The Democratic Times.

THURSDAY.....JANUARY 23, 1890.

GOLD HILL NUGGETS.

The town is full of miners and representatives of capital, "snowed in."

Much fear is expressed of the probable effect of the inevitable high water to be looked for next spring.

Mine hosts, Dangan & Woolf, are full up with regulars and transients, including two gentlemen looking after iron and lime for Portland firms; also two representatives of the Gold Hill Lime Company, who are about to erect kilns and prepare to supply the market. Mr. Pomeroy is also here, working on the iron claims, and expects to employ a number of men in the spring.

On Sunday last a cow-boy looking fellow rode into town on a fine horse, and, meeting a farmer with other horses, at once bantered him for a trade, or to sell his own horse for $15. After talking trade a while he rode to the Gold Hill hotel, and requested the loan of $3 from one of the proprietors, stating that he needed that amount to effect the trade. He obtained the money and then by a similar subterfuge borrowed $3 from another citizen. About this time the owner of the horse, a borrowed animal, rode into town and demanded his property, also a dollar for the loan of him. The money loaners now began to smell a rat, and looking up Mr. cowboy demanded their money. He refused to give it up, but, after being held until 7 o'clock, concluded to disgorge what change he had left, after which he was escorted out of town by the boys, who ordered him a farewell lecture with snowballs and brickbats. He personated a well-known citizen of Griffin creek, but his own identity is unknown. He is about 6 feet, 10 inches in height, under 35 years of age, dark complexion, and wore cowboy hat and shirt with frized front. He appears to be a bad egg and our neighbors to the north would do well to look out for him.

P. Y. RITES.

January 22, 1890.

Thanatopsis.

The mortuary report, which we publish this week contains much food for reflection. The great number of interments but goes to show that the people of Jackson county look upon the old county-seat cemetery as their final resting-place. It indicates also that the population of the county is increasing rapidly and that the old settlers are rapidly passing away. Of the fifty-seven persons who departed this life, just one-third of the number attained to the ripe age of sixty years or more. While the last year has by no means been conspicuous for good health in the vicinity, yet an analysis of the mortuary record will show that of the thirty-eight interments in addition to the old and worn veterans, thirteen were children under ten years of age; three were the result of a deplorable casualty; one the result of an accident; a number were brought to the old burying-ground from neighboring towns and out in the valley; and there are included in the number three Chinamen whose appearance indicated that they, too, had passed the three-score period before dying.

Mails Irregular.

Since Boreas and Jupiter Pluvius fused on local issues we have had practically no communication with the east and but very unsatisfactory service to the south. We were ten San Francisco mails behind yesterday, and the end is not yet. There has been no eastern through newspaper mail for more than two weeks, and a regular avalanche of mail may be looked for when the blockade is once raised. Fortunately the service has been quite regular from Portland south to Ashland, and the Portland "Oregonian" has been the main reliance for telegraphic news. The traveling public has been seriously incommoded by the delay to trains, and the Southern Pacific Company has not been selling tickets out of Portland to points south of Ashland since the 15th instant. Quite a number of snow-bound through passengers are still at Ashland, enduring as best they can the vexatious delay.

Attention!

The almighty dollar—we few have too many and the many have too few. The many should strive to save a part of each dollar which comes by toil. There is a place in Grant's Pass, Oregon, where money can be saved when buying. It pays to buy there. Go to the Red Star Store and buy 2 papers needles for 5c.; 3 bottles good sewing machine oil for 25c.; children's $1.25 shoes for 90c.; ladies' $4.50 kid shoes for $3.50; etc., etc., etc. Prices wonderfully low. In these days of hurry and rush, business is governed by the law of dollars and cents. There is no friendship in business. Study your own interests. Get the best bargains you can. Make the omnipotent cash go its level best. On this basis you are cordially invited to visit the Red Star Store, Grant's Pass, Oregon, where the prices are astonishingly low.

Respectfully,
W. E. DEAN.

Probate Court.

The following business has been transacted in probate court, Judge Neil presiding, since our last report:

In the matter of the guardianship of the minor heirs of O. Vincent, deceased. Appointment of Mary A. Vincent as guardian rev. ked.

Estate of Kate R. Birdsey. Sale of real-estate confirmed.

Estate of Solon Colver, an insane person. Bond of A. P. Helman as guardian approved. W. T. Addison, S. Furry and W. G. Bishop appointed appraisers.

Estate of S. P. Hanna. Report of administrator approved.

Estate of F. McHatton; petition to sell personal property. Citation to heirs ordered issued.

Estate of J. F. Ragsdale. Inventory of appraisement filed, showing property to the value of $18,000.

