

SOCIAL PARTY.—A social party will be held at the rooms of the Jacksonville Social Club this evening. A pleasant time is anticipated.

SETTLEMENT REQUESTED.—We are sending out statements of account to all indebted to the Times office and request an immediate response, as we have many bills to settle ourselves.

HORSE PURCHASED.—The well-known Morgan stallion "Black Prince," formerly owned by Jas. Leslie, of this place, has been purchased by parties in Sprague river valley, Lake county.

ARRIVED.—Oscar Kilbourn, of Portland, U. S. Ganger, arrived here on Wednesday and has been engaged in measuring distilled liquors manufactured by various individuals in this section.

NEW POST OFFICE ROUTE.—Senator Mitchell has introduced a bill to establish a post route from Jacksonville, via Sterling and Uniontown, to Nick Wright's, on Big Applegate. It will doubtless pass.

FROM BIG BUTTE.—Matt. Obenchain returned from Big Butte creek the other day, where he has been looking after his stock interests. He informs us that the snow is disappearing and cattle faring tolerably well.

"EXCLUSIVE SOCIETY."—Our contemporary has suddenly concluded his articles on "Exclusive Society." It evidently realizes his egotism mistake and is nettled because his officiousness should be discouraged by common consent.

ACCIDENT.—Mrs. Wm. Hoffman had her left arm broken near the wrist last Friday morning by a fall on the frozen ground. We are pleased to learn that the injuries sustained are not serious and that the lady is doing well. Dr. Aiken is in attendance.

SENATOR GROVER has proposed a bill to issue scrip to the legal owners of the land granted to Oregon to aid in the construction of a road from Eugene City to its eastern boundary, equal in quality to the lands in the Klamath Indian Reservation claimed by them.

RELIGIOUS MEETING.—We are requested to announce that Elder Martin Peterson will preach at the Heber Grove School House on Sunday, February 16th, at 11 o'clock a. m. Mr. Peterson has chosen the subject of "Fidelity" as his text and he will treat upon it fully. All are invited to attend.

At the time we neglected to notice the entrance of the DEMOCRATIC TIMES—our most valued exchange—upon its ninth volume; but will take this occasion to say that paper ranks among the ablest and most earnest Democratic journals of Oregon. As a local paper it is without exception the best in the State, and well merits the success and prosperity that attend it.—(Western Star.)

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.—At a meeting of Ashland Lodge No. 45, I. O. O. F., held on the evening of January 18th, John A. Boyer, D. O. G. M., installed the following officers: L. O. Miller, N. G.; R. P. Neil, V. G.; J. W. Riggs, R. S.; J. H. Helman, P. S.; A. D. Helman, Treas.; W. Baldwin, Warden; P. L. Fountain, R. S. N. G.; J. Conway, R. S. V. G.; J. B. Russell, R. S. S.; J. Brown, L. S. S.; T. K. G. G.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.—The following deeds have been recorded in the County Clerk's office since our last report: E. D. Fondray and wife to Jas. A. Wilson, certain premises in Jacksonville fronting on Oregon street. Consideration, \$100.

H. T. Inlow and wife to John Dwyer and A. J. Daley, 36-100 of an acre at Eagle Point. Consideration, \$50.

Two school land deeds to A. J. Daley have been recorded.

ANOTHER NOKTIE PARTY.—Jackson Grant, the Indian sent to the Penitentiary from this county several years ago for attempting the larceny of the trotting horse "Brick Pomeroy," then owned by Col. J. N. T. Miller, has been convicted of the murder of Dennis Spellin at Portland last Summer, and was sentenced by Judge Bellinger to be hanged. Grant, since his release from the Penitentiary, has been implicated in several different crimes and is considered a hard case.

A CURIOSITY.—Peter Britt of this place is the possessor of an orange tree, which, through his assiduous attention, has thriven and now bears fruit. Several blossoms bloomed on the tree, but only one orange developed itself. This is a fine specimen of the fruit, however, and promises to ripen in good shape. It naturally attracts considerable attention, the propagation of tropical plants in this northern latitude being attended with much difficulty and resulting unfavorably in nearly every instance.

RETURNED HOME.—A. G. Rockfellow, of Ashland, returned from the Willamette valley on Saturday last. He has been absent for several months on business connected with the introduction of his patent gate, and we are pleased to learn that he has succeeded well in his enterprise. Mr. Rockfellow informs us that the gates in the Court House fence have not been properly hung and no idea of the qualities of his invention can be obtained from them. He will remedy the defects noticeable soon, when the public can then judge for itself.

