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NO. 432—Ladies' Dongola Opera, 1-strap Sandals \$1.50

NO. 716—Ladies' Red Satin quilted, fur trimmed Slippers, \$1.50



Same—In Black Dongola

NO. 541—Gents' Black or Tan Dongola Slippers, \$1.50.



Also Gents' nice Velvet Embroidered Slippers \$1

Don't forget our line of Dolls, Iron Toys, Air Guns, Celluloid Novelties, Etc.

J. G. Van Dyke & Co.

CITY HAPPENINGS.

—F. M. Stewart, the real estate dealer, reports the sale to G. H. Howland of an eighty acre tract of land from the old Mingus place, on the road from Medford to Jacksonville. The Mingus place is owned by Mr. Eby and it was from him that Mr. Howland made the purchase. The price paid was \$45 per acre. Mr. Howland is a brother-in-law of Recorder J. W. Lawton and arrived in Medford last fall with his family, from Minnesota. Soon after his arrival here he purchased the E. A. Johnson residence property on South C street, where he now resides. The land he has recently purchased is every foot tillable and is considered some of the best agricultural land in the valley. Mr. H. is a gentleman possessed with an unusual amount of hustle and there is no doubt but that he will make a success of his farming venture. Any man who can make a living and lay up a few dollars on a Minnesota farm can get rich in the great Rogue river valley.

—Corn meal is ground at the East Side mill, of corn that is hand sorted and apilled corn trimmed off.

—On Thursday of last week J. H. Boussem, of Medford, was held up by a couple of tramps, about half way between Central Point and Tolo. He was returning on foot from a visit to his son and had with him a fish spear and an umbrella—which articles the tramps coveted and attempted to take by force. Mr. B. gave them battle and caused them no little pain and loss of blood, as his garments bore evidence upon his arrival in Medford. While it was true, as he states, that he had the best of the mill for the first few rounds, he also admitted that in all probability they would have made a finish of him on the grand wind-up. Fortunately a team happened along about the time Mr. B. was getting pretty well winded and when the driver of said team manifested a disposition to take a hand the assailants fled the field and undoubtedly caught fish for their evening meal with banded pins.

—Buy tickets for the people's popular excursion to San Francisco, at the Medford Book store. Leaves Ashland December 28th—\$11.50 for round trip—good for ten days.

—Last year the University of Oregon Glee Club toured the state as far east as Baker City. This year, in spite of the many invitations to go elsewhere, the club is going through Southern Oregon, and will appear in Medford December 28. This is the first visit of any student organization from our state's school to this city and the club should have a reception royal. As a musical organization the club comes highly recommended from many of the cities throughout the state. The concert will consist of chorus work, vocal solos by the director, Prof. I. M. Glen, instrumental solos by Mr. Frazier, the boy pianist, readings by Mr. Eaton, and the sketch, a travesty on "Ingomar, the Barbarian." The club consists of a dozen voices, besides the director and the reader.

—If your doctors have failed to cure you call and see Mrs. N. Frary, the magnetic healer, at Central Point, Or. She treats successfully old chronic diseases. Positive cure without druggs or medicines.

—A few weeks ago THE MAIL printed a few lines relative to the very large crop of very fine apples which S. L. Bennett grew this year. At that time he told that he expected 1000 boxes from his two-acre orchard. He now has them all harvested and there are just 1121 boxes. Mr. Bennett is confident this is the best yield of apples ever produced from two acres of orchard in Jackson County—and we doubt if anyone will dare dispute the fact that it is such. Mr. Bennett's apples were mostly Newtowns.

—A gentleman will appreciate a fine pipe or a box of choice cigars for a Christmas present, at Kurtz's.

—Henry B. Davis, nephew of Merchant G. L. Davis, has decided to establish an oil route in Medford and Jacksonville. He has prepared a wagon, upon which is a tank for coal oil. Each day he will drive to all parts of the city and those in need of oil can secure it from him, and thus save the time and inconvenience of ordering from their grocers. There ought to be a good business in this line worked up—and Mr. D. will do it if its possible.

—Wanted—A girl for general housework. Wages \$4 per week. Inquire of MEDFORD MAIL.

—Miss Lillian Gregory has accepted a position as saleswoman in the Racket store—a position she is quite able to

fill, and very satisfactorily. Miss Lillian Rihnhart is assisting, temporarily, as saleswoman in J. G. Van Dyke & Co.'s store—helping to serve their many Christmas goods customers. Miss Florence Toft is also assisting temporarily in the G. A. Gurnea Racket store—until after holidays.

—Furniture for holiday trade—I recently made an order for a carload of furniture and novelties in the furniture line for the holiday trade of Southern Oregon. Having bought in car lots I am better prepared than ever before to give patrons a fine line to select from and at better prices. I. A. Webb.

