Mrs. A. S. FOSTER was at Ashland

R. T. LAWTON, of Gold Hill, was visiting Medford friends this week. Mrs. A. L. PENWELL, of Gold Hill,

was visiting Medford friends Sunday. ISAAC KELLEY, of Halsey, Linn county, was visiting in Medford this

Misses Belle Cochran and Anna CARNEY returned Sunday from a visit with Gold Hill friends.

JOHN SHIDELER came over from Jacksonville last week upon businessand to renew his MAIL subscription.

Mrs. D. W. CROSBY and the babie returned to Medford Sunday, after a weeks' pleasant visit with relatives at

R. M. KINCAID was up from Central Point Wednesday. THE MAIL was accorded a pleasant visit—and \$3 on subscription.

H. G. MATHES, of Phoenix, came over Monday to do business and pay his respects to THE MAIL and Oregonian-two dollars' worth. 44 KB STEPHEN JONES, of this city, was in

Gold Hill a couple of days this week looking after a mining proposition which possibly he will purchase. R. W. GRAY, the saw-mill man of Prospect, was in Medford last week upon business connected with his mill.

He is arranging for a big spring run. J. W. BONTRAGER, of Central Point, was in the Hub city Wednesday. The gentleman has recently taken up a couple of estray cattle-and he wants

the owner to call for them. STEHEN B. JEWEL, of Grants Pass, was in Medford for a few days' visit ing our land-sustained animals by the this week, and while doing this he was systematic and methodical cultivation casting his eyes about for a location of our fish. that would just suit him.

under lease. Hereafter he will read THE MAIL and Cincinnati Enquirerboth one year for \$1.60.

A. W. LACY is down from Soda Springs engaged in putting in crops on his father's ranch, a couple of miles south and east of Medford. At Soda Springs Mr. Lacy has a stock ranch and has an hundred or more head of stock upon the ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. WILLITS, of Ashland, came down to Medford Tuesday evening for a visit with merchant C. W. Wolters and M. L. Alford, and When cooked and ready to be eaten that their families. Mr. Willits is assisting the two feather-weights, above named, in taking stock of Charlie's big store full of groceries and crockery.

CHAS. RILEY, of Eastern Oregon, was a visitor in Medford a few days last week, the guest of Mr. A. Z. Sears. Mr. Riley has not been through this valley since '56, at which time he was en route from Yreka to Eastern Oregon. In '54 he mined and fought Mo--change about, in this valley.

Merchant W. B. STEVENS will leave tonight for Chicago and New York city, to buy a stock of spring and summer goods for the firm of Deuel & Stevens. While absent Mr. Stevens will stop at Trenton, Missouri, to look over the business of the firm of Stevens, Hoffman & Co., of which he is senior

Mrs. M. F. WHITE, the lady who has been conducting a dressmaking establishment in Medford for the past three months, left Tuesday for the home of her father, S. E. Paxton, near Central Point, where she will visit for a week, after which she will go to San Francisco and accept the general coast

agency for a Chicago book house. Prof. L. L. FREEMAN was up from Central Point Saturday. The gentleman will commence a term of school at Gold Hill as soon as his school closes at Central Point, which will be within four or five weeks. Mr. F. has taught the Gold Hill school for two termsheace his third engagement. He is all right and gives general satisfaction.

H. E. COOPER, of Grants Pass, is a Phoenix visitor for a few days. The gentleman is a half-brother of E. W. Carver, Jr., and has been appointed administrator of the estate of E. W. Carver, Sr., recently deceased. The work incident to the proper adjustment of the estate's affairs—to the good of all interested—we are satisfied will be properly handled.

A. M. HELMS, of Redding, Calif., and his brother Dr. G. L. HELMS, of San Francisco, are stopping with their parents at Talent, they having been called there by the illness of their mother. A. M. Helms left these parts a few months ago for Redding where he soon established himself as a dealer in second hand goods-and is doing well financially-all of which his many friends will be pleased to learn.

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EAT TOO MUCH MEAT. mericans Too Prone to the Consumption

of Flesh and Fowl. "We eat altogether too much meat anyway," said Dr. Cyrus Edison, the health commissioner. "I venture to say that most of the ills we are heir to

come from habitual eating of too much beef. If the present era of high prices of beef will only compel people to choose other foods, such as fish or a greater variety of vegetables, the 'beef combine,' as it is called, will have been the unconscious instrument of doing a vast amount of good.