Snow-Bound Passengers.

The two hundred or more travelers who were snow-bound at Ashland during the past week have been greatly incommoded by the delay, and express great dissatisfaction with their treatment by the railroad people. For reasons best known to the management, first-class passengers have been compelled to pay all additional costs of their detention at Ashland, while second-class travelers have been hoodwinked, treated and taken care of, free of expense, at the railroad hotel. There has been not a little growling at the discrimination, much to the diversion of those fortunate enough to have taken second-class passage. If the railroad company was an individual, one would surmise that it intended to make a bid for the popular vote and run for congress or the legislature.

Circuit Court.

The following business has been disposed of in circuit court since our last report:

A. L. Willey vs. Laura Willey; suit for divorce. Argued and submitted.

H. C. Lewis vs. J. G. Birdsey, sheriff; action to recover possession of personal property. Verdict for defendant.

State vs. Him Hom; indictment for assault with a dangerous weapon. Trial by jury and acquitted.

A. L. Reuter vs. Elisha Ray et al.; foreclosure. Default entered and judgment for plaintiff for $556.65, interest, attorney fees and costs.

State vs. Charles Dobie; indictment for larceny in a dwelling-house. Plead guilty entered.

To the Farmers of Jackson County.

Having found it impracticable to operate our mill at Medford as an exchange mill, we have purchased the Washington Mills of Phoenix, and will continue to operate them on the exchange plan. As soon as practicable we will overhaul the mill and place it in first-class repair. So bring on your wheat and we will prove to you that you will be treated as well by the new firm as the old.

Respectfully Yours
DAVIS & FRANCE.

Medford, Or., Jan. 20, 1890.

Eggs for Hatching.

From America's best breeds. Wyandottes, Plymouth Rocks, Light Brahmas, Brown and White Leghorns, Partridge Cochins, White Wyandottes and Black Minorcas. Winners of the highest honors at all the large exhibitions for the past eleven years.

Eggs: $3 per setting; two settings, $5. Send stamp for catalogue. Address,

J. M. GARRISON,
Forest Grove, Or.

Just Arrived.

Choice, selected white curly Angora Rugs, superior to any in the market, size 4x6 feet, price, $5.50.

H. F. GILLINSON & Co.,
104 Third St., Portland.

Card of Thanks.

The undersigned wish to return thanks to the many friends who so kindly lent their aid during our affliction.

MR. AND MRS. F. W. HOGG.

Central Point, Jan. 17, 1890.

Wood for Sale.

A large quantity of dry cord wood for salein quantities to suit. For further particulars enquire of

E. WILLIAMS,
Gold Hill, Or.

Posts For Sale.

Two hundred fine, large cedar posts can be obtained cheap by applying to the TIMES office at once.

HERE AND THERE.

Trains are very irregular.

Read the new advertisements.

Sleighs will soon be at a discount again.

We pay no attention to anonymous communications.

Last week Yreka's rejoiced in snow over thirty inches deep.

C. Bennett came to town yesterday for medical treatment.

L. G. Goodell of Medford precinct was in town several days this week.

Thos. Mayhew, formerly of Ashland, now resides near Hornbrook, Cal.

Circuit court is in session and will probably not adjourn for sometime.

S. H. Dunlap and son of Talent precinct were in Jacksonville on Monday.

Pure honey, in nice pitchers, at the S. F. Variety Store. Only 50 cents each.

Only two jury cases will be tried at the adjourned term of the circuit court.

Newman Fisher is at his old stand again and selling goods cheaper than ever.

First-class cedar fence posts for sale in quantities to suit at the TIMES office.

Some interesting correspondence will be found on the last page of the TIMES.

Oscar Stearns is conducting a billiard saloon in the Cross building at Phœnix.

Raphael Morat has gone to Foots creek to look after his mining interests there.

J. E. Olson is up in the Siskiyous working his placer mine near Cole's station.

Fresh lemons and oranges kept on hand at the S. F. Variety Store, Jacksonville.

Monthly instalments of $10 will buy a house and lot in Tolo from Scott Griffin.

Old papers, in quantities to suit, for sale at the TIMES office at 50 cents a hundred.

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Fresh timothy and alfalfa seed sold at the lowest rates at the S. F. Variety Store.

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Several residents of Ashland were in Jacksonville last Saturday as witnesses in a divorce case.

The Ashland amateurs gave "The Lost Loaf" at Granite hall yesterday evening to a fair audience.

The nicest and freshest mackerel just received at the S. F. Variety Store; also other table delicacies.

I. Louden of Merlin was in Jacksonville the forepart of the week, en route to Thompson creek.

The freshest and nicest candies, nuts, raisins, etc., can always be found at the S. F. Variety Store.

