

NEWS OF THE CITY.

The members of the ladies band haven't been saying a word lately about their coming entertainment, which is to be given January 19th—in fact the oppressive silence which has surrounded their actions has been provocative of no small amount of conjecture as to the meaning thereof, but they have not only exemplified that politicians are not the only ones who are endowed with the ability to "saw wood," but they have been doing some faithful work in drilling for their respective parts in the entertainment. There will be two plays—"Tennyson's Dream of Fair Women," and the "Famous Sweet Family," presented. The latter is one that abounds in mirth provoking scenes and characters, and is in itself well worth the price of admission. The characters will be represented by Jane Hibbard as Ma Sweet, a good old soul, solemn as the death scene at Friar Lawrence's Hill; Virgil Woodford as Arminta Ann, a character calculated to make the young man forget a combination of tight boots and a troublesome corn, and an elixir for the older one like unto the fount of youth which Ponce de Leon sought among the savages; Edith Van Dyke as Betsy Belland, is a character productive of fun from first to last and an infallible cure for that tired feeling; Iva Purdin and Myrtle Woodford—twins—as Caroline Cordelia and Dorothy Dalia, will be a combination that will surpass even the clover breath, corn fed beauties of Missouri in style and make up; Fannie Haskins, as Elizabeth Eliza, will be squarely in love with her elocutionary powers, which will be given full sway, in as far as Glorianna Gadabout, Ida Weaver, who is always in the way, will permit; Mamie Nicholson, as Frances Pedora, a disappointed, love-lorn girl, will be a very conspicuous character, and fully in keeping with the rest of them. Besides these, there will be music by the band, vocal and instrumental solos and numerous other features that are intended to please an audience.

If you are in doubt as to where to buy your groceries, call on Wolters and see what he can do for you—he has a large stock of staple and fancy groceries at prices that can't be beaten. Wolters is all right on crockery, too. Say, mister, he is selling lots of this sort of ware.

The New Years watch party by the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Epworth League and the B. Y. P. C. E., held at the Christian church on New Years eve, was a meeting full of interest from beginning to end. From seven until eight o'clock was the regular church prayer hour, and from 8 until 9:30 was the young people's social hour—and right well did they improve it. The house was well filled with young people and each one seemingly endeavored to out do the others in making the occasion a pleasant one. At 10:30 Prof. Gregory was called upon to conduct the consecration service until even twelve. Many young people retired at the close of the social hour, but their phrases were more than filled by later arrivals, who were more seasonally inclined, so that the consecration hour had the largest audience of the evening. Prof. Gregory struck a happy chord in a pleasing manner in his opening bible reading and talk, and scarcely a moment was lost in a full hour and a half. There seemed to pervade the audience a sacredness that let the spiritual thermometer steadily rise until the closing moments. At three minutes before twelve, the bell began to toll the death of the old year and at twelve the joyful bug announced the birth of the new year. At this moment everyone present expressed, by rising to their feet, a purpose to live in a higher plane and do better work for the new year. God helping them. The benediction was then pronounced and all departed quietly for their homes.

Why suffer with coughs, colds and laryngitis when Laxative Bromo Quinine will cure you in one day. Put up in tablets convenient for taking. Guaranteed to cure, or money refunded. Price 25 cents. For sale by Chas. Strang.

After months of diligent labor by an untiring and self-appointed committee of Medford business men, the fair ground proposition has assumed such gratifying proportions that the success of the laudible enterprise is assured, and this week the preliminary work of effecting a permanent organization will be completed, after which the work of preparing the grounds, buildings and track will be pushed with as much rapidity as possible. The work of incorporating is a week under progress, the incorporators being G. L. Davis, J. W. Lawton, J. A. Whitman, I. L. Hamilton and S. Bliton. The articles of incorporation have already been forwarded to the office of the secretary of state and just as soon as they have been returned a meeting of the subscribers will be called for the purpose of electing officers, after which work will commence on the track and buildings. George Gove, the architect, prepared plans for the pavilion auditorium, which plans will be exhibited at the above named meeting, a work of incorporating by the ab named committee was made compulsory, because that before officers could be elected the articles of incorporation must be filed with the secretary of state. The name of the organization is Southern Oregon Fair Association, capital stock, \$5000, of which \$3500 is up.

