

OUR COUNTY . . .
Correspondents

Jacksonville News.

T. J. Kenney went to Portland Sunday evening on business.

Miss Laura Gilson is now a resident of Sacramento, California.

Attorney W. H. Parker, of Medford, was here Tuesday on legal business.

Wm. Bybee started a large drove of fat hogs to Happy Camp, Calif., this week.

Owen and Chris Keogan and Owen Mooney are in the Butte creek country hunting.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Miles F. Cantrall, of Uniontown precinct, on October 28.

A marriage license was issued October 31 to Henry N. Rosser and Miss Margaret May Stanley.

Married—In Jacksonville, Oct. 26, 1898, by Rev. J. L. Stratford, E. A. Van Slyke and Miss Lora Ray.

Mrs. P. J. Bannon left for Portland Friday evening after a pleasant ten days' visit with relatives and friends.

Postmaster J. F. Miller and Emil Britt have returned from their visit to California. They were well pleased with their trip.

Dr. J. N. North, who has been practicing dentistry in Jacksonville for several months, left for Lakeview Tuesday to locate.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Schmidt, who have been visiting relatives here for several weeks, left for Carson, Nevada, during the week.

J. D. Fay and Henry Ireland, who have been ranging in the forests for several months, have returned to Jacksonville for the winter.

Mrs. Galloway and Mrs. B. P. Theiss and daughter, of Medford, attended the tea given by Mrs. Love and Miss Hanley last Thursday.

Mrs. G. J. Farnsworth, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Langell, for a fortnight, left Tuesday for Eugene and Salem to visit relatives.

Robt. Kahler, of Seattle, who has been in Jacksonville and vicinity for several months past for the benefit of his health, left for home a few days since. He will undergo another operation in a short time.

The usual Halloween pranks were played about town Monday evening. No damage was done but several gates were removed from the hinges and scattered broadcast through the town. Mrs. E. Kubli is offering a reward of \$150 for the conviction of the culprit who placed her buggy on the top of O. Biede's saloon and scattered the ploughs far and near.

Last Thursday Mrs. Geo. Love and Miss Alice Henley entertained a large number of their friends at a tea given in honor of Mrs. P. J. Bannon, of Portland, and Mrs. Geo. J. Farnsworth, of Los Angeles, Calif. The parlors and dining room were most tastefully decorated with La France roses, chrysanthemums, yellow ribbons and ferns. It was two o'clock when the first guest arrived and after seven o'clock when the last had departed. The occasion was a delightful one and systematically carried out.

Central Point Items.

Dr. Braden, of Gold Hill, spent Tuesday in town.

Mrs. Dr. Hinkle and Miss Mary

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Meo made Medford a business visit last Saturday.

J. S. March and family have become citizens of our town.

Miss Ida Pankey made friends at Eagle Point a visit last Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Edmonson, of Medford, spent a few days here the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Minnick made Jacksonville a business visit the first of the week.

Misses Rosa Fielder and Minerva Pickens are employed at Olwell Bros.' fruit packing house.

W. F. Doran left Tuesday for Keswick, Calif., where he will work in the Iron Mountain mine.

The ladies of the M. R. Church will give a web social on Nov. 4th. The proceeds will be used to finish the church. All are cordially invited.

John Peterson and family arrived here from Nebraska Monday and intend spending the winter on the coast. Mrs. Peterson is a sister of Mrs. P. Olsson.

Elder Davis, pastor of the Baptist Church, was given a surprise donation party on Monday evening of this week. The boys began the good work and all the town people joined in. One family is sure of plenty of good things for the coming winter, for everything the market afforded was given in great quantities.

The ladies of the W. R. C. gave Mrs. Dr. Hinkle a surprise party last Wednesday evening. They brought their baskets well filled and spread one of the best of suppers, of which about thirty of the W. R. C. and G. A. R. members partook. After lunch games were played and all enjoyed themselves hugely until a late hour.

Table Rock Items.

