

## A CRIST OF LOCAL HAPS AND MISHAPS.

In the last week's issue of THE MAIL, we briefly mentioned the lectures delivered here on the subject of best culture, fruit posts and industrial education, by President H. B. Miller, of the Agricultural college, at Corvallis, ably assisted by Prof. A. B. Cordley, of the college experiment station, and Prof. Perrott, the college electrician. These lectures are of more than ordinary interest as they touch upon the vital question of the times. On Wednesday evening, at the opera house, a good sized audience, deeply interested, congregated to listen to Prof. Cordley's lecture upon insects and fungus pests of the apple, pear and peach trees. The subject is one of great interest to the horticulturists in this vicinity and was made doubly so by the able manner with which it was dealt with. The professor was assisted in his lecture on the subject by Prof. Perrott, the electrician, who illustrated the points brought out by splendid stereopticon views. The address of Mr. Miller on Thursday evening, on the subject of industrial education, was one replete with interest and was listened to with the greatest attention by the audience. Mr. Miller dwelt at some length upon the necessity of training the hands as well as the mind, and explained in a very able and concise manner the aims and objects of industrial education for which the Agricultural college was established and is maintained. On criticising the modern education he said that it tended too much to comparatively meaningless book learning without the pre-requisite to a successful store of knowledge—the practical application of that knowledge. His address throughout was pregnant with progressive ideas of the particular mode of education which he so ably championed. His address was concluded with stereopticon views illustrating the workings of the college and its several departments.

Absolutely pure, perfectly harmless, and invariably reliable are the qualities of One Minute Cough Cure. It never fails in colds, croup and lung troubles. Children like it because it is pleasant to take and it helps them. Chas. Strang, Medford; Dr. J. Hinkle, Central Point.

A MAIL reporter, who had heard upon several different occasions remarks reflecting credit upon Architect Palmer's ability as a designer of no small rank in the profession, dropped into the gentleman's office in the Lindley building one day last week, unannounced and requested the privilege of inspecting some of the work that had produced the words of praise that he had heard. Mr. Palmer, with his usual courtesy, immediately produced a large number of drawings of costly buildings which he had drawn while acting as government architect in Honolulu, during the reign of Queen Liliuokalani and it took but a remarkably short space of time to satisfy himself that Mr. Palmer was justly entitled to all the commendatory words spoken. The drawings for the large buildings in the far off Honolulu, however, had not the interest that the several drawings for business and dwelling houses to be erected in Medford during the summer. The plans for Capt. Nash's new addition to Hotel Nash were inspected and when the building is completed, the gentleman can then be really proud of his hostelry. It will make, on the upper floor, an addition of ten double bed rooms to the house and on the lower floor, a large lighted store room. Other drawings were shown of a residence for S. Childers and one for Contractor L. Lyon, which will indeed be a credit to the gentleman himself. Another year or two more to enjoy another year of building prosperity such as marked her growth last year, and Architect Palmer will see several buildings in which handwork will be placed his trade mark—and one of which any man might well be proud.

If your wagon "don't track" or the spokes are dropping out call on E. C. Boeck and have it put in first-class order. He has had several years experience in this line of work and will treat you right. Shop with Merriman & Caskey.

The road between this city and Central Point—especially the Beal lane—presented an appearance not at all to that of Sunday school picnics last Saturday evening, notwithstanding the fact that there were gathered there quite a concourse of young people. They were not there from chance, however, but they were there just the same. Several rigs loaded to the guards with young people from Ashland who had been to Central Point to witness the foot ball game, started on their return trip, but they were unmindful of the fact that the rains during the day had prepared the sticky in the above mentioned lane for their coming and one by one misfortunes happened. Team after team would come to a stand still and it would become necessary to "jettison" the cargo of human freight—girls and all—and if it so happened that some of the "rigging" about the team or wagon had given out—which so happened in some cases—the unhappy "ball punters" and their lady friends were reminded of the fact that it was quite a walk—through the sticky—to Central Point. The lane needs "fixin'" and so do most of the people who traveled it last Saturday.