Sooty, and not irritating strengthening, and not weakening, small, effective—such are the qualities De Witt's Little Early Remedy has. Geo. H. Haskins, druggist.

A sur, donation party of about fifty people took place on Rev. and Mrs. Fisher at the parsonage New Year night, capturing the family with resistance, and making the evening merry one for all present. Evening was spent in diverse pleasant converse and social entertainment being indulged in during the night. Before the departure of the party, all joined in a song of praise, pastor made a few remarks of usefulness for the manifestations of good will shown by the presence of callers and then all joined with the pastor in the closing prayer. The company retiring magnificent of articles, too

numerous to mention, for the family larder, was found in the dining room, having been quietly deposited there during the evening, unknown to the family. The pastor and Mrs. Fisher are profuse in their thanks for the kindness of their friends and state that they trust that they may be enabled to reciprocate these acts of kindness by doing faithful work for the church and Christian cause.

Mrs. Sears did a rushing business in the millinery line during the holidays, but she has yet some of those decidedly up-to-date nats, which, in order to make room for her new spring stock, she will sell at greatly reduced prices for a short time.

Information that a certain party in the lower end of the valley has trespassed upon the law for the protection of Chinese pheasants, by shooting one of these birds a few days ago, has just been reported, but owing to the informant's close social relation with the guilty party it was deemed best by him to forego the deserved protection of this his first offense, so far as known, but after receiving due warning, if the offense is again committed, he is ready and willing to lend his aid in meeting out the punishment provided by law. There is a law in Jackson and Josephine counties positively forbidding the killing of these birds at any time of the year, and hereafter any known infringement of the same will be prosecuted. An attempt by those interested in game sporting to thus hinder their progress by these unlawful methods. As long as the propagation of these birds do not transgress upon interests of the citizens of the valley, they should lend their aid in furthering the rapid progress of the undertaking—or at least should interpose no obstacle that would act as a barrier to the promoters' progress.

Hall's Hair Renewer contains the natural food and color-matter for the hair, and medicinal herbs for the scalp, curing grayness, dandruff, and scalp sores.

Enos Rhoten writes from Gold Hill stating that in a write-up in THE MAIL a few weeks ago, under the caption, "A Family of Giants," which write-up included all members of the Rhoten family, he erroneously placed his height at 6 feet and 11 inches. He claims his height to be several inches less than the above figures. Arthur Wilson also states that if the mother of the family is not five feet tall she has fallen off a good bit since he used to dance with her back in the states some fifty odd years ago. Her height is given in the item at a little over four feet. As a matter of fact the whole item seems to have been garbled somewhat. However, Wm. H. Rhoten, our informant, is ready to verify the statement. If there is going to be war in Cuba—or in Jackson county—we turn our interest over to our friend William.

Mrs. Sears is getting ready for a large stock of new spring millinery, and in order to make room, she will sell the hats now on hand at a big discount from regular prices.

It is stated authoritatively that a resolution will probably be introduced in our next Oregon legislature, asking that congress or the president set aside Crater lake and its near surroundings as a national park, giving it a similar standing with the Yellowstone park and the Yosemite, and letters to prominent Mazamas are being sent out asking them to lend their services in enlisting the co-operation of the members of the legislature in the movement. This is a movement that should receive the hearty support of every good citizen of the state, for should the resolution be passed and be acted upon favorably by congress, it would be of great value in advertising the state, as well as giving us a desirable summer resort. The outcome of the project will be watched with much interest by everyone interested in the state.

Money to loan in sums of \$2000 and over on approved farm security at 8 per cent. Parties having old line life insurance policies of different kinds for sale call on us. York & Jones.

About twenty-five of Medford's young people gathered at the home of Prof. E. E. Van Antwerp's parents on Cottage street, on New Year's eve and as the meeting had been prearranged unbeknown to Mr. Van Antwerp, it was in every sense a surprise. The hours were very pleasantly whiled away by the merry-makers indulging in the usual games and music and other entertainment which go to make gatherings of this nature long to be remembered by those who participated in the far beyond, and the new one had been joyfully ushered in. Not until the new year had proceeded fairly well on its journey did the young people disperse—wishing the professor many happy new years.

