

OUR COUNTY . . .
Correspondents

Jacksonville News.

John Beavenue, of Eugene, is paying his old home here a visit.

Miss Ollie Marksberry, of Gold Hill, made Jacksonville a visit Tuesday.

The Jacksonville band is furnishing the fair with music. Adam Schmidt is the leader.

Mrs. Geo. Farnsworth spent several days at Grants Pass, during the week with her husband.

A. M. Woodford and wife and the younger children, spent Sunday afternoon in town, the guest of Mrs. Wm. Colvig.

Mrs. E. Kane and children, who have been spending the summer with A. M. Berry and wife, have returned to Ashland to reside.

Benj. Baker has begun suit for a divorce from his wife, Hester Baker, as also has Mrs. May Dunlap against her husband, Ira Dunlap.

Urban Labordette, who has been ill for some time, died at his home on Rich gulch, September 14th. He was a Frenchman by birth and was without relatives in this country.

The trial jury was discharged Saturday. Only one case was brought to them for their consideration and then they held out for nearly fourteen hours before rendering a verdict.

B. F. Durphy, of Portland, and who is prominent in mining circles arrived here Friday, having just returned from Chicago. Several mining deals will likely be effected by him in the near future.

Geo. K. Walker and family, who have been keeping a fruit stand in Jacksonville, moved to Table Rock this week where he recently purchased a farm. He will also erect a store on the premises.

Rev. W. B. Moore, wife and son left for Eugene Friday so attend the annual conference meeting. E. C. Brooks presented Mr. Moore with a fine gold watch as a token of high esteem in which the reverend gentleman was held.

The firm of Reames, White & Co. which has been in operation for the past four years has been dissolved, T. G. Reames retiring. The business will be carried on under the firm name of White & Jacobs—two young men quite well known to the public and who need no introduction from us.

The dwelling house of Mrs. J. D. Stevens, located at the junction of the Medford and Central Point roads, a mile and a half from Jacksonville, was burned to the ground on Monday, of this week, about noon. Mrs. Stevens had been cleaning house and had thrown some rubbish in the fireplace. She then went into the field to catch her horse, intending to bring her sister to town. Before they could get to the house the fire had gained such headway that the ladies were unable to save any of the contents. The building was partially insured.

Mrs. Sybil A. Canton died at her residence in Jacksonville September 16th, after a prolonged illness of diabetes and heart disease. She had attained the age of 69 years and two months, was a member of the M. E. church, and had a large circle of friends who will miss her many noble acts of kindness. Besides her husband, she has surviving her three grown children—Mrs. T. B. Kent, of South Bend, Washington, Mrs. Fred Perry, of Eden, and Robt. Canton whose residence is unknown. Services were held at the grave by Rev. W. B. Moore on Friday afternoon.

Lake Creek Items.

BY BUMBLE BEE.

Chas. Hoeff and Jay Davis made a business trip to the valley recently.

Mr. Peter Garrett spent a few days with Mr. J. H. Tyrrell and family.

Miss Edith Rattie, who has been staying in Jacksonville, is at home for a visit, while her sister, Sophia,

has gone to take her place for a few weeks.

Miss Elsie Nichols is visiting her parents after a lengthy sojourn in Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sevedge have just returned from a three weeks' stay at the huckleberry patch.

Compton & Bell are trying their new thrasher in this locality and are now threshing at G. W. Nichols place.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Farlow and Mrs. Frank Farlow were the guests of Mrs. D. Slinger last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. H. Randles and family will start soon for Washington where they will make their future home near Mrs. R's parents, Mr. Enoch Casto. These good people have been with us several years and while their many friends regret their departure, they all join in wishing that happiness and prosperity may be theirs in their new home.

Last Friday evening the South Butte school house was the scene of a festal gathering, the occasion being a farewell party given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. H. Randles. Their friends came from far and near and each one present seemed determined to make this, the last gathering at which these pleasant people would be present, one which would be long remembered with joy. Among those from a distance may be mentioned, Miss Emma Worlow and Elsie Nichols, of Medford, Mrs. Little, Miss Katie Fries, and brother, Archie, Mr. Grieves and sons, of Central Point, and Mrs. Stickle, and others of Eagle Point.