—Dr. G. B. Cole, of Eagle Point, compliments THE MAIL advertising column upon their efficacy as a medium of good results. A few weeks ago he advertised a piece of land for sale, since which time he has had letters of inquiry from almost every state in the union. He has since sold his place.

—Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Webb are packing their household goods, preparatory to leaving next Wednesday, for Southern California.

—T. H. B. Taylor, the "Feather Man," will reposit a feather bed free of charge for the person who brings to the Southern Oregon Poultry Show the best two-pound roll of butter, weighing thirty-two ounces. The owner to record a firm determination to remove the bumping from his or her butter mould, and never, never again tip up their steelyards, and make them weigh down, and swear its good weight. When it lacks half a pound.

—Parties who contemplate taking advantage of the low rate excursion ticket offer to San Francisco and return for \$11.50, should purchase their tickets at least three days prior to date of starting of the excursion train, which date is December 26th.

—Some few weeks ago Mr. Coss, of the Coss Piano House, Medford, sold a Kimball concert grand piano to W. H. Gore—conditioned that if it was not satisfactory it was to be exchanged for any other style desired. It proved very unsatisfactory and last week Mr. Coss took it back and gave Mr. Gore a Chickering parlor grand in its stead. Mr. Coss reports the sale of two pianos at Grants Pass this week and one at Roseburg.

—When you want draying done get Slover to do it. He's always ready—always reliable and his charges are always just right.

—The woods are full of candidates for city recorder. Ex-Postmaster Purdin, Judge Jas. Stewart and Attorney S. S. Pentz are known candidates. How many more will spring up between this time and election is hard to state. S. H. Murray, T. W. Johnson, W. E. Taggart and A. H. Chesmore are said to be aspirants to the position of marshal. Mr. Hovser will not be a candidate for re-election to the office of mayor.

—Attorney W. M. Colvig, of Jacksonville, is prepared to give special attention to divorce law, probate law and mining law, as well as attend to all other law matters—in any and all courts of the state.

—That's a fine job of street grading and graveling which Street Commissioner Hooker did along the railroad company's right-of-way, but my land! it was expensive—and the town has it to pay—when the council and taxpayers thought all along that the company was doing it.

—You can be cured of nervous diseases, stammering, bad habits, alcoholism, drug habit, sexual diseases, deafness and catarrh. Instruction in personal magnetism. Send for literature. Institute of Psychology, Seventh and Washington streets, Portland.

—T. W. Johnson is engaged this week in putting a new fence around Chasier Enyart's new residence. Mr. Enyart has had his grounds graded, also the street and sidewalks surrounding his place graded and gravelled—all of which improves the appearance very much.

—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.

—E. B. Jennings reports that he has sold a quarter interest in his quicksilver mine, in the Meadows precinct, to Larabee & Reed, Montana mining men. It is expected that development work will commence on the mine soon.

—Nine years in wood—that is the age of our rye whiskey. With the correct amount of pure rock candy it will break your cold, improve your appetite and invigorate your lungs. \$1 per bottle—only sold at Distillery Office.

—Lakeview Examiner: "John Grieve, father of Mrs. E. C. Stickle, came down from Paisley last Sunday, and started at once by the Western for Central Point, where he will spend the winter."

—There are no better sewing machines than the Wheeler & Wilson, New Home, Davis and Standard. You can buy them of Jno. F. White, Medford. Prices \$30 to \$45, according to style of woodwork.

—At the town election held in Ashland on Tuesday of this week, the entire republican ticket was elected, with the exception of R. P. Neil for mayor. The ticket elected is: Mayor, R. P. Neil; recorder, Milton Berry; treasurer, Henry Galley; councilmen—First ward, P. B. Wiltaoy; Second ward, Thomas H. Simpson; Third ward, W. P. Powell. On the question of saloon license, 423 votes were cast, the totals being 216 against and 197 for, giving a majority of 19 against the issuance of license to saloons. This vote was taken under a city ordinance, asking an expression of the voters on the subject at each city election. At the present time there are six saloons in Ashland that pay \$400 license each per year. These licenses all expire January 15, and if the City Council takes notice of the pleasure of the voters, no more licenses to retail liquor will issue after that date.

—Pritchard, the pioneer watchmaker, is selling a fine line of jewelry at cost. Call on him if you want something nice at budrock prices.

—W. M. Erdman, living in northwest Medford, was arrested Wednesday evening by Marshal Murray and lodged in the city jail. Thursday morning complaint was entered against him by Recorder Lawton, at the instance of Paul Demmer, charging him with disorderly conduct. It appears, as told a MAIL reporter, that Erdman was intoxicated and while in that condition, threw sticks of wood at his wife and that he also threatened to do bodily harm to his step-son, W. M. Hartmann, who was living with him, but who has now, together with his wife, taken up his residence with Mr. Demmer. Erdman plead guilty and was fined \$5.