The length of life may be increased by lessening its danger. The majority of people die from lung trouble. These may be averted by promptly using One Minute Cough Cure. Geo. H. Haskins.

Not a thousand years, or at least not since the operation of the Medford-Jacksonville shortline has there occurred a collision of engines. The record was broken, however, in the early part of this week, when the gravel train engine, called "peanut roaster," for short, and because it is appropriate, had the audacity to claim a prior right-of-way over the ponderous locomotive that pulls the regular passenger train, resulting in a broad-side collision. Engineer Gault was on the passenger engine and Engineer Langley on the "roaster." In switching in the Medford yards the "roaster's" pilot locked horns with the cylinder of the mogul. Very little damage was done save the splintering of the "roaster's" horsecatcher and the ruffling of the feelings of the mogul.

All kinds of wood for sale. Long wood, short wood, hard wood, soft wood—and just plain wood. Bellingier & Hill, draymen.

L. H. Tucker, who lives a few miles east of Medford, has had a good bit of experience in the cultivation of sugar beets back in Kentucky, and from him we learn that the soil of this valley is similar to the soil of Kentucky. In his opinion, as one of experience, the sugar beet cannot fail to be a big producer in this valley, especially as this true as to our bottom land. An average crop of beets in Kentucky, he stated, was from twelve to twenty-five tons per acre, never less than twelve and oftentimes as high as twenty-five. The product was sold to a sugar refinery in his county at

from \$3 to \$4 per ton. His name is among those who will make a test of beet culture in the valley another season.

The best five cent cigar made is the Multnomah Club—you get them at the Palace.

Last week while some boys were playing about the ditch near Dr. Adkins' farm, south of Medford, they discovered some gun cartridges lying at the bottom of the ditch in about two feet of water. John Higham, who lives on the Adkins farm, happened along about that time and the boys and himself fished from the ditch just an even 400 loaded cartridges. How the cartridges came to be there is not quite clear and the only conclusion which can be arrived at is that they were stolen from some hardware store in the valley and were found to be too heavy to carry by the thieves and were thrown in the ditch. The place where they were found is a great rendezvous for hobos.

De Witt's Sarsaparilla is prepared for cleansing the blood. It builds up and strengthens constitutions impaired by disease. Geo. H. Haskins.

The Medford athletes have organized a foot ball team and have commenced practicing and studying the mysteries of the games as played by professionals. The school boys are the first to organize, but there will also be a club organized by the larger boys and some interesting games can be looked for in the not very distant future. Two games were played last week on their grounds under the instructions of Prof. Day Parker, and the enthusiasm with which the boys entered into the game, and the skill exhibited by some of the amateurs is good evidence that Medford will soon have a team that will be able to hold its own with any in the county.

M. D. & R. Co.'s pure whiskies at \$2.25 and \$2.50 per gallon. Office one blk. south of Hotel Nash.

The Butte, Montana, foot ball team passed north Sunday evening in a special car. They were on their way home from San Francisco where they had been playing for several days past. This team was placed in rather a complicated position at their last game at San Francisco by a decision of President Humphrey of the Amateur Athletic union. Owing to the presence of two men in the team whose amateur status was denied by the union, the entire team was classed as professionals, and as there is no such thing thus far in sporting circles as a professional football team, the Butte team is placed in a rather unique position should the decision prove final.

Try one of those five cent Multnomah Club cigars at the Palace—smoke them once—smoke them always.

Monday morning the work of putting down the cement walk around Hotel Nash was commenced by Theo. Dunn and Adam Clinedinst, the contractors, and will be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible. At the corner of the hotel, leading to the main entrance of the office will be something far out of the ordinary in workmanship and beauty. This part of the walk will be laid with diamond and half diamond shaped blocks, stained with the national colors, red, white and blue, and the large curbstone will have the name of Hotel Nash cut on it in large letters. It will require about a month's steady work to complete the walk.

Si Perkins—opera house—Tuesday evening—January 12—more fun than you ever had before—50 cents.