Again are we convinced of the fact that our system of working roads is decidedly faulty. For some cause or other there has been but little work done in this section for several years, the work being put off from time to time to suit this or that man. Last spring there was nothing done; now our supervisor comes up with a list, incomplete—leaving out some permanent residents and having names of men who never did live in this district. Again the list shows some men to be owing three years' road work, while others are not marked delinquent at all. We get very little benefit from the property tax and by putting off work till now we will lose several polls owing to people moving away. In the five years that we have lived here there has not been a time that more than three teams could be had at once, consequently shovelers are idle a good portion of the time. Last week we saw four men shoveling and only one team hauling. Sometimes three or four men come without a tool to work with and unless supplied by a near neighbor, have to pick rocks by hand to put in the time. Such business will never improve our roads nor build up the country. Who is at fault, officials or farmers? J. C. P.

Sterling Items.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Dews made a trip to Medford last Thursday.

Mr. Thrasher, of Jacksonville, is engaged in hauling timber for Ray Cook's tunnel.

Mrs. Roscoe Cantral, who has been very ill with fever, is slightly improved at this writing.

Ed. Saltmarsh had the misfortune to get his hand mashed by a rock while working in the mines.

Miss Daisy McGreiter returned home last Sunday from Wm. Maultby's, where she has been for some time.

Misses Letitia Gilson, Ona Willtrout and Daisy McGreiter were pleasant visitors at Mrs. J. V. Keizer's last Wednesday.

There was a social dance given in Sailor's gulch last week by the young people of this vicinity. A very enjoyable time was reported.

David Jones came near meeting with a serious accident in the tunnel of Ray Cook's mine last Saturday. A large chunk of dirt overhead became loose from blasting and fell on him, pinning him to the ground. Help being near he was soon extricated, however, and was only slightly bruised.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, I, FRANK J. CHENEY, make 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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Lake Creek Items.

BY BUMBLEBEE'S FRIEND.
Fred Peck made a trip to the valley last week.

Arthur Edwards took a load of vegetables to Medford last Thursday.

The new bridge across Lake creek is completed and is just what we need.

Wm. Daley and Wm. Nussbaum took some fine beef cattle to Medford Friday.

Mrs. Wm. Nussbaum and son, William, made a business trip to Eagle Point Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Peil and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farlow were trading in Medford the first of the week.

Miss Lois Edler, who has been staying with Mrs. H. M. Crowell, of Medford, for some time, returned home Monday.

Miss Lizzie Nussbaum returned to Medford the first of the week after a several days' visit at her home near Lake Creek.

AIDS WOMEN TO SWIM.

A New Invention Is a Pneumatic Corset Which Prevents Its Wearer from Sinking.

Timid women can now be taught swimming in a very easy manner. An eastern professor has invented a pneumatic corset for beginners to wear, which, he says, greatly facilitates the untutored in acquiring the different strokes. This corset is cut on the same general lines as all corsets and made double, so that the air space between the two thicknesses may be blown up and serve not only to present a neat appearance to the figure but also to buoy it up and give confidence to the timid. A lack of confidence is responsible for the slowness with which this accomplishment is learned by women, and this corset should prove a boon to women who delight in aquatic sports but have no hardihood for them. The very knowledge that they cannot sink leaves their brain clear enough to think of the proper strokes for hands and feet, and as soon as they find they can move through the water from one place to another and become accustomed to these movements the corset may be discarded. It is much more shapely than the big rubber rings and cork life preservers, and, in fact, does not show at all, as it conforms to the shape of the wearer. The corset has been seen on several women bathers at the eastern resorts this season, and it bids fair to become very popular.

WORLD'S OLDEST ENGINE.

It Was Constructed in England in 1777 and Has Been in Service Until Recently.

