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Mr. and Mrs. C. Carey were Ashland visitors Saturday. Mr. Carey purchased a lot of pipe for putting in a hydraulic ram at his place.

The little son of P. O. Henry, who had the misfortune to bruise his knee thus causing it to gether making an operation necessary, is getting all right again. Dr. Hamilton of Medford is in attendance.

Oak Circle, W. O. W. has just been favored with a visit from one of the Grand Managers, Mrs. Annie Hawkins, of Toledo, Oregon. Mrs. Hawkins gave the Circle much helpful advice and instructions, and her visit was very much enjoyed. A reception was arranged for her coming which was enjoyed by all present.

His Conversion.
Miss Sallie Miller, the acknowledged belle of the town, had fewer beaux than were her due. This was owing to her father's peculiar aversion to all young men who called on his daughter. He had a disconcerting way of taking possession of the porch and snubbing her callers while they were waiting for her to come down.

One evening Newton Brown, a bashful young avain, came a trifle too early for Miss Sallie. Mr. Miller and Newton's father were close friends, but the boy had grown so rapidly that the old gentleman did not recognize little Newt Brown in this tall, gawky youth. "It looks as if it might rain," the young fellow ventured timidly.

"Tain't a-goin' to rain," was the gruff response.

For about a quarter of an hour they sat in silence. Finally the old man's curiosity got the better of him. "Who are you, anyway?" he growled.

"Newton Brown, sir."

"What! Not old Jake Brown's son?"

"Yes, sir."

"Well, well," said Mr. Miller more kindly. "It may rain; it may rain."—Everybody's Magazine.

A Lesson in Honesty.
There is a restaurant in Broad street in which nearly a thousand persons eat during the noon hour. Each person eats what he pleases and when he goes to the cashier's desk announces the amount of his indebtedness. The proprietors figure that to the trustworthiness of their patrons is a saving of precious Wall street minutes and, besides, is good business. Once in a while keen eyed employees capture a cheat. One of these, a youth, was caught with the goods on a few days ago and taken to the office of the proprietors. Given the choice of being arrested or going into the kitchen and washing dishes, the young man nearly collapsed of shame and fright. He begged not to be arrested and reluctantly agreed to wash dishes. For an hour or so the culprit struggled with a pile of dishes in a tub of steaming water. Then he was told he might depart. Now he brings his lunch from home.—New York Press.

What English Means.
Mrs. Smith—Why are you reading John's book?—Mr. Smith—I am reading Herbert Spencer's "Principles of Biology." Mrs. Smith—Why—what—what's that, John?—Mr. Smith—Herbert Spencer's "Biology." Let me read you an extract—his definition of life. Listen: "It consists of the definite combinations of heterogeneous changes, but simultaneous and successive, in combination with external existences and sequences."

"Why, John, what in the world is the man talking about?"

"I am astonished at you, Jane. Why, this is the work of the great English scientist."

"Yes, I know, but what is he writing about?"

"He is defining life, I told you. What did you suppose he was writing about?"

"Good gracious! I thought he was trying to get a patent on a clothes-horse."—London Tit-Bits.

When Religion Ceded.
In his book "Work in Great Cities" the bishop of London writes: "You have often not only to learn, but to practice, what may be described as the foot and door trick. It is a situation of the foot and sometimes hurts the toe, but it consists in rapidly, but quickly, passing the foot in the moment the door is opened in order to secure, at any rate, a few minutes' quiet." After long meditation, it will be opened by a little girl about half a foot, and then you will hear a distant voice from the wash tub in the rear, "Well, Sally, who is it?" Then Sally will answer at the top of her voice, "Please, mother, it's religion." You will require all your presence of mind to cope with that.

The time came, however, when every door was thrown wide open to welcome "our bishop."—London Christian Globe.

Why the Sun Sets.
Little Jack asked his mother one night why the sun set so often. She told him that it might rise in the morning. This seemed a useless answer, and Jack hunted for another. At last he said: "Oh, I know, mother. The sun sets so that she can hatch all the days."—Washington Star.

Came With a Shock.
Harold (after the fateful question had been put and answered)—Did I surprise you, dear?—Maud—Surprise me? You paralyzed me! I gave up the idea two years ago of your ever having spunk enough to propose.—Chicago Tribune.

A Wrong Tip.
A well known Chicago merchant was once asked to talk to the boys of a business school. He prefaced his address by a few extempore remarks. "Boys," said he, "as I approached the entrance to this schoolroom I observed on the panel of the door a word most appropriate to an institution of the quality most useful to the average boy when he steps into the field of business. Can you tell me what it is?" "Foil!" shouted several of the pupils, with a burst of laughter, while the horrified merchant recognized that he had taken leave of the wrong side of the door.—Philadelphia Ledger.

A Little Too Far.
"There is such a thing as overdoing your part," declared a man of the law who now has the knowledge gained by much experience.