—The Glee Club gave a delightful concert before an appreciative audience last night. The voices are unusually fine.—Portland Oregonian.

—Cashier Z. Maxcy was taken quite seriously ill Tuesday and until Wednesday noon suffered intense pain. His trouble is of a rheumatic nature and affected his back. He was considerably improved yesterday and will probably be all right within a few days.

—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.

—R. W. Scott, the fellow who recently did a job of burglary in Portland, was a printer and a few years ago was employed on the Jacksonville Times. He also worked on the old Monitor in this city for a few weeks.

—Gurnea's racket has the largest line of Chinaware, celluloid goods, musical instruments and toys for Christmas ever brought to Medford.

—Notices are up-calling a caucus, or mass meeting, at the town hall on Saturday evening of this week, the purpose of which is the nominating of a ticket to be voted upon at the coming January election.

—I will furnish new sewing machines warranted for 5 years, prices \$20 to \$25. Give me a call before sending away orders. Jno. F. White, Medford.

—There will be a special meeting of Medford Lodge No. 98, A. O. U. W., on Friday evening, December 21st, for the purpose of electing officers. All members are earnestly requested to be present.

—For Sale—Posts and shakes. We have always on hand any quantity of posts and shakes—old reasonable and quality guaranteed. Geo. Brown & Sons, Eagle Point.

—Geo. E. Neuber has a kennel of handsome pups of the celebrated Le-wellyn setter breed, which are admired by all who see them. He offers a few of them for sale at a reasonable figure.

—Mrs. Katherine Spielman loaned mid-wife. Calls answered day and night. Charges reasonable. Mrs. Spielman speaks three languages. Residence on North C street, between Second and Third.

—The first lecture in the Star course will be given by President David Starr Jordan, of Stanford University, about the first of January. Look for definite date next week.

—Marrled—At St. Luke's rectory, Grants Pass, Oregon, Dec. 19, 1900, by the Rev. Chas. Booth, Mr. Benjamin Forsyth Hall and Miss Alice C. Bantz.

—The boy pianist rendered the classics with remarkable skill. Eaton and Frazier in the travesty were irresistible.—Eugene Register.

—Scott Davis has rented the Hosler residence, on South I street, and he will commence housekeeping therein within a few weeks.

—Pipes of all kinds. Cigars by the box for Christmas presents, at Kurtz's cigar store.

—Frank Hull is assisting Express Agent Faucett in his rush of Christmas shipments.

—For a present that will last, go to Elwood's.

—Chas. White, of Woodville, sold his farm on Rogue river to A. A. Gill, of Siskiyou County, for \$6500.

—Fine line of very nice jardiniere—received this week—at G. L. Davis's.

For the Holidays Decorated China and Porcelain Ware

We are receiving almost daily a new and complete line of Tea Sets, Dinner Sets, etc., in Decorated China and Porcelain. This is a most artistic and up-to-date line, including Toilet Sets, Child's Sets, Novelty Vases, etc., and many articles suitable for holiday gifts.

DECORATED LAMPS

We have the largest and finest assortment of lamps, both hanging and standing, ever brought to Medford. Call and see them.

H. H. HOWARD & CO Medford, Oregon

Just Arrived Some full lines of INFANTS, CHILDREN'S and MISSES' SHOES. Latest styles and excellent wearers. **TAYLER'S, THE FITTER,** Seventh St. MEDFORD, OREGON.

The Windsor Lodging House

S. R. REEVES, Proprietor. MEDFORD, OREGON. NEXT DOOR TO POSTOFFICE. Rooms by the day, week or month, at reasonable rates. Rooms newly furnished.

—At the last session of Reames Chapter No. 60, O. E. S., held in lodge hall in Medford on Thursday evening of last week, the following officers were elected: Mary E. Reeves, worthy matron; Wm. I. Vawter, worthy patron; Louvina Sears, associate matron; Bessie Lumsden, conductress; Nellie Whitman, associate conductress; Mattie E. Pickett, secretary; Etta M. Vawter, treasurer. The above were installed last night by installing Officer Hattie Reames-White. After the ceremonies were finished a short program was rendered and refreshments were served.

—Watch our show windows for more "sleepers"—glassware for Christmas present—best selected stock in Medford. H. H. Howard & Co.

—Griffith, the hypnotist, has been giving hypnotic entertainments at the opera house every night this week. On Monday night, at 8:30 o'clock, he put his advance agent into an hypnotic sleep and placed him on a cot in H. H. Howard & Co.'s show window, where he slept until Wednesday evening at 8:30, when he was awakened. Those who saw him when he was awakened said he went into all kinds of spasms and the combined efforts of six men were of no avail in holding him on the cot at that time.

