

AMUSEMENTS

THE NEW BLACK CROOK.

The magnificent spectacle, "The Black Crook," will be seen at the Medford Opera House Thursday, March 12.

"The Black Crook" a catchy spectacle. Clever dancers, pretty chorus and abundance of humor please novelty audience.



SCENE FROM MILLER & PLOHN'S SPECTACULAR MUSICAL SENSATION, "THE NEW BLACK CROOK" AT MEDFORD OPERA HOUSE, MARCH 12.

to introduce several novel acts. Among notable engagements in this line may be mentioned the Donzetta family, the most marvelous aerobats ever seen in an attraction of this class.

His Satanic Majesty merited the applause of the audience. E. J. Willard made the Black Crook an awesome individual. William C. Welp is the comedian of the company.

GENIUS OF JACKSONVILLE:

A TANGLEFOOT TALE

Miles Overholt, editor of the Jacksonville Post and of "Tanglefoot," Southern Oregon's monthly journal of philosophy, who has made a name and fame chiefly through the latter periodical, is contemplating seeking a new field for the exploitation of his ideas and genius.

"Have you confidence on the future of this country?" he was asked. "Oh, yes, unbounded faith in the future, and the immediate future, of this country. Why, the future is here now," he exclaimed.

"Yes," continued the genius, "with that glorious prospect, I could even hope to own an auto. Think of it!" and he fairly shouted, "an auto for an editor of the Post. You can imagine my regret at being compelled to separate myself from such a hope."

"But, Mr. Overholt, why will you leave the people who cleave unto you like tanglefoot to its victims?"

"Very good, I'll borrow that, if you please, as I do most of my humor. But that's our secret."

"Yes, Mr. Overholt, but what can the Tribune tell the public is the reason of your departure that will have thousands mourning and wondering?"

"Well, I was coming to that. To be frank with you, candor and honesty require me to seek a more tropical climate. I can no longer continue in that class called by our noble president, nature fakirs. I must emancipate myself—get rid of that odium."

The tears fell thick and fast—were almost sticky, because so thick and fast. When he had recovered, the reporter said:

"Please, Miles, make it plain."

"My boy," he whispered huskily, "it is simply flies"—the reporter started for the door. "Come back, he cried, 'I haven't got 'em; honest, I haven't.' 'I hear me to the end, I demand it.'"

"The reporter panted at the open door. 'Really and honestly, it is lack of flies that drives me from Jacksonville. You doubtless recognize that the most novel and original stroke of journalism in America is the use of a deceased housefly appended to the flyleaf of Tanglefoot, copyrighted and patented by me. Since the frost killed these (to me) little useful insects the readers of Tanglefoot are so spoiled to

put up with a measly printed imitation instead of the genuine corpse of a deceased 'musca domestica,' and as a result the readers of Tanglefoot have revolted, and of the last issue, 214,374 copies have been returned by followers of our chief executive, who demand the real thing. You might suggest building a cold-storage plant, but to be frank, the demand for Tanglefoot has grown so great that in a country where the 'musca' cannot live and increase the whole year, the necessary adornments for the title page cannot be procured."

At this point Mr. Overholt received the following telegram: "Yuma, Ariz., March 4, 1908. Miles Overholt, Jacksonville, Or. 'Come at once. Chamber of commerce guarantees 10,000,000 flies a month. If not sufficient can import from Mexico. SECRETARY.'"

"That settles it with me," said Miles. "Where duty calls, there I must go. But how sad, how sad and how selfish in me to sacrifice those millions of little flies and the millions unborn to sustain my budding genius—"

Here Mr. Overholt was so overcome that the reporter, unwilling to longer tolerate his feelings, gently led him to the nearest refreshment parlor and saved his life for the world and the new style (insectivora) literature.

BUYING AWAY FROM HOME.

Mayor Macy of McMinnville, speaking at the Retail Grocers' convention at Portland a couple of weeks ago, said: "A friend of mine in the furniture business trying to sell an extension table to a lady, was told that she could get that table for a certain sum from Sears-Roebuck. 'I am not to be undersold by any one,' he said, 'and I will meet their price.' She told him she would take the table, and asked him to send it right over. 'But I must have the cash in advance,' he said. 'You would have to pay Sears-Roebuck cash in advance, send the cash with your order.' She paid the cash and said she would be around for the table soon. 'No you will have to wait six weeks before you get that table; it would be six weeks before you could get it from Sears-Roebuck.' The lady came around in six weeks to get the table. The dealer said, 'There is \$4.50 freight charge on this. When you pay that you get the freight charges. Any retail merchant, to compete with these people, should try the same plan.—Exchange."