A BAD INVESTMENT.—The joke is on our Granger friend, W. F. Owens, this time. An individual, wearing the appearance of a farmer, came to him one day this week and stated that he was a farmer from Jackson county and had 7,000 pounds of wool which would arrive next day. Mr. Owens made a bargain for the wool, advanced a few dollars and gave the fellow an order on Caro for some merchandise. The bloated wool-holder bought an overcoat and the wool skipped out. Flem, has not seen the wool nor the fellow since, and the probabilities are that he never will.—(Roseburg Star.)

FROM SALEM.—E. B. Watson, Esq., returned from a professional visit to the Capital City on Saturday last. He says that the cases of Jackson county vs. Lake county, on appeal from this District, in which he was counsel for the plaintiff, have been laid over for the present, on account of the non-arrival of transcripts from Lakeview, they evidently being lost in transmission through the mails. Others will be made out immediately, when the cause will come up for trial. Mr. Watson, not being desirous of awaiting the arrival of the transcripts, has placed the matter in the hands of Hon. W. W. Thayer and Julius A. Stratton, who will attend to the plaintiff's interests.

BRIEF MENTION.

New moon. The welcome rain. Wm. Carl is in town. The public health is good. Roads are becoming rough. Read the new advertisements. Local correspondence solicited. There is much snow on the Cascade range. The Board of Trustees will meet soon again. Country produce is becoming more plentiful.

There will be a party at Ashland on the 14th prox. Dr. Covert has opened a drug store in Phoenix. The Ashland woolen mills are running on full time. Some of the crosswalks in town need immediate repairs.

Several parties from Ashland were in town during the week. Geo. Schumpff intends enlarging his shaving apartments soon. Pat. McMahon is making regular tri-weekly trips to Big Butte.

Another spelling bee will come off at Phoenix on February 5th. Considerable snow has fallen in Lake county in the past two weeks. There will be services at the Catholic Church next Sunday, as usual.

A. Fisher is expected in Jacksonville on a business visit before long. There is considerable snow on the hills in the vicinity of Applegate. The town election approaches and the average candidate is already busy.

Sixty-seven marriage licenses were issued by the County Clerk during 1878. The patent medicine almanac and the insurance calendar are prevalent. The S. F. wool market is steady, with prices the same as quoted last week.

Beautiful visiting cards printed at the TIMES office. Forty for 50 cents. Chinese New Year is here and chicken roasts are liable to be depleted any night.

The Butte creek mills are running after a temporary suspension on account of ice. Chas. Adams, of Ashland, will assist G. W. Holt in the erection of his brick building. The protracted meeting progressing at Phoenix for sometime past has been concluded.

A party occurs at the residence of V. S. Kalls, near Willow Springs, on the 21st prox. J. E. Beggs, the irrefragable, has hauled over 250,000 lbs. of freight during the past year.

E. Jacobs has an excellent stock of general merchandise, which he is selling off very cheap. Water was rendered scarce in some wells in town by the protracted spell of frosty weather.

Rev. Father Blanchet returned from a pastoral visit to Josephine county on Tuesday last. Daley & Co., of the Butte creek mills, have just completed the slaughtering of over 200 hogs.

Whooping cough prevails in some localities in the county, but no serious cases are reported. C. H. Pickens, Jr., was in town this week. He reports the farmers of Table Rock speeding the plow.

The weather has moderated perceptibly during the week and rain in abundance may be expected. Our farmers are generally busy, plowing being admissible in most localities since the recent thaw.

Taxes are coming in slowly. About \$12,000 has been collected by Sheriff Bybee and his deputies. Peter Britt, the pioneer photographer, is always prepared to take excellent pictures on short notice.

Klamath Tribe of Red Men, at Linkville, will send a delegation to Yreka on the 12th of May next. Sawmills having been unable to run during the late freeze, lumber has become scarce for the time being.

Wm. Bybee still offers one of his fine Kentucky jacks for sale. He will take hogs or sheep in payment. A Waldo correspondent of the TIMES writes that matters are quiet there, but prospects for the better are promising.

If you want your job-work done in a hurry, go to the TIMES office, where the best styles and reasonable prices prevail. E. B. Caton has recently opened a saloon in Waldo, Josephine county, and is dispensing choice drinkables to the public.

