

The new owners of the Sterling mine are figuring upon a proposition, which, if carried out, will not only give the foothill farmers and orchard men water for irrigation, but will furnish the vity of Meaford with an abundance of pure, clear, mountain water, superior to the famous Bull supplied.

a tunnel a mile in length-approximately through a mountain at a certain point on the present ditch, which

makes a circle of some eleven miles around a mountain, returning to a point opposite. The ditch has a fail of sixteen and one-half feet to the mile for this distance, so that the tun-ret will not only shorten the distance the water must travel over ten miles, and save much waste from evaporation and leakage, but it will enable the company to bring the water to

the mine on a higher grade and give them a 300-foot pressure where they have 150 now. This makes it possible to work the higher ground on the property, which under the present conditions could not be handled. The increased capacity of the mine, which will be doubled, if not trebled, by the system, connected with other plans in view is not all that is being figured on by the Sterling Mine The elevation gained by the projected tunnel will enable them to bring water over the divide at the head of the west tork of Griffin creek and by this means cover the orchard and farming lands of the valley. After the tunnel is driven it is the plan to extend the diten to the point above mentioned, where the water will be confined in

the generation of power. carried in pipes buried beneath the

ground across the valley to the foot-hills on the eastern side. The pipe Jackson creek and completed by July increase will soon be necessary. The gotten out. hills on the eastern side. The pipe line will cross just north of Phoenix. From this main pipe lateral pipe lines will had down each side of the valles, a direct vertical pressure of 500 feet in the vicinity of Medford. Besides had came west to take to the the value of t

will be for ages in a virgin state, as index of moving to Medford. At the Missouri Lumber Co, Climax; the March this year the J. H. Chambers the disbursement of a considerable that there is no danger of contamina-tion. It will flow through nearly twenty miles of ditch, it is true, but was effected and the present name Wilderville and M. A. Wertz mill at handling the immense amount of lum. The Mail does not claim all the that ditch is more like a true moun- adopted, he hald the matter before the same place. The combined cut of ber to be brought in this season, credit for securing this entorprise tain stream than like the accepted the directors; but for a time they the above mills, including that of the The intention is to run a spur track for the town, yet it did do something tain stream than like the accepted idea of a ditch. At a point, to be decided later on the line of the ditch an immense reservoir, lined with ceement, will be constructed. This an

Proliminary surveys will be com-

menced at once and as soon as engineer's estimates are received, con-struction work will be pushed as rap-idly as possible.

tendent.

The company purchased a tract of been put in, fact is was ordered belend near Jacksonville, and in March, fore the move was made, and started from the government regarding clear coming season 100 men will be em-1902, the construction of the sawmill very soon after the plant was estab- sugar pine lumber for shipment to ployed in the factory alone. enced. Williams as nana- lished here. From a doubtful propo- Manila and have already furnished was comm

Into a paying institution. At the time the question of raising rations for the factory building were formia. That was their first year in In the agreement entered into be-a subsidy of \$3,000 to induce the com- commenced and on March 7, 1904, the business. This year it will be tween the company and the citizens pany to move its plant from Jackson- within seven days of the time speci- different. A short time ago Manager of Medford, at the time the subsidy ville to Medford was brought up there fied in the agreement, the whistle of Hafer made a short business trip to was made, the consideration upon were people in this city who expressed the lowa Lumber & Box Co.'s mill California and during that time he which subscriptions were solicited Run water with which Portland is were people in this city who expressed the lowa Lunder & Box Co, s min Cantorna and Cantage and the for the second state of the opinion that the enterprise would engine was heard for the first time in contracted \$50,000 worth of box was that \$40,000 per annum was to be not be a success and would be of Medford. This delay would not have shooks to parties in that state. One expended for labor by the company. In order to get a heavy pressure at the mine, it is the intention to drive brief recapitulation of the history of weather conditions. It rained and he had to compete with the California has been operating in Medford \$50, the company will show whether they rained—and then rained—all through Pine Box combine. This amount 000 was expended—\$10,000 more than were right or not. January and Febru ry, until eight of box shocks will fill 100 cars, as the sum agreed upon. In the month The lowa Lumber & Box Co, was horses were hitched to one wagon, against 00 last year. Nor is this all, of April the pay roll amounted to origanized as the lowa Lumber Co, many times, to haul a piece of may These orders are outside of the orange \$7,500, and besides this there is some

