

COUNTY COURT.—The April term of the Probate and County Commissioners' Courts will be held next week.

A GOOD SHOWING.—There are few, if any, counties in the State which apportion as much school money, per capita, as does Jackson county. This evinces that our school fund has been well managed.

CONTRACT AWARDED.—Rev. Father Blanchet informs us that the contract for building the Catholic Church at Eagle Point has been awarded to J. T. Roloson, for the sum of \$900; C. Magruder and Matt. Obenchain are his sureties.

THE great harmony and universal good feeling that prevails in Democratic ranks throughout the county, so thoroughly manifested in the primaries last Saturday, has discouraged what little hope the Republicans may have entertained. They are inclined to give up the ghost without even the exhibition of a struggle.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING.—A meeting will be held at the M. E. Church on next Monday evening, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of re-organizing the Sunday School of said church. An election of officers will be held and the Treasurer's report for the last year will be presented. All persons interested in the Sunday School are invited to attend.

FINE NUGGET FOUND.—A nugget weighing four and three-quarters lbs. was found in the claim of Helms, Koster & Co., on Foot's creek, last Saturday. The piece contains some quartz, but is worth several hundred dollars in gold. Herman Helms, one of the proprietors, went down yesterday and will bring it to town. Another nugget weighing \$12, besides some smaller ones, have been picked up in the same claim recently.

HEAVY RAINS.—Rain commenced falling Sunday evening and continued steadily throughout the night and a portion of the next day. The streams, already full, were raised to a great height in consequence, the smallest not being fordable for sometime. Chris. Weiss, the Brownsborough mail carrier, was compelled to return Monday, being unable to cross Griffin's creek at Geo. Cooksey's. Other streams were also higher than they have been this winter. The waters have receded since, however, but are quite high yet.

OUR GOLD PRODUCT.—C. C. Beckman has handled over \$10,000,000 in gold-dust during his twenty-five years' residence in this place, and estimates that as much more passed through the hands of other buyers. This enormous amount of bullion was the product of the mines of Jackson and Josephine counties, which still furnish a great stretch of mining ground that has never been worked and only awaits the introduction of capital to make it yield forth its golden treasure. Hydraulic mining is destined to be one of the leading industries of Southern Oregon, and a very remunerative one, too.

A PROSPEROUS SEASON.—The mining industry of Jackson county has not been so prosperous for years as at this season. The abundant winter rains and the melting snows in the mountains keep the creeks and gulches full, affording enough water for all practical purposes, and some to spare. The mines on the two Applegates and the various creeks and gulches are all being successfully worked, and considerable of the "precious" taken out. Farming in the valley is also taking a new start and promises to become remunerative. This, with the people learning and practicing habits of economy, is a sure indication of the ushering in of an era of prosperity for Southern Oregon.

STILL MISSING.—A diligent search for the whereabouts of young Palmer, who suddenly disappeared from Whiskey gulch, Josephine county, is being instituted. Several conflicting rumors as to his whereabouts are in circulation, but cannot be traced to any authentic source. John Hickey, of Williams creek, who has been detailed to make a thorough search, was in town Wednesday and informs us that the supposition is that the youth has been foully dealt with.

Mr. Palmer writes us that his son started from home on February 25th last to chop wood for a lady living three miles distant, since when nothing has been heard of him. The country adjacent has been scoured, but no trace of him can be found.

BRIEF MENTION.

And still it rains. Drummers thick. Grass growing finely. School election Monday. Monday is All Fool's Day. County scrip taken at par. County Convention to-morrow. Thunder and lightning on Sunday. District school recommenced Monday.

THE TIMES from now until July 1st for \$1. The recent rains have been rough on the roads. Some fiend has been poisoning dogs in this vicinity. Wm. Angle will take a band of cattle to Lake county.

Farmers will put in more grain, expecting a late Spring. J. H. Huffer will fit up the old Bonham place for a residence. Mrs. Brentano will soon receive a fine stock of Spring millinery. Some pleasant weather during the week, but more of a rainy character. Thos. Chayner elsewhere advertises a first-class threshing-machine for sale.

A general re-opening of schools occurs throughout the country Monday. Rev. M. A. Williams will preach at the M. E. Church on Sunday morning next. S. C. Taylor this week sold a span of horses to a buyer from California for \$300. The place to get your horse and jack bills printed is at the TIMES office.