Butter and eggs are quite scarce again, and command 60 cents a roll and 50 cents a dozen respectively.

The southbound train was delayed several hours by snow at Glendale last Wednesday morning.

Newman Fisher and Max Muller received a large quantity of salt not long since, which they are selling cheap.

Postmaster Florey has opened a variety store in connection with Uncle Sam's headquarters at Eagle Point.

Send the TIMES to your friends East, or at any other place. It answers better than all the letters you can write.

The S. F. "Examiner" is the best paper on the coast. Don't fail to leave your subscriptions at the TIMES office.

Wood is selling in Lakeview for $6 per cord, and can only be obtained of a warm personal friend of that tigure.

Chas. Offenbacher of Applegate cut his thumb off one day this week with a hatchet, while building a sleigh.

Chinese new-year is being duly celebrated by the festive Mongolians, who make day and night hideous with their orgies.

M. L. McCall, administrator of the Shearer estate, will sell some fruit-land belonging to the estate in Ashland next Saturday.

Fresh buckwheat and graham flour, oatmeal, tritcum germea and other articles in this line at the S. F. Variety Store.

Jas. Cook is assisting Garrett & Hosley in the management of their saloon at Ashland. He makes a popular mixologist.

The TIMES has the most complete job office south of Albany and turns out the best printing at San Francisco prices.

The stage running between this place and Winters is timed to return Tuesday night, on account of bad roads and deep snow.

Fruit-growers about Ashland report the ravages of rabbits in young orchards as being somewhat serious since the snow fell.

We will probably have to get along with a "January thaw" instead of a "February good spell" this year, from present indications.

Do you suffer with catarrh? You can be cured if you take Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier. Sold by all druggists.

For several days past trains have not been running further south than Ashland. We hope that this will not continue long.

A few copies of the American Settlers' Guide, standard authority on all land matters, may be found at the TIMES office.

Strange to say, the Northern Pacific has been compelled to buy Ashland road tickets, been free from snow blockade this winter.

Chas. O. Vincent, from up Rogue river, was in on land business last Saturday, accompanied by Frank Manning and H. L. Figg.

The county pays a bounty of $2 50 on each panther and coyote scalp turned over to the clerk. Hunters should remember that.

The TIMES has not received a line from Klamath and Lake counties for over a week, hence the dearth of news from that section.

J. N. Thomas of Little Butte precinct called yesterday. He reports plenty of snow and feed getting rather scarce in some localities.

Snow has been falling at intervals during the past week; but it has not accumulated any lately, as much of the old snow has melted.

For the best glassware, crockery, etc., call and examine goods and prices at the S. F. Variety Store, Jacksonville.

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A. K. Williams was found lying in a critical condition in his mining claim on Pleasant creek, since which time he has been cared for by M. S. Wakeman.

The S. F. Variety Store keeps the best imported Key West and domestic cigars in the market; also all the popular brands of chewing and smoking tobaccos.

The articles of incorporation of the Medford and Jacksonville railroad company were filed in the office of the secretary of state at Salem on the 17th instant.

The largest and best stock of deeds, mortgages and all kinds of real-estate and legal blanks south of Salem is kept at the TIMES office and sold at Portland rates.

Wm. T. Moore, a former attache of the TIMES office, and R. A. Glen, "Oregonian" compositor, rescued a drowning man from the Willamette river one morning last week.

H. D. Kubli, Applegate's postmaster, informed us that the mail carrier made his last trip on snow-shoes. This is something decidedly new in southern Oregon.

Chas. C. Pursell informs us that the tool of the stock-shed on Jas. A. Louden's farm on Thompson creek fell a few days since, killing and crippling several head of cattle.

Money is evidently as scarce at Ashland as anywhere, as $800 was bid in at the last meeting of the A. B. & L. A. by a party who bid over four years' interest in advance.

Thrifty individuals about town last week charged $1 an hour for shoveling snow from the roofs of some of the buildings. They took advantage of the necessities of the occasion.

The snow blockade has been raised on the Union Pacific and three passenger trains, having on board over 300 passengers, were expected to arrive today in Portland.

The recently appointed principal of the Chemewa Indian training school, Prof. J. D. Robb, is not the Prof. Bamford Robb, who used to reside in Jacksonville, as some suppose.

The Ashland Electric Power and Light Company intend consolidating their water-powers and relocating lower down on Ashland creek, thus giving them a vastly increased power.

The roof of the bridge across Butte creek, near Dreamboro, collapsed a few days since, a large amount of snow having accumulated on it. Travel is stopped there in consequence.