Among the varied features to be introduced during the performance of "Si Perkins," which will be presented by the Burton-Coleman company at the opera house next Tuesday, Jan. 12, is their olio of specialties and the famous "Si Perkins" orchestra, directed by Prof. Thos. Marshall, which is sure to be entertaining. Of the play itself we need only say that for laughing purposes there are no better, and this has been proven by the large audiences it always attracts, and which is sure to be in attendance next Tuesday evening. The parade given by the famous Pugh-town farmers' band is great, be sure and see it at noon.

Watches cleaned and warranted for one year for \$1—Pritchard, the jeweler.

Nominations for a third ticket for city officers to be voted upon at the next city election to be held January 12th, has been filed with the recorder, the ticket to be known as the "People's" ticket. Following are the names of the gentlemen who appear on the ticket: Mayor, Dr. J. W. Odgers; recorder, N. A. Jacobs; trustees, J. Tresler, A. N. Berlin, R. H. Whitehead, and A. T. Drisko; marshal, S. H. Murray; treasurer, G. L. Davis. These names will not appear on the ticket as the nominations were filed too late, but may be written on the tickets by the voters when casting their ballots.

Excelsior Dye works, Medford—clothes cleaned, and repaired.

Rev. G. N. Annes, of Ashland, has accepted the pastorate of the Baptist church of this place, in response to a unanimous call from the congregation of the church, and has moved his family to the parsonage in this city. He preached his first sermon last Sunday before a large congregation, and proved himself a very able speaker. We are glad to welcome the reverend gentleman and his family among us, and hope that his stay may be both profitable to himself and others.

Good business property in Medford for sale at a bargain. York & Jones.

The Josephine county copper mines passed into the hands of a receiver last week and work on the mines have been suspended. There is much disappointment felt at this very unsatisfactory outcome of this enterprise and strong hopes are entertained that the affairs of the company can be settled and work resumed on the mines. The cause of the failure is attributed to mismanagement—in equipping the mine with too expensive machinery before it was needed.

Monday last was the forty-sixth anniversary of R. H. Halley's birth, and in accordance with a custom long in vogue, the event was celebrated by members of the family and a few invited friends. The chief feature of the event was a splendid dinner, which had been prepared by Mrs. Halley and to which the guest did ample justice. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Dickinson, of Rogue river, and Mrs. Chas. Dickinson and Rev. and Mrs. Hoxie.

A very pleasant whist party was had at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Butler last Thursday evening, at which

a few of their intimate friends were invited to spend the evening. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Drisko, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Z. Sears. As Mr. and Mrs. Butler know just how to make things pleasant for their friends, it is needless to say that the evening was an enjoyable one.

It will be with much regret that the many friends of Mrs. Walter Anderson, will learn the good lady is lying seriously ill with typhoid fever at her home in this city. She has been ill for about a month—the first cause being a complicated stomach complaint, which afterwards brought on the attack of fever. Her mother, Mrs. Gilbert, of Crescent City, arrived here Thursday to attend at her bedside.

Oregon has a state law against smoking or giving cigarettes to minors. To pass along the street and meet youths of very tender years puffing away with easy habit and without regard to the presence of others—even ladies, makes one remark that such a law is a failure. This law was published in full in THE MAIL some time ago, and should be enforced to the fullest extent.

On Christmas eve while John Big-ham and family were in attendance at the Christmas exercises in the Christian church, someone stole from his wagon, which was standing near the church, three overcoats and a sack of apples. Mr. B. isn't saying a word about the apples, but he would like real well to locate those coats—himself and children sort of need them at this season of the year.

St. Marks Episcopal church gave an entertainment at Woolf's hall New Year's eve for their Sunday school, at which there was a good sized gathering. The entertainment was given in lieu of the customary Christmas treat, which they did not have this year. The evening was spent in pleasures of different kinds and a good time was had by all present.

We have been handed a clipping from the Harney County Item. It is an account of the death of Chas. Jones, a well-known stock man of that county, which occurred a few weeks ago. Mr. Jones was quite well and favorably known by many people of the Rogue river valley, he having been associated with them in years gone in the stock business.