The length of life may be increased by lessening its dangers. The majority of people die from lung troubles. These may be averted by promptly using One Minute Cough Cure. Chas. Strang, Medford; Dr. J. Hinkle, Central Point.

It will be remembered that a few weeks ago Mr. Toby was in Medford in the interests of a society which has for its mission the procuring of homes for homeless children. While here the gentleman was visited by Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ward, of this city, who were desirous of adopting a child, and the sequel to the request was made a matter of record last week when a letter was received by these people from Mr. Toby stating that he had secured a child for them and that it would reach here Sunday morning and in care of Representative Hawser. True to his promise the baby came, and Mrs. Ward took from the arms of the sleeping car porter—Mr. Hawser having stopped off at a station down the road—a pretty, bright and winsome little girl baby, two months old, as ever fond mother cherished. The foster parents are happy and if that child lives it will bless the day when its life career was given in charge of

such estimable, kind and honest people. They will make for it a home which any child might envy. The child was procured in Salem.

Go to J. S. Hagey, East Medford, for fruit trees.

Members of the city council have under contemplation the adoption of a system which they hope will materially improve the sanitary condition of the city. The move is nothing more nor less than of ordering that brick and cement privy vaults be built and those now in use be vacated. The board has been working upon this line of sanitary improvement for some time and the above will undoubtedly be adopted. Inasmuch as water will be necessary in flushing the new vaults it will probably be decided that the new system at present will extend only to those parts of the city where water pipes are laid. To a MAIL reporter Mayor Haskins expressed himself, in behalf of the members of the council, as especially desiring that all protests to this contemplated move be made before action is taken by that body. "We realize," says Mr. Haskins, "the necessity of introducing more strict and efficient sanitary measures, but no measure can be successfully carried out unless the citizens will stand with us and lend their assistance."

Why suffer with coughs, colds and lagrippe 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.

W. E. Butler, the contractor who left Medford last fall for Yreka, Calif., writes to THE MAIL from that place, under date of March 7th, like this: "With kind feeling for all my fellow working brothers, I believe a word right now might be of some service to some of them. (Your paper, I know, will reach all of them in that locality.) From that section of the country several working men have come recently to Yreka for employment. There is nothing going on now, nor will there be until late in the spring. While I think there will be considerable work next summer I would not advise anyone to come. The town is full of idle men. No houses to rent—some are living in barns. Some, of course, will find employment, while a great number will be disappointed. This town is like many others—filled with working men. Men with money might do worse than to come here. These few lines will answer several enquiries which I have had."

E. C. Boeck has on hand a full line of material for repairing wagons, buggies, hacks and farm machinery. His work is strictly first-class and prices reasonable.

Charlie Wolters, he who keeps the big grocery store in this city, is out with a new ad this week. Mr. Wolters is using nearly his entire space in telling you of "Lo" tea, which he is selling at thirty cents per pound. This is a high grade of blended Japan tea and ought to sell for more money than the price advertised, but Charlie is in the field for trade and he proposes to have it. He is one of Medford's earliest merchants and is one of our positively square, honest dealers. He guarantees FULL WEIGHTS and first-class goods. Next week he will be telling our 1900 subscribers of his new line of crockery and glassware, but this week it is tea and Lenten goods exclusively. The popularity of Mr. Wolters as an honest, reasonable and jolly dealer is waning not a little bit, but instead is increasing. See his big tea ad on this page. Watch for a change next week.

Do you know that it is now Lent, and we have prepared for it, and have a well selected line of mackerel, codfish, smoked halibut and bloters—the Wolters grocery.