Now is the time to subscribe for the TIMES and get all the news of southern and southeastern Oregon, fresh and spicy, as well as a synopsis of everything important that occurs anywhere.

One of the factions of the Lake county Republicans is attempting to distar Col. Cogswell from practicing before the supreme court and land department; also to expel him from the G. A. R.

The attendance at the Ashland public schools was only about one-half the usual number last week, owing to the prevailing influenza. The same state of affairs exists in the other towns of the valley.

Rev. F. K. VanTassel and wife of Ashland celebrated their silver wedding on the 14th inst., when a large assemblage of friends tendered their congratulations and wished them many returns of the day.

The only San Francisco daily that came to hand in this valley during the past two weeks was the "Examiner," and that was sent via Portland. The monarch of the dailies, like Elijah of old, "always gets there."

Altamont, the great trotting sire, who "got his start" in this section, now has no less than seven representatives in the 2:30 list, while nearly a dozen of his colts are hovering on the edge of the charmed circle.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rice was sadly buried in Ashland Rest and Holy cemetery last week. About five days old, it died from the effects of a fall from its mother's lap, while the latter was crossing a log on her way to the house.

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Some of the citizens of southern Oregon will be called upon to serve as jurors in Judge Deady's court soon, as the clerk thereof has been ordered to select the names of 1000 men from the state at large, to be summoned when occasion requires. In accordance with an order the clerk sent blank forms to the clerks of all the county courts to be filled out with the names of responsible taxpayers, each county to have a representation according to its population.

About Dunsmuir and Sisson the snow has been piled up mountain high during the past ten days, and ditched or snow-bound plows and engines are to be found every few miles along the road, say the dispatches. It is doubtful if any road ever had a bigger contract on hand than has the Southern Pacific in wrestling with the snow problem between Redding and Ashland. The company also has hundreds of men, but they are making little headway.

Jacksonville needs an ordinance which prohibits horses and cows from running at large, as these animals annoy people who come to town and have occasion to leave anything eatable in their wagons while transacting their business. Last Tuesday J. N. Thomas of Butte creek had a sack of dried plums dragged from his sled and destroyed by a cow. Hardly anything could be more exasperating; and it is just such things which make a town unpopular with residents of the surrounding country.

If the snow which has accumulated is melted by a warm rain, most of the railroad track in Rogue river valley will float away, as it is nearly all laid under high water mark. The extravagant work done around Gold Hill will surely suffer in such an event. Had the route through Willow Springs gap been originally taken, as the exigencies of the case demanded, several miles of expensive work would have been avoided and all of the route would be out of danger by freshets and floods.

Dispatches to the daily press last Thursday announced the death of Dr. Henry Devis, of Phoenix, who was asphyxiated by gas in a San Francisco lodging house. Deceased had been in the city but a few days, having gone to the bay the preceding Monday from Eureka, where he had been sojourning for sometime. He had been a resident of this county for nearly twenty years, and was upwards of 60 years of age when he died. He had practiced medicine in his school for many years, and was esteemed as a genial, upright man.

Cass Barlow and Col. Drake of Portland are agitating the people of Clackamas county with a view to induce them to ask the county commissioners for a franchise over the river roads from Sellwood on the north to Barlow station on the south, and from the White House to Oregon city on the west side. Their petition asks for an exclusive franchise for fifty years for electrical or other suitable means of transportation, with the use of all grades and bridges. There is nothing small about these men, even if they do ask for the whole earth.

Some of the settlers on Foots creek have been notified by the railroad company that rails supplied for its track locality will cost them four dollars per acre, on the usual terms, i. e., ten per cent. down, and balance in nine annual payments, the unpaid installments to bear 7 per cent. interest. The company, we understand, will give quit-claim deeds to the land, the deed to contain the usual warranty clause. Prices will depend more on location than on quality of land, it being the policy of the company to encourage settlement in the timber sections, where the minimum charges will be made.

There has been no mail south of Ashland for over a week, and this state of affairs may continue awhile longer, although the S. P. R. R. Co., is making almost superhuman efforts to clear up the blockade. Much more snow has fallen on the Siskiyous and in Strawberry valley this year than at any time since the whites settled the country, and "the beautiful" has so far baffled the combined efforts of all of the snow-plows, locomotives and the employees of the railroad company. The railroad folks must hereafter regard the road between Redding and Ashland not altogether easy and cheap to operate during every winter.

