

**PURELY PERSONAL.**

J. W. Short was up from Footh creek Monday.  
Horace Pelton was up from Gold Hill Saturday.  
Uncle Jack Compton was down from Brownsboro yesterday.  
Wm. McClannahan was in from Trail this week upon business.  
John Nelson, of Beagle, was in Medford Monday upon business.  
Almon Lawler, a Wolf creek miner, was in the city Wednesday.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith were visiting Ashland friends Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ray, of Gold Hill, were Medford visitors Monday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Wright, of Gold Hill, were Medford visitors Tuesday.  
Miss Mollie Barneburg was at Ashland over Sunday upon a visit to friends.  
Mrs. Sherman Orten came up from Sison this week for a visit with her parents.  
Miss Iva Purdin, of the Ashland normal, spent Sunday in Medford with home folks.  
Earl Calkins was over from Jacksonville Tuesday upon a visit to his Medford friends.  
R. M. Kincaid and family, of Central Point, were in Medford last Saturday upon business.  
Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Wolgamott, of Talent, were in Medford and Jacksonville this week.  
Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Jacobs were over from Jacksonville Sunday visiting their Medford friends.  
L. B. Barton, of Portland, was in the city yesterday, doing business with our hardware merchants.  
Mrs. J. F. Wallace, wife of Rev. Wallace, was in Medford last week upon a visit to her many friends.  
Miss Frankie Barnes, who is teaching school in Sams Valley, was visiting Medford friends last Saturday.  
Mrs. E. Workman and two daughters left Tuesday evening for a visit with relatives at Hillsboro, Oregon.  
Chas. Anderson, of Footh creek, was in the city Tuesday upon legal business, as was also George Lance, Sr., of Gold Hill.  
Frank Krach, of Haggart, North Dakota, was in Medford a few days this week looking for an opening for a blacksmithshop.  
Mrs. A. S. Hammond was at Eugene last week upon a brief visit to her daughter, Miss Bessie, who is attending the university.  
M. S. Thompson, of Clifton, was in the city Wednesday making filing on a homestead. Mr. Thompson is a brother-in-law of W. W. Taylor.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Smith, of Mt. Ruben, Oregon, were in Medford this week upon a visit to Mrs. Smith's sister, Mrs. C. A. Casebolt and family.  
W. T. York was at Ashland last Saturday upon a visit to his old Michigan friends, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Hitchcock, whom he had not seen for several years.  
Miss Pearl Fiddler, of Grants Pass, was the guest of Misses Minnie and May Wiggins last week. The young lady returned home Friday, accompanied by Miss May.  
A. A. Utery, of Manchester, Ind., stopped off in Medford Wednesday evening for a brief visit with M. Lofland. Mr. Utery is a business partner of Mr. Lofland's brother in Manchester.  
L. E. Hoover, R. L. Wade, Frank Zell and Walter Hoover are over on Elliott creek this week doing a bit of prospecting. Mr. Wade is here from Tacoma and is a cousin of the senior Mr. Hoover.  
Frank T. Lawrence, of Gold Hill, was in Medford Monday, after the gold watch which he lost recently and which was advertised in last week's MAIL. C. P. Buck found the article and was rewarded—five dollars worth.  
C. M. Harvey returned to Talent last week from Redding, Calif., at which place he has been engaged in the food business during the past winter. His family is still at Redding but will soon return to the Rogue river valley.  
Rufus Cox, J. W. Cox and Jos. Scott returned last week from a trip into Klamath County. They went over for the purpose of purchasing an additional tract of land in that county but the land being very wet the purchase was not made.  
O. S. Snyder, of Formoso, Kansas, arrived in Medford last week and will remain for sometime with his cousin, Perry Stewart, and family. He reports that the weather when he left Kansas was anything but inviting, and when compared with our mild Oregon winters there is a difference almost beyond belief.  
Mr. and Mrs. George Justus were in Medford Monday upon business. They last week moved from Prospect to their recently acquired possessions near Trail—the Voegel ranch—and are well pleased with the place. In fact, George is throwing bouquets at himself because of his good fortune in possessing so desirable a piece of land.  
Mrs. Lucy A. Herron, of Bloomington, Ill., who has been here upon a visit to Rube Peyton and family on Rogue river and Mr. Boussum's family in Medford, left for her home Wednesday evening. She went by way of the Northern Pacific and transportation was secured for her by the company's local agents, Messrs. York & Wortman.  
