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THE COSS PIANO HOUSE...

CITY HAPPENINGS.

Several of the public spirited ladies of Medford, we understand, have under contemplation the organization of a public improvement society, the object of which, if organized, will be the general improvement of our streets, sidewalks and parks. There is surely need of this and THE MAIL knows of none better qualified to look after these needed improvements than the ladies. They are naturally neater than the men folks, and have the ambition and patience necessary to succeed in any enterprise undertaken. Of course, the ladies are not expected to get in and make these improvements themselves. Their work, as we understand it, would be that of securing funds, either by private donations or by giving entertainments, and with the funds thus secured hire men to work on the streets and parks—the work to be under the supervision of the ladies. The streets of the city are fringed with weeds, rocks and a miscellaneous collection of every old thing imaginable. There are broken and loose boards in the sidewalks almost every place—all of which by consent of the city council, would be looked after by this improvement society. Those of our citizens who are inclined to "tidy up" in front of their places of business or residences are nearly all too busy with business affairs to give attention to matters of this nature which are of importance as cleaning up, and an organization of this nature will be a source of much relief to them. THE MAIL hopes the ladies will take the matter up and that success will crown their every effort. This paper will do all possible to help 'em along in their work. It is a good idea, inspired by a noble impulse and ought to be given a hearty sanction by all good citizens.

For \$1300. Forty acre farm; twenty acres under fence; twelve to fifteen acres under cultivation; five acres in alfalfa; one acre of berries, all kinds; small orchard in bearing; plenty of water for irrigation; two good springs; outside range for stock; good buildings; one span of horses; new wagon; nine hogs; one cow; two yearlings; three dozen chickens; six tons of hay; all for \$1300. This property is three miles from railroad and postoffice and one mile from school. Party will give possession at once. York & Wortman, Medford, Oregon.

Geo. whiz, but this country is a record breaker in more ways than one—in fact, in all ways. Listen to this, will you—and then marvel. A. L. Hazelton, living out near Eagle Point, last spring planted one and two-thirds acres of land to onions and this fall he is harvesting between 80,000 and 100,000 pounds of as fine onions as were ever marketed. Mr. Hazelton's entire crop has been purchased by G. L. Davis, the Medford grocer, and one

of the conditions of the purchase is that no onion shall weigh less than one-fourth of a pound. Many of them weigh two and three-fourths pounds, while the average weight will probably be from one and three-fourths to two and one-fourth pounds. Mr. Hazelton has now pulled 65,000 pounds and is delivering them to Mr. Davis. It is estimated that Mr. Hazelton will clean up a net profit of \$1000 from his one and two-thirds acres of land. The onions are of a splendid variety and find a ready market at good prices in California towns. Speaking of the fertility of Oregon soil in comparison with the soil of Minnesota, which is considered the best in the United States, a gentleman recently from there relates as an example that from an acre of land in that state which had for years been used as a stock corral, the owner, after plowing the land and putting it in splendid shape planted it to onions and as a result of his labors harvested 500 bushels of onions—or 30,000 pounds. It can be seen from the above that Oregon soil will produce nearly twice as much as will Minnesota soil—of onions, at least. Comparisons could undoubtedly be made as regards other products with figures quite as astonishing.

Candy ten cents per pound for the next thirty days at the Boss—Jacksonville.

A. F. Carpenter and wife arrived in the valley a couple of weeks ago from Springfield, South Dakota. They came the entire distance by team and, notwithstanding that both are well along in years, they made a successful trip, and in three months' time. They brought up at J. J. Salisbury's place, in Sams Valley, and there made inquiry for the Rogue river valley and Medford. Mr. S. from goodness of heart and the spirit of hospitality so prevalent among Southern Oregon people, advised the aged couple to camp with him for a few days, which they did. A few days later, when they had become rested, they started out for Medford, but before getting here they encountered Sam McClendon, who piloted them to D. E. Jones' place in the Willow Springs district, which, after looking the entire tract over, they purchased for \$2000. There are seventy acres in the tract and it is said by those who know to be a very choice piece of realty. Possession of the place is to be given at once. Mr. Jones having arranged to move to Central Point. Mr. Carpenter is one of the finest old gentlemen which has been our good fortune to meet—and THE MAIL is glad of his coming and we feel satisfied he will never regret his move. Mr. Carpenter has been a subscriber to THE MAIL for a couple or three years and it was through the paper's influence that his footsteps were turned Oregon way.