Varying sensations sway the dwellers along Rogue river. They all want the storm to end and the sun to shine forth once more; but the longing is tempered by the dread of high water, the sweeping away of bridges and inundating of fields, which all realize is impending when ever the snow goes off. There is such an incredible amount of moisture locked up in the frozen hills that the result of even a few days' warm, gentle rain would mean almost incalculable damage. Truly the elements will be kind to this valley if the general thaw comes with sunshine and vernal breezes instead of showers and a Chinook wind.

In a recent article in the "Youth's Companion," on "how to cure a cold," the writer advises a hot lemonade to be taken at bed time. It is a dangerous treatment, especially during the severe cold weather of the winter months, as it opens the pores of the skin and leaves the system in such condition that another and much more severe cold is almost certain to be contracted. Many year's constant use and the experience of thousands of persons of all ages has fully demonstrated that there is nothing better for a severe cold than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It acts in perfect harmony with nature, relieves the lungs, liquefies the tough tenacious mucus, making it easier to expectorate, and restores the system to a strong and healthy condition. Fifty cent bottles for sale by City Drug Store, Jacksonville, also Engel Bros., Phœnix.

Wm. Osburn, a pioneer and highly respected resident of Eugene, died not long since. He was father of several children, among whom are Ralph Osburn of Reno, Nev., who was formerly engaged in the drug business here. Mrs. Jas. McDonald of Gold Hill and Postmaster Osburn of Eugene.

Jeff Johnson of Elk creek was in town last Friday making final proof on his pre-emption claim, having as witnesses Wm. Alcee and O. J. Willard. While they did not report the snow quite so deep in that section as further up the river, all are willing to admit that the present winter is a record breaker.

The following special venire was summoned to fill the panel of jurors for the adjourned term of the circuit court: Jas. Cook, John B. Million, David King, Ashland; J. F. Adams, J. P. Brown, Phœnix; John Barkdull, G. F. Merriman, J. G. Grossman, Medford; Geo. M. Love, Jacksonville.

At the last meeting of Pilot Rock Encampment No. 16, I. O. O. F., of Ashland, Capt. A. D. Helman, D. D. G. P., installed the following officers for the ensuing term: H. C. Myer, C. P.; M. N. Long, H. P.; N. A. Jacobs, S. W.; R. H. Taylor, Scribe; A. D. Helman, F. S.; A. Bish, T.; J. J. Strait, J. W.; W. W. Kentnor, I. G.

For a lame back try saturating a piece of flannel with Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and binding it on to the affected parts. This treatment will cure any ordinary case in one or two days. Pain Balm also cures rheumatism, sprains, swelling and lameness. Fifty-cent bottles for sale at City Drug Store, Jacksonville, also Engel Bros., Phœnix.

The TIMES prints more reading matter than any other weekly newspaper published in Southern Oregon. And it is fresh and spicy too—no plate matter of any kind being used. No wonder its circulation is larger than that of any journal published in the state outside of the metropolis, and second only to the "Oregonian" and one or two others of Portland's papers.

Mr. T. A. Deroven, merchant, Deroven, Louisiana, says: "The St. Patrick's Pills went like hot cakes." People who have once tried them are never satisfied with any other kind. Their gentle action and reliability as a cathartic is what makes them popular. For sale at City Drug Store, Jacksonville, also Engel Bros., Phœnix.

Buyers in the Willamette valley are offering to contract for the hop crop of 1890 at 12½ cents per pound. This will afford growers a small margin. We would advise those who contract to be careful of the terms made. If the price falls, the buyer usually endeavors to evade payment, generally claiming that the hops are not a merchantable article.

The dwellers in Lost creek precinct are very anxious to have better mail facilities than they enjoy at present, and will petition for an office in their vicinity before long. At present they have to depend on Eagle Point or Elmo, their nearest offices, and roads and the river virtually cut them off from the world in bad weather, not being on any regular route.

There is a big fight in the Republican camp in Lake county, there being two factions, one of which is led by W. T. Boyd, county clerk, and the other by W. U. Snider, the new receiver of the Lakeview land office. The latter seems to have the advantage at present, though the Boyd element dominates local matters. Let the battle wage unto the survival of the fittest.

Mrs. Frances Simon, wife of E. F. Simon, died at Eagle Point on Tuesday morning at 4 o'clock, of inflammation of the bowels, with typhoid complications, after a painful illness of several days. She was the daughter of A. J. Daley and wife, and a most estimable young lady. Her husband and a babe of a few months survive her. The remains were interred in the Central Point cemetery yesterday afternoon.

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The principal cause of delayed trains to Ashland during the past week has been high winds in the mountain canyons, which have drifted the snow along the line of the railroad. The dispatches report a fall of three feet of new snow at Dunsmuir last Sunday.