The Medford Gun Club is arranging to put in a complete set of the latest improved electric-pull expert traps—making ready, as it were, for a general revival of the used-to-be enthusiasm among those of our people who enjoy a real good shoot among themselves and with like people of neighboring towns. It is expected that grounds will be fitted up in the center of the drying track of the Medford fair association. The site is well chosen, it being level and handy to town. While the re-organization of the gun club means sport for the boys in contest shooting the principal reason for the present move is that of united protection to game which abounds hereabouts—and more especially may be named the protection of Chinese pheasants from the unlawful slaughter which is being made upon them in some parts of the valley.

If the hair has been made to grow a natural color on bald heads in thousands of cases, by using Hall's Hair Renewer, why will it not in your case? —There are two women, a twelve-year-old boy and a dog up on Wagner creek that are truly brave. They are Mrs. J. P. Cotton, Mrs. A. B. Kerby and the latter's son. It was only a few days ago that a dog belonging to one of the families mixed himself up in a little scrap with a panther, and it so happened that the panther was getting the better of the dog, and the same being a favorite in the family the two ladies and the boy joined in the melee, the latter trio being provided only with stones and clubs but they succeeded in killing the panther and saving the life of the dog—and they were not frightened a little bit, notwithstanding the fact that the animal measured seven and a half feet in length. The animal was prowling about the homes of these people and was not more than an hundred yards from one of their houses when attacked by the dog.

The old way of delivering messages by post boys compared with the modern telephone, illustrates the old tedious way of "breaking" colds compared with their almost instantaneous cure by One Minute Cough Cure. Chas. Strang, Medford; Dr. J. Hinkle, Central Point.

Geo. S. Parker, who has been doing local work on THE MAIL for the past five or six months, has severed his connection herewith and is now in the field for business in fire insurance. He has on his list the Lancashire, London Assurance and Palatine—all old line companies and as solid as the rocks of Gibraltar. Aside from these he is agent for an accident insurance company. With these four good companies, together with his notarial work, he hopes to be able to drop into a good, profitable business. Mr. Parker is thor-

oughly a gentleman and is possessed of a jovial turn—is strictly a gentleman of the very best business qualifications, hence it is but reasonable to presume that success will be easily within his reach. He has office rooms with Attorney W. H. Parker, in the Hamlin block.

FOR TRADE:—Farm in Lassen Co., Calif., to exchange for Medford town or farm property at a great bargain. See Wayne Jones & Co., between bank and postoffice.

Spring is just about ready to step in and take possession of this neck of the woods, and already many are making preparations to put in their early gardens. With the coming of spring also comes the good housewife's happiest moments—the time for housecleaning. It is then that the carpets must be taken up without spilling a single drop, and the stove pipe must come down, and after a sufficient amount of dissecting and receiving a new coat of "shlue" must be put up again—and all without a single "cuss word," no matter how many times the tireless husband and faithful helpmate pinch their fingers. All this must be done year after year, and to some wives as well as many faithful husbands the housecleaning season is looked forward to with ardent joy. (?)

Look out for our new line of glass-ware soon to arrive from the east. It will excel anything ever shown in the city. Wolters, the grocer.

J. P. Cotton was in from Wagner creek Monday. The gentleman has but recently moved from Phoenix to his new location where he will operate a saw mill, work to commence next week. He has a large supply of logs on hand and expects a good run of work during the next few months. During the winter Mr. Cotton has been engaged in placer mining upon which mine he is now employing five men. No clean-up of the mine will be made until May, but from the bedrock there is each day picked up enough gold to more than pay the wages of the men. One forenoon recently \$20 were picked up. What the clean-up will show no person knows, but it ought to be a good one.

Lost—A buggy boot, between Medford and Talent. Finder will please leave it at Lumsden & Berlin's grocery store. J. W. Wiley Medford, Oregon.

R. R. Cleveland was in from Beagle last week and from him we gathered the information that three of his horses have recently died with a disease similar to spinal meningitis. The disease, whatever it may be, seems to weaken the spine and the animals rapidly grow worse, resulting in their death within four days from the day of the first symptoms. During their illness they eat and drink heartily until within a short time before death. When the pangs of death come they rear up and fall backward and no sooner do they strike the ground than is life extinct. Mr. Cleveland has another horse—the only one remaining—which is now sick with the same disease.