"Fish is much better food for city people than flesh raised on land. It does not contain as great a proportion of those stimulative nutrients that do so much to produce nervousness, indigestion, constipation and the host of attendant disorders to the human body for which the medical profession is so continually called upon to prescribe. Wage-workers who earn their living by physical exertion-farm laborers, shovelers, ditch diggers, etc. require solid foods, such as beef and pork, but men and women who take little exercise, whose employment is sedentary, calling for no continued physical strain, fish is eminently more satisfactory as a regular diet. Fish is the coming food. Long after our land has

"The scientific culture of carp has shown conclusively that one acre of water will produce more edible and wholesome flesh than three acres of land, and some of these days we will awaken to the importance of preserv-

become denuded of those properties

that nourish animal life in the field, the

waters of the deep will be teeming with

"As to the quantity of meat that a Jos. Mackey, of Wellen, was in Medford last Saturday. Mr. Mackey ignorant. The United States government allows the soldiers but threeman really needs people seem to be quarters of a pound of meat a day. How many New Yorkers, do you suppose, get along with so small a ration of meat? The government, through its physicians, has learned that soldiers, even on the march, do better on that seemingly small allowance than if they were permitted to gorge themselves indiscriminately on the flesh of steers and sheep. New York city allows for its hospital patients but one pound of meat a day, and that pound is untrimmed. pound represents really less than the army ration for able-bodied men. The average energetic well-fed New Yorker consumes from one and a half to three pounds of meat every day that he is able to eat. It is altogether too much. No wonder that nature rebels frequently and insists that the man live on gruel for whole days at a time. That is nature's own recourse. That's when a man is sick-when he can't eat meat."-

HOW SHE FIXED HIM. A Hint to Girls That Have Undesirable

Suitors. He was a theatric lover, and she didn't

like his style a little bit. He was constant in his devotion, how-

ever, and that made matters worse. She had tried gentle means to get rid of him, but he had disregarded them with painful persistency

In this moment of her desperation he felt it incumbent upon him to propose to her, as men under similar circumstances often do.

Which they wouldn't if they had any sense at all.

"Dear one," he exclaimed, hurling himself tragically at her feet, "I love you! My life is yours. Will you take

She did not look like a murderess. "Mr. Singleton," she responded, with calm determination, "I will."

He gazed at her rapturously. "Don't do that," she begged, drawing back from him as if in horror. "I have taken your life, as you requested me to do, and you are henceforth to all irtents and purposes dead." He seemed dazed.

"I do not, Mr. Singleton," she continued, turning aside, "desire to have a dead person in the house, and if you do not go away at once I shall ring for an ambulance and have you removed to the

Then the dreadful situation in which his own precipitate folly had placed him was revealed, and he removed himself with neatness and dispatch.-N. Y.

ABOUT THE OPERA.

"NINON LENCLOS," a new opera by M. Edmond Missa, a pupil of Massenet, was recently produced at the Paris Opera Comique with success. The music is said to be Wagnerian in character.

HERR HUMPERDINCK, according to the Frankfurter Zeitung, has refused \$5,000 for two years' royalties on "Haensel and Gretel" for Vienna alone; by the end of this year he will have made \$50,000 out of the opera.

A NEW four-act opera by F. H. Cowen, entitled "Harold, the Last of the Saxons," will be produced at Drury Lane this season. The libretto is written by Sir Edward Malet, the British ambassador to Berlin.

A NEW operetta by Audrean, the composer of "La Mascotte" and "Olivette," has just been produced with success at the Bouffes Parisiens. It is called "La Duchesse de Ferrare." The characters are chiefly art students and artists' models.

BABY opera having proved successful Herr Humperdinck, the composer of "Haensel and Gretel," has just com-pleted another fairy tale called the "Royal Infants," after a story by E. Rosmer, in which, as in his first opera, the two leading parts are written for

women, who represent children. In Germany the seed of opera fell upon stony ground. Heinrich Schutz wrote music to a translation of Peri's Hafne, which was performed for a court wedding at Porgan in 1627, but only importations of Italian works with Italian singers came before the public until nearly the end of the century.

CLOSE QUARTERS.

The Thrilling Adventure of a Panthe

Col. Barras, in "India and Tiger Hunting," says that during a pause in panther hunting, he and his companthe borders of an impenetrable covert

where the animal lay. He adds: The "tiffin-basket" stood just on the other side of my friend Sandford. I stretched across him to reach it with my right hand, and had just grasped the handle when a succession of short, savage roars broke upon our ears, mingled with the wild shouts of the natives, who were evidently being chased by that ferocious brute.