Leading physicians recommend Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Old and young take it with perfect safety. It cleanses the blood, strengthens the nerves, and vitalizes the system. Popular experience has long proved this medicine at the head of tonic alteratives.

The barn on D. T. Ewen's place—he old Boothby ranch—near Eagle Point fell under the weight of snow on Wednesday of last week, killing a number of cattle and hogs belonging to John B. Williams and wrecking his hack, which stood under the adjoining shed.

Geo. E. Neuber, southern Oregon's favorite mixologist, is now manager of the establishment of Thomas Laird, wholesale and retail dealer in wines, liquors and cigars, at Roslyn, Wash. George will draw custom wherever he may be, for he is so clever, you know.

The Yreka branch railroad cost the enterprising people of that place about $180,000; but as the road now pays more than operating expenses, and is of immense benefit to the town, the citizens are satisfied with their investment. Let Jacksonville and Medford take notice.

The damage done to the railroad bridges and tracks north of us was repaired without much delay. The mail service from Portland to Ashland has not been as bad as it might otherwise be this winter, as we receive mail from the metropolis and intermediate points nearly every day.

Albert Anderson died at his home in Phœnix one day last week of typhoid-pneumonia, after a short illness. He was an industrious, straightforward young man, and well liked by all who knew him. A wife and numerous other relatives, also many friends, mourn his loss.

Our delinquent subscribers will please remember that the first of the year is a good time to turn over a new leaf and pay up what they owe the TIMES. It does not seem much to you, but $8000 of delinquent subscriptions is quite a big pile to us. Pay up and have a clear conscience.

J. W. Sowden, of the new firm of Jackson & Sowden, has gone to Roseburg to take orders for monuments, tombstones, etc. They have a large assortment of new and elegant designs, and their prices are reasonable. We understand that Mr. Sowden has taken several orders at Grant's Pass.

Arthur Pool had a shed, about two miles above Eagle Point, give way under its weight of snow one night last week, and several horses were imprisoned under the wreck for a number of hours; but fortunately none of them were seriously injured, the great weight of the snow having prevented them from struggling.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Nettie Tice of Medford is visiting friends in Jacksonville.

Fred Hogg and wife of Central Point spent Saturday in town.

Attorneys Hammond and Burtenshaw of Ashland are in town.

Col. Bowditch was in Salem last week, returning on Saturday last.

Messrs. Carney and Pitt of Butte were in town last Saturday.

Rufus Cox of Central Point precinct visited Jacksonville on Monday.

Col. Maury made his friends in Jacksonville a visit during the week.

S. S. Pentz of Medford was in town during the week on legal business.

G. R. Gallant and wife of Central Point were in town one day this week.

Geo. A. Jackson of Table Rock precinct called the forepart of the week.

Capt. Mitchell was in Jacksonville last Saturday attending to school matters.

Wm. Rytter has recovered from his recent indisposition and is about again.

G. W. Morine of Central Point and Chris. Beale of Big Butte called last Friday.

John Orth is confined to his room again, having ruptured himself not long ago.

County Clerk Muller is still quite sick, though nothing serious is anticipated.

Mrs. John Miller's condition is much improved, and she is now convalescent.

J. E. Fenton has been attending circuit court as an attorney in an important case.

R. K. Sutton, a prominent business man of Ashland, spent last Saturday in Jacksonville.

R. R. Dunn, Sayer & Walker's wide-awake agent at Medford, was here on Tuesday.

E. D. Foudray of Phœnix called on his numerous friends in Jacksonville last Monday.

J. Patterson and W. B. Grey of Talent precinct were here last Tuesday on school business.

J. Nunan, the well-known merchant, is confined to his room by an attack of rheumatism.

Miss Cora Brown of Eagle Point has been visiting relatives and friends in Jacksonville.

Justice Angle and Councilman Galloway of Medford were in Jacksonville one day this week.

George Brown of Eagle Point left for Portland Monday, and will remain there several weeks.

J. H. Pomeroy, who is interested in the iron mines near Rock Point, has returned to Portland.

Ed. Temple of Central Point visited the county-seat on several occasions during the past week.

J. K. Green, one of Eagle Point's most enterprising citizens, visited the county-seat last Saturday.

Robert Westrop of Tolo and Peter Applegate of Central Point spent last Saturday at the county-seat.

Frank Lewis, the celebrated foot-racer, who got his start at Lakeview, has been in town for several days past.

The family of W. H. Parker is considerably indisposed at present, being victims of the prevailing complaint.