The delegates from Leland precinct are instructed for Sam. Steckle for Assessor. D. J. Ferree and lady, of Lake county, celebrated their chieftan wedding the other day. Moore's dancing-school at Ashland closed with a pleasant soiree on Friday evening last.

The blockade on the Union Pacific is over and Eastern mails arrive regularly again. J. W. Collins, of Table Rock, has a fine horse of the Suffolk stock that is much admired. Work on the Enterprise ledge on Altoona creek, Josephine county, has been suspended. A fine stock of Spring millinery just received by the Misses Cardwell. Give them a call.

Call at Matt. Dillon's and "smile." He keeps nothing but the best brands of liquors and cigars. Fred. Grob, who had his leg broken on Alder gulch Tuesday, was brought to town Wednesday. We learn that Ben Sachs will soon visit this section in the capacity of a "blawsted drummer."

Wm. Ray's fine Percheron stallion died the other day. He is supposed to have been poisoned. It is expected that the Emeline Quicksilver Company will declare a dividend next Summer. Kahler & Bro., of the City Drug Store, last Saturday received a full assortment of new goods. The Republicans will hold primary meetings to-morrow. The Convention takes place on the 6th prox.

The new library for the M. E. Sunday School has arrived and will be distributed at the next meeting. Sheriff Manning will turn over the delinquent tax-list to the County Commissioners' Court next week. A director and clerk will be elected in each of the various school districts throughout the county on Monday next. Jas. Mann, who is engaged in the fish business on Rogue river, will salt down a considerable quantity for this market.

Superintendent Farlow will hold a public examination of applicants for teachers' certificates in this place to-morrow. J. E. Beggs brought a couple of scrapers from Roseburg last Saturday. They are destined for use on the county roads. Jas. Tobin, of Lake county, was in town the other day and reports the winter in that section as not having been severe. J. E. Beggs' teams arrived with good loads from Roseburg on Saturday last. He says the roads are in a bad condition as yet.

Superintendent Farlow on Saturday last turned out two new-fledged pedagogues in the persons of L. G. Ross and Chas. Prim. Copp's Hand-book of Mining Law should be in the hands of everyone interested in mining. Send \$1 to the TIMES office and get one. The last issue of the TIMES, as also this one, contain more local news than ever before presented in a newspaper published in Jackson county.

W. G. Kenney started to Roseburg this week with Cardwell's four-horse team, taking a load of drummers. They went via Josephine county. Work on the Sterling company's diggings will be prosecuted at a different point than heretofore, and more boxes are being constructed for that purpose. Wm. Hoffman, administrator of the estate of J. H. Hoffman, has been discharged as such, his final statement having been approved by the Probate Court.

In Justice-McPherson's Court, Ashland, on Monday, in the case of N. S. Marshall vs. Granville Naylor, involving \$50, a verdict was rendered for defendant.

S. C. Taylor's fine Percheron stallion, Young Prince, will beat his place, four miles north-east of Phoenix, during the coming season. Read the advertisement elsewhere. The greenback movement at Eagle Point is managed by H. T. Sovereign, a Republican. The proselytes are few and far between, and even these seem prone to return to their first love.

Considerable ground has been worked this season in the Fort Lane diggings, and the proprietors seem sanguine of good results. The supply of water is still fair and prospects good. The jury was discharged on Friday last, since when little has been done in the Circuit Court, the equity cases now engrossing the attention of His Honor, Judge Prim, and the attorneys.

J. W. Palmer, father of the missing boy, was in town this week. He is in search of his son's whereabouts, and in our advertising columns publishes a card concerning this mysterious matter. The hydraulic of Ennis & Dimick, on the dry diggings near Grant's Pass, is still running, though we learn the pressure is not sufficient for all practical purposes, the cement being quite hard.

It is a general supposition that more rain has fallen since the first of January than during the same space of time in the past ten years. The ground is also soaked to a greater depth. Eb. Dimick, of Grant's Pass, received \$100 for capturing Skelton, who murdered Brown at Canyonville. Skelton waived his right to a preliminary examination and now languishes in jail.

Candidates are becoming as thick as blackberries in June, and the Convention will have any amount of material to select from to-morrow. "The offices are inadequate to the wants of the people." Thos. Chapman, a son of Wm. Chapman, of Kerbyville, killed two bear last week with his Henry rifle. He found them together, and only one shot for each was necessary. The hind is only 16 years of age.

