

A CRIST OF LOCAL HAPS AND MISHAPS.

Postmaster Purdin is fast forging his way to a few millions of dollars which are sure to be his—and they come without his experiencing the trials and hardships of a Klondike trip. A Modford capitalist whose name for the present will be Mr. Blank, has signed agreements with Mr. Purdin to furnish the necessary money for the manufacture of a paper toothpick machine, and Mr. P. is now skimming the country over for a manufacturing firm that will tackle the job. Mr. P. has secured a patent on his paper toothpick as well as upon every part of the machine necessary for the manufacture of the picks. A toothpick is a small article but it is one of universal use, and an improvement upon the wooden one now in use would meet with general demand—provided it could be made to sell as cheaply—and Mr. Purdin promises that the proper ones can. His million dollar goal is no joke and is liable to be reached. Before was the diamond king of South Africa but it is written that Purdin shall be the toothpick king of America—and the whole family will wear diamonds.

A thrill of terror is experienced when a hoarse cough or croup sounds through the house at night. But the terror soon changes to relief after One Minute Cough Cure has been administered. Safe and harmless for children. Strang, the druggist, Medford; Dr. J. Hinkle, Central Point.

E. D. Elwood, the now jeweler and optician has rented the west side of the Van Dyke dry good store and is now getting things in shape for business. He has carpenters at work rearranging the show window and Weeks Bros. are at work on wall cases. His counter show cases—special designs for his business are here and in position. He is now ready to attend to all business in jewelry and watch repairing and just as soon as his stock of goods arrives he will be strictly in the white with a large stock of splendid plated ware and jewelry and optical goods. Mr. Elwood is a graduated optician and makes a specialty of fitting eyes. He will appear in these columns next week. The gentleman has his family with him and they have taken their permanent residence among us. They are splendid appearing people and THE MAIL extends to them a hearty welcome.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. Strang, the druggist, Medford; Dr. J. Hinkle, Central Point.

Mrs. I. E. Sayre came in from the Applegate country last week, with her brother, A. T. McMurtry, who was experimenting with their new and recently patented ore crusher. A test was made on rock from the Scott & Merrill mine near Steamboat, resulting in the crusher proving entirely satisfactory both as to the quality of the work and the amount it could crush per hour. A thorough working test showed that ten tons could be crushed in twenty-four hours. Another brother, D. F. McMurtry, now at Pasadena, Calif., is expected to arrive here soon. He will take an interest in the patent and several of the crushers will be made at once and put on the market. The crusher is called the Hog and like its name it is said to "hog" all the gold to be found in as much rock as can possibly be put through.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. Strang, the druggist, Medford; Dr. J. Hinkle, Central Point.

Rev. Eli Fisher has received and accepted a call from the new church at Salinas, Calif. He tendered his resignation to the official board of the Medford Christian Church last week, and on last Sunday morning at the eleven o'clock services the official board regretfully recommended the acceptance of the resignation by the church. Rev. Fisher will remain with the Medford Christian Church until April 1st. The church passed very complimentary resolutions concerning the elder and his excellent wife. These people have been residents of our city for the past four years and have made many friends who will regret their departure. In church work they made wonderful progress, the church having during their stay paid off the debt and increased greatly in membership.

The mercantile firm of Cranfill & Hutchison has, by mutual consent, been dissolved. Which member retires we cannot state—in fact, neither retire, but instead they will divide the goods now in stock even up and each will open a building owned and formerly occupied by Anglo & Plymale and will next week or the week after move his share of the goods thereto. Mr. Hutchison will remain in the store now occupied by the firm. When the division has been made and all things arranged new goods will be added to both stocks. The store will be closed next week—while the division is being made. The Anglo & Plymale building is being thoroughly renovated and repaired.

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.

It was a delightful afternoon the Sylbo girls spent with Miss Clara Skeel last Friday, being her first turn as hostess, and only one member absent. An unusually jolly time was had as our president was able to attend after being missed for so long a time. Although not able to walk, she kept the crowd in good order and occupied the seat of honor at the luncheon, which was a spread intended to make one feel that our new Sylbo sister was capable of serving in style not to be surpassed—assisted by her mother. Those who enjoyed this treat were Mrs. Skeel and daughter, Clara, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Heard, Misses Worman, Woodford, Rhinohart, Cole, Isaacs and as guest, Robin Warner.