The newspapers of Oregon are saying many pretty things regarding the Si Perkins company which is to play here next Tuesday evening. "Si Perkins" is the title of the play and it is full of fun from commencement to finish—in fact the fun starts when the Pugh-town band appears on the streets at noon-time. Tickets on sale at Wolters—50 cents.

Over at the residence of the bride's step-father, N. Squire, east of Medford, on Christmas day, Mr. John E. Barker and Miss Stella Pitzel were joined in the holy bonds of wedlock by Rev. Gittins, of this city. After the ceremony a fine dinner was spread and there wasn't anything but a jolly good time enjoyed by all.

The parade of the Silver Serpent had scarcely passed Seventeenth and Curtis streets last evening when the lobby, stairways and auditorium of the Lyceum were packed almost to suffocation with the people who wanted to see "Si Perkins."—Denver Times. Medford Opera house January 12th.

About thirty of the young people of Medford attended the mask ball at Jacksonville, on New Years eve, and all report having had a most excellent time, and that the dance was a great success in every particular. A special train, chartered for the occasion, was run for their accommodation.

During the coming year don't neglect to give your own town a boost when you can. One of the ways to do this is to patronize your home merchants when ever you possibly can, sending your money away to city department stores won't help build up Medford.

Unforeseen and unavoidable circumstances have arisen to make the production of "The Walls of New York," as advertised last week, impracticable, and in consequence it has been indefinitely postponed, and practically declared off.

Capt. Nash, who has been down at the Victor mine for a couple of weeks, reports that in ten days time, with one grant, \$2600 in gold was taken out. The water supply is not sufficient to run more than one giant, but there are three on the ground.

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The Holidays are Now Upon Us

And we hope all have been remembered with something nice. We have done our best to make all have a "Merry Christmas," and hope you may also have a "Happy New Year." We will now turn our attention to staple goods, and those wishing anything in our line will find equally as good, or better, values during the New Year than they have in the year that is just closing. We are even now preparing for the spring trade. We also give our customers prizes to show them that we appreciate their trade. Don't forget us

AT THE "RACKET"

sides at Stockton, Calif., at the last term of the circuit court.

A list of Oregon pioneers, who died during the year just closed, published in the Oregonian this week, shows a larger number of deaths than in any preceding year.

Hubbard Bros. are out with a new ad this week, showing the cut of the celebrated Texas Ranger plow and saying a few words of its merit as a plow for the sticky soil.

A Sargent has moved from near Medford to Phoenix where he is engaged in getting out cord wood on the Jeff. Hamlin ranch.

E. E. Van Antwerp has accepted a position in Chas. Strang's drug store during the winter school vacation.

A new plank walk has been put down in front of the Hamlin block on Seventh street this week.

Ed. Johnson is the glad parent to a boy baby which came to his home on Christmas day.

Death of Mrs. Eliza Bell.

Died—At her home in Medford, Sunday, January 3, Mrs. Eliza Bell, age, eighty years and three months. The death of Mrs. Bell removes from our midst a woman of high esteem, an earnest Christian and a woman beloved by all who knew her. For a long time she has been a sufferer from dropsy, and, although a woman of great vitality, she could not withstand the ravages of the destructive disease that had fastened itself upon her and her death was a natural consequence. She was a woman who every succeeding year registered an ever increasing moral growth and with her was the ever striving effort for higher spiritual attainments. To know her intimately was to feel this constant desire for a better and holier life. In her church relations she was an active worker, until age made it incumbent upon her to relinquish active work, but not active worship.

All who knew her will deplore the loss of a noble woman, but to those who were privileged to draw closer, it is a loss of a devoted mother and an affectionate friend. The funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Baptist church of which she was a member, by Rev. J. Merley, after which interment was made at the Phoenix cemetery.

Many merchants are now well aware that their customers are their best friends and take pleasure in supplying them with the best goods obtainable. As an instance we mention Perry & Cameron, prominent druggists of Flushing, Michigan. They say: "We have no hesitation in recommending Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to our customers, as it is the best cough remedy we have ever sold, and always gives satisfaction." For sale at 25 and 50 cts. per bottle by Geo. H. Haskins.

