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MAN WAS BORN TO HUSTLE.
He is of few days; but quite a plenty.

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Our Clubbing List.

THE MAIL and Weekly S. F. Call	\$2 25
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" " Chronicle	2 35
" " Oregonian	2 00
" " Cosmopolitan	2 65
" " Popular Science	2 00
" " Weekly Cincinnati Enquirer	1 60

A CHICAGO man is said to have died of joy, but it is not thought that the malady will become epidemic, especially among politicians—for a few days yet.

THE new woman is becoming decidedly too new—for the general well-being of herself. In Portland she is a pickpocket and in San Francisco a footpad.

THE Japanese believe that each man is predestined to die in a certain way, on an allotted day, and that the combined efforts of man cannot change this fate. This largely explains their impetuous bravery during the war with China.

RECENT dispatches tell of a very successful bank robbery at Meeker, Colorado, in which three robbers were killed and the plunder which they vain would have called their own was recovered. The recklessness of the bold bandit will be less manifest if a few more of these successes are recorded.

GEO. T. ANGELL was not far from being right when he said in his Dumb Animal publication that "China with her innumerable millions is a sleeping giant, and Christian nations anxious to sell her ships and guns are now waking her up—and the time may come when the Christian world may remember too late the wisdom of Napoleon's advice, 'Better let China alone.'"

THERE is much amusement in listening to those people who are not friendly to the present county commissioners accuse these officers of securing the services of Medford physicians for the inmates of the county hospital—because these physicians are of Medford. The amusement drops in when it is known, by those who know anything of county affairs, that the keeper of the hospital must procure, at his own expense, all medical attendance for the inmates, and that the board has nothing to say in the premises.

THERE are large chunks of consolation for Cuba in the report that has gone forth from Spanish headquarters to the effect that all hostilities toward the island will cease upon March 1st. If Spain has not succeeded by that time in extirpating from the face of the earth all Cubans they may hope to live on unmolested. There is surely solace in this for Cuba and we doubt not but that her people are grateful for the stay of execution which is granted them. If Spain makes no greater inroads on the island in the next five months than she has in the past twelve, dollars can be wagered that Cuba will be Cuba—and not Spain.

IF THE statement, as given THE MAIL be true, and, because of its source, we have the best of reasons to believe it is, there is a conspiracy on foot in this county that will not profit to the good of the taxpayers, and it is nothing more nor less than an attempt to force the price of county warrants down to ninety cents on the dollar. That this attempt has been made our informant is not backward in making a positive assertion; that this conspiracy will not materialize to the injury of the taxpayers is just as positively declared by men of means of the county who are ready and glad to buy our county script at from 97 to 100 cents on the dollar.

County warrants draw eight per cent interest, and are non-assessable, making the interest straight twelve per cent—our taxes being four per cent, and are a good paying investment when bought at their face value. The combine has not as yet been perfected—and we are guessing seriously that it never will be.

Beet Culture for Southern Oregon.

L. C. Coleman, the San Francisco capitalist, will remain here for some time looking after his business interests in these parts. He is stopping at Hotel Nash, where, on Tuesday of this week, he was interviewed by a MAIL reporter regarding the proposed sugar beet culture and the outlook for a sugar factory here. In answer to questions propounded to him, he said that he was more than satisfied that the sugar beet culture in this valley would be a signal success, inasmuch as the beets raised in the valley have been tested and found to contain a larger percentage of saccharine substance than those raised in California or in the Willamette valley. When asked to give his reasons for believing that the sugar beet culture would be more advantageous than wheat raising he said he had seen it fully demonstrated that those who raise beets are able to pay from \$20 to \$25 per acre for tilling the soil and cultivating the beets and still make a profit of from fifty to sixty dollars per acre, or, in other words, as high as eighteen tons per acre have been produced which sold at from four dollars to four dollars and fifty cents per ton. He stated that this had been accomplished by the Clino valley farmers in California and it could be done here. Another point in favor of beet culture was that the soil is in a poor condition at present to raise wheat and is in the very best condition to raise beets. He said that while very few farms are properly improved at present and could not be improved while the farmers continued to raise wheat, owing to usually low price for which wheat must be sold, they could, if they would change to beet culture, improve their farms and the result of the change would certainly bring prosperity with it.