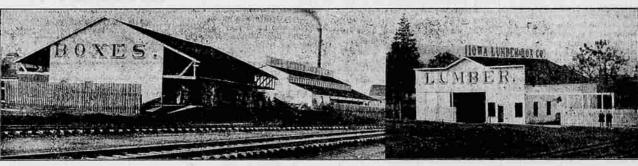
been put in, fact is was ordered be- The company has had inquiries in the factory here. During the

the everying, and during that time it the subsidy was shortly raised. a good trade is being worked up. been necessary to learn economy in has developed from an experiment. This greement was reached Novem- In 1904 the company shipped 60 car- this line in the cast, more so than on sive strikes ever made in quartz min-ing in Southern Oregon, outside of

the famous Gold Hill pocket in early days, was made last Saturday at the Opp mine near Jacksonville. The presence of a body of rich ore was expected, but when the shot was fired that uncovered the rich deposit, the miners were astounded at the magnitude of it. Over \$7000 were taken out that day, and there is much more yet in sight. The rock is literally honeycombed with gold. The fact is, that instead of being a little gold scattered through the rock, it is rather a little rock scattered through the gold. A great deal of it is ready for the smel-ter without further work, while some

of it will be milled at the mine. The Opp mine has been operated for the past year or more with success, the average output of the mill has been \$100 per diem for the past several months. This big strike is therefore

The company officers now are: C. almost clear profit.



### FACTORY and RETAIL SHEDS OF IOWA LUMBER & BOX CO., MEDFORD, OREGON

pipes and a drop of 1500 feet made ger and Harrison as superintendent, sition, by energy and business abil- one carload for that purpose. As Hafer, president; E. E. Hart, treas to a system of wheels to be used for remained in charge until June, 1903, ity, it has become a paying enter- soon as the upper Rogno river timber urer; and during that time the company prise.

lands are opened up by the building once Hafer, assistant manager. Those From this point the water will be arried in pipes buried beneath the

his home is in Marion county.

# KIDNAPPING

A daving attempt to kidnap the little son of Fred Champlin occurred at Gold Hill about 11 a. m. Wednesday, May 2ith. Mr. Champlin, one of the owners of the large dredge on Foots creek, is divorced from his wife, but by a recent decree of Judge Hanna he has full care and control over the child, a koy about eleven years of age. The mother was also granted permission to see the child at certain times and wrote a short time ago, requesting to have the boy brought to Woodville, so that he might accompany her on a picnic. This not being convenient, arrangenents were made for a meeting at Gold Hill, which occurred on Wednes lay.

After a short visit Mrs. Champlin The rich pay rock is a strip about suggested that she take the boy to Dr. Lester's dental rooms to have his teeth examined. This was evidently part of a prearranged plot, for shorty after they went to the dentist's, a son crock and there are said to be no The team way down by Link Me free Grants Pass livery team drove up. and accompanied by George Finch, who are the day and night marshals Every gulch putting down from the mountain upon which the mine is brought the child out and put him in the rig and accompanied by men the team was driven at breakays. The main ledge of the Opp mine The main ledge of the Opp mine was discovered in the sixties by a thority whatever for taking the boy, man named Holman, who took out a The scheme might have been successcouple of pockets and ran a tunnel ninety feet in on the ledge. The ore but luckily two men, Dick Walker not showing as rich as he expected, he abandoned it, C. C. Beekman and guainted with all the parties and cir-J. II. Huffer then took the mine up and worked it, off and on, for a num-currence and buriedly gave the currence and hurriedly gave the alarm. Mr. Champlin was telephoned, informing him of the occurrence and out a bunch of about soot and did which would have to pass within a considerable development work. A mile of his house. R. W. Christian crossed the river, while Fred Champ-lin kept the telephone busy with Med-ford and Jacksonville attorneys, inquiring into the legal aspect of the ase and was advised to obtain the boy at all costs. Mr. Christian did not have long to wait and seeing the team coming he kept concealed at a place where the road narrows on ascending a grade, about a mile south, of Woodville.

Waiting until they were within a few paces, he stepped out and raising both hands to show he was unarmed, lomanded that they surrender the boy, as they had no authority to take him from Jackson county. The driver whipped up the team and with a threat tried to drive past, but Clark club will give a lawn social at the residence of Dr. E. B. Pickel on heads with a death grip and would heads with a death grip and would Wednesday evening, May 31st. The back with a death grip and would proceeds will be used to swell the had not the marshals cried, "enough." fund for purchasing a fountain for the During an argument as to the legal city park. The club has been doing a standpoint. Mrs. Champlin got out great deal of work for the past few with the boy and started off in the months in endeavoring to raise funds

this the vicinity of Addition besides manager and came west to take for and storage shed and the load the summer of 1904. Mr. Hafer The coming of the lowa Lumber and cold. From its source in the Finding it impossible, owing to The company has now under con-realized that their yard facilities, & Box Co. to Medford has increased heart of the snowclad Siskiyons to the time it enters the pipes the water cilities, to make he factory pay at sowmills: Welch Lumber Co., Spike-commodate the constantly increasing hundred, has furnished employment to

an immense reservoir, lined with cement, will be constructed. This reservoir will be filled during the high water season and will be tused as a source of supply during the dry sea-ample supply of water. De discusser supply of water.