Summons, subpoenas, executions and every description of Justice's blanks for sale at the TIMES office at the lowest prices. Lakeview is almost deserted every Sunday, its inhabitants going out on Goose Lake, which is frozen over, to indulge in skating.

Chas. Hughes, Esq., the efficient Clerk of Josephine county, was in town the forepart of the week and made us a pleasant call. Says the Portland "Bee": "W. M. Turner has purchased a half interest in the Jacksonville TIMES." This is certainly news to us.

Geo. E. Strong on Tuesday last lost the setting of a valuable ring, for the recovery of which he offers \$10 reward. Read his ad. The calico ball on St. Valentine's Day will certainly be a fine affair. The Social Club will spare no pains in making it an entire success.

The stage company's horses were all rough-shod lately, in consequence of the slippery condition of the roads at many points at that time. Some persons, rather maliciously inclined, have been breaking off the pickets of Squire Hoffman's fence—a deprecatory act, to say the least.

The Canyon road case, recently decided by Judge Hanna in favor of the Douglas County Road Company, will be appealed to the Supreme Court. Cayotes are troublesome in some portions of the valley. Several sheep-rangers report losses and are taking steps toward raising the country of these pests.

J. Honck and Ed. Farlow, prominent Ashland nitro-makers, have lately received a couple of superfine double-barreled, breech-loading shotguns. Game in that vicinity has emigrated since their arrival.

An old mare that J. A. Cardwell brought from "the States" many years ago died last Wednesday. She was nearly 25 years of age at the time of her death. We regret to learn of the illness of the estimable wife of Col. W. S. Stone at San Rafael, Cal., where she is at present sojourning for the benefit of her health.

From six to eight feet of snow are reported on the mountains between Crescent City and Waldo, and travel over that route is almost suspended for the present. D. H. Feathers, agent of the well-known Singer sewing machine, has several on hand at his office on California street, which he is selling on the best of terms.

The full decision of the Supreme Court in the case of Dodge vs. Marlen & Knott, appealed from this Circuit, will be found on our first page. It is an important one. J. S. Howard has been awarded a contract for surveying a portion of a township of timber land in the neighborhood of Applegate. He will commence work before long.

R. Weitzman is furnishing this section with every variety of wicker-ware of his own manufacture. It is superior in every way to that imported, besides being cheaper. Belt Lodge No. 18, A. F. & A. M., recently elected the following officers: Clas. Hughes, W. M.; Geo. S. Mathewson, S. W.; Henry Thornton, J. W.; S. W. Forbes, Secretary.

Al. McKenzie, Superintendent of J. Brandt's mine at Willow Springs, has gone to Salem on a visit to his family. He will return as soon as there is water enough to commence work. A full assortment of hardware, tinware, stoves, etc., is now being sold cheap at Bilger's hardware store. Those indebted to this establishment are requested to call and settle.

Rev. M. A. Williams will hold divine service at the M. E. Church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Rev. D. A. Crowell will occupy the pulpit in the evening of that day. J. S. Howard has been taking stock this week and making room for more goods. He keeps a first-class stock of general merchandise, which he disposes of at the lowest rates.

W. H. St. Clair and E. M. Scott returned from Roseburg Wednesday. They report the roads between this place and that in a fearful condition, with the mud deep and increasing. Chas. A. Cogswell passed through town the forepart of the week, en route from Salem for Lakeview. He has just been admitted to the bar and will practice his profession at the latter place.

A very pleasant sociable occasion at the residence of A. M. Berry on Friday evening last. A variety of amusements was indulged in and the whole thoroughly enjoyed by the participants. The latest news from Simon Caro is to the effect that he has been confined to his room for several weeks by reason of a sprained ankle. He is expected back in about three months.

C. C. McClelland, of Sam's valley, was recently quite severely injured by his wagon upsetting. We are pleased to learn that his injuries are not serious and that he will soon be able to be about. Teaming is finished for this season. W. T. Anderson and Ben Eaton, about the last teamsters on the road, returned this week with goods for our merchants. Beggs still worries through, however.

To-morrow the personal effects of the late J. L. Badger will be sold at public auction under the supervision of Geo. W. Holt, administrator of his estate. Some valuable property is offered for sale. The Jacksonville dramatic association will give a series of entertainments the last week in February. Several first-class plays and other interesting exercises are in course of preparation. Further particulars will soon be given.