Thos. McAndrews informs us that he has lost very few sheep during the inclement weather. He says that where the proper attention was given and plenty of food supplied the mortality among stock is slight. Messrs. Sherman, Hyde & Co. send us a fine new song and chorus, entitled "We Are Happy Darling Mother," by Jas. J. Daynes, words by Chas. Stayner. It is really a gem and will be much sung, we think. The price is 35c.

We regret to announce the serious illness of M. R. Fletcher, one of the first residents of Jacksonville. Consumption, that invidious enemy of mankind, has made such inroads upon his constitution as to make his stay on earth short indeed. Jesse Applegate and B. F. Dowell are engaged in a wordy warfare over the May bond affair. Jesse publishes a long letter in last week's Tidings, in which he denies Dowell's charges of fraud, and says he lost his money in a mercantile venture.

By the telegraphic tariff just adopted a message of ten words will be sent to San Francisco for \$1, to Portland for 75 cents, to Roseburg for 50 cents, and to Yreka for 40 cents. This is a reduction of 50 cents in the first instance and 25 cents each in the balance. B. Robb, formerly a resident of Jacksonville and once in charge of the district school, is back from a three years' sojourn in California. Mr. Robb says the rain-fall in the Sacramento valley was 68 inches up to the time he left there. He is looking at our mines.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Jas. Drum has returned from a trip to California. L. P. White was up from Rock Point yesterday. Oscar Kilbourn, U. S. Gauger, went to Phoenix Tuesday on business with the distillery there.

Wm. L. Neil was over from Eagle Point Tuesday and reports the streams in that section as being very high. Charley Howard has returned from Josephine county. He says there is some water to spare in that section. L. S. P. Marsh, of Ashland, called on us Saturday. He informs us that the saw-mill of Marsh & Co., on Big Butte, will soon start up.

Adam Klippel will start for Missouri sometime next month. He is favorably impressed with this section and may return with his family. Evan R. Reames, of the firm of Reames Bros., left for San Francisco on Tuesday last, and will lay in a first-class stock of Spring on 1st Summer goods.

W. C. Myer left for the Willamette Monday, taking White Prince and Pride of Peche, as also some Jersey calves, with him. Stephenson's Sir Walter, in charge of Billy Thompson, accompanied him.

ON THE RAMPAGE.—Greenback Cox, who did yeoman service in the Republican cause two years ago, is out again in the same business. He is now a rampant Greenbacker and endeavoring to infect Applegate and vicinity with his eccentricities. His last effort was on Missouri Flat, where he is reported as having expressed himself in favor of calling in all the bonds, bank notes, etc., and dividing them equally. Very liberal, forsooth! There are plenty who are willing to be counted in on such a proposition. Cox's efforts in behalf of his Republican employers are not attended with much success, however, as only two Democrats in the precinct are supposed to have contracted the greenback fever, and they only having it in a mild form.

POMONA GRANGE.—The Jacksonville District Pomona Grange will meet in Odd Fellows Hall on Thursday, April 4th, at 10 o'clock A. M. In consequence of the severe storms prevailing at the February meeting preventing a full attendance, business of importance was deferred until the April meeting. Installing the officers and work in the fifth degree will be attended to at this meeting. Members will please be prompt on time.

JOHN S. HERRIN, Master. REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.—The following transactions in real estate have been recorded since our last report: Hugh Robinson to James T. Robinson, 160 acres on Evans creek. Consideration, \$500. J. S. Howard to C. C. Beckman et al., four-fifths interest in the Davenport quartz ledge on Jackson creek. Consideration, \$5.

APPROACHING COMPLETION.—J. S. Howard, superintendent of Klippel, Hanna & Co.'s diggings, was in town this week. We learn that he expects the digging of the ditch to be completed about the 10th of April. Messrs. Klippel, Hanna and Wilson will start for that destination next week, intending to shape matters for the early opening of the diggings.

SCAMPEDOWN AND BOSTON.—These fine thoroughbred horses, who have no superiors in the State, will be at Manning & Montgomery's stable during the season. Their pedigrees are first-class and their qualities too well known to need any commendation at our hands. Read the advertisement elsewhere. THAT little clique of political undertakers headed by Turner, Ross & Co., are frantically endeavoring to infuse a little life into the defunct Republican carcass. They are quite abundant at present and a post-mortem report may be expected ere long.