Mrs. W. J. Dean, of Talent, had an

Wool and Mohair.

Edgar Hafer, manager; Clar-

The Mail does not claim all the

twelve inches in width and as yet of unknown depth, but the indications are that the ore body is of consider-able extent. The Opp Minnig Company owns 200 acres of land on Jack ess than nine separate ledges of free

milling ore upon it, Every guleh putting down from the situated is rich in gold and thousands of dollars were taken out in the early days.

ber of years, with varying success. Finally in the early nineties they took out a bunch of about \$6000 and thereconsiderable development work. A couple of years after J. W. Opp purchased the mine and mill, and continued in charge up to some nine or ten months ago. At that time Dr. J. F. Reddy and Fred Perry purchased

an interest in the mine and the Opp Mining Co. was incorporated. A ten-stamp mill was placed on the property and mining operations have been pushed with vigor ever since. The operations of this company has

proven that the quartz mines of South ern Oregon are not mere surface outcroppings and that with modern, scientific methods a great many valuable mines will be found.

#### Lewis and Clark Social

The ladies of the Medford Lewis and

#### Commercial Club Meeting.

The meeting of the Medford Commercial club, held yart.

June 9th, was discussed. The meeting was called to order by President C. I. Hutchison, who tet d the object of the meeting and The special train will leave Ashland of Medford and the samples he shows proves that the vegetable is well called upon Mr. H. P. Nadeau, trav- at 5:30 on the morning of June 8th, proves that the vegetable is well eling representative of the Lewis arriving in Portland at 7 p. m. and Clark exposition, to explain the lowing are the fares from Jackson plans of the excursion being arranged county points: Ashland, 89: Talent, for by him throughout the territory \$8.85; Medford, \$8.50; Central Point, in his charge. Mr. Nades 1 briefly \$8.40; Gold Hill, \$8; Woodville, \$7.75.

outlined the plan. The excursion from Southern Oregon will consist of a special train, leaving Ashland

Since the last issue of The Mail a in the morning of June 8th and taking up passengers as far north as number of new exhibits have been probably. From the last placed on view at the exhibit build- well supplied with roses and other point north where passengers are ing and the interest among our citiwithout stop to Portland, arriving at hibit now is one to be proud of and In our mention of that city in the evening. The next it is growing better every day. Among the building last week some important day, June 9th, will be Southern Ore- the new attractions is a display of facts were omitted; viz: That Dr. day, June 9th, will be Southern Ore-the new attractions is a display of here were omitted; viz. Last or and a day, and an elaborate program Jackson county marble made by the has been arranged, consisting of ad-Oregon Granite Co. A number of different localities represented, all of it susceptible of high polish etc. The fare on this excursion is and of fine texture. the different localities represented an of it suspense of any point etc. The fare on this execution is and of face texture. figured to amount to 88.50 for the Chay & Meader brought in some

New Exhibits.

M. Keene,

figured to amount to 88.50 for the round trip, with the privilege of returning on any regular train with in eight days. During the eight days thet bet totat bolies may and that G. L. Schermerhorn, twigs of Bartlett, Buerre Bose, Win-ter Nellis and Comice pears that are in eight days. During the eight days that ticket holders may remain at fruit. Also some almonds and figs, the fair there will be many special all of which are fine. days for different localities and Wm. Clark contributes some spring

days for different localities and Wm. Clark contributes some spring states. When the forage plant recommended by the professors of the Agricultural ageneral meeting of the club will please take notice that a general meeting of the club will be held Friday strening. May 2016. All is and was protected bis mane was D. L. Marks, but his right-people wished to join the excursion. of Meetford and shows a thriftyent. C. I. HUTCHISON, Pres.

John D. Olwell, J. F. Reddy and J. oats and wheat that cannot be beaten. The grain stands over four feet high

The old committee on advertising and its color and appearance shows having requested to be relieved from what the soil of the

Monday evening, further duty, on motion the follow- tom can do. Besides this he has some mercial club, held Monday evening, was a very important one, inasmuch as the matter of the excursion to Portland on "Southern Oregon Day," Jame 0th, was discussed. Jame 0th, was discussed. corn fair.

Fol

oscar Stinson, who lives in the "sticky" country, the soil of which has been for many years considered not conductive to fruit culture,

one year's growth. The lindies of Medford are doing

their part by keeping the building beautiful flowers, which adds greatly

In our mention of the opening

Notice to Members.