Elnathan Kendall is one of the recent arrivals in our city from the east. He was here five years ago but did not at that time receive quite his fill of a good country and a good climate—hence he is here again. He owns a house and lot out near where the old business college stood, and will probably own more of Southern Oregon's soil ere many weeks.  
O. F. Ralston, advance agent for the Jessie Shirley Company, came over from Ashland Monday and billed the town for his show, which appears here next week. Mr. Ralston is a fine appearing young man and if his whole company is as clever and as much a gentleman as he it is little wonder they are meeting with success with their several plays.  
R. B. Bragg, formerly engaged in the grocery business in Pullman, Wash., was in Medford last week looking for a place to engage in business, but very wisely came to the conclusion that his

special line was well represented in this city. Eastern Washington, he says, is all right in a business sense, but then it is too dog-gasted windy and cold eight months of the year to suit him—hence his meander to Southern Oregon.  
Oliver Weaver, of Table Rock, was in the city Saturday and was a pleasant caller at THE MAIL office—several dollars' worth. The gentleman's family has not been in good health for some time past—all sick with fever and ague, and to better their condition he is going to move them to the Elk creek country. They will be located at the Johnson place, near the fish hatchery, and will conduct a feeding station during the coming season. Mr. Weaver will remain at the farm, at Table Rock.  
Alfred Weeks returned last Friday from his ten weeks' sojourning in the land of his birth—Canada. His place of longest stay, and where Canadian girls were most plentiful, was at Woodstock, and notwithstanding the fact that the thermometer was down pretty close to twenty below zero during his stay, he had a cracking good time, but despite the possible infatuation for those Canadian people and the ways they have of being hospitable, he is glad to be once again outside the range of blizzards and frozen thermometers.  
Merchant A. C. Taylor returned last week from a couple of weeks' visit in San Francisco, Oakland and Berkeley. In each of these cities he has many English, Scotch and German friends of prominence, and it was to them he was paying a visit. He reports having enjoyed a delightful vacation amid the beauty and grandeur of these cities. Especially did the sights appear more entrancing and awe-inspiring because of the fact that many of the beauties now were not there upon the occasion of his last visit, eleven years ago.  
H. L. Gregory and family came over from Langell Valley, last week, and are now living on a farm which Mr. Gregory purchased a few months ago. The farm, comprising 162 acres and is situated north and east of Central Point—the old Mitchell place. It is farm and timber land and Mr. Gregory expects to make it bloom as the June rose. He relates that while crossing the mountains he encountered four feet of snow. Says they have not had a bad winter in Langell Valley and that the snow had all disappeared when he left.  
B. F. Myers, of the glove firm of Anderson & Myers, of Talent, was in the city Saturday upon business. He reports the glove trade everlastingly humping itself these times. Aside from supplying the greater part of the valley towns with gloves this firm is reaching out into other territory. It was only last week that they received an \$100 order from Haines, Oregon. These gentlemen will leave soon for eastern Oregon for the purpose of buying hides, pelts and furs for use in the manufacture of their gloves. This is another institution that deserves the patronage of all valley people.  
Mrs. E. J. Brown and son, Floyd, came in from Eagle Point Monday night and on Tuesday Floyd took the southbound train for Ianta, Missouri, his old home, in which place he has secured a position in a lumber and piano office. This family came to Southern Oregon about a year ago for Mr. Brown's health, which was not good—lung trouble. They rented a farm over near Eagle Point and so well has the climate served Mr. Brown that he has gained thirty-seven pounds in flesh since his coming. They will probably soon buy some farm property near Eagle Point. Mrs. B. was a pleasant caller at THE MAIL office Tuesday and while here she subscribed for a period of twelve months.  
W. D. Clumpner and family, of Marshfield, Wis., arrived in Medford last week. Mrs. Clumpner is a sister of W. E. McCauley and Mrs. E. J. Cole, of this city. Mr. Clumpner for twelve years has been in the employ of the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company in Marshfield in the capacity of rate and billing clerk. He has tired of indoor work and is now taking a lay-off, and if he finds our country quite to the liking of his family and himself he will cast anchor right here. He has owned for several years five acres of land out near Davisville, which is planted to trees, and he may now invest in a few more acres in that locality. Mr. C. is an affable and gentlemanly man and his family is a most estimable one—and THE MAIL hopes our country, our climate and our people will suit them. He tells that the thermometer was eighteen degrees below zero when he left Marshfield.  
