AMUSEMENTS.

"The Black Crook" Tonight. The Sacramento (Cal.) Union of Tues day, March 12, has the following notice of the "Black Crook," which holds the boards at the Medford Opera House to The Union's critic has the reputation of being quite a "ronster," and

a company getting a good write-up from him is certain to deserve it: 'The revised 'Black Crook' at the Clunic last night was not so much revised after all. It had more up-to-date songs, imitations and skits and hits; therwise it was the old "Black Crook" with its fairies and demons and evil spirits and good, its aristocratic rascal and its pursued lovers; its magician and its dragons, arch fiend and comic drudge, and so on. The new "Black Crock" was all it was announced to be, rich in contumers. bellikes in the pless attracted attention. The apples were put away until a few days ago, when Brace Wees, a widely traveled apple buyer, declared they were of the Fillbasket variety, grown almost rich in contumers. rich in costumery, brilliant in scenery, lively as to ballet, and overflowing with specialties, from modern songs and hits to fine imitations and some really choice singing. Notable were J. Edward Pierce and Maria Burkers. ward Pierce and Marie Roslyn in op-oratic selections, which won the hearty applause of a not over-numerous audi-ence. C. W. Kelp, the low comedian, was very elever, and the Donazettas, Eorapeon aerobatic troupe, was very superior. Better work in that line is rarely if ever seen on this coast, and seldom indeed is it counted.

seldom, indeed, is it equaled. What the bullet lacked in beauty atoned for in grace and agility, and it was quite a singing chorus also. In short, the new "Black Crook" came fully up to promise, and though far from as great as in its initial dates, when it was common to stage it with 100 people, it was thoroughly enjoyable and interestingly reminiscent.

HOMESTEADERS GET BEST OF LAND OFFICE RULINGS

There is renewed hope on the part of homesteaders in the Southern Oregon pine timber belt. In several decisions rendered by the land office at Lakeview and sustained by the general land office the homesteader on lands valued chiefly for timber received the worst of the deal, and the timber and stone application was given the preference. Re-cently, however, in a contest decided by the acting commissioner of the gen-eral land office, the decision was strongly in favor of the homestender, and the acting commissioner held that the homestead entry should hold regurdless of the character of the land or the amount of timber thereon. All that is necessary is for the homesteader to show good faith in compliance with

the laws governing homestead entries. In case of conflict between a timber and stone application and a homestead entry, the former always dwells par-ticularly upon the character of the land, showing by expert testimony that the land cannot be cultivated and that it is practically worthless after the tim-ber is removed, and the effort is always made to prove bad faith on the part of the homesteader. Whether these grounds are sufficient for rendering decisions adverse to the home-steader is a matter that will likely be in litigation for years. Those who en-tered the land rush expecting to secure valuable timber lands without a hard struggle are finding the fight for lands strenuous, and far more expensive than had been anticipated. The actual cost of a contest is from \$300 to \$500, depending upon the price of the lawyer and the amount of evidence introduced.

FOR PUBLIC LIBRARY

Will all those who have books to donate to the public library please no-tify Mrs. F. E. Merrick at once. The committee is now ready to send on the order for books, but wishes to secure a list of the books to be denated be fore proceeding. Any desirable book or set of books, old or new, will be

appreciated.

The public library is designed to be a nuiversal benefit to every man, womof the greatest works yet taken up by our enterprising and widenwake Greater Medford club, and as such cannot be too highly estimated by every resident of our city.

Those having suitable books of any kind to donate will be helping on the good work by turning in the list of same promptly to Mrs. Merrick, Such action will be greatly appreciated by the committee and will facilitate the opening in the near future of the Med ford public library.

MRS. GABNETT ENTERTAINS WEDNESDAY EVE AT HOME

Mrs. Benj. Garnett entertained the Ladies' Aid Society and a number of other friends. Refreshments were served and \$5 was raised for the city library fund. Mrs. Garnett is an gdept at entertaining and all enjoyed themselves very much. The Ladies' Aid is adding new members and planning wm. M. Colvig, Medford, O for great things the coming year. Five bundred dollars has been pledged, pay able by January 1, 1909, for the new church, and \$500 more will be pledgeby September 1, 1909, making \$1000 in fill from this source alone. They apfil from this source alone. They ap-preciate the generosity of the towns-people and always seek to please.

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QUITE WELL NAMED

SPOKANE, Wash., March 12.-1 McCormack, an orchardist near Zillal Wash., southwest of Spokane, has jumade the discovery that the Kentisl Pillbasket, an old English apple, thrive better in this country than it does in its native soil. This upsets the pet theory of expert horticulturists various parts of America and is of in portance to fruitgrowers everywhere. The trees, designated as Winesaps were imported from a nursery in lows three years ago. The fruit on three trees in the ten-acre orehard was different from the rest and the color and firmness attracted attention. The apexclusively in Kent. The apple large and England is that they bear only every third year, but Mr. McCormack be lieves they can be made to yield an maily in this country. At any rate he is saving the scions and will make a thorough test the coming season.

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People will now have the opportunity of going from Portland to San Fran-cisco by the water route and living in luxury at the same time, at about as cheaply as they can remain at home, for the San Francisco & Portland Setamship company has declared a rate war. The first class far on the Rose City and Senator has been cut from \$15 to \$10, and second class from \$10 to \$5. It is the biggest cut made by any steamship line on the coast for

To retain its share of the patpro ege, it means that the North Pacific Steamship company, owner and operator of the Roanoke and Geo. W. Elder will be obliged to meet the cut. The fare charged by this line has always been the same as that exacted by the Harriman people.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION. Be It Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Medford, Oregon, the Mayor approving, That there be, and i hereby called a special election in said eity for the purpose of submitting to the voters of said eity for their ap-proval or rejection, a proposed amend-ment to section 72 of the City Charter of said city, and such other matters a may lawfully be brought up at said election; that said election be held upon the hours of 8 a. m. and 5 p. m. of said

day.

The following are hereby designat ed and appointed as the polling place and the judges and clerks of said cler

tion: For the First ward-Polling place Old City Hall, over Haskins' drug store. Judge, Geo. A. Jackson; judge and elerk. F. M. Jordan; judge and elerk, J. U

Willeke.
For the Second ward-Polling place sample room of Hotel Nash. Judge V. J. Emerick; judge and clerk, D. G Karnes; judge and clerk, H. H. Harvey. For the Third ward—Polling place, City Hall. Judge, A. T. Drisko; judge and clerk, P. M. Stewart; judge and elerk, C. E. Collins.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council February 26, 1908, Trowbridge, absent; Eifert voting aye Wortman aye, Merrick aye, Hafer aye Olwell absent

Approved February 26, 1908. J. F. REDDY, Mayor.

Attest: BENJ, M. COLLINS, Recorder.

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