

PURELY PERSONAL.

G. F. KELLY, of Grants Pass, made Medford a visit last week.

J. W. HOWARD, of Brownsboro, was a Medford visitor this week.

PERRY ELLIS, the Prospect photographer, was in Medford last Saturday.

Dentist C. C. PLETCHER is at Gold Hill this week on professional business.

THOS. COLLINS, of Lake county, was doing business in Medford this week.

Dr. E. MINGUS, of Grants Pass, was in Medford Thursday upon professional business.

RUFUS COLE, of Coles, Calif., was in Medford Monday. He was purchasing winter supplies.

Mrs. C. MINGUS, of Ashland, is visiting her son, F. M. Mingus, and family this week.

GEO. COULTER, the painter, returned to Medford from Klamath Falls this week to remain.

THOS. CLEMENS and family arrived in Medford Tuesday, on a visit to Mr. Clemens' parents, of this place.

MYRON SKEEL came down from Prospect last week and will visit a few days with his family before returning.

Mrs. C. O. DAXON left Medford Tuesday evening for Elkton, Douglas county, to spend the winter with her parents.

MEYER BROS., of Lake Creek, were in Medford Saturday with a band of beef cattle which they disposed of to our butchers.

I. U. WILLEKE and L. G. PORTER, with their mining force, returned to Leland last Saturday and will push work on their mine.

W. I. VAWTER went to Roseburg last Friday evening to attend a meeting of the I. O. O. F. lodge, of which order in Oregon, he is grand master.

G. W. ISAACS left for Victoria, B. C., Wednesday to accept a position in one of the leading tonorial parlors in that city. R. G. Bunch has leased the shop here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. HIGINBOTHAM, of Durby, were in Medford last week upon a visit to Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Darnell. Mr. Higinbotham is one of THE MAIL's new subscribers.

J. S. MORGAN and JOHN BARKSDULL left Medford this week for Applegate, where they will work at placer mining during the winter, on the former's claim.

CHAS. VINCENT, of Etna, was in Medford last week upon business. He left us the price of three years' subscription to THE MAIL, and we are happy, ditto Vincent.

CHAS. JILLSON, of Hornbrook, Calif., was in Medford a few days last week. He was on a visit to J. Brandenburg, of this city, who was formerly a partner of his in mining.

WALTER COFER concluded his three months' term of school on upper Elk creek last Friday and has entered the state normal school at Ashland, where he will remain until he completes his studies.

JOHN CASABOL and family, of Grants Pass, who have been traveling throughout Klamath county seeking a location, arrived in Medford this week and will locate here. They will open up a boarding house here soon.

R. H. WHITEHEAD returned to Medford from an extended business trip in Eastern Oregon, Tuesday. His trip also extended way back into Wisconsin, his native state. His many friends are glad that he is again among them.

C. F. LEVENGOOD and WM. ZIMMERLEE, with their families, arrived in Medford last week from Washington and will locate here. They have been traveling for several months, seeking a suitable location—and after traveling several hundred miles of territory—selected Medford as the best place to cast their anchor.

J. S. HOWARD, government mineral surveyor, was up from Gold Hill over Sunday. He reports everything going on nicely at the big mining canal, except that the recent rains have endangered some of the incomplete work at the dam and entrance to the canal. The water in Rogue river, he stated, had raised three feet.

Miss LILLIAN KINEHART, of Gilroy, California, arrived in Medford last week and will spend the winter with her parents here. She is a highly accomplished vocalist, and has been singing in San Jose for several months. The people of Medford will no doubt have the pleasure of listening to her in the near future—and we will vouch for a hearty reception to the lady.

SCHUBERT SYMPHONY CLUB

Delightfully Entertain a Large Audience at Christian Church.

From Missoula News.

Music lovers of Missoula never enjoyed a more delightful treat than was given them last night by the Schubert Symphony club. The Christian church was packed by an appreciative audience and every number was rapturously applauded. There are ladies quartettes and ladies quartettes. The Schubert quartette belongs to the latter class. Their singing is delightful. No finer contralto has ever been heard in Missoula. So pleased were the audience that the evening passed away all too soon. Master Tommy Purcell is a tot who has music to spare in his little body. He took the comedy part of the program like a veteran. Mr. Sawyer, who secured the Schubert club for Missoula, deserves the thanks of all who relish high class entertainment. He knew what would please the public and secured it. He has established a reputation as a caterer. The Schubert Symphony club will always be welcome to Missoula. These musicians are billed to appear at the Medford opera house on the evening of November 27th.