A. J. Adams, School Superintendent of Josephine county, made Jacksonville a visit this week. He reports matters very quiet in that region, the recent cold weather having prevented both farmer and miner from doing anything. Smith & Waisman have commenced filling in and repairing Fifth street, near their machine shop. They will continue their underground mining operations and also increase their facilities for working the channel of Rich Gulch.

The quarterly meeting of the M. E. Church, held at Manzanita on Sunday last, was well attended. There was quite an attendance from Jacksonville and other points. Reverends D. A. Crowell and W. T. Chapman officiated.

Some of the Indians in this vicinity are making a purse for the defense of Steve, confined in the County Jail for alleged complicity in the killing of E. Seaburg by Sam Rath. Their solicitude is certainly worthy of a better cause. The thaw that has taken place is duly appreciated by everyone. The farmer can now prosecute his labors and the miner, while he is not yet afforded sufficient water for extensive operations, is able to prospect his claim, if nothing more.

Tim Conley, one of Josephine county's earliest miners, returned from a visit to San Francisco a few days since. He reports a rumor in circulation to the effect that Hon. James D. Fay will remove to Salem for the practice of his profession. The Eureka (Cal.) paper announces the insolvency of A. P. Flagler, the photographer who made this place a visit last Summer. Flagler is an excellent artist and we hope that he will be able to extricate himself from his unfortunate predicament.

The Bank Commissioners of California are engaged in examining the banking institutions of that State, with doubtful results; but, should those officials examine the quality of Matt. Dillon's fine liquors and cigars, there would be no mistaking their verdict. Our business men, realizing that the facilities of the TIMES office enable us to turn out the best work at San Francisco rates, are favoring us with their orders. We invite inspection of our samples of billheads, receipts, envelopes, cards, etc., and guarantee satisfaction.

Attention is called to the advertisement of Inlow & Farlow, the popular Ashland druggists. They keep constantly on hand a complete and first-class assortment of drugs, patent medicines, toilet articles, paints and oils, etc., which they sell at the very lowest rates. The protracted spell of cold weather has proved unfavorable to stock, which is suffering thereby. Persons owning sheep, as also other stock, are obliged to feed, grass being short and eat. We hear of several persons losing sheep of late, and in some instances several head of them.

MINING NOTES.

Gin Lin, at his Uniontown diggings, is running one giant and will soon be able to start the other. The Roseburg Independent announces favorable reports from the Tellurium mine near Canyonville. The Sterling Company is still idle, but a continuance of the present weather will enable it to start up soon.

The heavy fall of snow in the mountains will permit the miners to continue work later in the season than usual. Alex. Watts is surveying a ditch for McAllister & Co., who have some rich ground in the vicinity of Cheney creek, in Josephine county. Pernoll & Co., mining near Gragg's Pass, the other day picked up a nugget of gold valued at about \$30. It was remarkably free from bluishness.

Copp's Hand-book of Mining Law, standard authority on all matters pertaining to mineral conflicts, can be obtained at the TIMES office at \$1 a copy. The minor falls with delight the cessation of the cold, frosty weather, and sees any quantity of frost-laid in the Winter rains, which seem to have set in at last.

Thos. Moo, of Foot's creek, is at present putting up several hundred feet of six and eight-inch hydraulic pipe. He expects to be ready for work in a few weeks. The miners in the northern end of the county have been furnished a small head of water by the prevailing weather and are able to mine on a contracted scale.

G. Karowski went over to his diggings near Palmer creek this week. He is having some fluming constructed and will prospect the ground thoroughly this season. Beckman, Hayden & Co. will thoroughly prospect their diggings situated on the banks of Rogue river, in Josephine county, and Joe Clough and J. C. Overbeck have gone to commence the work.

Aaron Maegly last week finished six hundred feet of hydraulic pipe for the Squaw Lake Ditch Company. This will facilitate operations and enable the company to bring water upon some ground that prospects well. We are informed by parties from Josephine county that there is every prospect of silver creek proving a rich mine—one that will afford remunerative mining for several years to come. Favorable accounts from there are reported.

E. F. Walker, largely interested in mining operations on Grave creek, left for that section on Wednesday last. He will inaugurate operations on the ditch the Grave Creek Ditch Company proposes to run from Clark creek to some promising ground three and a half miles distant. We understand that McDonough, Kahler & Co. intend to resume prospecting for the lost Gold Hill ledge soon and propose sinking down in a location other than in the one formerly prospected. Their place diggings have been put into the best shape for this season's run and they are sanguine of favorable results.