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

The spring run of tramps has commenced, going southward from Oregon and Washington, where times are reported to be exceedingly dull and money scarce. The foregoing news from the Yreka, Calif., Journal sounds not at all bad when read in that paper, but when printed in THE MAIL and on the same page with an item written from Yreka by Contractor Butler, the situation differs materially, and one is led to believe that the Journal is encouraging a greater influx of laboring men to Yreka, and further, that the places which are exceedingly dull and money scarce, extend into California and that Yreka is inside the border line.

All kinds of garden seeds in bulk—cheaper than they can be bought by sending away for them—at Lumsden & Berlin's.

Mrs. E. Kirchgoessner and the babies and Miss Ella Hanley will leave Sunday week for Howard City, South Dakota, where they will visit for a few weeks after which they will visit for some little time in the adjoining state, Minnesota. Their friends are all wishing them a pleasant trip and that Miss Ella's wished for blizzard will not backward in coming forward—and there is not the slightest doubt but that the wish will be gratified, as it is now just a little past mid-winter in that state. However, THE MAIL hopes that no serious mishap will be theirs should a blizzard overtake them.

E. C. Boeck is at all times prepared to do wagon and carriage work in all its branches. Old wagons repaired, and all work warranted first-class.

The Southern Pacific flyer still continues to fly, and while it takes a goodly portion of the travel from the regular trains still they, too, seem to grow heavier—and many more passengers are daily being carried by the road. It was thought that when the fare on the Shasta limited was raised to nearly equal that of the regular trains that the patronage would soon diminish to such an extent that the train would be discontinued, but present indications are that it will continue for some time to come.

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

The Rogue River Valley Telephone company is making improvements in the operation of its line whenever an opportunity presents itself and the business will warrant. The newest improvement is that of placing in four of their offices long distance instruments. These are much more convenient than the old ones: sound is transmitted clearer—and you don't have to push the button. The offices now supplied with new instruments are Medford, Grants Pass, Jacksonville and Ashland.

athletes, Messrs. J. E. Enyart, T. E. Pottenger and Geo. Coulter, it might have been quite a serious affair. The fire was first discovered on the inside of the roof near the flue, but before the flames had gained sufficient headway to cause much damage assistance arrived and put a stop to its career of destruction.

Grano for breakfast—latest and best—can't be beat—at the Wolters grocery.

The city council held an adjourned meeting at the council chambers last Monday evening, at which the mayor and a majority of the council were present. Nothing was transacted of record except to approve a bill of Recorder Stanfield amounting to \$7.95. A rather long session was held and the time was devoted to the discussion of water problems and sanitary matters, though no plan was formulated or no line of action decided upon.

Now is the time to use Sarsaparilla, Dr. Scott's. At Haskins' drug store.

Orten Wiley, who has been employed by Druggist Strang off and on for the past couple of years, and who has been a very close student in pharmacy, is at Portland this week taking an examination for a certificate as a pharmacist's assistant. A letter received Wednesday stated that he was better than half through with the examination and would surely pass. He is a bright young man, very studious and deserves to get anything he goes after.

For sale—One good second hand baby carriage. Enquire at Jack Morris' Second Hand store.

The warrant for the collection of taxes for 1896 was delivered to Sheriff Barnes on last Thursday, by Clerk Jackson, who was ordered so to do by the county court at its last session. The total tax is \$128,000.03, divided as follows: State fund 4 9-10 mills, \$19,248.31; county school purposes 12 5-20 mills, \$58,932.62; indigent soldiers' fund 1-20 mills, \$240.54; poll tax on 1421 polls, \$1,421.00; city tax, \$9,575.02; special school tax, \$15,914.49.