**Money! Money Our Country Needs.**  
Thousands of dollars are sent away from Southern Oregon each year for plants of different description to enrich eastern florists and build up eastern cities, while those same plants can and are now being propagated right here at home. I have dabbled with plants and flowers to a limited extent without any knowledge of the business yet it has convinced me that a successful business can be built up among us and that the money heretofore sent away can be kept here for home circulation and thousands of dollars can be drawn from other places, and thus build up one home industry which may be the forerunner of other industries. To back up my faith I have employed an experienced propagator for two years which I think will prove my claim. I trust that people will see that it is to their interest to encourage us in our business—not from charity, but from self interest, as we propose to give them better plants for the same amount of money. Besides this, the plants will be healthy and fresh and can be planted with a ball of earth around the roots and save nearly a year of growth. Space will not permit a description of plants and prices, but we invite every one to come and see. We guarantee that plants and prices will be right. Roses will be our speciality.  
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—Spring trucks for spring household moving. Wells & Shearer.

**AGUINALDO'S INHUMANITY.**  
MANILA March 20.—It is reported on hitherto reliable authority that Aguinaldo is taking extreme measures to suppress signs calculated to cause a cessation of hostilities. Twelve adherents of the plan of independence, residents of Manila, have been condemned to deaths because they wrote advising surrender, and all loyal Filipinos have been called upon to perform the natural service of dispatching them.  
On Friday last La Garda visited Lagordas for the purpose of advising Aguinaldo to quit. He argued with the insurgent leader, and attempted to convince him of the folly of his persistence in the face of overwhelming odds. Aguinaldo was furious at the advice, and ordered General La Garda to be executed immediately. The unfortunate general was promptly decapitated.  
A dispatch to the New York Herald from Ilo Ilo, island of Panay, says that a battalion of the Eighteenth infantry, a platoon of the Sixth artillery and the machine gun battery made a reconnaissance in the direction of Mandurraico and Santa Barbara Thursday. While they were returning the insurgents attacked the outposts on the right. Although fatigued from marching in the boiling sun for two hours, the entire command proceeded to the assistance of their comrades and a heavy engagement ensued. General Miller directed the movements of the American forces and had several narrow escapes. The Americans lost one man killed and fifteen wounded. The insurgent loss is estimated at 200 killed and 300 wounded.  
**Additional Local.**  
—John Veit has moved to Etna, Calif., where he expects to reside—and wants THE MAIL.  
—Have you seen that swell line of silk front shirts at Meeker's?  
—Born—in Union, Oregon, March 13, 1899, to Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Briner, a ten-pound girl baby.  
—Lemons ten cents a dozen—three dozen for 25 cents, at the Crater.  
—W. H. Vaughn, of Hay Fork, Calif., registered at Hotel Nash Wednesday evening.  
—The Childers boys expect to commence manufacturing brick next week.  
—Farmers! We want your hen eggs—highest market price. W. H. Meeker & Co.  
—W. H. Bybee shipped two carloads of hay to Redding last week.  
—Miss Laura Webb has been quite ill for several days past.  
—Get Wells & Shearer to do your moving—satisfaction always.  
—La Belle Marie at the opera house Monday night.  
**Black-and-Tan Tigers.**  
Glance at your family cat or your fox terrier, or the cows in the field. All their markings, and those of nearly all domesticated animals are mottled and totally irregular. This is the curious result of domestication. Wild animals are, as a rule, marked with beautiful regularity. Look at the stripes of the tiger, the spots of the leopard, the absolutely even streaks on the zebra's coat, and a dozen other similar instances. There is very little doubt that all these animals' colors could be changed if they were tamed by man and kept in captivity for a few generations. Fancy a black-and-tan tiger, or a leopard with the irregular markings of a tortoise-shell cat.  
It is said that Saturday has been a fatal day to the royal family of England for the last 185 years. William III, Queen Anne, George I, George II, George III, George IV, the duchess of Kent, the prince consort, the duke of Clarence, the duke of Albany and Princess Alice all died on that day.  
**Teeth Extracted as an Inducement.**  
The manager of a London music hall announces that anyone who purchases a ticket for the performance may have his or her teeth extracted for nothing.  
On Tuesday of last week, during the absence of John Dian and wife, of Greenfel, Manitoba, from their farm, their residence caught fire and their five children were burned to death.