Some of the citizens of Eden precinct, both young and old to the number of about thirty, called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Gullaher one evening last week without previously sending in their cards. The surprise was

complete. The evening was spent in various kinds of amusements, such as singing, games and social conversation, and a abundance of refreshments was brought forth and enjoyed by all. As the hour of twelve approached all repaired to their homes declaring that they had just a "splendid time."

Complaint was filed before Justice Jones on Wednesday of this week that one Harry Campbell was stealing wood from the Southern Oregon Pork Packing Company's wood yard at the packing house. Marshal Hart went out and brought him before the court. He entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to a fine of \$50, and in default of payment he was ordered committed and was taken to the county jail the same evening by Constable Woolf. After delivering the prisoner to the sheriff Mr. Woolf went before the county judge and filed a complaint of insanity against the prisoner whose mind is certainly unbalanced. He was adjudged insane by the board yesterday and was taken to the insane asylum the same evening.

Says Finnegan to Finnegan "where do you buy groceries?" Says Finnegan to Finnegan, "At Wolters, of course."

S. W. Speas has a novel way of capturing codling moths. He puts sweetened water into bottles and hangs them on his fruit trees with the corks out. The moths are attracted by the sweetened water and fly into the bottle and are thus made their own captors. He puts a little sarsaparilla in the water as a sure enticement to moths. Last year he had out a hundred bottles and this year will double the number. He reports pretty nearly every bottle filled to the neck.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three little things created—they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles. Strang, the druggist, Medford; Dr. J. Hinkle, Central Point.

Dolph Naylor writes from Ft. Wrangel, Alaska, saying that he will remain there for a while; that the probability of the Canadian government building a railroad from that place into the mining region is good; that four vessels arrived at Wrangel the morning he wrote and that one of these was an English boat loaded with railroad material and a lot of men for construction work. The snow was eighteen inches deep and there was considerable sickness.

What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who could become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. Strang, the druggist, Medford; Dr. J. Hinkle, Central Point.

The Colorado Exploration Company, present owners of the Greenhorn Blue Gravel mine, commenced work last Tuesday evening, under the management of Frank P. King, a scientific mining man, who was formerly chief engineer of the Rio Grande and Denver R. R. Co.—Yreka Journal. Mr. King is the mining man who has made Medford his home for the past couple of years—and made so many friends, all of whom are hoping for his success.

We are anxious to do a little good in this world and can think of no pleasanter or better way to do it than by recommending One Minute Cough Cure as a preventive of pneumonia, consumption and other serious lung troubles that follow neglected colds. Strang, the druggist, Medford; Dr. J. Hinkle, Central Point.

The baptismal services at Central Point near the old camp ground last Sunday were one of the most picturesque ever witnessed in that vicinity. There was a very large congregation present and gave most respectful attention. There were ten candidates baptized, being converts to Rev. S. W. P. Richardson's meeting with the Christian Church. Rev. E. Fisher, of Medford, did the baptizing because of Rev. Richardson's feeble health.

The Mail can handle all the good wood which our farmer friends have a mind to bring in in payment for subscription. We can not take wood on our clubbing propositions.

Everybody, irrespective of party lines, come out and hear L. H. McMahan, direct from Switzerland, where the people enjoy the best government on earth. If it is better than ours we ought to know it. Mr. McMahan has made it a study. Taxpayers ought to know it too. They can't afford to miss this opportunity. Remember, Saturday night, March 5th—free to all—at the opera house. By order of committee.

The "Mountain Wail," a four act drama, was presented at the Medford opera house on Tuesday evening of this week by an Ashland company. The audience was not as large as was hoped for, and expected, but those who attended were well pleased. The several parts were well handled—better than could have been done by the majority of amateur players. The receipts were about \$25.

Fourteen pairs of good, solid men's shoes, all sizes—at \$1 per pair; also fourteen pairs of a little better men's shoes at \$1.25—at The Fair.

R. A. Proudfoot commenced moving his electric light plant onto the city property, at the pumping station last Saturday night at 12 o'clock and while a large force of help was employed it was impossible to complete the job and get things readjusted and in running shape before Wednesday night, when the lights were turned on—and kerosene and candles were sidetracked again.

There are some new "tickers" in town at B. N. Butler's shop. They are the Soth Thomas clocks—best on earth.