At this time I felt that my hat would probably do more for me than my gun; so I crushed it down on my head, seized the gun and faced the enemy. The panther came at me with lightning

Owing to the beast's tremendous speed, I could see nothing but a shad-

I raised my gun, and fired with all the care I could exercise at such short notice; but I missed, and the panther bounded light as a feather, with its gress later. In arms around my shoulders. Thus we Mark Art stood for a few seconds, and I distinctly felt the animal snuffing for my throat.

Mechanically I turned my head so as to keep the thick-wadded cape of my helmet in front of the creature's muzzle; but I could hear and feel plainly the rapid yet cautious efforts it was making to find an opening, so as to tear the great vessels that lie in the neck. I had no weapon but my gun, which was useless while the animal was closestill, well knowing that Sandford would liberate me if it was possible to

As may be supposed, the panther did not spend much time in investigating the nature of a wadded hat-cover, and before my friend could fire the beast pounced upon my left elbow, taking a sharp fangs in the joint till they met. At the same time I was hurled to the earth with such violence that I knew not how I got there, or what had become of my gun.

I was lying on the ground with the panther on top of me, and could feel my elbow joint wabbling in and out, as the beast ground its jaws, with a movement imperceptible to the bystanders, but which felt to me as if I were being seconds the loud and welcome sound of Sandford's rifle struck upon my ear, and I sat up. I was free, and the panther had gone. He had bounded away shot. had gone. He had bounded away, shot Klippell appraisers. through the body, into a thicket, where he was afterward killed by a spear-

BIG PRICES FOR FURNITURE. ers Talk of the Private Sale of Rich Men's Effects.

room of a Lake Shore sleeper the other night telling stories. "Selling horses and farm stuff by auction is all right," said one, "but for genuine fun give me the private sale of a rich man's furniture. When Anthony Drexel died there were a lot of things which had personal reminiscences connected with them which everyone wanted. It was finally decided to hold a family auction and sell them to the highest bidder. The first thing I put up was a small clock, worth, I suppose, about twenty dollars.

"'I'll give five hundred dollars,' was the first bid. It came from a nephew. "'Make it one thousand dollars," in-

terjected a younger son. "'Fifteen hundred dollars,' replied

the nephew. "The nephew won and got the twentydollar clock for money with which he could have bought the finest clock in Philadelphia. I never knew what the history of the clock was, but it must have had a peculiar one. Then I put up a big arm-chair. It was the chair Drexel bad sat in for over twenty years and it had a valuable association for each one of the family. A married daughter and young Anthony Drexel were the ones who wanted it the most, and the bidding, which opened at one thousand dollars, was spirited and lively. I finally sold the chair to Anthony for six thousand five hundred dollars. The day's sales brought in

over twenty-five thousand dollars." "I never had anything as good as that," said another auctioneer, "but I sold the Childs effects in the same way. The chief contest was over one of those old-fashioned tall clocks. Childs' eldest son finally bought it for eighteen hundred and fifty dollars, and it is now in the Ledger office in Philadelphia."

BIRDS THAT LOVE FINERY.

This Pretty Little Story Beats the Natural Histories Out of Sight

In order to investigate the migrator, habits of birds, some time in the fall two years ago an Arkansas woman se cured a fine Baltimore oriole. She tied a bit of red silk around his leg, turning him loose in time to wing his flight along with his companions.

Last April, says a correspondent of the Philadelphia Times, the bird reappeared, bringing with him a mate having a bit of blue ribbon tied around her leg. The pair took up their abode ina big oak tree, soon swinging a nest and bringing forth a brood. The woman watched the movements of the beribboned couple very eagerly, and what was her astonishment one day, soon after they left the nest, to behold the young birds all strung out in line on a limb, while the parent birds, with deft beaks and feet, tied a bit of bright cloth about the leg of each

cloth about the leg of each. The ingenuity of the oriole is well known, and it is probable that the first bird became so pleased with his decoration that he tied a blue ribbon to the leg of his mate, and wished to hand down the custom to his progeny. The young woman is now eagerly looking forward for the reappearance of her Mill located one-half mile little friends this season, and means to East of Bear creek bridge bestow on each a bright new ribbon should they come again.

MINES AND MINING.