—They are so little you hardly know you are taking them. They cause no gripping, yet they act quickly and most thoroughly. Such are the famous little pills known as De Witt's Little Early Risers. Small in size great in results. Geo. H. Haskins.

—Bee Hive baking powder is all right and with it goes a good bit of crockery. Davis, the grocer, sells it—also sells the very freshest and best of groceries.

PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES.

Anna Mulligan, of Antelope, entered the fourth grade this week.

Visitors: Mrs. E. L. Bennett, Miss Rose Chapman, Rev. Dawson.

Emmett Barkdull and Charles Isaacs have entered school in the sixth grade.

The pupils of the third grade are interested in supplementary reading this week.

The pupils are giving some time to the practice of callisthenics—for grace as well as strength.

On account of the rainy weather this last week the pupils spent recesses marching through the school building.

Each pupil of the seventh grade was given a quarter of an hour Monday for the purpose of reading any article of interest in Scribners.

Miss Cora Koonitz, who has just completed a successful term of school, near Prospect, entered the ninth grade this week to take a review of the work.

The little folks in Mrs. Peters' room felt quite elated over the fact that they were the only ones in the school that were not tardy during last month.

The business students of the Medford high school are doing finely in their line of work. The class is small, but what is lacks in numbers is made up in interest.

Willie Fish is absent from school this week because of sickness. Several of the little people of North Medford have broken their good attendance record for the same reason.

The tenth grade is taking much interest in philosophy, but they lack the apparatus necessary to perform the many interesting experiments which promote the interest in that study.

Since the beginning of school there has been a growing list of visitors which tends to make the pupils feel that an interest is being taken in their welfare. They hope the list will continue to grow.

Pupils of the fifth grade are having conversation lessons for a few days this week about cotton, after which a composition will be written by each pupil. Drawings are also being made to represent thoughts.

The presidential election caused quite a stir among the students last week, there being a great deal of interest taken. The result seemed to satisfy all though some took the defeat of their choice to heart.

The members of the different grades of the Medford school are doing a great amount of work in the study of English, and it is hoped that before many years they will be able to handle correctly their native language.

The wife of Leonard Wells, of East Brimfield, Mass., has been suffering from neuralgia for two days, not being able to sleep or hardly keep still, when Mr. Holden, the merchant there, sent her a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and asked that she give it a thorough trial. On meeting Mr. Wells the next day he was told that she was all right, the pain had left her within two hours, and the bottle of Pain Balm was worth \$5 if it could not be had for less. For sale at 50 a bottle by Geo. H. Haskins.

County Expenditures.

The following bills were audited and warrants ordered drawn for the respective amounts at the last session of the county court:

H C Messenger, for bridge lumber and giant powder furnished dist No 33.....	27 85
Grantell & Hutchison, supplies furnished Mrs Sullivan.....	83 00
J B Welch, for lumber for road dist No 20.....	33 41
J Numan, for sundry articles for county.....	9 90
Grace Shiers, for boarding Emma Fox for month of October.....	8 00
Jones & Otten, supplies for Johnson family.....	15 75
J B Beck & Co, for nails & etc.....	3 15
J S Howard, supplies for Mayfield family.....	5 00
J B Beck & Co, for 100 lbs spikes for road dist No 38.....	4 40
Bliton & Batterson printing assessors' notice.....	1 05
J E Enyard, for \$6000 insurance on court house and jail.....	150 00
Glass & Prudhomme, for blanks for county.....	7 10
N A Jacobs for supplies for Mrs Sullivan indigent allowance.....	70 00
W S Crowell, cash advanced to pay transportation of mose from Medford.....	4 30
A S Barnes, sheriff's salary.....	333 33
W S Crowell, judge's salary.....	100 00
W E Anderson, recorder's salary.....	116 66
Geo P Lindley, county treasurer's salary.....	66 66
Geo P Lindley, county superintendent's salary.....	58 33
A M Ford, janitor's salary.....	27 00
John Watkins, ferryman's salary.....	14 50
Geo A Jackson, clerk's salary.....	250 00
G B Cole, examination of Anna Witt, insane.....	5 00
W R Johnson, bounty on pariah seal.....	2 50
Emil DeRoboam, for keeping Lathrop family 1/2 month.....	6 00
W J Freeman, for 2786 feet lumber.....	27 86
A S Barnes, for boarding prisoners.....	24 00
Watkins 11 days @ \$5 per week, \$7.85.....	30 00
Robt Bond 1 1/2 weeks.....	22 14
F F Carter, putting up booths Woodville and on road.....	1 25
Geo D Barnard & Co, for legal cap, blotting paper and pen holders, etc for county clerk.....	13 65
W S Crowell, cash advanced to pay express on package from Portland.....	1 50
Henry Klippel, balance for assessing Co.....	406 00
Henry Klippel, board of equalization, \$24, \$24, T W Bryant 4 days \$16.....	40 00
Case, state vs Roland.....	3 30
G R Hammerley, J P fees.....	2 50
F M Parker, constable fees.....	3 50
Isaac Wolf, hall rent for election.....	50 00
J G Briscoe, bail due for mileage and slewing P K Klamath road.....	1 00
Geo A Jackson, for one box envelopes, one blank book.....	9 30
C P Carter, for hauling 3100 ft lumber.....	3 00
Chas Owens, for putting up booths in Pleasant creek dist June and Nov.....	1 00
A B Chantaw, for putting up booths in Big Butte precinct.....	1 00
Perry Ellis, for amount appropriated by county at Dec term of court for repair of county road in sec 1 tp 33 r 2 east.....	150 00
Chas Hines, examination of W A Van derpool.....	5 00
Thomas Stewart, poll tax improperly collected.....	1 00
E E Phipps, treasurer's notice.....	1 00
E E Phipps, for printing 28700 election ballots for county clerk.....	32 00
E E Phipps, for 30 inch local semi annual report of county clerk.....	4 50
J Numan, for supplies for Tom Henry.....	10 00
Wm Douden, digging grave for Horace Martin.....	3 00
S Jones, making coffin.....	10 00
Wm George, hauling deceased to grave.....	5 00
G R Hammerley, for service in Creswell.....	2 00
F M Parker, deputy sheriff June election Justice court—Case, state vs Henry Ray.....	7 80
J A Jeffrey, dist atty fees.....	2 00
Geo R Hammerley, Justice fees.....	6 45
F M Parker, constable fees.....	2 15
Juror's fees.....	6 00
J C Wallop, for work and material in the prosecution of the foundation of the piers of Rogue river bridge.....	248 88
Glass & Prudhomme, for election supplies, mining record, stationery, ink and blanks.....	114 50
Henry Dox, for putting up and removing booths in north Jacksonville.....	1 00
W S Crowell, for additional expenses for sending Lathrop children to Portland.....	8 00
M Culp, for putting up booths in Applegate precinct.....	1 00
W B Chantaw, for 4 days seeing to roads and bridges.....	8 00
W H Bradshaw, commissioner's service.....	19 00
Martin Perry, same.....	16 20

SMUGGLING BY A BIBLE.

She Read It Devoutly, But Most of It Was Filled With Lard.

An old lady once humbugged the custom house officers at Dover in an ingenious way. She used to cross the channel two or three times a week when the weather was anything like good.

She always gave the men at the gangway tracts, and the custom officers, too, if she could get near them. She always carried a good-sized Bible, closed together with a broad elastic band. One of these officials tells the story in the Westminster Gazette.

"Whenever I saw her reading her Bible, which was not often, she was doing so quite at the beginning, somewhere about Genesis or Exodus.

"At last suspicion was aroused, and when next she came across I stepped up politely to her, as she was going away having no luggage, and said I should be much obliged if she'd allow me to look in her Bible, as a mate of mine had said I was wrong in thinking a certain verse was in the Eightieth Psalm.

"At first she tried to put me off, saying she was in a great hurry, and that she was sure so good a man as I looked to be had a Bible of his own at home. And if I hadn't she'd bring me one down the next morning.

"In the end, however, she had to give up the Bible she was carrying, and we found that except for a few leaves at the beginning and at the end it was a solid block, so to speak, made of paper mache, hollowed out in the center, where we found some fifty or sixty dollars' worth of lard."

CYCLING IN JAPAN.

Some Queer Costumes Worn by the Native Women.

The all-conquering bicycle has invaded Japan, and is now a familiar sight in the land of the Jimikisha. The Europeans take to it kindly and the little brown men and women are equally enthusiastic. The government, says the Philadelphia Press, has equipped many of its postmen with roadsters, especially those who deliver mail in the suburbs or in the country districts. In each brigade a bicycle corps has been formed who are daily drilled in about the same style as similar organizations in the armies of Europe. The Japanese people themselves still regard the wheel as a great curiosity, but are beginning to both master and manufacture it. Some of the Japanese women have adopted a queer bicycle costume that is a combination of the bloomers with a native dress. It is neither Japanese nor European. Combined with the upper part of the kamona costume the Japanese ladies clothe their nether limbs in what are neither knickerbockers, trousers, zouaves nor bloomers. The ludicrous effect is heightened by the girl having a national habit of turning the toes in, developed to its largest extent. All that you see when she passes you is a pair of round and pretty heels wabbling in an uncertain manner, and a little body coiled up that makes you think of a gay little monkey on the top of a pole.