Everybody who enjoys a right good smoke buy their cigars at Billie Isaacs' smoke house.

—On Monday afternoon of this week, as Henry Peck, a German farmer, living at Lake Creek, and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Emile Peck, were crossing the Southern Pacific railroad track, near the distillery, in Medford, in a lumber wagon, they were run into by a northbound freight train, and were thrown quite a distance from the track and received some quite serious wounds. They were picked up by the train hands and were brought to the depot where an examination was made by physicians. It was found that Mr. Peck was bruised quite badly about the head and his back was badly sprained. Mrs. Peck was found to be suffering from a broken arm, both legs were badly bruised and she had received a wound on the cheek bone. Mr. Peck's wounds were dressed and he was taken to his home at Lake Creek. Mrs. Peck's injuries were also looked after and she was taken to the home of her father, Matthew Demmer, in this city, where she still remains. Mr. Peck tells that he had ample time to have crossed the track ahead of the train, but the team stopped when the wagon was on the track and would neither go ahead nor back. Mrs. Peck had but just recovered from a surgical operation of a few weeks ago, and was on her way home to her family when the above mentioned accident befell her.

—Why not have some force in your make-up when you are tired, run down and no ambition. When your blood is out of better vitalize it with pure grain whiskey—only sold at distillery office at \$2.25, \$2.50 and up.

—Symptoms are still favorable—and becoming more so all the time—for early commencement of work on the Butte creek-Medford irrigating and power canal. Messrs. G. D. Clark and O. D. McMurray, of San Francisco, two interested parties in the project, have been in the valley this week, and in company with C. B. Williams and Engineer McCary, drove out over the proposed line of the canal to Fish Lake. There seems little doubt but that the canal will be built, in fact, we have it direct that its construction is positively assured. The benefit which the canal will be to Medford and the entire valley cannot be estimated. Its construction into Medford will make of this town, unless we be very much mistaken, a town five times its present size in as many years. It will stimulate the business already here; it will encourage new enterprises, and it will build up a surrounding country that will easily give support to a town as large as Medford will then be. Every property owner and every laboring man in the town ought to give to the enterprise the hearty, loyal support it deserves.

—The Kin-Hee coffee pot, sold by Warner & Wortman, is the best of all articles in that line. Those who enjoy a cup of good coffee cannot well afford to miss looking into the good qualities of this new invention.

—Among the few needs of Medford is a foundry. An institution of that kind could be made to pay a good revenue, and aside from the profit that would inure to the projector, the town would be materially benefited by an enterprise of such a nature. M. M. Gault will donate all the extra land he has near his machine shop and it is thought that an additional amount can be secured adjoining his property equal to the demands of a foundry. The business men of Medford ought to take this matter up and work to the end that this greatly needed enterprise be added to our town's business.

—Joe Caskey, the scientific horse-shoer and all round mechanic, is again on deck at Merriman's blacksmith shop. All work done at this shop is warranted in every respect. Geo. F. Merriman, proprietor.

—A Stranger:—"I notice in Medford that very nearly all your business blocks are built of brick. I like that. It indicates a substantiality and stability that is not often seen in towns the size of Medford. It indicates a permanency that is good for a town—and I tell you I like it. I have no personal interest in your town as yet, but I hope to have and if any one thing more than another would induce me to become interested it would be your fine brick buildings, your well selected and well arranged stocks of goods, and your enterprising business men."