COUNTY CLERKS KEEP NATURALIZATION FEES

ASTORIA, Or., March 7.—Judge McBride handed down a decision in the circuit court recently that is of particular interest to all county clerks as the ruling holds that the clerks are entitled to retain the fees which they receive for naturalizations. The decision concludes as follows: "The clerk of this court in naturalization proceedings acts as an officer of the United States and he is entitled to receive such fees and retain the same, and it is so ordered."

A. P. Gass, who has been in Medford spending the winter, will leave for his home in Lower Canada to-day after a tour of business.

The Safe Conduct of Business

Advertisement for Jackson County Bank, Medford, Oregon. The ad highlights the bank's safety and reliability, mentioning its capital and surplus of \$115,000.00 and its establishment in 1888. It lists W. L. Vawter as President and G. B. Loosley as Cashier.

The Medford National Bank

Advertisement for The Medford National Bank, Medford, Or. The ad lists the bank's capital at \$50,000 and surplus at \$10,000. It offers safety boxes for rent and a general banking business, including transacting and soliciting patronage.

Advertisement for Medford Steam Bakery. The ad features an illustration of a woman and a child, and describes the bakery's products as being made from choice winter wheat and baked using the best methods known. It is located at the intersection of 6th and 7th streets.

MEDFORD SASH & DOOR CO.

WINDOW SCREENS, DOOR SCREENS, PLYWOOD SHUTTERS, OFFICE FIXTURES AND ALL KINDS OF PLANING MILL WORK, INCLUDING TURNED WORK AND FANCY ORNLS. F. BETWEEN 6TH AND 7TH STS. PHONE 53.

The Nash Hotel and Grill

Only first-class house in the city. Absolutely the finest grill between Portland and San Francisco. A specialty is made of oysters, shell and other fish. All meats used are cold storage government inspected. Catering in all its branches.

All Kinds and Varieties of Lumber

Advertisement for Iowa Box & Lumber Co. The ad asks "Are You Thinking of Building?" and promotes the company's lumber products. It includes the slogan "WHY NOT SAVE YOUR MONEY BY BUILDING A HOME OF YOUR OWN?" and provides contact information for the company in Medford, Oregon.

Iowa Box & Lumber Co. MEDFORD OREGON

Advertisement for Medford Rink. The ad lists the rink's location at Winzell & Loosley, Props. It provides details about the rink's sessions, including afternoon and evening hours, and mentions that the rink is closed on Sundays. It also advertises a Society Night on Wednesday with admission for 10 cents and skates for 25 cents.

Advertisement for Colonists' Rates. The ad promotes "SPREAD THE NEWS" and offers "Colonist Rates from all points East to Oregon from March 1 to April 30, 1908." It features the Southern Pacific Railroad logo and provides information about the rates and routes, including stops in Kansas City, Mo., Dallas, Tex., St. Paul, Minn., and Chicago, Ill.

Large advertisement for Model Clothing Co. The ad features an illustration of a man in a suit and a dog, and promotes "Smart Dressers" and "Ability to Provide It for Him." It claims to have the largest line of smart clothes in the city and offers suits at various price points, from \$15 to \$40. The ad also mentions that the company is Medford's correct clothiers.

A bit of Alfalfa Land

Advertisement for Rogue River Land Co. The ad promotes alfalfa land for sale, stating that every one posted on the land situation in this valley knows that good hay land is going to be in demand from this time forth. It offers 25 acres of the best alfalfa land for \$2000.00, or \$80.00 per acre. The land is located only three miles from Medford.

Advertisement for Dressler & Wood. The ad promotes a "Good 5-ACRE TRACT" of land near Medford, Oregon. It describes the land as having a fine location, good fruit and poultry land, and offers prices from \$90 to \$125 per acre. The ad also mentions that the company is located at West Seventh St. in Medford, Or.

Advertisement for Mrs. Elizabeth H. Morrison. The ad promotes her china painting and water colors. It provides her address at 206 A St. West, Medford, Or., and her telephone number, 395.

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