MIRRED DOWN.—The stage from the south got stuck in the mud in Justus' lane yesterday morning, and the other stage arriving on the scene soon after shared the same fate also. They extricated themselves after considerable delay. DURING the closing years of his remarkable career, the late Emperor Napoleon III. was a martyr to that dreadful malady, stone in the bladder or gravel, and his days were shortened by the painful operation to which he submitted in order to its removal. Had he known of the old, simple and popular remedy, Frosch's Hamburg Tea, he might be sitting on the French throne. It is an effective agent for the cure of this distressing complaint, if taken in season—before the formation becomes too hard.

FROM ELLENSBURG.—The stormy days the first week in March will ever be memorable to the citizens of Ellensburg, Curry county. The steamer Alcock Duncan, plying between San Francisco and Ellensburg, having on board several citizens of the burg and a full cargo of supplies, was overdue 39 hours, and serious fears began to be entertained for her safety. For two days the eyes of the people had been turned toward the "raging sea," expecting every moment to catch a glimpse of the belated vessel. When finally the steamer hove in sight and was passing safely over the breakers at the mouth of Rogue river, the joy of the people was unbounded; bonfires were made and cannon fired in honor of the auspicious event. The tobacco-chewing and smoking citizens, especially, distinguished themselves in the celebration, for they had been out of the "weed" for two months. The people of Ellensburg confidently look to the early construction of the military wagon road from there to Jacksonville, and hope our members in Congress will hasten the passage of the bill appropriating the necessary funds.

THE return of the prodigal son to the house of his father causes much wailing and gnashing of teeth in the ranks of the Philistines. They see the flesh-pots, for which they were so eagerly grasping, disappearing from their view, and the haunts that once knew them know them no more, for they rent their garments and have gone their several ways. Verily, travail has seized them and they now sit in sackcloth and ashes. For first chapter of lamentations on return of the wayward prodigal turn to last *Satanist*, in which William, the centurion, unbosoms himself in an agonizing manner.

COMPANY ORGANIZED.—The Rogue River Hydraulic Gold Mining Company was organized at Canyonville on the 19th. W. F. Briggs was elected President; E. A. Chase, Secretary; and L. N. Muney, Superintendent. The placer mines of the company are located between the mouth of Hog creek and Jump-off-Joe, and over 160 acres of ground. From what can be learned the mines prospect well, there is plenty of water and a good dump.

HAVE you seen the *Breakfast Table*, one of the brightest and most sparkling humorous newspapers in existence? It improves with every number, and makes friends wherever it goes. The *Breakfast Table* may be had through any newsdealer, or specimen copies can be obtained by addressing E. P. Brown & Co., publishers, Cincinnati, Ohio, and enclosing postal stamp for return postage.

SCHOOL MATTERS IN JOSEPHINE.—J. M. Smith, School Superintendent of Josephine county, writes us that the apportionment of the county school fund was made on the 18th. Number of scholars reported, 708. Total fund, coin, \$838.20. Pro rata, \$1.184. There are fifteen school districts in the county, and an increase of 69 scholars is reported. QUARTERLY MEETING.—The regular quarterly meeting of the M. E. Church will be held at Phoenix on April 6th and 7th. All are invited to attend. W. HURBERT, Pastor.

IN the whole history of medicine, no preparation has ever performed such marvelous cures, or maintained so wide a reputation, as AYER'S CHERRY PECTORAL, which is recognized as the world's remedy for all diseases of the throat and lungs. Its long-continued series of wonderful cures in all climates has made it universally known as a safe and reliable agent to employ. Against ordinary colds, which are the forerunners of more serious disorders, it acts speedily and surely, always relieving suffering, and often saving life. The protection it affords, by its timely use in the throat and lung disorders of children, makes it an invaluable remedy to be kept always on hand in every home. No person can afford to be without it, and those who have once used it never will. From their knowledge of its composition and effects, Physicians use the CHERRY PECTORAL extensively in their practice, and Clergymen recommend it. It is absolutely certain in its remedial effects, and will always cure where cures are possible. For sale by all dealers.

THESE Winters of California offers to run Mollie McCarthy a two-mile heat race for \$10,000 and a five-mile heat race for \$5,000, against any competitor. BORN. STEPHENSON—On Jackson creek, March 25th, to the wife of W. C. Stephenson, a son. DIED. STEPHENSON—On the 23rd inst., the infant daughter of H. B. Stephenson.