Prospect Pointers.

BY GEORGE STOCKTON.

Mesdames Blackford and Shirley visited at the mill Sunday.

E. S. Moore made a trip to the ferry last week after a load of flour.

John Brown and the Barker boys will trap their way down the river as soon as fur is good.

Misses Effie Blackford, Frankie Aiken and Lola Shirley were the guests of Miss Maud Boothby Sunday.

George Eaton was the instigator in organizing a Sunday school here. Meetings will be held regularly each Sunday at 3 p. m. and everyone invited to attend.

Stan. Aiken made a trip to the valley last week, and has gone again on business. When Stan. has business on hand there's not a great deal of grass growing under his feet.

Miss Lola Shirley presented E. S. Moore and correspondent each with a delicious muskmelon, the product of her father's farm. The little Miss has our thanks. Let the good work go on in the melon line.

Our postmistress, Mrs. Stan. Aiken, spent Sunday with Mrs. Vandusen, who has been slightly indisposed, and has not been able to enjoy her adopted mountain home as she otherwise would.

Mr. Blackford has returned from Klamath, where he was looking for a location, desiring to go into more extensive farming. We would not like this estimable family to move away, as they are the best of neighbors.

John Walden, Henry L. Pegg and Morton Shirely returned from a hunt some days ago, the result of which we do not know, but they went out resolute and determined to sustain their reputation as sportsmen.

Photographer Ellis' business cards are quite noticeable up and down the road—as to the quality and neatness—bearing MAIL office style of print about them. Perry's work in the photograph line is of the same good quality.

Macdonald Perdue and yours truly took a bear hunt on Bear creek last week. That section is well stocked with bear. We went prepared to stay many days and thin 'em out, but after chasing a couple of grizzly yearlings around a while with no results concluded we were farmers and not hunters—the grizzlies did not seem to be afraid of us.

Irving McCall sold out his stock of hay at Silver camp, and after spending a week fixing up his homestead, moved to Prospect town and will spend the bad weather there. From size of the "stack" he brought down we judge the gentleman is far removed from immediate want. The feed station at Silver camp will be permanent.

O. R. Beauregard's inlaid picture has received much notice this summer, probably five hundred people having come into R. Rasmussen's place to see it. Maza reporters and many from a distance all say that as a work of art it is very beautiful and considering that it is made entirely of wood, with no paint or coloring other than the natural color of the wood, it has a merit above a painting—no inlaying has been attempted on so elaborate a scale before. Ole (that's what we call

him) was two years making it. It is four by five feet in size, contains 10,000 pieces of wood, embracing every possible tint and shade of color. The picture represents a farm scene—buildings, fences, orchards, hay fields, men and teams hauling hay, girls driving cows up, a railroad and train which are perfect, the engine being as natural as the reality; mountains rise above the valley and in the distance a snow-capped peak; a stream flowing down, having two bridges across it, the sun just rising, and the color shading conforms to the morning hour. Objects are not in outline as in a painting—everything is represented in detail. The picture will occupy a unique position, being the only one of the kind on so large a scale and many good judges say, as a work of art alone, it is very good. One certainly never tires of looking at it. The following verses, appropriated to the scene, are inlaid at the bottom of the picture. The verses are by Rasmus Rasmussen:

He who holds the ocean waters
In the hollow of his hand,
From the lofty snow-capped mountains
Let the rippling brooks descend,
Bid the sunbeams do their duty,
Wake the slumbering voice of soil,
Clothe the meadows rich with verdure,
Bless thou every son of toil.

Struck It Rich.