"Shortly after I began practice in the west I was called upon to defend a man who had drawn a revolver on another and threatened to kill him. The accused did not have a character above reproach, but the prosecuting witness was also shady in reputation, and I made the most of this fact. I pictured him as a desperado of the most dangerous type, a man that was a constant menace to the community and one who would recognize no other law than that of force. Such men as he, I insisted, made necessary the organization of vigilance committees and injured the fair name of the west among the older communities of the country.

"The jury returned a verdict of guilty and my man was sentenced to a year's imprisonment. As soon as court adjourned the foreman of the jury came to me and said: 'Young fellow, you spread it on too thick. After that there tip-spartan' speech of yours we couldn't do nothin' else 'an what we done.'

"I don't understand you, sir."

"You don't? Why, we found the damned fool guilty 'cause he didn't shoot!"—Detroit Free Press.

Ballet Shoes.
Ballet shoes fit like a stocking. They are of leather, with a thin leather sole about an inch wide and with theippers sewed so that they come under the foot. The ballet dancer wants no rubber heels, instep arch supports nor any other of the foot supporting or reforming devices which are commonly used by ordinary mortals. The toe dancer desires a hard box toe on her ballet shoes, but the ordinary dancer seeks only shoes that will give perfect freedom of movement of the joints and muscles of the feet. It is a rule of good dancers, a shoe man of experience says, to wear shoes that will allow for space between the toes. It is a point of good fit that all persons should heed, he says. High heels are put on to stage shoes for effect, not to promote good dancing. Many stage shoes are made with short fore parts and high heels to make the feet look smaller and the person taller.—Boston Globe.

What Did He Mean?
Mike Maloney's wife was an invalid, and the doctor had been doing all sorts of things for her, changing the medicine so often that poor Mike's income would scarcely reach and make both ends meet, and at last the doctor said that his wife must go to a warmer climate.

Mike listened to that advice for several months, and finally when October came the doctor told Mike on Saturday evening after all of his week's wages had been spent that his wife positively must be sent "to a warmer climate without delay."

Mike left the room for a few minutes, and when he returned he was wiping his eyes with his left hand, while with his right hand he brought an ax, which he gave to the physician, saying:

"I hate to do it, doc. You please do it for me."—Kansas City Independent.

Practical Help For Deafness.
I have proved that this is really practical.

Get a common pasteboard mailing tube such as pictures or music is mailed in and hold it to the ear closely. The result is wonderful. A very deaf person can hear distinctly everything that is said by any one sitting on the other side of the room. At first thought it is inclined to ridicule so simple a method. I bought a good long one, large enough to fit over the ear, for 10 cents. One can get them at any business stationer's. I tried it on grandmother, who is very deaf. She could hear well and what was more remarkable, could also hear with her very deaf ear, with which she has not heard a sound for seven years. Try it! That's all I have to say.—Harper's Bazar.

American Woman in German Eyes.
American girls, whether born or merely brought up in America, evidence the same independence of judgment and the same complete self-reliance. It is hard to say whether this is the result of the education in the public schools and colleges or in their freedom from that condition of legal and social subservency to which the gentler sex is doomed in older countries.—Max von Brandt in Berlin Deutsche Revue.

Quits a "Character."
Here is a "character" given to a servant on leaving her last situation: "The bearer has been in my house a year, less eleven months. During this time she has shown herself diligent at the house door, frugal in work, mindful of herself, prompt in excuses and honest when everything was out of the way."—London Tit-Bits.

Awed into Humility.
Man for man, if not woman for woman, the humility and terror of Americans in the presence of English people of their own class or above it is, with whatever care disguised, a pathetic thing.—London Outlook.

But Hard to Tell.
"What is the real, essential difference between mushrooms and toadstools?"

"Exactly the difference between a feast and a funeral."—Baltimore American.

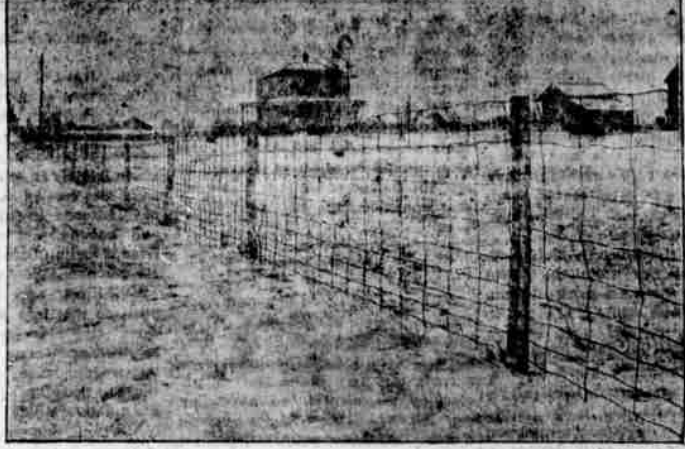
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Investigations to Improve National Forest Ranges.