State Treasurer's Eighth Notice. STATE OF OREGON. TREASURER'S OFFICE, Salem, March 15, 1878. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT there are funds on hand for the payment of State warrants of old issue, viz: 625, 626, 921, 927, 642, 648, 939, 651, 653, 656, 567, 658, 660, 665, 661, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669. Interest will cease from this date. A. H. BROWN, State Treasurer.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION. A Democratic Convention for Jackson county is hereby called, to be held at the Court House in Jacksonville on Saturday, March 30, 1878, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing eight delegates to attend the State Convention, to be held at Portland on April 10, 1878, for the nomination of a Congressman, State and District officers; and for the further purpose of nominating one State Senator, two Representatives, together with a county ticket, and for the transaction of all other business that may properly come before it. The several precincts will be entitled to at least one delegate, and one delegate additional for every 25 votes, or fraction thereof of its votes, cast for Hon. L. F. Lane in 1876, to-wit: Ashland..... 95..... 3 Applegate..... 50..... 1 Big Butte..... 5..... 1 Eden..... 61..... 2 Evans Creek..... 12..... 1 Foots Creek..... 16..... 2 Florence Rock..... 6..... 1 Grant's Pass..... 18..... 2 Jacksonville..... 220..... 9 Leland..... 22..... 2 Little Butte..... 67..... 4 Manzanita..... 34..... 2 Rock Point..... 48..... 3 Sterling..... 9..... 1 Table Rock..... 92..... 5 Uniontown..... 29..... 2 Willow Springs..... 54..... 3 Total number of delegates..... 50 Primary meetings in the various precincts for the election of delegates to the County Convention will be held at the usual places of voting on SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 1878, at one o'clock P. M. All persons who voted for Tilden and Hendricks and those who favor the perpetuation of Democratic principles and rebuking the Presidential steal, are cordially invited to participate in the precinct meetings. By order of the Democratic County Committee. F. HEBER, Chairman. CHAS. NICKELL, Secretary.

Form and Feature. Unless associated with good teeth, are shorn of half the attractions they may otherwise possess. Bearing this fact in mind, use SOZODONT, which will prevent your teeth from losing their whiteness, and will render them spotless if specked and discolored. The fat and hardness of coral are imparted to the gums by this incomparable preservative and beautifying agent, and the breath is rendered fragrant as honeysuckle by its use. It is safe, besides being effective. Sold by druggists. SOCIETY NOTICES. Jacksonville Grange No. 88, P. of H. Holds its regular meetings every two weeks at Odd Fellows' Hall, Jacksonville. C. MINGUS, Master. ANNIE MILLER, Secretary. Oregon Chapter No. 4, R. A. M. Holds its regular meetings monthly on Tuesday evenings or preceding each full moon, at 7 1/2 o'clock. Companions in good standing are invited. J. E. ROSS, High Priest. MAX MULLER, Secretary. Table Rock Encampment No. 10, I. O. O. F. Holds regular sessions in its Hall, Odd Fellows' Building, in Jacksonville, Oregon, on the 24 and 26 Tuesday evenings of each and every month. All sojourning Patriarchs are cordially invited to meet with us. SILAS J. DAY, C. P. KASPAR KUBEL, Scribe. The Soda Springs AND MARBLE WORKS. Ho! Unto All Who Thirst! COME YE UNTO THE SODA SPRINGS! AND DRINK WITHOUT MONEY AND WITHOUT PRICE! THE UNDERSIGNED IS NOW KEEPING the Soda Springs House, and having repaired and refitted the same, is now prepared to accommodate all that may favor him with a call. Prices to suit the hard times. THE MARBLE BUSINESS Will still be a specialty. All orders in this line promptly filled in the best manner and at reasonable rates. Address as usual, J. H. RUSSELL, Ashland. NEW MILLINERY STORE! California Street, JACKSONVILLE, - - OREGON. THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE NOW ON HAND the most complete and best stock of millinery goods ever brought to Jacksonville, consisting of HATS, BONNETS. Flowers, ribbons, laces, neckties, gloves, collars and cuffs, etc., etc., which will sell at low prices. Sewing Machines for Sale. We have on hand a number of the celebrated Howe Sewing Machines, which we will sell cheap for cash, or exchange for grain. MISSES D. & M. CARDWELL. LAST CALL! THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY GIVE notice to all those indebted to them, either by note or book account, to come forth at once and settle their accounts before the 15th day of April next, or their accounts will be placed in the hands of an attorney for forced collection. We mean business, as our books MUST be closed. FISHER & CARO. P. S.—I will offer for sale all my household and kitchen furniture and a first-class piano. All those wishing a bargain will do well to give me a call. A. FISHER.