W. I. Coffman reports mining operations on Forest creek in a ions were about to take luncheon on flourishing condition. Miners in that locality have a large head of water and there seems no end to the yellow metal there is there awaiting to be washed out. Mr Coffman is opening up some new ground this season-and it ought to be rich. Rich ground has been worked both above and below his property.

> placer mine about one and a half something iz liable 2 bust. My Medford's young men, and THE over with republickan and sums up see me. Yours az ever, MAIL will be pleased to note pro- the kumming kamppain with pre-

Mark Armstrong was in from Thompson creek this week. "Everything is blooming out that way,"says Mark. Says there is not an idle man in camp and himself and Burrell Miller are doing effective work on their mine, which promises to roll out plenty of gold dust when the spring clean-up comes their way. They have one-forth of a mile of the best ground on the creek-and ly embracing me; so I stood perfectly not a foot of it that don't prospect

Teachers' Examination.

Notice is herby given that the regular quarterly examination of applicants for certificates will be held in the court house in Jacksonville, beginning piece out, and then buried its long, at 1 o'clock p. m., on Wednesday, Feb. sharp fangs in the joint till they met. 12th, 1896. Applications for state papers will be examined on Thursday, begining at 1 o'clock p. m. GUS NEWBURY,

County Superintendent Phoenix, Oregon, January 29, 1896.

In Probate Court.

Rosanna Wilson etal vs A J Hamlin etal notion to set aside will of late Eliza J Hamlin Estate of John Weiss; order of citation to

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It is quite necessary in my business that I have a little cash. I have several accounts on my books that ought to be A party of auctioneers en route from Chicago to Buffalo were in the smokingresponds when asked is the man who is extended further accommodations when he needs them. Can't you hustle some money for me?

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Wilson, The Baker

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Betsyannspikes in Her Study.

BUMBLEBEEZE FLAT, Feb. 31.

size ackerracy fur the kounty offices in Jackson kounty 2 be filled at the June elecktion and in its summing up ov the matter konkludez by saying, the republickans will go in2 kamp at All Hazzard. I axt 2 ov the kandidates az mensioned in the Tidings what waz tha goen 2 du at kamp Hazzard. Well, one ov em sed he dident no az it waz any ov my bizness, if I wanted 2 no I had better go home and ax my huzbin. I jist riz up, fur I waz siten down afore then, Sez I, "I want yer 2 understand I am an onmarried woman, and," sez I, "more than that I woodent marry no man on top ov this green airth.' Then sez he, more perlite, "Betsyann," sez he, "I'll take it all back and sory I sed it;" sez he, "Betsy, yer no most ov wimen kant keep seekrets but I'll trust ye;" sez he, Kamp Hazards waz a hı degree in republickanship." He sed the same can hardly be sed ov the pops fur there order waz 2 young and kouldent stick 2gether like the reps long a nuff to have this degree [ful birds carol forth their sweet songs konfured on them. "But" sez he, "I think sum ov the demmerkratz and loving smile and said, "I'll go if and poppulist have sneeked in 2 our order az spize, jist 2 learn our self a Cigar-at the Crater-Dan knows signs, password, grips, so az 2 post one a nuther." Az I nu us wimen dident have the rite ov suffering and kouldent vote, I draped the

wimen ort 2 have equal rites with men in everthing. "Now" sez he, My Deer Ed:-Yer will pleeze Kombinashun of Orientz and thar "I am a member of the Mystick I. M. Muller, Jas. Murray, Bert exskuze the liberty I take ov squib- iz 2 be an axillery ov this wonder-Brandenburg and J. C. Baird have ling you a short kommunication 2 full order, and the wimen will be formed a copartnership and have this week begun operations upon a full of nuze and must give vent or made like me kould jine. "Lawzee -yes," sez he. Then I axt him if miles from Jacksonville. The boys deer Ed., did yer see the last isshue wimen az wore them ar blumers did some prospecting on the proposi- ov the Ashland Tiding and read wood be lowed to jine. He sed he speed, I could see nothing but a shadowy form with two large, round bright eyes fixed upon me with an unmeaning stare, as it literally flew toward me.

I reject with all old some prospecting on the proposition in the propo

MISS BETSYANNSPIKES.



DROP IN

And Join the Procession The other night as I strolled down the street A brace of lovers I chanced to meet. Along the walk they softly tread— And this is what the young man said:

"My beautiful angel, come, go with me to the bright sunny south, to my old ancesteral home, where the beautiand the orange blooms in mid winter.' you'll buy me a box of Candy, and your-

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