Sherriff Barnes was over yesterday morning and attached some goods owned by Charlie Mariner to satisfy a judgment issued out of Judge Danaher's court in Jacksonville in favor of Chris Ulrich for \$20. The goods were in the care and custody of J. H. Bollinger and consisted of cooking utensils used at the boarding camp of the Grand Applegate Water Ditch Company.

All kinds of wood for sale. Long wood, short wood, hard wood, soft wood—and just plain wood. Bollinger, the drayman.

O. N. Spurr has his bowling alley nearly completed. He is putting in two alleys, and has room sufficient for two more which will not be placed for the present. The building is a very neat appearing affair and the work done on it is good throughout. Mr. Spurr expects to be in readiness to open tomorrow, Saturday, afternoon.

Rev. Fysh came up from Willow Ranch last Monday to procure material for the new church now in course of construction at Cottonwood.—Lakeview Examiner. Rev. Fysh was formerly stationed at Eagle Point, where he has a great many friends who will be glad to know that he is prospering in his church work.

Removed—Miss H. A. Medynski, the milliner, to two doors west of Cranfill's store.

Mrs. G. W. White entertained the whist club last Thursday evening. Mr. White was out of town but his good lady did all the honors necessary and a very pleasant evening of "duplicate" and progressive whist, luncheon, music and social chat was enjoyed. Mrs. A. S. Bliton will entertain tonight, Friday.

There is not a better or more complete stock of table dishes in Southern Oregon—at Wolters, of course.

Dentist O. F. Demorest has just received a handsome new dental chair of latest invention. It was shipped from Toledo, Ohio.—Lakeview Examiner. Dr. Demorest is working himself into a splendid business at Lakeview—all of which is deserved.

Weeks & Orr shipped a mixed carload of evaporated fruit—peaches, pears and prunes—to Seattle Tuesday. This is the second carload of 24,000 pounds each, which these orchardists have but recently sent out—and the fruit is a splendid article.

My stock of new watches has arrived. D. T. Pritchard.

J. G. Van Dyke & Co. have removed the partition near the rear of their store building, giving them more room—this having been made necessary by the incoming of Jeweler Elwood. The store is being improved greatly by paint and calcimine.

\$1600 will buy 92 acres of first-class farm land within 2 miles of Medford—York & Wortman.

L. O. Wells, father of drayman A. S. Wells, has a preparation which he puts up that is said to be a positive insect exterminator. He is advertising quite extensively and is now making ready to put the preparation on the market.

House and 5 acres of land, Southwest Medford to rent—inquire of York & Wortman.

M. F. Parker is making several improvements on his recently acquired East Medford residence property. This is the L. M. Lyon property. Mr. Lyon has moved to the farm which he received in exchange for the above real estate.

Lost—A white shell breastpin, with gold ship in center. Lost on Saturday, on streets of Medford. Return to this office, please.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Galloway entertained a number of their friends on Wednesday evening of last week. The party was given in honor of their son, Robert's home-coming for a visit after an absence of several months in Portland.

Where do I buy my spices? Why at Wolters, of course.

Alba Heywood, the actor, who is quite well known in Southern Oregon, was mortally wounded last Thursday night in Longview, Texas, by P. T. Pogus, another theatrical man, who was also shot and fatally wounded.

I'm off again, on agin, gone agin—to Wolters, of course. Groceries?—Yes.

Alonso Noah and family have moved from Medford to Sams Valley, where they have rented the Heppner place. Mr. Noah expects to haul a considerable amount of wood to Medford during the coming summer.

See Mackey for superior photos and reasonable prices.

A license to marry was issued on February 28th, to Assessor John Grieve and Mrs. Mary E. Fries, both of Central Point. The wedding has not taken place as yet and we do not know the date that is set.

My shelves positively refuse to hold out-of-date, back-number goods. Mine are always fresh—at Wolters, of course.

T. F. West has been making a few needed repairs to one of his North B street dwellings. If there is one man more than another who keeps his rented houses in good shape that fellow is Uncle Thomas West.

B. N. Butler, the jeweler, is selling clocks at Chicago prices.

Col. J. B. Eddy has sold his interest in the Roseburg Plastering to E. J. Stratford. What Mr. Eddy will do now is not written. He is one of the Oregon railroad commissioners.

Get Walls & Shearer to do your moving—satisfaction always.

Ira A. Phelps, late of Medford, Oregon, assumed the position of foreman of this office on Monday morning. The above is from the People's Press, published at Albany, Oregon.