But what are the producers going to do with their beets after they are raised? was asked. The answer was: That if every farmer in the valley would devote one acre of ground to the cultivation of beets next spring and cultivate their land in proper shape, they could raise from eighteen to twenty tons per acre and then we would be in a position to show these facts to capitalists here and abroad and they would then be anxious to build a sugar factory in the valley. "A few years ago Mr. Spreckels built a small factory in Watsonville, California, for an experiment and today he is building one of the largest factories in the world just a few miles from Watsonville. I think that is sufficient proof that if the farmers of this valley will exemplify that beet raising in this valley can be carried on successfully, we will not only have one plant here to work up the products, but we may have two or three of them. Capitalists are seeking investments in just such enterprises now and I can safely say that it will be no more difficult to have a sugar factory built here to utilize the beets than it was to secure flouring mills to utilize the wheat." "I suppose that should this enterprise be tried and found successful that there would be a wholesale influx of people to this valley in the near future, would there not?" asked the reporter. "Why shouldn't there be? You have one of the prettiest valleys on the whole coast; everything is in your favor and with a new and paying enterprise people would flock here and your population would increase tenfold in a very short time." "But have we room for such an influx of people, should they come?" "Why, of course you have, and ten times the number of people you have now, under the conditions named, would be more prosperous than the few you now have. I have seen these things tried and know whereof I speak, and I tell you with all honesty and sincerity that a new era is awaiting the people of this valley: new vigor and life will be instilled into them and destiny is bound to make this one of the very best and prosperous places on the coast."

Don't Miss It.

The finest thing of its kind ever in Southern Oregon, the "Lyric Bards of America," in Medford opera house, November 14th. Tickets 25 cents. This wonderful family was born in Oregon. As children and adults they have charmed the United States and Europe for more than twenty years. Don't miss their concert.

Cure for Crippled Children.

The National Surgical Institute, No. 319 Bush St., San Francisco, successfully treats all cases of orthopedic surgery. One or more surgeons of this Institute will be at the Hotel Nash, Medford, Wednesday Nov. 4th, one day to examine cases. The success of the Institute in treating all cases of curvature of the spine, diseases of the hip and knee joints, club feet, crooked limbs and bodily deformities as well as piles, fistula, nasal catarrh and all chronic diseases has made for the Institute a national reputation. Write for circular.

Reference may be had to Mrs. A. DePeatt, Ashland; Hon. Thos. Davidson, Salem; B. F. Peart, Central Point; Thos. Jennings, capitalist, San Francisco; C. F. Bontrager, Central Point, and hundreds of others.

"The Abuse of the Money Power." The third sermon in the course for the times, is the subject of Rev. L. L. Wood's discourse at the Baptist church next Sunday night.

"I've been talking about pretty things in general—that is, about my lovely line of crockery—but I'm going to tell you about pretty things in particular this week. I've just received some of the finest banquet lamps ever seen in Southern Oregon—so pretty that even the most fastidious could but admire. They are cheap as well as pretty—and just the thing you want to grace your parlor table. Call and see them." Wolters, the grocer.

Doctor Danielson.

Office in Halley block over postoffice. Chronic diseases, and diseases of women and children a specialty.

A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING.

Authentic reports give out that there is a shortage in crops in nearly all European countries.

The corn crop of the United States this year is estimated to amount to the great quantity of 2,500,000,000 bushels.

It now costs less to take a barrel of flour from the mills at Minneapolis to New York city than it formerly cost to bring it to that city from a distance of fifty miles.

The newest thing under the sun is the raising of doves for supplying wedding parties. They are to coo softly amid floral decorations as a symbol of the happiness of the bridal pair.

Secretary Lamont has transmitted to the secretary of the treasurer his estimate of appropriations required by the war department for the next fiscal year. The aggregate is \$52,875,638.

Water is lower right now in the Willamette river than it has been for a great many years, if ever. At Oregon City the water is so low that footmen can walk across the river on the brink of the falls below the dam.

Bryan a few days ago had made 205 speeches, in 172 towns and cities in 22 states, traveling 8022 miles. McKinley had made 73. Many of the speeches of Bryan were two minute remarks on platforms.

The democratic national committee claim 317 votes absolutely certain for Bryan and the republican national committee 248 absolutely certain for McKinley. As 224 will elect this indicates that both will be elected.

Mr. Stevens, of Ellensburg, has a herd of 26 Jersey cows, 20 of which are thoroughbreds. The average yield of butter was 374 pounds to the cow last year, and Mr. Stevens says the yield this year will be better than that. The cash returns were \$61.80 a cow, as shown by the monthly statement.