R. Robb was in town the first of the week. He reports everything ready at the mines he is interested in and water anxiously awaited. Bragan & Co. are building a reservoir which will keep up the supply of water until early Summer, providing, of course, any amount of rain falls during the present season. Superintendent Klippel came in from the Squaw Lake diggings the forepart of the week. He informs us that the pipe has been reset and is ready for water. Little Squaw Lake has been frozen over, but it is quite likely that the prevailing weather will overcome this obstacle and also thaw out the ground so as to admit of immediate operations.

Several mineral contents are about to be instituted, we learn. Some miners are contesting the homestead entry of Samuel Hall, on Jackson creek, claiming it to be more valuable for mineral purposes than otherwise. Jas. Herd's cash entry, in the same vicinity, will also be contested by miners. These and other cases will be tried before the officers of the land office immediately.

A Waldo correspondent writes us that Nickelson has his drifting claim on French flat, Josephine county, in operation and is doing substantial work. He works the dirt with a puddler, on the principle of an arrastra, and can wash as much as ten men will take out. Winger & Simmons are putting in a four-foot flume on their hydraulic claim, under the supervision of Sam Bowden. They expect to make a profitable run this season.

Supintendent Fitzpatrick, of the Grand Applegate ditch, was in town last Tuesday. He reports work progressing on the company's ditch as rapidly as the weather will permit. The ground has been frozen so that the workmen found some difficulty digging where it has not been protected by the overhanging boughs of the trees or accumulated leaves and fallen timber. A full fire of timber are kept at work, however, and more will be employed as the weather moderates. Other preparations for mining are almost complete.

CALENDAR.—According to the "Churchman" the following is the calendar for January and February: Jan. 19th, second Sunday after Epiphany; 25th, conversion of St. Paul; 26th, third Sunday after Epiphany; Feb. 24, fourth Sunday after Epiphany—purification of R. V. M.; 9th, Septuagesima; 16th, Sexagesima; 23d, Quinquagesima; 24th, St. Matthias; 26th, Ash Wednesday, first day of Lent.

D. B. Rea, formerly a practicing attorney of this place, is now located at Tucson, Arizona, and interested in mining enterprises on which he anticipates largely. In a letter to Judge Hanna, he speaks highly of that Territory and its prospects. We trust that his hopes may be fully realized.

HEAVY FALL OF SNOW.—P. D. Hull came down from Florence Rock precinct yesterday. He reports a heavy fall of snow in that neighborhood and stock suffering in consequence thereof.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.—Capt. A. P. Ankeny, largely interested in mining operations in Jackson and Josephine counties, has gone to San Francisco on a trip of business.

FATTENING.—Deputy Sheriff Caton reports his wards in the county jail both able to make away with an astonishing quantity of breakfast and potatoes.

NEW HOUSE.—John Hockenjos has commenced the construction of another dwelling-house in the northern portion of town.

THANKS.—We are under obligations to Senator Grover for various favors.

Proceedings of the Board of Trustees.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on the evening of January 21st, 1879. A full board was present, President Linn in the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Cemetery Committee reported that in pursuance of the recommendation and authority of the Board they had contracted for the building of a new Cemetery house with John Hockenjos at a cost of \$185; that the house is finished and has been accepted by the committee, which recommends payment thereof. The report was adopted, and a warrant ordered drawn in favor of John Hockenjos for the stated amount.

The committee to whom was referred the application of Peter Britt for the purchase of certain town lots, reported that, on examination of the premises, they had appraised the same at \$15. The report was adopted.

G. H. Young, Street Commissioner, submitted his report, which was read and referred to the Road Committee.

The following bills were ordered paid: K. Kuhl, \$3.25; "Seated," \$3; W. Hoffman, \$4; Reames Bros., \$11.25; Times office, \$3.

An order was made to pay G. H. Young, Street Commissioner, \$53.70 out of the road fund by warrant on said fund.

The following bills were presented: K. Kuhl, coal oil, etc., \$29.25; same, plating gutters on Cemetery house, \$18. Referred to the usual committee.

It was ordered that a warrant be drawn in favor of Ad. Helms for one quarter's salary for lighting street lamps, \$12.50.

On motion, the Committee on Streets was directed to examine the sidewalks on Oregon and other streets, and report the condition of same and recommend such improvements as they shall deem necessary.

A deed to certain town lots was ordered made to Peter Britt upon payment of \$15 and expense of deed.