Breakfast food is no food at all unless good food—Wolters, of course.

G. L. Schermerhorn has purchased the Hosler residence, corner Sixth and G streets. The price paid was \$750 and the deal was made through C. W. Palm's real estate agency.

I buy nothing but the best groceries—at Wolters, of course.

J. B. Riddle, formerly proprietor of the Riddle House—now Hotel Naah—in Medford, is a candidate for the nomination for sheriff on the Republican ticket in Douglas County.

Spring trucks for spring household moving. Well & Shearer.

Little Lucile, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. York, was taken suddenly ill last Monday afternoon with a spasm and for a time her life was despaired of. Dr. Jones was called.

While engaged in mining last week, down on Fooths creek, G. W. Lanco, Jr., was struck on the hand by a piece of rock resulting in a very painful injury.

Bargains that will please you on every shelf—at Wolters, of course.

Perry Stewart is making ready to move his family to his place in East Medford. Mr. Culton's people having moved to the Williams residence, near the bridge.

Married—At the home of the bride near Ashland, Sunday, Feb. 27, 1898, H. A. Ferguson and Louisa Czekley both of Jackson County. Rev. J. F. Wallace officiating.

Don't give me your money until you have seen your money's worth—at Wolters, of course.

The MAIL job rooms are filled to the ceiling almost this week with orders for a variety of job printing from several Medford business men.

I will exchange a good buggy for work at wood cutting—Wallace Woods.

S. F. Morine, of Table Rock, and Alex Orme, of Fooths creek, are reported to be candidates for nomination for sheriff on the republican ticket.

Money to loan on approved security. C. W. Palm.

Al. Young was firing on the Medford-Jacksonville sherrifline a few days last week and this, in the absence of Pat Dougan, who was ill.

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

Elmer Bashford was in Medford yesterday for a brief visit. He had been down in California and stepped off on his return to Roseburg.

Yours for honest goods—Wolters, of course.

Mrs. C. I. Hutchison and daughter, Miss Fern, returned last evening from their quite extended visit with relatives in California.

Mrs. Ella J. Walker, wife of G. K. Walker, has been appointed postmaster at Sams Valley, vice J. R. P. Rowe, resigned.

Jack Morris, the second hand man, is rejoicing over the advent into his home on Saturday last of a blooming boy baby.

Mrs. J. W. Redden is quite seriously ill, we are sorry to state, with pneumonia. Dr. Geary is in attendance.

For Sale—One billiard table; one pool table. John Morris, the second hand man.

Miss Estella DuClos, we learn, is quite ill with fever, at the home of D. T. Lawton.

Bert Hooker was reported Tuesday evening to be seriously ill with pneumonia.

Miss Mollie Ober, the photographer, was at Ashland yesterday.

Seventy-one years of age and a 25 mile ride on horseback in one day. That was the feat accomplished Sunday by Mrs. Clark, mother of B. L. Clark, of Alesca. The roads were muddy and sticky and the struggles of the horse violent, but this remarkably preserved Oregon woman made the trip with ease, and Monday took the train for Pullman, Washington, to visit her daughter.

Arthur Redwood's "Stray Leaves."

Mr. Arthur Redwood, the celebrated impersonator, will give one of his very fine entertainments at the opera house on this, Friday evening. Mr. Redwood is highly recommended by press and pulpit. Admission price is 25 and 35 cents. Tickets on sale at Wolters' grocery. Following are some of the several hundred press comments:

The genuineness of Mr. Redwood's entertainment last evening was conclusively proved by the roar of laughter or bursts of applause with which he was frequently greeted—sneers and laughter, from grave to gay, from the sublime to the ridiculous. Mr. Redwood would be a shining light in any branch of the profession. —North China Daily News.

As a humorist Mr. Redwood is exceedingly funny; as a dramatist he is very strong; as a singer he has but few peers; and as an actor and entertainer he has never seen his equal.—Coring (N. Y.) Press.

Mr. Redwood gave a description of a juvenile party which he happened to attend some years ago, impersonating every one who was present, from the rade little boy of five years of age to the antiquarian of eighty, and from the blushing debutante to the elderly spinster who never despairs. During his travels around the world Mr. Redwood has made good use of many opportunities to collect a rich fund of humorous anecdotes and stories. Some of his experiences are highly amusing.—Auckland (New Zealand) Observer.