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

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Two of a Kind. (?)

Mr. E. A. Johnson, the signwriter, begs to state through the columns of THE MAIL, in justice to Mr. E. A. Johnson, the miller, that he, E. A. Johnson, the signwriter, subscribed to the fund of the Medford fair ground and his only regret is that he was not able to aid the movement by a subscription five times as large, for the location of a fair ground at Medford will be a public enterprise of incalculable value to the city. The true measure of a man is largely lodged in his disposition to aid public enterprises, and Mr. E. A. Johnson, the signwriter, wishes to be ever among those who are laboring for the greatness and glory of Medford rather than from impetuous reasons regarding her growth.

E. A. JOHNSON, the Signwriter.

Fruit Trees and Ornamental Scrubs

L. B. Warner has just received a large invoice of fruit trees, ornamental scrubs and small fruits of all kinds. My stock this year is exceptionally fine. Those wanting good, clean stock will do well to call on me before placing orders. Delivery grounds at residence in Southwest Medford.

L. B. WARNER.

Advertised Letter List.

Following is a list of letters remaining uncalled for in the Medford postoffice on November 1, 1906.

Murry, Wm. Kendall, Rev. Reese B. Dodson, H. T. John Keiser. A. E. Kellogg, Mrs. Rosa John Zarambo.

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. PHINIX, Postmaster.

Wanted.

\$3000, on 576 acres of good farm land; 100 acres cleared; small house and barn. Address W. W. Taylor, Medford; or E. E. Mundy, Mt. Tabor, Oregon.

For pain in the chest a piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on over the seat of the pain, and another on the back between the shoulders, will afford prompt relief. This is especially valuable in cases where the pain is caused by a cold and there is a tendency toward pneumonia. For sale by Geo. H. Haskins.

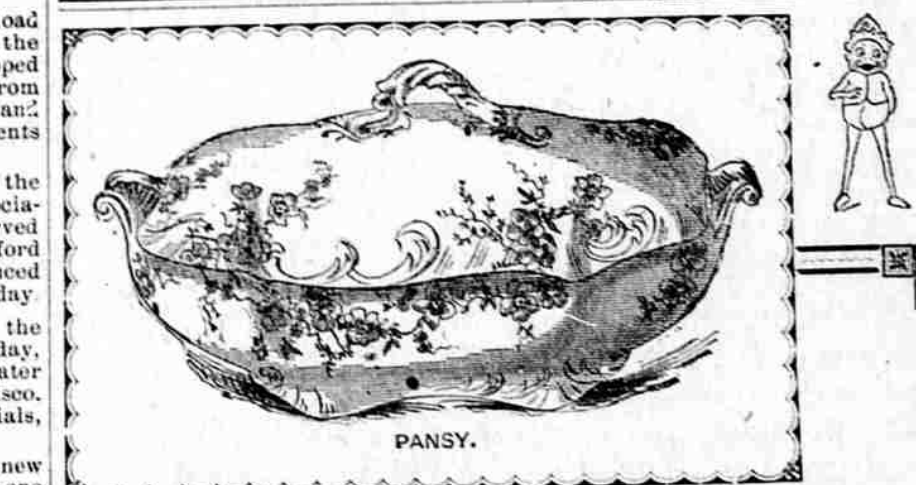
Among the Churches.

M. E. CHURCH SOUTH. A sermon on "Missions" is to be preached by the pastor next Sunday morning, and all services of the day will look to that important instinct, both in the S. S. and Epworth League.

J. A. CRITCHFIELD.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH. Divine service will be held in St. Marks Episcopal church on Sunday evening next, at 7 o'clock. All invited.

In the Nebraska legislature the populists have a full swing in the house and the democrats and silver-republicans in the senate.



WOLTERS, HE WHO SELLS GROCERIES, CROCKERY, AND GLASSWARE

Now has in stock a full line of the beautiful

"PANSY"

Dinner sets. This well known brand of crockery has no equal in quality and finish—it's the best tableware on the market....

My stock of Groceries was never more complete than right now—likewise my line of confectionery, cigars and tobacco

Seventh Street, MEDFORD, OREGON