The government has planned a series of scientific reseeding experiments on several of the national Forest Ranges next spring and summer to determine under what conditions and in what manner those portions of the range which have been seriously damaged by overgrazing may be restored to their former productiveness.

A great deal of the range land in the West is overgrazed and does not carry as much stock as formerly. The method of handling stock, particularly sheep, is perhaps more responsible for this condition than any other cause. But all causes of deterioration and all means for improving the forage crop need to be studied, that the range may be brought into the best condition to meet the imperative demand of the livestock industry.

The plan is to establish experimental stations in several parts of the country. Probably not more than six will be tried at first, but they will be so located as to secure typical conditions. The experiments will be begun on a small scale, on five or six acre tracts. Both native and wild grasses will be tried but it is believed that the plan of encouraging native grasses will meet with greater success than the introduction of cultivated species, at least in the Rocky Mountain region. In the Coast Ranges, with their greater rainfall, cultivated grasses are more likely to play an important part in range development.

The ranges of the Northwest have not been so seriously damaged by overgrazing as those of the Southwest, perhaps because of superior moisture conditions of the northern part of the country. It is a fact, however, that some of the ranges support the stock which they did formerly, and reseeding experiments will therefore be undertaken in this section of the country also.

The method of handling stock is also to be considered. Every stockman knows that stock do not waste as much feed when unrestricted in their movements as when close herded. An experimental pasture was enclosed last summer in the Imnaha national Forest in Oregon, which will be a model for others next season. In this pasture sheep were returned loose without a shepherd, to shift for themselves. It is too soon to draw positive conclusions from this experiment, but the sheep did well, and there was a decided lessening in the loss of forage through trampling. It looks as though a given area of ground can be made to carry a very much larger number of animals when they are allowed to graze free, than when close herded. This fact, if established, will be of decided importance to stockmen.

Included?
Minick—The new preacher says he intends to prohibit all church lottery games.

Sinick—Indeed! And church weddings are so nice too.—Browning's.

Numerous Breaks.
"Do you have much trouble in breaking in a new cook?"

"Oh, not so much after it comes to be the second set of tableware."—Yankee.

Mean Thing.
She—Why, I can remember when my hair was down to the floor.

He—Yes, I remember. It fell off the chair, didn't it?—Yonkers Statesman.

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Just That.
Mrs. Longwood (excitedly)—I should like to know what you had before married you!

Mr. Longwood (dejectedly)—Well, I had a lutekey anyway!

To the Public
Having been solicited by a goodly number of the citizens and taxpayers of Jackson county to become a candidate for the office of County Assessor of Jackson county I have decided to become such candidate, subject to the action of the Republican voters at the coming primary election.

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OUR COUNTY Correspondents

• Eagle Point Eaglets

BY A. C. HOWLETT
F. M. Stewart, the real estate man, was out last Sunday in his gravelly buggy. He found the roads very rough on the desert.

B. P. Youmans, of Vancouver, Washington, called on his way to far timber belt on Salt creek.

Henry McCabe, of Medford, stopped with us for dinner on his way to visit his parents on Rogue river.

J. E. Stepp and son, Dick, came out last week. The latter was on his way to San Francisco to finish his course in telegraphy.

Our school is progressing nicely under the new management, Miss Anna Jeffers as principal and Miss Bertha Peachey as primary teacher.

Miss March Kincaid, who has been teaching near Wiscar, Josephine county, stayed here last Saturday night on her way to her home near Peyton.

H. J. Hanco, of Medford, has rented one of the old Robert Potter buildings and is going to keep batch as soon as he can get things arranged to suit.

Revs. Green of Ashland, and Davis, of Wolf Creek, are holding a series of meetings here this week and expect to continue over Sunday and perhaps a part of next week.

Z. J. Emerick, W. W. Humphrey and W. W. Parker were here last week. The two former were going up to look at the country beyond Butte Falls and Mr. Parker was taking them up home with him.

J. C. Brown, one of the real estate men of Medford, was a pleasant caller last week. He was accompanied by F. R. Weldenmubler, of Fresno, California. They were out looking at the A. J. Daley tract of land in the edge of town.

A. B. Hamilton, of Medford, came out last week and took a contract to out a lot of wood for the owners of the old Ulrich place. He has a force of nine men cutting now and Mrs. Howlett has to put up lunches for seven of them.

J. L. Rider, of Ashland, was here looking at our surroundings. Everyone is favorably impressed with the beauties of our valley, but think that the price of land is rather high, but there are several changes taking place.

Mr. Sawyer and his son, who have been surveying the old Ulrich tract of land, cutting it up into small tracts, returned to Medford last Saturday evening. The owners of the land are preparing to put out fifty acres of orchard this spring.

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