—A Slover, the drayman, got him to do your hauling. Household goods and heavy articles carefully and safely handled. Teams always handy and teamsters courteous.

—Lightning got in one of its mad pranks over in Sams Valley last week Thursday. A large oak tree standing near J. J. Salisbury's place was struck and split into kindling wood. The tree was two and a half feet in diameter and was cut square off at the ground. The tree stood thirty feet from a barn and twenty feet from a straw shed, but neither of these buildings were injured. Mr. Salisbury tells that the shock was like the exploding of a dynamite charge in a mine, only about an hundred times heavier.

—Sometimes you are tired, other times slow and without ambition—use m. d. & r. co. pure grain whiskey and vitalize your blood and you will have force. \$2.25, \$2.50 per gallon, and up, at distillery office.

—Assessor Pendleton is keeping an eye out for the old river dredger, down near Tolo, on Rogue river. The dredging for gold proposition having proven a failure the owners are now removing

the machinery to California, or at least are getting ready to remove it. The taxes for 1900, amounting to about \$175, have not as yet been paid and Mr. Pendleton is using all due caution to the end that the machinery does not get over the line before the amount is liquidated. The amount will probably be paid without trouble.

—Listen to this!—The Dewey washing machine will remove every particle of dirt from wrist bands of shirts. W. H. Hombree, of Medford, is agent for them. Let him prove to you the excellent qualities of the machine.

—W. F. Taggart brought to THE MAIL office last week a muskmelon, of the Bonanza variety, which was grown on Levi Sutton's place, near Phoenix. The melon weighed 26 pounds and upon being prepared for the table it was found to be very nearly all solid melon and splendid eating from rind to core. The seed compartment was only about an inch in diameter and ran about half the length of the melon. There was unquestionably more meat in this melon than in any variety we have ever before seen.

—For Sale—Parcel of land, 300x310 feet in size, in Fairview addition to Medford. Good fruit land—good fence. Will take stock as part payment. E. W. Starr, Medford.

—G. W. Dunlap has purchased an interest in the G. W. Mackey photograph gallery. Mr. Dunlap is a relative of the Dunlaps at Talent, and is well known hereabouts. We are informed that these gentlemen have rented another gallery in Medford and will operate them both. Ed. Weston, formerly in partnership with Mr. Mackey, has retired from the business and we are told will engage in mining.

—The Boss has a soda fountain with soft drinks of various descriptions in connection, also nuts of all kinds, tropical fruits and cigars. When in Jacksonville, call.

—Asabel Hubbard has his new dwelling nearly completed. It is 24x26 feet in size and one story high and is being built by A. W. Bish. It's location is on South A street, near E. C. Boscok's place, on a 125x200 foot orchard tract which Mr. Hubbard purchased last spring from M. S. Damon. It is a very desirable location and Asabel, when he gets it made to suit, will have a splendid home.

—With the new facilities that B. N. Butler put in his shop, he turns out as good work in repairing watches and jewelry as any one in Southern Oregon.

—As a result of Billie Isaacs' fishing trip to the river Wednesday he was displaying, Thursday morning, five as fine steel head trout as were ever caught with hook and line. One of them weighed ten pounds and is undoubtedly the largest fish ever landed from the river with a No. 6 fly hook and a six ounce rod.

—The Coes Piano House, Medford, wants about 20 cords of good wood. Someone in the wood business can get an organ or a piano trade easily now.

—Cashier G. R. Lindley, of the Medford bank, is having lumber hauled preparatory to the erection of a two story dwelling house in East Medford, near his father's residence. Contractor Perry Stewart and Architect Palmer have a contract for the construction of the building.

—Dr. Goble, the optician, will be at his residence in Medford on Saturday of each week. Eyes tested free of charge. Corner Fourth and D streets.

—Word from San Francisco conveys the good news that Miss Helen Straug, who is in a hospital in that city, is improving. A slight surgical operation was performed last week for spinal trouble, with which she has been afflicted for a number of years.