—G. L. Davis received 1500 pounds of Christmas candy last week. In Christmas toys and Christmas novelties Mr. Davis has the finest stock in Medford.

—G. N. Spurr, the bowling alley man, who left Medford a couple of years ago for Michigan, passed through Medford yesterday evening, bound for Arizona. Whether he goes in hopes of getting relief from rheumatic trouble. His wife is with her parents in Wisconsin.

—You must not miss the Glee Club concert. Show your loyalty to your state university.

—Mrs. D. B. Stewart, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Royal Brown, at Eagle Point, returned to her home at La Grand, Oregon, on Wednesday of this week.

—The largest line of pipes ever brought to Southern Oregon, at Kurtz's.

—Mrs. Frank King of Althouse, Josephine county, is in Medford upon a few days' visit to her friends, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Heard.

—Don't fail to drop into the Coss Piano House and see the fine display of holiday pianos now on sale.

—Miss Elsie Howard came over from Kerby yesterday for a holiday visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Howard.

—Call early and select your presents, as I have sold a number already. Elwood.

—The next "sleeper" in Howard & Co.'s show window will be an elegant line of fancy glassware, for Christmas presents.

—Miss Ella Williams, of Central Point, and Fred Roper of Grants Pass, are to be married at Central Point next Sunday.

—All kinds of pipes at Kurtz's

—E. A. Sherwin, the well known druggist of Ashland, has disposed of his stock of drugs and stationery in that city to McNair Bros., of Tacoma.

—When you are selecting your Christmas presents call on Pritchard. He is selling jewelry at cost.

—A. Pottinger has purchased the Gooden residence property, in West Medford, from Mrs. N. R. Johnston, paying \$350 for the same.

—Merchant Howard has shipped a great quantity of mistletoe to Willa-ette valley points during the week—for Christmas use.

—You can't beat Pritchard's prices nor the quality of his goods.

—Don't forget that I am paying a better price for turkeys than you can get from any one else in Southern Oregon—G. L. Davis.

—A school meeting is called for Medford school district, for January 5, 1901, for the purpose of voting a tax levy for next year.

—Santa Claus headquarters at Gurnea's racket store, Childrens block. Largest line of toys and novelties ever brought to Medford.

—A new sidewalk has been put down on the north side of Seventh street, from the corner of A street to Bear creek bridge.

—The club is better than ever this year. The voices blend perfectly.—Eugene Guard.

—The Dr. Ray ten-stamp mill commenced week Wednesday at the Dr. Braden mine.

—S. R. Reeves shipped a car load of eggs and apples to San Francisco Tuesday.

—The musical event of the season—the Glee Club concert. Dec., 23th.

—H. W. Banfield came up yesterday from Grants Pass and Galice Creek.

—Try Kurtz's hand-made cigars.

—The Medford town election will occur on Monday, January 7th

—School supplies at West Side grocery.

—You husbands who are hunting for something for a Christmas present for your wives that will suit better than anything else, should take a look at my new stock of jardiniere. Nothing more appropriate and always in good taste.—G. L. Davis.

—I am now prepared to do dressmaking and invite the patronage of the ladies of Medford. Mrs. J. K. Darnell, at my old residence, corner South D and Eleventh streets.

—Mrs. Reame makes hair switches, braids, pompadour fronts; buys hair; renovates, repairs, colors or bleaches hair. Residence just east of the Lutheran Church.

—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.

—Crusade prize baking powder—none better—none cheaper—you get a prize with every can. Warner & Wortman.

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Of buying cheap presents? Buy something that will last and be appreciated in a.....



From 50c to \$125

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Ring, Chain, Silver Pieces, Cut Glass and Toilet Sets

At **Elwood's.**

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THE CHEAPEST PLACE to buy GOOD GOODS

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TOYS.	Book Dept.	Kodak Dept.	Doll Bargains.
Horns, each 4c	Padded Poets, \$1.50, 1.25	Brownie Kodaks, \$1. 90c	9-in. China Doll..... 9c
Dishes..... " 4c	Our price today only	Our price today only	8-in. Doll..... 3c
Printing Outfits, " 9c	Cloth, 16-mo..... 19c	Get your boy a Kodak and keep him off the street.	12-in. Kid Doll.....24c
Toy Lamps..... " 8c	" 12-mo..... 17c	10 per cent discount on all KODAKS.	Esquimau Dolls.....10c
Climbing Sailors " 4c	Xmas Cards, Lowest of the Low.		Rubber Dolls..... 10c
Boy Dolls..... " 20c	Presentation Books, 50c		

TO-DAY, ONLY TO-DAY. Medford Book Store