A few days ago a tramp went to the rear door of a house in Albany and was emphatically refused anything to eat. He deliberately went to the front door, where he was met by another member of the family and got a good handout.

Library Benefit.

The scholars in the public school are desirous of increasing the usefulness of their library by adding more volumes to it. They have prepared an entertainment from which, through the public spirited people of Medford, they hope to realize enough to add several volumes to the number of books now on hand. Saturday evening, March 12th, is the date. Tickets will be in the hands of pupils and if you are not called on, mention it to any scholar in the public school and you will be accommodated. Reserved seats 25 cents; general admission 15 cents; pupils in public school 10 cents. As far as possible secure reserved seats, thus adding to the library fund and your own convenience.

Among the Churches.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH. Services at the usual hours. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. The people welcome.—Eli Fisher, Pastor.

GERMAN LUTHERAN CHURCH. There will be no preaching services at this church next Sunday because of the fact that the pastor, Rev. F. Sack, will leave tonight for Roseburg where he goes to do some missionary work and possibly establish a church organization.

Notice to Wheelmen.

Some of the wheelmen about Medford have either moved into town or learned to ride so recently that they do not know the ordinance relating to riding on the sidewalk. It will be well for such to interview the marshal for the full text of the law or else remember the following points:

Never ride on the sidewalk on the south side of the street from the school house to town on any school day, between the hours of 8:30 a. m. and 4:30 p. m. Do not ride on any walk within the fire limits. Dismount when meeting a lady on a walk less than five feet wide. Give warning when within fifty feet of a person and reduce speed to four miles an hour, which is a walking gait.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure you.

Legal blanks at THE MAIL office.

THE RACKET HAS A JOB

LOT OF....

Men's Clothing from Eagle Woolen Mills...

Regular \$9 Suits in Navy and Black, for \$7.50

We also have JUST RECEIVED the new spring samples of Leigh & Co., AND Reinach, Ullman & Co., of Chicago AND Salem Woolen Mills

If you want a nice spring suit, just call and examine. We can surely please you in patterns, prices, styles and fits.

And don't forget the Racket is headquarters for a great many other bargains....

G. L. WEBB....

TYBALT 2:27 1-2

Sire of Juliet, 2:22, and Sire of Dam of Vola, 2:25.

TYBALT, sired by Altamont, 3600, the king of all trotting sires for speed and endurance; 1st dam, Nellie Kahler, 2:33, by Peniger Mike, 3403, sire of Barney, 2:24; and sire of the dams of several with records better than 2:28, also sire of Klamath, second dam; Mike also sire of Playmail, sire of the dam of Seymour Wilkes, 2:08½, fastest son of Guy Wilkes. Peniger Mike by Vermont, register No. 3:22, sire of several in the 2:30 list including Ribbon Tybalt's second dam, Yermont; also sired Ella Lewis, 2:26, dam of Salidan, 2:05½, fastest son of Sultr, also fastest horse in Pennsylvania. Tybalt weighs about 1200 pounds; breeds large. If colts don't prove trotters they are large enough for corch or general purpose horses. Tybalt has been worked all winter and is in the pink of condition. Will make the season of 1898 at Medford Fair Grounds, Medford, Oregon. Season commences March 1, 1898 and ends July 1, 1898. Terms—season, \$15, payable end of season. To insure, \$20, payable when mare is known to be in foal. Any kind of farm produce taken same as cash.

WM. CLARK Manager, Medford, Oregon.

Echoes From the Street.

Attorney Pentz—"I notice you said last week that I advised the release of young Hammond who was held by Marshal Hart. You are quite correct. I did so advise and Mr. Hart was discrete enough to take the advice. He had no right to hold the man. A warrant of arrest must be telegraphed in full. Mr. Hart had only an order to hold."

"Shorty" Hamilton—"If a man is standing on the caboose of a freight train a mile long, and begins walking toward the engine as the train starts and the train—!" [Three physicians are now engaged in patching Mr. Hamilton up and putting the scattered parts together. He was telling the above pun to a group of traveling men.]

History of Our Navy.

We give place elsewhere in this issue to quite an extended review of the work which has at the present time, peculiar interest for all our citizens no less than for their families. From an examination of its contents we are prepared to say that it will make a very acceptable addition to the library of any family. An agent of the publishers will in the near future give the people of Medford and neighboring towns an opportunity to procure the work on very favorable terms.