THE BOARD THEN ADJOURNED.

A RESOLUTION.—The last Legislature amended the law relating to the loaning of money arising from the sale of State lands so that the School Land Commissioners shall have entire control of all matters pertaining thereto. The Board, through E. P. McCormack, their clerk, has addressed a letter to Neuman Fisher, County Treasurer, stating the facts in the case and directing him to loan no money until other orders. All transactions must, therefore, be entered into with the School Land Commissioners directly henceforth, unless they should see fit to appoint a local agent of the Board. This order will work considerably hardship upon the citizens of this county, as it not only causes them inconvenience in the premises but also withdraws some \$25,000 from this section to be loaned at Salem by the Board instead of by the County Treasurer at Jacksonville, as formerly. We cannot see how the new law injures to the benefit of the State, while at the same time it is evident that it is an injury to the people of the county where the money is retained.

STAGE ACCIDENT.—On Wednesday evening last, says the Yreka "Journal" of the 22d, Ed. Cawley, of the Scott Valley stage line, stopped his team at a small hill about a mile this side of Callahan's, for the purpose of adjusting the rough lock before going down, the brake being useless during the recent icy and slippery condition of grades in descending. Ed. had fastened the lines to the staff of the brake and unbuckled the apron of the stage, when the team made a start. He caught the lines and kept them in the road until reaching a sharp turn, where the stage slid off the grade, and all piled in a heap. Ed. was severely bruised, but managed to return to Callahan's. The stage was considerably damaged, but the horses escaped without injury, although they could hardly keep their feet on the slippery road.

ELI'S LIBERATION.—Daniel Doty, Chas. Wilson and E. W. Knowles, sent to the Penitentiary from this county for terms varying from three to nine years, have recently been released, their sentences having been commuted by his Excellency, Governor Thayer. The sentences of Geo. Dougherty and R. E. Herrig were remitted at the same time and they also given their liberty. The terms of these men's imprisonment would all have expired in 1880, except Wilson's, whose term would have been out in 1881. According to the rules of the prison, they were credited with the time allowed them for good behavior and the same was deducted from the term of their respective sentences.

THE WEATHER.—On last Wednesday the weather began moderating with the wind blowing lightly from the South. At night it began raining and by Thursday morning the snow had disappeared from the hills. From present appearances it seems that there is to be a cessation of freezing weather, for sometime at least. There is considerable snow in the high mountains and the prospect for a good mining season is more flattering than it has been. Should the rains continue and the miners improve the time for two or three months, it will enrich them in this portion of the country wonderfully.

A NICE QUESTION.—We learn that E. K. Anderson has attached the seats and desks in the Academy at Ashland for a debt contracted with him by J. H. Skidmore. The Academy grounds, hereditaments and appurtenances were mortgaged by Skidmore to W. C. Myer and E. F. Walker, and will be sold by foreclosure on the eighth of next month. The question now arises whether the elegant seats and desks, which are movable, belong to the realty or are personal property. They are of the latest improved pattern and are valued at eight hundred dollars.

THANKS.—The TIMES office is under obligations to Webb & McDaniel, of the Criterion, for a couple of bottles of Boca beer, the best malt liquor the market affords. These gentlemen keep one of the neatest and cosiest saloons in Southern Oregon and merit the liberal patronage they enjoy.

MILL FOR SALE.—Ed. Hendricks, of Applegate, offers for sale a mill site, together with a heavy frame building and all the appurtenances pertaining to a first-class mill. We call attention to his advertisement elsewhere.

NOTICE.—The Board of School Land Commissioners, through their local agent, Treasurer Fisher, elsewhere give notice that all interest due the school fund must be paid at once.

BIG BUTTE ITEMS.

School progressing finely. The dancing mania has ceased. Our mail comes tri-weekly now. Good. Snow a foot deep, stock looking humble. Ten families reside at or near the steam mill. Those having hay will not sell any for love or money.

Over sixty children are entitled to draw school money in this district. C. E. Parker, brother of the Doctor, will run the saw mill the coming year. Born, to the wives of Charles and W. A. Snider and Frank Tangate, each a son.

All day long the festive hunter maketh the "swikin ring," and many a deer handeth in his "checks." Jacob Bear, on attempting to reach our neighborhood about, took a "near cut," got lost and laid out one night in a snow storm.