An Oakland dispatch relates how an old Southern Oregon miner struck an annuity for the rest of his life—a life which now gives promise of being much longer than the person responsible for its regular payment had at first thought possible, or now cares to contemplate. The story runs thusly:

"The natural desire of John Patton to be made comfortable for the remainder of his days and the hope of Mrs. A. F. Steel to increase her worldly store, already ample, have furnished a sensation which has come to do with the peace and quiet of a lady well-known and highly respected in society's most exclusive circles.

"Patton, who is an old soldier, said he had located a mining claim near Grants Pass, Oregon, but had no money with which to work it. His story interested the woman of wealth to such an extent that she had the claim prospected and agreed to support the old man for the rest of his life. The mine did not pan out as the lady expected and she is now trying to rid herself of her pensioner. But the old man holds an agreement in writing and he refuses to abandon the lead which he has struck late in life and which has thus far yielded more pay dirt than anything he ever tumbled onto in the olden, if not golden, days of his prospecting.

"Mrs. Steel has invoked the aid of the police to rid her of the drain on her purse, but the officers of the law are powerless to interfere, and the lady goes on paying Patton his pension, viewing with alarm his rejuvenating health. When she first saw him he was well-nigh starved and his days on earth seemed numbered. He has improved greatly with the aid of her donations and threatens to live long enough to make a sad rent in her fortune."

The Post Office Business.

R. A. Maxwell, fourth assistant postmaster-general, has made his annual report to the postmaster-general for the year ending June 30, 1896. The principal divisions of the department under his care are appointments and inspectors. The report shows that the total number of postoffices in operation in the United States is 70,360. Of these, 96,725 are fourth-class offices, and 3635 presidential, being an increase over the last fiscal year of 296. During the year 2046 postoffices were established, 1750 discontinued. The total number of appointments for the year was 12,000 and the total number of cases acted upon 15,532.

Mr. Maxwell comments work of the postoffice inspectors. The report shows that the total number of complaints of all classes received during the past aggregated 103,037, and the number of cases disposed of amounted to 100,205. Only 24 complaints were received of carelessness in the handling of registered matter. The employees in the postal system handled during the last fiscal year 13,851,000 pieces of registered mail, with the loss of only one piece in every 16,255.

Mr. Maxwell points out that there has been a decreased number of post-office and mail bag burglaries and robberies, owing to the killing and arresting of so many desperadoes engaged in the business. During the year, there were 16,563 complaints treated affecting foreign mail matter and 5754 ordinary matter.

From all accounts Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a Godsend to the afflicted. There is no advertisement about this; we feel just like saying it.—The Democrat, Carrollton, Ky. For sale by Geo. H. Haskins.

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.

Queer Place for a Snake.

Not long ago, when a clothing house advertised a special reduction sale, Jacob Shaw, manager of the electric light works in Elliott City, Md., bought an outfit for his little boy. The jacket included in the purchase was worn with the suit until, in the course of a month or so, the garment became unfit for wear and had to be put away. About it there was a most unnatural odor. There was no living in the same room with the boy and that coat. The other day Mrs. Shaw ventured to make an investigation, the offensiveness of the garment having somewhat subsided, when in the coat's lining, securely sewed in, were found the remains of a viper snake fifteen inches long. How the snake got there is a mystery of some sweet shop.

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Electricity is the wonder of the age and the mode of treatment is the acme of perfection. It penetrates the secret ambush of disease and exterminates it, root and branch, forever. It removes the wretched symptoms of loathsome maladies and averts their dreadful effects. It cures many of the most hopeless cases and relieves pains that every known remedy has failed in, and can be substantiated by the evidence of hundreds who have been cured by Dr. Darrin. Read the following card from a citizen of Grants Pass, Oregon.

DEAFNESS CURED IN TWO WEEKS.

DR. DARRIN, DEAR SIR:—For more than three years I have been gradually growing deaf in both ears, with a constant ringing noise in my head. The past year I could not hear a common conversation, without one talking in a loud tone of voice. I went under your treatment by electricity and medicine two weeks ago and now to my great joy and satisfaction I can hear quite as well as ever. I cannot speak too loudly in your praise, and can recommend all the afflicted to try your skill. I reside in Grants Pass, and have for the past twelve years and can be referred to by letter or personally. My husband is a miner and well known by all.