The steamer Arago, plying between San Francisco and Coos Bay went ashore Tuesday morning near the Coos Bay jetties, and at a point near where the whaleback steamer Wetmore was wrecked a few years ago. Four passengers and eight of the boat's crew were drowned. The steamer is a total loss. The density of the fog occasioned the accident.

Two Memphis bankers a short time since telegraphed to Helena, Mont., offering 200,000 American standard silver dollars, to be delivered within six months after Bryan's election and the passage of a free coinage law, at 70 cents on the dollar in gold. Parties in Helena immediately telegraphed an acceptance of the offer and gave instructions to hold the bankers to their offer.

The Kneipp cure is all the rage in New York now, and many people, including dames of high degree, may be seen at a very early hour trotting bare-footed in the wet grass of Central Park. A distinguished actress who was an early convert, declares that it has cured her entirely of rheumatism, and she is enthusiastically recommending the sockless remedy to friends who suffer in a like manner.

County officials are having a real lively time up in Yamhill county, this state. The sheriff pledged himself, before election, to take the office and run it without deputy hire. He found it could not be done as he had figured and upon presentation of a bill for the aforesaid deputy hire to the county commissioners it was disallowed. The sheriff then appealed to the circuit judge, who held with the opinion of the commissioners—and the sheriff will have to put up for his deputy or do the work himself.

A band of forty-two hoboes were run out of Red Bluff, Calif., last week by the town officials, and since then the hoboes have been creating havoc among the ranches south of that town. The whole gang entered a small vineyard against the protests of its owner, and before they left had stripped the vines of all the fruit. Later in the day they approached a ranch house and finding no one but an old lady in possession, demanded that she supply them with potatoes, salt and pepper accompanying their demand with threats and oaths. She was forced to comply, and the men then went into camp where they cooked their plunder.

A Christian Turk arrived in New York on the 18th from Constantinople, and through an interpreter, he told about the massacres of Armenians. He was in Constantinople during the three days' massacre in August. During the three days 30,000 Armenians, he said, were slaughtered throughout the empire. Wagons filled with bodies were constantly passing through the streets of Constantinople. Cartload after cartload of bodies were dumped into the sea. The sight was a sickening one, and what added to its horror was the fact that in those

wagons were piled the dead and dying and the feeble cries of wounded for release could be heard coming from the carts, but the appeals were utterly unheeded. Whether killed or wounded, all were thrown into the sea. He said the Americans had not been molested up to date. They are leaving Constantinople, fearing they might be attacked.

Death of a Worthy Townsman.

J. O. Johnson, one of Medford's most highly respected and progressive citizens, died at his home in this city last Sunday evening of brain paralysis. He had been quite ill for three weeks, and owing to the fatality of his ailment little hope was entertained for his recovery but his death, although not unexpected, came as a great shock to his host of friends all over the county. Mr. Johnson has been prominently identified with Medford's and Jackson county's interests for the past seven years and was a gentleman of high repute and many sterling qualities. He was born May 10, 1844, in Raphanock county, Virginia, as he was called, a planter by occupation, who emigrated to California with his family in 1869, where he remained until his death in 1877.

Mr. J. O. Johnson, recently deceased, after going to California with his parents, spent his first year in prospecting for gold and in 1872 he located near Salinas and engaged in the mercantile business which occupation he followed until 1877 when he closed out his business and spent a year in travelling, during which he settled at Pacific Grove. During his residence there he was one of the most active business men in the county, being always ready for any enterprise that would be productive of good to the community. It was under his able management, as superintendent of the Pacific Grove Improvement company, that the city acquired its fame as one of the most desirable residence cities in California. He left California about seven years ago and came to Jackson county where he has been identified as one of the leading business men of the county. He was for two years after his arrival here, engaged in the real estate business in company with C. W. Palm. After retiring from the real estate business he purchased a fine farm near Table Rock where he resided until a little over a year ago when he removed to Medford and has since that time made this his home. He has accumulated considerable property and was, at the time of his death, erecting a two-story brick business building on his property on East Seventh street.

Mr. Johnson has been twice married, the first time, in 1862, to Miss Emma Gray, who died in 1884. In 1886 he was married to Miss Carrie Lloyd, of Pacific Grove, and to them were born three daughters, all of whom are living, the eldest being about eleven years of age. The funeral was held Wednesday at 10 o'clock from his late residence. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Gittins and was attended by a large concourse of sorrowing friends and relatives. A large number of floral offerings of the most beautiful designs were contributed by friends. Interment was made in the Odd Fellows' cemetery. Mrs. Johnson is prostrated with grief, and friends are doing all in their power to comfort her in her hour of affliction. Mr. Johnson was a member of the A. O. U. W.