—I am desirous of doing dressmaking. Will go to your house and do work by day. Inquire at T. H. Moore's, Eleventh and J street. Miss Simmons.

—A little four-year-old son of George Polton, who has been stopping with Miss Emma Worlow, at Ft. Klamath, left Medford Monday evening to join his father at Easton, Wash. The little fellow was placed in charge of Conductor Hansbrough and will make the trip to Tacoma alone.

—Cigars, from a nickel to four bits a one—best cigars made for the money—at Billie Isaacs' smoke house.

—Frank Wilson was unfortunate last Saturday in having his bake oven catch fire and burn out. It required two or three days time to repair it, during which time Mr. Wilson was supplied with bread from Ashland.

—Columbia guitar for \$10, a bargain for the one who calls first. Inquire at this office.

—The family of G. B. Coffenberry, the barber, arrived in Medford Tuesday night from Hubbard, Oregon. They are now housekeeping in the Joe Kelly residence, on North D street.

—All kinds of sash and doors and screen doors, at lowest market price, W. Woods.

—A full attendance of the members is desired at the regular meeting of Chrysanthemum Circle on Tuesday evening, September 25th, as there is special business to be attended to.

—Boyden & Nicholson keep the Dewey washer in stock.

—Earl Calkins is a salesman in S. Rosenthal's clothing establishment, during Mr. Rosenthal's absence in the city.

—See J. R. Wilson for all kinds of Piano machinery.

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TAYLER the Footfitter

—H. H. Howard & Co. have gone in cahoots with a Mr. McCormick, of California, and are shipping about ten carloads of apples from Medford to Los Angeles. They made their first shipment yesterday.

—Circus day patrons cleaned out my entire stock of street hats, but I immediately placed another order for more and these will be here this week. Mrs. L. J. Sears, the Racket store milliner.

—Lee Jacobs, salesman for H. H. Howard & Co., has moved his family from Jacksonville to Medford. They are occupying the Pryce residence, on South C street.

—My fall stock of millinery is replete in every detail. The ladies of Medford and vicinity are asked to call and inspect. Mrs. L. J. Sears.

—Mat Demmer has THE MAIL office's thanks for a goodly supply of very fine grapes—of which he grows not a few and from which he makes the finest quality of wine.

—With the present prospects of the big canal, property in Medford is going pretty rapidly. Parties wishing locations, and those also who have property to sell, call on York & Wortman.

—A band of cattle, eighteen carloads, were expected in yesterday from Klamath County. They will be loaded here and shipped to Seattle.

—Don't forget that Dr. Stephenson can be found in his offices over J. Beck & Co.'s hardware store, when not professionally engaged.

—J. W. Wiley shipped three carloads of hogs to San Francisco on Thursday of this week, and S. R. Reeves one carload, to the same place.

—Lost—Lady's gold watch in Medford or on road from Medford to Gold Hill. Liberal reward to finder. Mrs. Dr. Ray.

—Dr. Stephenson reports Johnnie Gailey very much improved in health and able to be about the house, also little Vera Webb improving.

—Mackey & Dunlap for superior photos. Always the best and prices O. K.

—Miss Bessie Conde has accepted position as teacher in the Big Butte school and on Monday commenced upon her duties.

—Yucca, Yucca. What is Yucca? Ask H. H. Howard & Co.

—Cashier H. L. Gilkey, of the Jackson County bank, is parent to a new girl baby which came to his home last Saturday.

—School supplies at West Side grocery.

—O. E. Gorrline, the lumberman, is erecting a dwelling house on South D street, near Wm. Ulrich's residence.

—Ladies' street hats at Mrs. J. L. J. Sears'. New stock will be in tomorrow.

—Ed. Gurnea, the electrician, has moved to the W. K. Davis residence, in West Medford.

—THE MAIL has blank school report cards for sale.

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The RACKET has a full line of Fall and Winter samples we would be pleased to show anyone desiring suits made to order. Fits Guaranteed.

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