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

Work on the fair grounds has been suspended until next Monday, owing to the present inclement weather. Something like twenty stalls for speed horses have been made; posts for the enclosure fence have been driven, some work has been done on the track—work on the exhibition stock stalls and amphitheatre will be commenced Monday. Considering the very unfavorable weather the work has thus far progressed very nicely.

Blue grass and clover seed—the best in the market—at the Wolters grocery.

Last Tuesday the bids received for the construction of the recorder's secretary called for by the city council were opened. The several bids were as follows: Weeks Bros. \$24, D. Cofer \$23, A. C. Nicholson \$32, E. W. Starr \$18.50, A. L. Ham \$21, W. R. Barrett \$24, J. K. Darnell \$18. J. K. Darnell being the lowest bidder the contract was awarded to him, and the secretary will be constructed at once.

Matches one cent per bunch at Lumsden & Berlin's.

The weather during the past few weeks has been such as to make the farmer raise a good sized kick, but this sort of weather is quite the correct article for fruit. The prospects for an abundant crop of fruit were never better—as far as the weather goes, and should there be no frost later in the spring the fruit crop will without doubt be one not surpassed by any of previous years.

Acme health coffee at the Wolters grocery.

O. L. Walden, the broom manufacturer, has purchased from C. W. Palm, twenty-six acres of land in the Sutter tract, north of Medford, and will at once commence the construction of a residence and work shop thereon. Mr. Walden is doing a cracking good business here—and he deserves it all. He puts up a good article and is a fine gentleman.

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The Medford Brewing Company filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state at Salem last week. The incorporators are E. Merz, Henry Weinhard and Paul Wessinger. The object of the company is to conduct a brewing business in all its branches, including the bottling of beer and other liquids; capital stock, \$15,000, at \$100 per share.

Ralston's health food is a health builder—at the Wolters grocery.

Contractor A. C. Nicholson commenced work this week on a 20x24 addition to the blacksmith shop occupied by Morrillman & Caskey—the same to be used for a wagon shop, which will be conducted by E. C. Boeck. Mr. Boeck is an experienced man at this line of work, and will no doubt secure for himself his portion of the work.

A. B. Kerby while piping on J. P. Cotton's placer mine was unfortunate in being caught and quite badly injured by the sliding of a large embankment, alongside of which he was working. A large stump which was in the embankment struck him on the chest and leg and from the effects of which he is still confined to his bed.

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Arthur Wilson has traded his 117 acre farm near Roxy Ann, to G. E. Allen, for one acre of ground together with the buildings and other improvements thereon, in southwest Medford. Mr. Wilson has moved into town and Mr. Allen will move to the farm as soon as he can erect suitable buildings thereon.

# THE RACKET

Has a new line of those famous McDonald working shirts, that are full length, full width, proper shape, double stitched and cheap. Also some new laundry shirts.....

**G. L. WEBB**

P. S.—Gents! don't patronize traveling agents. If your tailor can't suit you in clothing I have 1000 samples you may select from, and guarantee a fit. Cheap—look at them. W.

to look well to the locks on your barns these times—also to the locks on your woodsheds and henneries.

Married, on Monday, March 8th, at the Christian parsonage, Medford, Oregon, Eli Fisher officiating, Mr. Arthur W. Williams and Miss Pearl L. Froorman, both of Gold Hill. The good wishes of many friends follow them for a happy and prosperous journey through life.

Hon. J. H. Stewart, the orchardist, and A. T. Markley, proprietor of the Aloha evaporator, shipped a carload of evaporated prunes to Chicago this week. The car was started for its eastern trip Tuesday night and was full up of Rogue river valley's unequalled fruit.

The many friends hereabouts of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Rhodes, will rejoice with them because that at their home, at Ft. Jones, Calif., there arrived, on February 25th, as plump and pretty a girl baby as ever breathed the ozone of northern California.

Miss Zarah Bliss has been engaged to teach school in the Dry creek district, school to commence March 22d. Miss Bliss is a teacher of known ability and worth—and none are more cognizant of this fact than are the people in the above named district.