H. E. Slocum and family and Miss Saltmarsh of Ashland are in town this week on business with the circuit court.

A. Bish, one of Ashland's prominent citizens, was in Jacksonville last Monday, as were also Messrs. Leabo and Smith.

S. C. Irwin of Portland was in Jacksonville during the week, having been subpœnaed as a witness in the Lewis case.

Wm. Singer, F. Hubbard, W. G. Cooper and W. H. Barr of Medford have been at Jacksonville on court business this week.

Dr. Summers, who has been very sick for sometime, is able to attend to business again. His wife is quite ill now, however.

Henry Banfield of Portland, representing S. G. Reed and other capitalists, located a number of ironmines during the forepart of the week.

We regret to hear of the serious illness of County Commissioner Taylor at his home near Eagle Point. We trust he will soon be about again.

Dr. Robinson, who is sojourning at Santa Cruz, Cal., writes that his health is improving fast and that he has gained several pounds in weight.

Dr. Loomis, special agent of the land department, with headquarters are at Roseburg, has been visiting our town. He went south yesterday.

W. P. Hills, L. Orme, Thos. Wright, P. B. O'Neil, Chas. Griffith, B. F. Wade and G. S. Walton were among the regular jurors who responded last Monday.

Vin. Cook, who has been at the Sterling mines for several weeks past, returned to Portland a few days since. His family will remain at Sterlingville for sometime.

Rev. J. W. Sellwood, the well-known Episcopal clergyman, has been very ill at his residence in East Portland for some time, but is now thought to be convalescent.

Hon. A. C. Jones of the Roseburg land office, is making preparations to remove to Portland city and practice law as soon as his successor qualifies for the position of receiver.

Mrs. Jos. Rapp of Wagner creek is reported seriously ill, we are sorry to say. T. G. Reames and Mrs. O. Harbaugh, her brother and sister, and Mrs. Reames went up yesterday to visit her.

A. J. Daley, proprietor of the well-known Butte creek mills, visited at the county-seat Monday, but was called home that night by a message announcing the serious sickness of his daughter, Mrs. E. F. Simon.

H. B. Hoff of Owasso, Michigan, one of the snow-bound through passengers at Ashland, called on us on Tuesday, having driven over to view the county-seat and banish "ennui." He is selling rights to a process that will make butter and eggs keep in good condition for several months.

MEDFORD SQUIBS.

A. D. Dodson of the "News" was quite ill a few days last week.

Many of our citizens have been ill with influenza during the past two weeks.

Miss Jessie Conthoui appears at the opera house to night.

Medford has but one paper now. We learn that the "News" suspended publication indefinitely last week.

J. C. Corum, who did considerable business in selling meat here last summer, has moved to Meadows precinct.

Quite a number of citizens have been at the court-seat this week, either in the capacity of jurors, witnesses or litigants.

L. F. Cox and family removed last week from Medford to their farm near Woodville, where they will reside in the future.

A life-size portrait of Archie Hazel, in the act of climbing a forest tree, is the chief attraction in the Grand Central hotel parlor.

The Hyer sisters were greeted by the largest house that ever turned out to see a performance in Medford. They are an excellent troupe.

The effort to organize a company of the O. N. G. at Medford should receive encouragement from the citizens of the Bear creek metropolis.

Olwell's mills at Phœnix will hereafter be operated in connection with the Medford roller mills. The combination will prove a strong one.

Revs. Barden and Van Tassel conducted a successful series of meetings at the Baptist church in Medford during last week, which have resulted in several accessions to the membership.

The Monarch saloon at Medford, under the management of H. H. Wolters, is proving a popular resort. The best of everything in that line is kept there.

J. H. Redfield, whose advertisement appears in this issue, has opened a blacksmithshop in the building formerly occupied by W. H. Turner. He will doubtless build up a good trade, as he is an excellent mechanic and a very clever man to do business with.

The town needs a better calaboose for the detention of tramps and vags, who could be made to do much work on the city's streets if proper accommodations were provided. The night watch is kept busy watching the tramps at night when his single cell is full.

H. H. Wolters, the mixologist, has reopened the saloon formerly kept by A. H. Carlson, thoroughly renitting it and making many improvements. He has supplied the bar with the finest wines, liquors and cigars, and a fine billiard table can also be found there. Give him a call for he will treat you well.

The installation of officers of Chester A. Arthur Post No. 47, G. A. R., took place at the opera house as announced, and the following will fill the chairs during the ensuing year: Commander, R. T. Young; S. V. commander, G. C. Noble; J. V. commander, D. A. Huling; Q. M., W. G. Cooper; surgeon, Wm. Turner; chaplain, D. J. Lumsden; officer of the guard, J. R. Ford; officer of the day, Isaac Woolf; adjutant, J. H. Faris.