The oldest engine in the world is in the possession of the Birmingham canal navigators, this engine having been constructed by Boulton & Watt in the year 1777, says London Engineering. The order is entered in the firm's books in that year as a single-acting beam engine, with chains at each end of a wood beam, and having the steam cylinder 32 inches in diameter, with a stroke of eight feet, and erected at the canal company's pumping station at Rolfe street, Smethwick. During the present year (1898) this remarkable old engine, which has been regularly at work from the time of its erection to the current year, a period of, say, 120 years, was removed to the canal company's station at Ocker Hill, Tipton, there to be re-erected and preserved as a relic of what can be done by good management when dealing with machinery of undoubted quality. It is worthy of note that the Birmingham canal navigators favored Boulton & Watt in 1777 with the order for this engine, and in 1898, or 120 years afterward, the company has entrusted the same firm, James Watt & Co., Soho, Smethwick, with the manufacture of two of their modern triple-expansion vertical engines, to be erected at the Walsall pumping station, having 240 horsepower and a pumping capacity of 12,713,600 gallons per day.

BLIND PEOPLE IN SPAIN.

The Number is Very Large and There is No Effort to Reduce It.

The large proportion of blind people in Spain has attracted attention since the beginning of the present century. The subject is again brought up by an article by Privy Councillor Hirschberg in the German Medical Weekly giving the results of his recent observation in Spain, where he attended the hygienic congress. He says the streets of Madrid swarm with blind beggars; the further south he went the more blind he met. The proportion in Spain as given in the census of 1860 is 11 to 10,000, against eight to nine in Germany, France and England; but that figure is considered undoubtedly false by continental authorities. More recent figures give 14.8. The chief causes of blindness in Spain are inflammation of the eyes of infants, granulation and smallpox. The widespread fatalistic attitude of the sick, the lack of governmental oversight and the small attention paid to disease of the eye operate to increase the number of the blind in Spain. There is not a single public eye hospital in Spain, according to Dr. Hirschberg; only wards in general hospitals and private institutions. Instruction in diseases of the eye is neglected in the medical schools, though there is hope that the new medical faculty in Barcelona, which has been organized within two years, may work an improvement in ophthalmology in Spain.

GROWTH OF FLAX IN INDIA.

The Plant is Reared Exclusively for the Seed and Not for Fiber.

Consul-General Patterson, at Calcutta, in a report to the department of state, notes a curious fact about flax growing, reports the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. He writes: "In answer to an inquiry from a Chicago firm relative to the quantity of flax produced and exported from India, I would say that flax is grown in India exclusively for the seed. In no part of the country is the fiber produced. Experiments have been made for many years with the same result, viz., that it is no proof that a plant can be made to yield a fiber because it can be grown in a country. Flax, hemp and china grass are admirable samples of this fact. The possible area of fiber production of any of these in India is extremely narrow. Hemp yields fiber in Russia and other countries and cannot be made to produce the narcotic. In India the very reverse is the case, except in a small portion of the Himalayas where it yields admirable fiber and no narcotic to speak of. While large areas of flax are cultivated in almost every part of India and Burma, it is grown only for the seed, of which large quantities are exported, and not for fiber, and there is no flax exported from India."

FIRST ELEPHANT IN AMERICA.

How Moses Smith's Eccentric Notion Made a Fortune for Another Man.

It is not generally known that a former citizen of Owensboro brought across the ocean the first elephant that was ever in America, says the Owensboro (Ky.) Inquirer. The name of the gentleman was Moses Smith, who at one time owned a vast body of land from the mouth of Panther creek up the river, embracing nearly all the present farms in the neighborhood of Sorgho.

Mr. Smith was at Paris with his brother and had "more money than he knew what to do with." He told his brother that he intended taking something to American that the people had never seen. "You had better buy an elephant," said the jocular brother and that was what Moses did. He picked out the biggest animal he could find and paid an enormous price for it. He brought it to New York, where it was a nine days' wonder, but the owner soon found that he had something worse than the proverbial white elephant on his hands. He tried to sell it, but could find no buyer and at last undertook to give it away, in which he was equally unsuccessful. Finally he found a man who agreed to pay him \$100 for it and this individual put it on exhibition. He was so successful that he went into the show business and made a fortune out of Mr. Smith's folly. Col. Frank McKernan of Adrianville, is a grandson of Mr. Smith, who lived to a great age at his home in this county.

BOOTBLACK SUPPLIES.

A Comparatively New Business That Has of Late Grown Up to Fill Modern Wants.