Levi Morris, of Talent, who contemplates moving to Costa Rica, Central America, has in his possession some samples of coffee grown in that country, and brought here by W. H. Breese, who returned from there last week.

Next Sunday, March 14, a special train carrying about 300 members of the Postal Clerk's National Benefit Association will pass through Medford bound for San Francisco, where the association is to meet on the 16th.

There is a new boy baby boy at the home of Editor Phipps—since last Saturday. Everybody getting along fine including Grandpa Crouch, who isn't doing a thing but enjoying a shower of congratulations.

Miss Lulu Roberts, of Central Point, one of Jackson County's most successful teachers, has just been granted a state certificate. The directors of Liberty district have secured her services for their spring term.

Our Gold Hill and Central Point correspondents have disappointed us this week by not sending the usual grist of local happenings—a fact which no one regrets more than we do.

City Recorder Stanfield and Real Estate Agent W. T. York were at Jacksonville yesterday engaged in taking the Medford road tax from the assessor's tax list.

J. Beek & Co. are extensively advertising their Bridge-Besch stoves and ranges, also fishing tackle and sportsmen's supplies. See their ad on first page.

The two-year-old child of Clemmie Maxwell died in this city last Saturday, at the home of Mrs. Penwell. Interment was made in the Odd Fellows cemetery, Sunday.

Walter Cofer and May Phipps, both of Medford, have been elected

president and vice president of the normal class at the Ashland normal school.

From now on the clubbing rate of THE MAIL and Cincinnati Enquirer will be \$1.75 per year. The Enquirer people have raised on us.

Wayne Jones & Co. have added materially to the appearance of their real estate office by the addition of a new counter, desk, etc.

There is a new boy baby at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Bell, east of Medford, and the date of arrival was Friday of last week.

A. A. Davis is adding to the general appearance of his always well kept and imposing residence by the application of paint.

P. J. Halley has moved from over the Woodford feed store to his father's brick residence, corner G and Sixth streets.

Miss Mamie Wilson, of Gold Hill, came up Tuesday and will have charge of the postal telegraph office in this city.

Merchant H. U. Lumsden will, after this week, occupy the M. S. Damos residence on South C street.

J. E. Toft is nothing slow as a signwriter—as several new signs about the city will bear witness.

Ralph Woodford and Lin Purdin are figuring on establishing an amateur newspaper in Medford.

E. W. Carder is having a new picket fence placed around his neat Medford residence.

S. A. Owing has moved his family to the Childers residence, on North C street.

Look out for the Easter entertainment by the Baptist choir.

J. A. Whitman has opened bicycle salesroom at Ashland.

**Dangers of the Grip.**  
The greatest danger from a gripe is of its resulting in pneumonia. If reasonable care is used, however, and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy taken, all danger will be avoided. Among the tens of thousands who have used this remedy for a gripe, we have yet to learn of a single case having resulted in pneumonia, which shows conclusively that this remedy is a certain preventative of that dread disease. It will effect a permanent cure in less time than any other treatment. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by Geo. H. Haskins.

**Notice.**  
Having been appointed assignee for J. W. Lawton I will proceed to sell, at reduced prices, the entire stock of harness, saddles, bridles, halters, lap robes, whips and everything carried in stock and covered in assignment by the said J. W. Lawton.  
Medford, Ore., Feb. 8, 1897.  
T. F. WEST, Assignee.

**La Grippe.**  
Pneumonia, coughs and colds cured. Use S. B. Cough Cure. Price 50 cents per bottle. For sale by Chas. Strang.

Superior job printing—M. W. office.

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## Blended Japan Tea ...

30 cts per Pound  
Half-pound Packages 15 cts,...

This is strictly a high grade tea. It ought to sell for 60 cents, but I have cut the price in two ...

I guarantee full weights ...  
I guarantee first-class goods ...

# The Wolters Grocery

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