Cured his Little Boy

My little boy had impurities of the blood that were of a scrofulous nature, which resulted in the breaking out of an abscess on the hip. I gave him Swift's Specific (S. S.) It purified his blood and restored his health. As a blood purifier it certainly has no equal. FELIX SINK, Salem, N. C.

Treatise on blood and skin diseases mailed free.

SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Atlanta, Ga.

LOCAL NOTES.

Henry Banfield of Gold Hill paid us a social call last Monday.

E. D. Ellis and S. F. Poteet of Whitleaker were in town during the week.

Sam Goldsmith, the well-known Portland drummer, made Jacksonville a call one day lately.

Snow is piled up many feet deep in the mountains, and it will be several months before it all melts.

Travel through the valley and between the towns and country is almost entirely suspended, and business is consequently very dull.

Telegraph linemen do not need their climbers in the Siskiyous, walking on snow-shoes and reaching the tops of the poles easily from the surface of the snow.

Medford's dollar weekly has "gone where the woodbine twineth," as might have been expected. No large, first class paper can be printed in the interior for less than $2 50 a year. Publishers of city papers issue weeklies for less money, but they make use of reading matter that has already been printed in the daily editions. Otherwise their prices would not be so liberal.

A race was run at Central Point one day this week, between Frank Lewis and one Cameron of Corvallis, both of whom are well-known and fleet foot-racers. Lewis won "with hands down," adding another victory to his long list of successful speed contests. It is said that the stakes were $700. The race was a quiet affair and witnessed by only a few.

Max Pracht Could Eat No Fat.

Quite a blow was struck at the vanity of some of Ashland's local Republicans by the publication in a recent issue of the "Oregonian," under flaming headlines, of a sensational dispatch proclaiming that Max Pracht, Harrison's appointee to the collectorship of Alaska, had been decapitated in the act of smuggling opium and whisky himself and selling the native firearms when in the employ of the Alaska Commercial Company, and that there is almost a certainty of his getting "left," when the session is called upon to confirm the appointment. While musing over this sad and abrupt ending of a political career which promised to be brilliant, we turn to our Bible-book with a feeling akin to that of the poet when alluding to the "struck eagle, stretched upon the plain" who "owed his own feather in the fatal dart, and winged the arrow that had pierced his heart." When Max was snorting around Ashland during the last campaign he used the columns of the "Oregonian" in doing the tally act to the national leaders and to even some of the smaller local fry with "him he desired to ingratiate himself. He, it was then demonstrated, the "new steppingstone" for the Harrison & Morton club at Ashland, of which he boasted in a letter over his own signature to the Portland paper, was "left-left." Cleveland will get "left," too, if his nomination happens to be coincidence and the river virtually cut off from which Max will step down and out of office, too. In the same letter, after administering a terrific dose of taffy to the "earnest, quiet and gentlemanly chairman of the Republican county committee," Max wound up a homily against the young voters with the following apropos observation: "Men of doubtful integrity and sometimes of proven financial obliquity will force themselves to the front in matters political as well as religious, and whenever discovered should be sat down upon and made to subside." Well, rather; we are beginning to think so, too.

Grand Jury.

The following-named persons were drawn as a special grand jury to investigate the charge against the parties confined in the county jail: W. B. Roberts, foreman, John Moreland, Geo. F. Merriman, J. G. Grossman, David King, John Belinger and A. L. Wiley. Indictments were found in the cases against Chas. Dobie for larceny in a dwelling, and one against the Chinaman for an assault with a dangerous weapon. The grand jury was in session only one day.

Household Goods for Sale.

A rare bargain will be offered for the next thirty days in household goods, consisting of a cook stove, heating stove, kitchen furniture, carpets, two bedroom sets, chairs, lounges, one organ, etc., etc. I will sell articles separately or altogether. This would be a golden opportunity for any one wishing to rent a house and furnish same, as they can buy our goods, rent the house and go to housekeeping without the annoyance of fitting it up.

A. H. MARSH.

A Pleasing Sense

Of health and strength renewed and of ease and comfort follows the use of Syrup of Figs, as it acts in harmony with nature to effectually cleanse the system when costive or bilious. For sale in 50c and $1.00 bottles by all leading drugg'sts.

Stray Pork.

L. F. Christian has 6 stray pigs at his place near Jacksonville, marked with smooth crop and split in left ear, which the owner will please call for and pay costs of this notice.

Hay for Sale.

Twenty tons of hay, of good quality and baled well, can be bought by calling on J. R. Howard, on the Davison place near Medford, or on Chas. Nickell, Jacksonville.

A Woman's Discovery.

Another wonderful discovery has been made and that too by a woman in this county. Disease fastened its clutches