MRS. JAMES BAUMGARDNER.

DR. DARRIN ARRIVES.

His Great Reputation is Fully Sustained.

Dr. Darrin, the celebrated specialist, arrived in Medford on Sunday and has taken rooms at the Hotel Nash. The first patient came out immediately, and, as will be seen by the following testimonial, was afflicted with a stubborn chronic ailment, which was immediately cured. Mr. McCrary has resided in Jacksonville a number of years and no one in this vicinity will doubt his testimony.

JACKSONVILLE, ORE., Sept. 21, 1896.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I wish to state to the public that Dr. Darrin, at Medford, cured me of deafness of many years' standing. My deafness was accompanied by a disagreeable ringing noise in my ears. I was the first patient to visit Dr. Darrin on his arrival in Medford and I am happy to say that he cured me before I left his office. I have resided in Jacksonville, Oregon, ten years and will gladly tell any one of my restoration to hearing. I am a poor man and was treated free by the doctor, excepting the medicine.

A. F. MCCRARY.

Dr. Darrin, the celebrated specialist, will be at Hotel Nash, Medford, Sept. 20 to Oct. 3, for the treatment of all chronic ailments. Consultation free and the poor treated without charge except for medicine. Dr. Darrin will also be at Ashland, Hotel Oregon, from Oct. 4 to 17.

LANGUAGE OF FISHES.

The Creatures Seem to Have a Means of Communication.

An English fisherman, Mr. Basil Field, has been making some investigations which lead him to suppose that fishes have some way of communicating a notion of their experiences to other fishes. Mr. Field, says the Fortnightly Review, carried on his experiments in the fish ponds of Mr. Andrew at Guilford, Eng. Those ponds are full of trout, which at the time when Mr. Field first visited them were so little accustomed to being troubled that when he threw a baited hook into the water all the trout in sight—a great number—rushed eagerly upon it. He caught one, and, removing it from the hook, threw it back into the pond. Then he put in a freshly-baited hook. Two or three trout only came after it.

One of these he caught and threw it back into the water. Again he resumed his fishing with a newly-baited hook, and this time, although the pond was swarming with fish, it was only after a long time that he lured another trout to his bait. And after a little further time it was entirely impossible to catch a trout in this pond.

Great Swimming Feat.

Martin Sullivan, a white sailor on the cruiser Minneapolis, now at the Norfolk navy yard, was ironed recently for desertion. He escaped from his cell the other night and while handcuffed leaped overboard and swam across the river to Berkeley, half a mile away. He hid under a raft while the cruiser swept the water with her search lights. When they were turned off he made his way to Berkeley, where some negroes filed his handkerchiefs off. He then exchanged his uniform for citizen's clothes and engaged to work his passage to New York on a barge. When a launch from the yard passed the barge he hid in a boiler, but was subsequently captured.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land office at Roseburg, Oregon, September 21, 1896. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before W. S. Crowell, county judge of Jackson county, Oregon, at Jacksonville, Oregon, on November 7, 1896, viz:

CHRISTIAN SWENSDEN.
On homestead entry No. 6213 for the SW¹/₄ of the NW¹/₄ and the NW¹/₄ of the SW¹/₄, sec 10 and the SW¹/₄ of the NW¹/₄ and the NW¹/₄ of the SW¹/₄, sec 10; T¹/₂ R 1 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Charles E. Wilkinson, Henry Hanson, Benjamin P. Kopper and Fred G. Rumpson, all of Medford, Oregon.
R. M. VENTNER, Register.

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Music Hath Charms

Especially is this true when the performer uses an instrument of known merit, such as Chickering, Hardman, Fisher, Jewitt and Ludwig pianos, Estey, Farrand & Votey and Mason & Hamlin organs. If you intend purchasing an instrument see me first....

Prof. P. J. HEAD

Medford, - - - Oregon

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