Nineteen years ago a boy (who is now a man and resides on Big Butte) purchased a Clarke's English Grammar of "Squire Hayden in Jacksonville. The book has been well preserved. The price was \$1.25; he paid \$1 down and agreed to pay the balance "sometime." A few days since he remembered that there was a balance due. He says he will pay the "Squire" the principal when he goes to town, but doesn't want to pay compound interest.

Big Butte, January 20, 1879.

PROBATE COURT.—The following proceedings have occurred in this Court—Hon. Silas J. Day, Judge, presiding—since our last issue: In the matter of the estate of R. T. Hamilton, deceased. The inventory and appraisement of real and personal property of said estate, showing the same to be \$532, was approved.

In the matter of the estate of Chas. Casey, deceased. Citation ordered issued to the administrator to show the condition of said estate. The petition of W. C. Daley, administrator of the estate of R. T. Hamilton, deceased, to sell personal property belonging to said estate, was granted.

CHINESE NEW YEAR.—Last Wednesday was New Year's day, according to Chinese chronology, and the Celestials of this place and vicinity celebrated the day with the observances usual among their race. It seems that it is their rule to put in a full week celebrating the occasion, and their exercises are varied and amusing. They fast and feast, glorify their pagan deity and gamble, smoke opium, drink "blades," burn fire-crackers and celebrate in various "ways that are dark and tricks that are vain." They observe one good rule, however, worthy of imitation: They square all their accounts with each other and with the white-heathen among whom they dwell.

JURORS.—The following is a list of jurors drawn for the February term of the Circuit Court, which commences on the 10th prox: Daniel Chapman, John Head, Wm. B. Kincaid, W. F. Songer, E. DePatt, B. F. Reeser, D. F. Parrish, John Ashmead, S. Saltmarsh, L. A. Rose, R. A. Cook, J. J. Nichols, Lyman Chappel, R. V. Ball, I. W. Berry, Jas. D. Buckley, P. Dunn, John Orth, Thos. McAndrews, John O'Brien, L. J. C. Duncan, Geo. W. Isaacs, S. A. Carlton, John G. Vandyeke, John E. Harvey, A. S. Jacobs, F. Wirtz, V. S. Ralls, J. J. Bradley, Thos. Stimpson, John L. Grubb.

ENTERPRISE.—Ed. Hendricks is repairing the old Long stand on Applegate, 10 miles south of Jacksonville, and placing it in the best of order. It has always been a favorite resort of teamsters and the traveling public generally, who always find the table supplied with the choicest of edibles and the stable stocked with the best of hay and grain. Mr. Hendricks will keep up the reputation of the stand and expects to have it redited by early Spring. Those who chance that way should not fail to give him a call.

YREKA'S FLORAL GUIDE.—This work is James W. and those who send five cents to JAMES YREKA, Rochester, N. Y., for it will be disappointed. Instead of getting a cheap thing, as the price would seem to indicate, they will receive a very handsome work of 100 pages, and perhaps 500 illustrations—not cheap, but elegant illustrations, on the very best of colored paper, and as a set-off to the whole, an elegant colored plate, that we would judge cost twice the price of the book.

RAILROAD COMMITTEE, ATTENTION.—Notice is hereby given to the persons appointed in different precincts to solicit subscriptions for the survey of the Ellenburg and Jacksonville railroad, that there will be a meeting of the committee at the Court House in Jacksonville on Wednesday, Feb. 5th, 1879. A full attendance is desired. By order of E. K. ANDERSON, Chairman.

TO ADVERTISERS.—THE TIMES has the largest circulation in Jackson and Josephine counties ever attained by any paper, besides a large list of subscribers in other portions of Southern Oregon and Northern California, and therefore offers superior inducements to advertisers. Business men should take note of this. Our rates are very reasonable.

MARRIED.—ANDERSON-LEONARD.—At Sucker creek, Josephine county, January 14th, by Rev. Father Blanchet, Charles Anderson and Mrs. Margaret Leonard.

CAMPBELL-ROBERTSON.—At the residence of the bride's parents in Ashland, Jan. 19th, by Rev. A. Brown, J. R. Campbell, of Springfield, Mo., and Miss. L. C. Robertson, of Ashland.

BORN.—MILLER.—On Forest creek, January 17th, to Wm. C. Miller and wife, a daughter.

BUCKLEY.—On Applegate, January 14th, to James D. Buckley and wife, a son.

BOOTH.—Near Fort Lane, January 19th, to S. Booth and wife, a son.

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