A business that has sprung up in New York in recent years is that of bootblack supplies. It owes its origin to the growth of the city, the multiplication of bootblack stands, and the introduction and extensive use of colored shoes. There are now a number of concerns, small but complete establishments, devoted to this business, that supply everything a bootblack requires, and his requirements are greater than they formerly were, says the New York Sun.

At one place there are kept on hand 65 varieties of shoe blacking or polish for shoes of all kinds and colors, including blackings and polishes in boxes and bottles, and imported blackings as well as domestic, and waterproof blacking and oil. There are sold here cans for oil and for water; blacking pans, the small round pans made to hold a larger quantity of blacking than would be contained in a blacking box; brushes of all kinds, including daubers, dust brushes, and blacking brushes, whisk brooms and shoestrings of various kinds and colors.

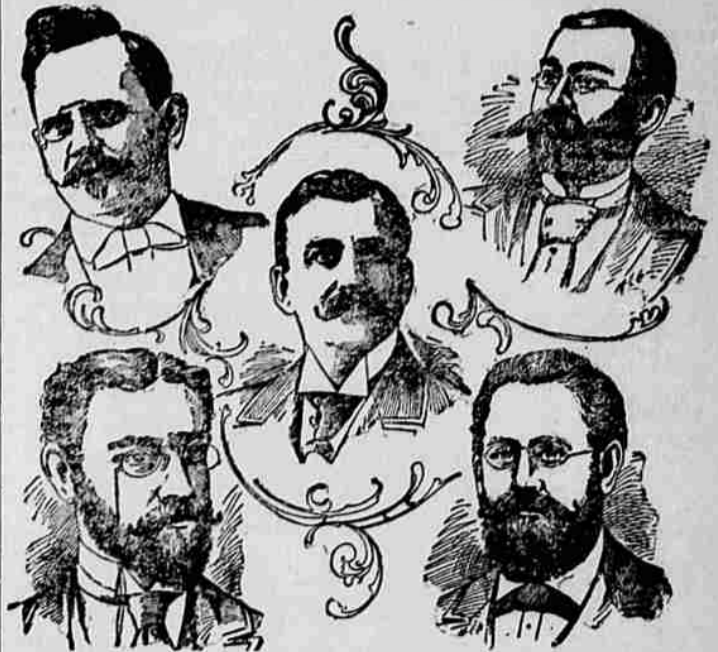
Some of these establishments send out supply wagons, which regularly make the rounds of their customers at bootblack stands all over the city and supply their wants, whatever they may be, on the spot.

HEADS OF GREAT BRITONS.

Gladstone Had a Larger Cranium Than Beaconsfield, Bright or Russell.

Mr. Gladstone's head was, it is well known, of exceptional size. The story he told at Lord Ripon's once about the man who could not get a hat large enough till at last the latter called in desperation for an Aberdeen hat may well enough have been his own experience, says the London Daily News. The compliment to Aberdeen was, no doubt, relished in the granite city. Dr. Collins once gave to the world the result of a special study in hats, in the course of which it was mentioned that Mr. Gladstone's number in hats was 7 1/2. The latter's number is arrived at by taking the mean of the length and breadth. Thus a hat 7 1/2x6 1/2 is a No. 7 hat, which is the average English size. Lord Beaconsfield's hat was this size, John Bright's 7 1/2, Lord John Russell's 7 1/4, all smaller than Mr. Gladstone's. But the Gladstone hat was exceeded in size by that of Dr. Chalmers' 7 3/4, and Joseph Hume's was emphatically abnormal—8 1/4. Dr. Collins had 128 hats measured at a meeting of Convocation of London university, and found that between 40 and 41 per cent were above the British average, No. 7 between 25 and 26 per cent, were just the average size, and 34 per cent, were under the average.

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The Carbonado, Wash., coal mines shipped 35,000 tons during September, beating all previous records. Roslyn has held the record with 30,000 tons. The Carbonado mines, owned by the Southern Pacific railroad company, are running full time and employ 600 men, averaging \$3.29 a day wages.