DON'T LOOK TOO CLOSELY.

Searching for Ancestors May Cause Unpleasant Surprises.

The search after ancestors which has been inaugurated by the Daughters of the Revolution and Colonial Dames has developed strange relationships, says the New York Tribune.

A very high and mighty personage, in tracing out the various descendants of a famous revolutionary general, whose collateral descendant she was proud to declare herself, found that the direct descent ended in a poor charwoman whom she had been in the habit of employing by the day.

It was a lucky find for the latter, for her large-hearted and generous connection proved a veritable Lady Bountiful to the family. She educated the children, found a promising opening for the son, and pensioned off her poor relation, whom the many reverses of health and fortune had quite broken down.

Another experience was less satisfactory. Formerly a believer in the direct transmission of character, the searcher has changed her ideas since she found in her pedigree a declared criminal.

Two Eloquent Hunters.

Maj. Champion, in his book "On the Frontier," describes a deer hunt, in the course of which he found his dog astride the dead body of the deer, while an Indian stood a little way off, bow and arrow in hand. By signs he made the white man understand that he had wounded the deer and the dog pulled it down. Then he cut up the deer, tied the forehalf of it up in the skin and placed it on one side. The other half he laid at Maj. Champion's feet, delivering himself of a speech in the Ute language. The white man understood his meaning, but not a word of his address. The Indian and the dog had killed the deer together, and the dog's owner was entitled to half the game. The major was equal to the emergency. He rose and delivered in full the classical declamation: "My name is Norval," with appropriate gestures, just as he had many times given it at school. Nothing could have been better. The Indian and the white man shook hands with effusion, and each with his share of the venison rode away.

The Great Jennings Estate.

Patriotic citizens of Minnesota who have been led to consider themselves heirs to "the great Jennings estate" of England, are still waiting patiently for the enormous shipment of bullion from the Bank of England's vaults, which will soon put our circulation on an immovable gold basis. St. Paul has the craze badly, nearly \$150,000 having been collected in that city alone for "costs" in the last few years. The collection of this has been in the hands of a regular stock company in Philadelphia, and has proved such a good thing that another company has been formed in Minneapolis as a competitor.

Salem will have its city election on December 17th and there is promised a heated contest between the several probable candidates.

Morrow county's warrants will hereafter bear upon their face a photolithograph of Hon. L. J. Morrow, "The father of the county."

It is estimated by those in a position to be fairly accurate, that 40,000 head of cattle from the Harney county have been shipped from Ontario this season.

Editor Fitch has paid his election bet, which was that of taking a thorough wetting out of one of the city hydrants. A large crowd was present at the "soaking." Fitch is a newspaper publisher at Oregon City.

Among the Churches.

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.
Preaching morning and evening next Sunday.
J. A. CRUTCHFIELD, P. C.

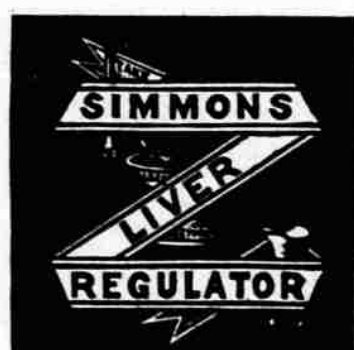
Hogs Taken Up.

There came into my enclosure, about three months ago, two black hogs. One has right ear slit, and left ear under-bis and cut square off, also one ear white; no marks on the other one. Owner is requested to prove property, pay damages and take them away.
S. L. CARPENTER.

An Atchison, Kan., man has two daughters. One rides a bicycle, and the other doesn't. He has found that the rider eats twice as much as the one who doesn't ride, and goes to bed without grumbling at night. His wife is a statistician, and she says that the bicycle girl hasn't wiped a dish since she got her wheel, and that she is too tired at night to turn the sewing machine wheels, and the work falls on the daughter who doesn't ride. Now, you bright young men of business, who are looking about for a life helpmate, which of these two girls would you prefer? Is not the girl who "helps mother with the dishes" your choice? A little bicycling is all right—but not too much of it, at the expense of toil for mother.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss.
LUCAS TOLEDO, I ss.
Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, county and state aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's catarrh cure.
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If you have eaten anything hard to digest, or feel heavy after meals or sleepless at night, a dose of SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR will relieve you and bring pleasant sleep.
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