NELSON DEMICK, of Colbert, Kans., is here looking for a farm location. He has been to the coast from Kansas several times and every trip he is more favorably impressed. He will undoubtedly remain this time.

A Chance to Get a Good Home Cheap.

On Saturday next there will be sold at public auction, at the court house in Jacksonville, about two hundred acres of good Bear creek bottom land. It will be sold in 40 acre tracts, on easy payments, one-third down, one-third in one year and one-third in two years. Here is an opportunity to secure a good home at a bargain. For particulars inquire of W. T. Loefer, of Central Point, or W. H. Parker, at Jacksonville. Anyone desiring to look over the land can do so by calling on W. A. Owens at Central Point. Remember Saturday is the day.

Tugs and Saddle Stolen.

On Friday or Saturday night of last week the tugs were stolen from a nearly new set of harness, from my barn south of Medford; also a saddle from Sam VanDyke's barn. I will pay \$15 reward for return of property and apprehension of the thief.

CLAUS KLINGERHAMMER.

Wants to Trade for Grain.

Good heavy team of mares, wagon and harness to trade for grain. Apply at this office.

Wants You to Call and Settle.

I have disposed of my blacksmith business in Central Point. All persons knowing themselves indebted to me, please call and settle.

A. A. WHITEMAN.

Advertised Letter List.

Following is a list of letters remaining un-called for in the Medford postoffice on October 23, '96.

Alender, Fred Moly, P. W.
Flood, Miss Della McNames, Frankie
Hudson, H. O'Donnell, J. W.
Jones, Reuben Payne Miss Etta

A charge of one cent will be made upon delivery of each of the above letters. Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say "Advertised."

M. FURMAN, Postmaster.

Farm For Sale.

100 acres of good farming land, situated in the Applegate country 19 miles from Jacksonville. Farm can be had for \$200. Enquire at THE MAIL office.

100 Acre Farm for Rent.

I have for rent a good farm of 100 acres, located three miles west of Medford. Address M. Bollinger, Jacksonville.

For Sale or Trade.

Two acres of land in North Medford for cattle, and a good span of mares for \$150, or will trade the mares for a good span of mules, good size and first-class roadsters.

W. R. HARDY, Jacksonville.

A Leather Offering!

50 PAIR

Ladies' medium heavy grain shoes, custom made and warranted solid,

75 CENTS

Per pair. The true value of this shoe is \$1.50. Sizes, 4, 4 1-2 and 5; last E E. They will go quick.

Our ladies' fine shoes will arrive next Tuesday. They will have the

"New Nichols Toe,"

And are beauties. Be sure and see them

Deuel & Stevens

POLITICAL SPEAKERS...

Are wrangling "Basis of Values."

Come and see us and we will show you the "basis of values" in our lines inside of a minute....

DRY GOODS

Our line is complete in every detail. Gingham, calicoes, outings and suitings—all style and fancy patterns....

Men's and Boy's Clothing

We have never before had in stock a better line of Dry Goods than right now—and we have carried some pretty good stocks in years ago....

W. H. Meeker & Co.

Turf Exchange Saloon...

COURT HALL, Proprietor

My specialties are the very best brands of Brandies and Cyrus Noble Whiskey

This brand of Whiskey was awarded first premium at the California Mid-Winter fair

Best line of Cigars in the City

Pure Brandies and Whiskies for medicinal uses.

When you are drinking take a drink of good whiskey—try Cyrus Noble

THERE...

Is No One So Blind...

That they cannot feel the difference—even if they cannot see—between good clothing and Cheap John.

CLOTHING

I now have in stock the finest line of fall and winter clothing ever shown in Medford—and more coming. Call and see for yourself, and get my prices. No trouble to show goods....

S. ROSENTHAL, Medford, Ore.

A Livery Turnout....

Is a Pleasure Sought by Many People When Properly Turned Out....

The horses must be well groomed, in good flesh and must be good drivers; the carriages must be kept clean, well oiled and well painted. The teams must be gentle, the prices reasonable and the treatment of customers courteous. All of these are strictly carried out at the

UNION LIVERY STABLES,

WILLIAMS & BESSE, Proprietors,

Worman's old stand, MEDFORD, OREGON

PLETCHER Dentist

THE PAINLESS

Office hours—8 to 12, a. m., 2 to 5 p. m. MEDFORD, OREGON