During June, July, August, and September, 1898, there were shipped from Washington 8:28 cars of lumber. The increase in lumber shipments from Washington has been more pronounced this year than that of shingles. The first nine months of 1898 show 133,424,000 feet, as against 92,464,000 feet in the corresponding months in 1897.

D. E. Brown, general passenger agent of the Pacific Railway and Steamship company, Hongkong, says the oriental trade of the last five years should more than double in the next five years, owing to increased transportation facilities.

The fish industries of the state of Washington amounted last year to \$4,000,000.

The superior court has decided that Mrs. Botkin cannot be taken to Delaware to be tried for the murder of Mrs. Dunning. She will be tried in California.

Private James N. Meadors, of the Eighth California regiment of volunteers, the slayer of Corporal Jonas Ury, was acquitted at Oakland by a jury of the charge of murder, and discharged from custody.

W. R. McVillie, who was supposed to have been drowned near Sausalito about five years ago, and who was subsequently found to be a defaulter from the Bank of California and a fugitive from justice, has had his sentence commuted by Governor Budd. The commutation took effect Monday.

The new building of the medical department of the University of California, was formally opened at San Francisco Saturday.

Charles Anderson was killed a few days ago near Guerneville, Cal., by being struck on the head by a log that was rolling down a hill.

Pardo Lucero, alias El Vaquera, whose age, as shown by the records of the Mission Los Angeles and Soledad, was 125 years, died in the County Hospital at Salinas, Cal., of old age. Deceased came from Sonora, Mexico, after the Yaqui rebellion, in 1825, and settled near where San Diego now is.

A coroner's jury decided that G. O. Richards, editor of the Press-Democrat of Santa Rosa, who shot himself Saturday, did not commit suicide, but shot himself accidentally.

The bodies of Miss Emma Smith of San Francisco, and her niece, Mrs. Vincent Ryan, were found floating in the bay near Vallejo. How the ladies came to their death is unknown.

Edwin S. Gridley has been appointed gauger in the Sacramento internal revenue district.

Good-By to Newgate Prison.

It has been decided by the authorities of London that historic Newgate prison and the Old Bailey sessions house shall be pulled down to make room for a spacious new sessions house. Newgate has been a prison for over 500 years, the original buildings, after being several times repaired, giving way to another structure in 1770. Before it was entirely completed it was pillaged and burned on June 5 and 7, 1780, by the no-popery rioters, and after that a sum of \$150,000 was devoted to repairing and completing the fabric, which is considered by experts to be admirable in design and character. The outer walls are nearly four feet thick. On the opening of Whitecross street prison in 1815 Newgate ceased to be used for debtors, and since 1822 it has only been utilized for those awaiting trial during sessions and for prisoners condemned to death.—N. Y. Sun.

China is Crowded.

The crowding of China by other nations continues. A recent attack by a Chinese mob upon the Japanese consulate at Shashi has given Japan a pretext for securing concessions on the Peiho, together with a guarantee that no part of the province of Fukien, which lies on the mainland opposite Formosa, shall ever be ceded to a foreign power. France has demanded from China a money indemnity and certain railway concessions in the province of Kwangsi, as compensation for the murder of a French priest; and Russia, without waiting for any special pretext, is reported to be insisting on a lease of Kin-Chau, the city near Port Arthur which the Russian commander not long ago attempted to occupy, claiming it as a part of the Port Arthur concession. Great Britain has secured an important extension of the boundaries of Hong-Kong.

Jubilee of Austria's Emperor.

On December 2 next the Austrian emperor will have completed the fiftieth year of his reign and the event is to be signalized in a fitting manner. The jubilee will begin on November 30, when there will be a procession of imperial and royal personages from the Hofburg to St. Stephen's cathedral, where a grand Te Deum will be sung. The following day there will be a court dinner, a dinner for all the generals of the Austro-Hungarian army and a gala performance at the imperial opera.

An Artificial Sea Breeze.

One of the features of a new hospital building in Berlin is to be a large room in which patients suffering from lung diseases can breathe air artificially impregnated with salt.

Old Polly in Connecticut.

Connecticut claims a parrot 118 years old. It has been for 100 years in one family, having descended from father to son through two or three generations.