or any other parties, are figuring on a trip to Crater lake they certainly cannot afford to be led off on any of these long circuitous trails which are boomed only as a feature of local pride—and to travel which is something like going round the world when you only want to reach the center of it.

THE United States district attorney from Oregon has been instructed by the secretary of the interior to begin suit to cancel patents issued the Oregon & California railroad company for lands in Jackson, Josephine and Douglas counties, on the grounds that these patents were improvidently issued. About

a year ago meetings were held in these three counties, the object of which was to protest against the granting to the railroad company of patents to these lands owing to their mineral character. The department, however, rejected the protests on the ground that they were of too general a character, and failed to investigate—but at this late day after having failed to investigate the truth of such information as it had in its possession, the department is endeavoring to reverse its own acts on the grounds of improvidence.

THE Ashland Tidings need not give itself uneasiness regarding THE MAIL "looking after the political interests of its populist friends." This paper is looking after the interests of no political party—or politically inclined individual. We are looking after the interests of the taxpayers of Jackson county—but it is their financial rather than political interests that we are endeavoring to better—and we flatter ourselves that we have kept pretty close on the trail and averted much of the accustomed extravagant expenditure of the county's funds. We are pleased to note that the Tidings acknowledges we have friends among the populists. It might have gone further and included the republicans and democrats. We are not however, of the "vote 'er straight" idea; we do not presume, nor will we ever assert, that the adherents to one political party are saints with tin-bell appendants and all who differ from them are rascals. It is honest men Jackson county wants—and proposes to have—as its office holders, and little concern will be given as to whether they be sun-dried and sugar-cured in any particular political faith.

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H. C. MACKAY, Prop.

Thanksgiving Services.

Union Thanksgiving service at the Christian church next Thursday November 28th, at 10:30 a. m. The following is the program.
Choir
Reading, scripture..... Rev. Foster
Prayer..... Rev. Gittins
Music..... Choir
Sermon..... Rev. Fisher
Music..... Choir
Collection for the poor..... Rev. Jenkins
All are requested to come prepared to contribute money, clothing, or provisions.
Music..... Choir
Benediction..... Rev. Crutchfield.
All are invited to come.

Are You Going to Prove up?

Parties who contemplate making final proof on their land can save a big item of expense by having us prepare their paper, which work we will do free of charge. Bring or send us the name of party making proof, description of land, the names of four persons who appear as witnesses and the date upon which proof is to be made, giving time for six weeks' publication.

—New goods at The Fair store.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

The Myrtle Point, Enterprise, erstwhile of Riddle, made its appearance last week.

The national editorial association meets at St. Augustine, Florida, January 21-23.

Samuel Francis Smith, the author of "America," died at Boston last Saturday of heart-failure.

The Kentucky legislature will be a tie—58 republicans and 58 democrats, with two populists holding the balance of power.

The Northwestern railway has abandoned its pay car and will hereafter settle with its employees by check. Too many train robbers.

The Klamath Falls Express of last week had what it called a representation of Frick, the stage robber. It is no wonder the stage stopped.

Portland has had a sensation in the way of a Chinese wedding done up in the most approved manner. The groom is a Pringle merchant and the bride is the daughter of a wealthy Portland merchant. The marital contract and all details were arranged by mutual friends.

Cleveland has had a street car horror similar to that which Portland had not long ago. An electric car rushed through a draw bridge, when the draw bridge was up, and twenty lives were lost. The motorman saved his life by jumping, but he is now in jail charged with "manslaughter."

A French physician has declared that the unpleasant habit of biting the finger nails is hereditary. Almost one third of the French school children bite their nails, and the girls are worse than the boys in this matter. Not only does the habit disfigure the ends of the fingers, but as the fragments of the nail are often chewed and swallowed and there is a constant danger that the sharp fragments may injure the lining of the stomach.

The Salem statesman says that a man by the name of Carleton Sox has been elected to a professorship in Albany college and that he is greatly feared that his dignity will be oftentimes fearfully ruffled when the hilarious students meet him on the street after dark and greet him with the choice salute "Hello; how are you, old Sox?" Mr. Sox is the fifth member of the faculty. A war among the students has figured that there are on the already "strong" faculty five members without "Sox."

In the contest as to the respective merits of the horse and bicycle the friends of the noble animal have always been in the lead. Not only does he possess a superiority, generally stated thus: "You can't make canned beef out of a bicycle." This claim can no longer be made. It is no longer possible to make canned beef out of the bicycle's rival. Secretary Morton has ordered that hereafter canned horse must be plainly marked "Horse," so that no innocent purchaser may be a hippopotamus against his will.

George W. Boggs, the Elliott creek miner, and ex-city treasurer of Tacoma, is making himself a rather a useful and handy man about the Pierce county jail, while waiting for bondsmen to turn up. The other day the jail saw needed repairing, and Boggs, so that he would not get the saw, and made it a fast cutter. He is also handy in other ways about the jail, Captain Goodrich, appreciating the good work of his prisoner, hung out the flaming sign announcing: "Hair-cutting, shaving and saws filed and set by George W. Boggs."

An exchange describes the novel procedure to keep the funds of the Bank of France safe. At the close of business hours each day, when the money is put into the vaults in the cellar, masons at once wall up the door with hydraulic mortar. Then, turning the masonry into a running until the cellar is flooded. A burglar would have to work in a diving suit and break down a cement wall before he could even start to loot the vaults. When the officers arrive the next morning the water is drawn off, the masonry is torn down and the vaults opened.

Henry Miller and Charles Lux, cattlemen of San Francisco conferees to owning more than 14,000,000 acres of land in three states. This makes an estate equal in size to the states of New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island together. It is half the size of New York and three times as large as New Jersey. It is about the size of West Virginia, and one-eighth the area of California. It is as large as Greece with the Ionian Isles, of which Byron wrote. It is four times the area of Alsace Lorraine, over which France and Germany fought. It is but little smaller than Ireland, and half again as large as Switzerland. It is twice as large as Belgium, and one-third the size of England and Wales together. These two remarkable men were born in one of the Rhenish provinces in Germany.

"Comrades," by Local Talent.

The above caption will, ere many weeks, head advertising posters which will be printed and scattered about the city. "Comrades" is the title of one of Geo. M. Baker's three act dramas. It is not a heavy play, but a very pretty one, and is possessed throughout of those bits of humor peculiar to Mr. Baker's playwriting and which so amuse and interest an audience. This play is to be put on the boards in Medford about Christmas time and by local talent. The parts have all been assigned and each of the participants is now committing his, or her, respective lines, preparatory to the commencement of rehearsals the first of next week. Some of the participants have handled the play before, hence the conception of the parts is already theirs and the lines are already tabulated in their memory. We give below the

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Royal Manning..... A. P. Green
Matt Winslow..... Sidney Cole
Marcus Groves..... F. D. McCullough
Simon Stone, Jack of all Trades..... J. H. Butler
May Manning, Roy's wife..... Zoë E. Brunz
Bessie Bradley..... Ollie R. Butler
Nancy Nipper..... Mamie Nicholson

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