**THE COLOR LINE IN CUBA.**  
Some Rubbing of It Will Have to Be Done Before a Stable Government is Formed.  
There will have to be some rubbing of the color line if the good people of Cuba—the natives of all shades, the Spanish Cubans and the other residents of foreign descent—combine to form a stable government. It is estimated that about 40 per cent. of the people of Cuba are colored. Under universal suffrage they would control many parts of the island. To an American or Spaniard this is rather an alarming condition for a new state to face. It does not worry the Cubans in the least. There is practically no color line among the Cubans proper. It is not an uncommon thing to find families of white Cubans in which a cousin, a nephew or an aunt is unmistakably colored. Nor is African blood a bar to the finest Cuban society, provided the person is descended on one side from a family of honorable connections, says the Cincinnati Times-Star.  
The Spaniard, however, draws a distinct difference between the African blood he may have inherited from Moore and the colored admixture in Cuba. In a general way he classifies all Cubans as negroes, and refers to all the Cuban struggles for freedom as "nigger uprisings." He notes with surprise that we hold radical views somewhat similar to his in Illinois and North Carolina, yet are honestly preparing to turn Cuba over to the Cubans.  
**A REFUGE FOR NEGROES.**  
The Island of Hayti May Serve to Help Settle Racial Troubles of This Country.  
An experience of a third of a century since the war has shown that the white and black races in the southern states will never harmonize, says the Chicago Tribune. The recent injustices inflicted upon the blacks in North Carolina are but one item in a situation prevailing all over the south. To a certain degree Bishop Turner is right when he says there is no "manhood future" for his race in these states. It would be to the mutual advantage of both whites and blacks if all the dissatisfied negroes in the cotton states could be induced to go to some country where they could live their own life and develop in their own way.  
The world has not failed to note what a poor stagger the blacks of Hayti have made at development during the century of independence which they have enjoyed since they got rid of the French and Spanish yokes. But this is the fault of the people and not of the island. There is no better or more convenient country in the world for the American negroes to emigrate to than this same rich and luxuriant island of Hayti. If our discontented southern negroes cannot improve and progress there, winning for themselves an increase of wealth and of comfort, then they cannot do it in Africa or anywhere on earth.  
**SLEEPING MACHINES.**  
Ingenuous Mechanical Apparatus for Bringing About the Condition of Slumber.  
Experiments have been made recently with some curious devices in the shape of "sleep machines." Sleep will sometimes result from fatigue of the eyes. Looking at trees or other objects as we rush along in the train will frequently "send us off."  
An ingenious gentleman has produced a machine for this purpose. It is a box surmounted by two fanlike panels, one above the other, revolving horizontally in opposite directions. These panels are studded with mirrors that throw upon the retina a vibrating flood of twinkling light.  
A similar effect is produced by staring at a bright ball placed high above the head, so that some slight strain is caused by staring at it.  
Another apparatus for causing drowsiness is formed of clamps for squeezing the arteries leading to the brain. The clamps remain in position for less than half a minute, and by that time the sufferer from insomnia has been placed in a state of somnolence by the decreased flow of blood to the brain.  
Still another method is to arrange an electric battery in the bed so that a mild current acts upon the spine.  
**Gladstone at Church.**  
A writer in the London Church Gazette tells this story about Mr. Gladstone: "I happened to be in a church one Sunday morning when Mr. Gladstone came in; it was a church he attended very rarely, so he was quite unexpected. He had much difficulty in finding a seat, for it was a free and open church and apt to crowd up dreadfully. A curate deacon, whom we all loved, but whose forte was not preaching, happened to be in the pulpit, and caught sight of the prime minister as he hurried in and looked around for a chair. It was almost his first sermon, and, nervous before, this quite upset him. This Mr. Gladstone quickly perceived, and picking up his hat and umbrella, he scurried to the top of the church, and, finding a seat among the children, sat through the whole of a long sermon with his hand to his ear, paying the most marked attention to every word. This gave the curate—I am sorry to say he is since dead—more courage, but after the service Mr. Gladstone took an opportunity of thanking him."  
**Fish with an Elastic Stomach.**  
The good old rule that a receptacle must be larger than its contents finds apparent refutation in the case of the chiasmodon, a fish popularly known as "the black swallower." It is noted for its voracity and for the enormous distensibility of its stomach, which permits it to swallow fishes larger than itself.

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