JACKSON COUNTY xettin

Friday, June 9th, will be Southern Oregon day at the Lewis and Clark in Phoenix precinct, when her horse took sudden fright at some clanking

Fred Rapp, of Talent, who has a chains on a team of horses being led small band of sheep, sheared from a behind a loaded wagon which she met.

yearling Delaine ewe a 20-pound The horse whirled and ran and Mrs. fleece last week, says the Tidings. Dean was hurled out of the buggy to The copper wire being strung from the ground. She heroically clung to San Francisco to Portland by the the lines, though, and was dragged Western Union Co., in anticipation under the upturned buggy for a dis-of increase in traffic this year, has tance of fifty yards by the frightened

steed before she was able to stop it. been finished as far as Ashland. Some painful bruises and abrasions The members of Co. B., O. N. G., The members of Co. B., O. N. G., of Ashland, detailed for guard duty were the most serious injuries the at the Lewis and Clark fair, left for lady received, but the experience is brought in a shoot from a plumb tree at the Lewis and Clark fair, left for

one she is not likely soon to forget. ten feet in heighth, the product of Portland to go on duty last week. They were six in number, viz. ; Brad. Married-Danielson-Milligan. Carter, Geo. Spencer, W. H. Weeden,

Harold Thomas, A. J. McCallen and John Masterson.

The city council of Ashland has were married at the residence of the called a special election to be held bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chus.

Saturday, June 10th, for the purpose Milligan, in North Medford, Rev F. of voting on the question of bonding W. Carstens officiating. the city for \$30,000, to be used in the The wedding was a quiet one, only

purchase of water rights and real es- the immediate families of the couple tate for the strengthening and im- being present. Both bride and groom provement of the water system. himself as the foreman of a crew of with whom The Mail joins in congrat-

Southern Pacific painters, after en-

gaging board for himself and seven men at the Ashiand House, in Ash iand, persuaded the landindy, Mrs. the partners in the Medford Iron helped and by so doing the Union occasion that the ladies of Medford Works, while the bride is a charming met all expenses at once. The minis-and aniable young lady, well fitted ters of Medford exerted themselves to Osborne, to endorse a check for \$45, which he cashed at the First and amiable young lady, well fitted National bank. The check was drawn to be an helpmost.

Mr. and Mrs. Danielson will occupy the Austin residence in East Medford.

Highest each price paid. T. E. POTTENGER.

a, of Talent, had an experience, Satur-y she received no. day. Fortunately she received no injurics, but her escape seems almost social and adding their quota to the boy held onto him, and begged to be miraculous. She was driving in a social and adding their quota to the sum total. A musical and literary taken home to his father. At this juncture Chas, in Phone was the base base base base in the sum total.

At this juncture Chas, Champlin, accompanied by Ralph Darling, drove freshments will be served. If the weather should be unfavorable the so-only were outnumbered, said: "Well, boys, I gness we are up t. against it, so we Following is the program : ouse. had better be going," and the party Plano

Juenesse Butler Enid Hamilton Mrs. W. I. Vawter Dorthia Armstrong Mrs. Hafer Clarence Meeker Zela White drove off. oral Solo ocal Solo Mrs. Hazelrigg Mrs. Halor

## W. C. T. U. Items.

May 15th the Union met at the bers of the Post and W. R. Tuesday evening, May 23d. W. O. Danielson and Miss Anna Milligan

ate for the strengthening and im-being present libth bride and groom A smooth stranger, who represented imself as the foreman of a crew of aging board for himself and seven The groom is an energetic and en-terprising young man and is one of The minis- may see fit to make.

help strangers feel at home also to b onfland to belp in the program work.

The Union extends many thanks. The music, under the upervision of Miss Fielder, was good. A song sung by Miss Fielder and Charence Meeker,

Decoration Day Services.

id begged to be

Chester A. Arthur Post No. 47, G. A. R., will hold memorial services at Wilson's opera house, , Tuosday May 30th, at 10 o'clock a. m. The

C. will Prosbyterian church with Mrs. Addi- assemble at the Post hall at 9:30 and ton, state president of Oregon, to march to the opera house, headed by ton, state president of Gregon, to march to the opera house, headed by decorate, etc. Mrs. Additon gave s fine talk to those present. Arrange opera house a short program will be ments were made for as many as could to meet our distinguished visitors deliver the address of the day. At to meet our distinguished visitors and delegates from Ashland. Quite a number of the W. C. T. U.'s came. The delegates were quickly assigned their places to stay through the con-ference. Mrs. John Cox sent her car-riage for Mrs. L. Sievens and Miss the units of t

Land to Rent.