Trouble at the Hammersley Mine.

THE MAIL had hoped that the Hammersley mine, under the superintending of Judge Reed, would reclaim itself from the grip of litigation, but it seems to be written differently. Who is at fault we are unable to state, but the fact that labor claims are filed against the mine would seem to indicate that it is not the laborers. Here is how the Grants Pass Mining Journal speaks of the deal:

"The dispute between Judge W. H. Reed, lessee of the Hammersley mine, and his employes at the mine this week reached an acute stage. According to story which comes down from the mine, the men have taken possession of the works and propose to hold the same and the ore and bullion extracted until they are paid what is due them. It appears that Judge Reed went up to the mine the first of the week with Tod Cameron, of Jacksonville, who carried, it is said, \$1500 to pay off the claims; but apparently the money had a string to it, for it did not reach the pockets of the men, and they refuse to deliver up possession. Thereupon the judge came down to consult his attorneys. The end is not yet."

The Lapland reindeer for the Yukon relief expedition of the government reached New York Sunday on the chartered steamship Manitoban, 24 days from Boskop, Arctic Lapland. The Manitoban brings a unique cargo, the first of its kind ever imported into the United States. It consists of 113 reindeer, 537 reindeer, 418 reindeer sleds, 511 sets of reindeer harness and between 3000 and 4000 bags of moss for feeding the reindeer on route.

Setting Out Young Peach Trees.

Stark Bros. of Missouri are quoted in a western exchange as saying that in "setting out young peach trees from the nursery to the orchard the pruning should be severe. The tree must have entire top cut off, leaving only a stick 15 to 20 inches above the root. When thus trimmed, plant in good, mellow soil, about two inches deeper than in nursery. When growth begins, sprouts will come out all along up the body. All should be rubbed off while small, except three or four near the top that must be allowed to grow for the main branches of the future tree. These new branches will grow from three to five feet the first season, and so make a much stronger and better formed tree than would have been possible had not the top all been cut away. Don't fail to cut off the entire top when planting a peach tree."

PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES.

The seventh grade began their second term examination Tuesday.

Several of the fifth grade pupils are absent on account of sickness.

Quite a number of the pupils of the seventh grade are absent on account of sickness.

The seventh grade will drop the text book in spelling when they have finished the review.

Reading and language examinations show a marked improvement over those of last term.

The examination in the fourth grade show a marked improvement over those taken last term.

Visitors: Mesdames J. G. Taylor, J. U. Willeke, Vanina, Day Parker, Misses Mabel Jones and Prudy Angle.

The school is going to plant trees along the front of the building, and each room on the upper floor has its own tree to keep in order.

The little people of the south primary are sorry to lose their little playmate, Roy Wallace, who has moved to Ashland with his parents.

The class in botany has begun field work. New and interesting objects are found in plants on every hand. Many are surprised to find how little notice they had given heretofore to plant life.

Don't forget the public school entertainment next week, Saturday night, March 12th. The proceeds are for the library and if everyone who is interested secures a reserved seat at 25 cents there will be a nice sum realized to invest in new books. Pupils will have charge of the sale of tickets. Everyone who purchases a ticket helps educate the children by placing in their hands reading matter which is entertaining, instructive and written in good English.

Proceeding of City Council.

Bond of Proudfoot in the sum of \$500 by the Fidelity Trust Co., of Maryland, read and on motion approved.

On account of unavoidable delay in arrival of bond Mr. Proudfoot did not take possession of pumping plant until Feb. 15 instead of Feb. 7th as called for in contract.

Report of street commissioner read and on motion accepted and placed on file.

Petition of Bliton et al for water on West Seventh street, also petition of J. Shone et al for water on G street referred to water committee.

A remonstrance, signed by F. V. Medynski and others, asking that the city council prohibit any person from conducting a bowling alley on Seventh street. Matter was referred to ordinance committee.

Ordinance committee was instructed to prepare an ordinance prohibiting the constructing within the fire limits any buildings of wood, even though covered with corrugated iron—in short nothing but stone, brick or iron goes hereafter, or after the passage of the proposed ordinance to that effect.

Upon recommendation of the mayor an ordinance was ordered drawn which will prohibit from doing business on any street east of D street any saloons, billiard halls, gaming houses or bowling alleys.

The matter of building a new jail for the city was referred to the park and public building committee for consideration.