THE ASHLAND TIDINGS.

SATURDAY.....DECEMBER 23, 1876.

Agents for the Tidings.

L. Samuels, - - - - Portland, Oregon.
Jacob Thompson, - - - " "
S. M. Pettingill & Co., - - - New York.
Rockwell & Cheesman, - - - St. Louis.
L. P. Fisher, - - - - - San Francisco.
Thos. Boyce, - - - - - " "
J. R. Neil, - - - - - - Jacksonville.
C. S. Sergent, - - - - - Phœnix.
Dr. R. Owen, - - - - Central Point.
Miss Allie W. Colvig, - - - Rock Point.
C. B. Watson, General Agent for Lake county.

ASHLAND P. O. REGISTER.

Stages leave Ashland as follows:

The O. & C. Stage Co.'s Stage leave Ashland for Jacksonville, Rock Point and Roseburg every day at 6 a. m. Mail closes at 5:30 a. m.

For Henly, Yreka and Reading at 6 p. m. Mail closes at 5:30 p. m.

Hatton & Garrett's Stages leave Ashland every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings for Linkville, and return on every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Leave Linkville for Lake City, California, Wednesdays; arrive at Lake City Saturdays; leave Lake City Mondays; arrive at Linkville Thursdays, carrying mail and passengers.

Regular passenger wagon leaves Ashland for Linkville every Monday morning, and returns every Saturday.

A. D. HELMAN, P. M.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

JACKSONVILLE ITEMS.

Our regular correspondent, Theobald, sends the following under date of December 21:

The wife of Sam Taylor has a bouncing Christmas boy.

A son of Mr. Martin, while coasting, struck against a fence, knocked out several teeth and bruised his face severely.

Grand preparations are being made for the Masonic ball. It will undoubtedly be superior to anything of the season.

A son of Captain Caton came very near being killed by a blow, which left him insensible and from which he is yet suffering.

Hon. W. J. Plymale has rebuilt the house near the Excelsior Stables, formerly occupied by L. Ziglor. It is very neat and comfortable.

If our worthy P. M. would leave his deputy in during meal time he would oblige many of our denizens who happen to call about that time.

The young folks who attended the bridal party at a country residence, recently, kept the bride and bridegroom locked up in separate apartments all night. They have gone East.

The entertainment given on last Saturday evening, for the benefit of Mr. Robinson, was well attended. Some of the audience engaged in a play not on the bills, which caused some disturbance.

MORTISING MACHINE.—Amongst the numerous labor-saving machines in the furniture factory of Marsh & Valpey, of this place, is one of remarkable ingenuity, devised by Mr. Marsh for gauge morticing. The chisel runs by water power, and makes about six hundred strokes a minute. Besides the wonderful rapidity of its work it possesses one other advantage: The work does not require to be gauged after the machine is set for a job and no mistake can occur. These gentlemen have devised many other improvements in their machinery of more than passing interest, an examination of which would well repay any mechanic visiting this place.

DISAPPOINTING CHILDREN.—The meanest thing we ever did was putting a potato in each of our little ones' stockings on Christmas eve. We enjoyed for a time their bitter disappointment with a view of what we supposed would be a happy surprise when we introduced them to a bountiful supply of toys laid away in another place. We were mistaken. It took half the happiness the new gave to balance their first disappointment. To-day they have a vivid memory of the potatoes, but have no recollection of the four or five dollars' worth of toys.

A GOVERNOR WANTED.—Inasmuch as Governor Grover and Secretary Chadwick have both been subpenaed to Washington, and Oregon is left without a Chief Executive, Wade Hampton or Chamberlin could find a situation in this State; and J. M. McCall & Co. continue to receive constant fresh supplies of goods, which they sell cheap for cash or produce, at the Ashland Store.

OUR Jacksonville neighbors are complaining of miserable, dull, cold, foggy weather. We have not had a foggy morning in Ashland this Winter. For the last three weeks the sun has risen and set wtthout a cloud to dim its radiance. Those who desire the finest climate on the globe should come to Ashland.

THE crowds who daily throng Mr. Abell's photographic gallery show that they appreciate genuine work of art. Those who cannot get out to church would do well to call and see the many familiar faces on the wall, arrayed in their Sunday fixings.

HARRY E. CRANDALL, younger brother of our foreman, arrived here from San Francisco this week. He came to avail himself of the advantages of the Ashland Academy, and has already been duly installed into his classes.

A LITTLE son of John Van Dyke was kicked on the head by a horse on last Sunday, and severely injured. He lay insensible for twenty-four hours. He has now recovered so far as to be out of danger.

THOSE desiring a chance in the fine picture of Crater Lake must call at the Post Office soon, as they are going like hot cakes.

BONANZA ITEMS.

Our Bonanza correspondent sends the following:

Weather still warm.
Early sown rye coming up.
Tilden is elected out here.
Spelling schools in fashion.
Going to have a ball New Years.
Two fights last Sunday—no arrest.
Linkville is very dull at present.

NOTES FROM KERBYVILLE.

Get ready for ye Christmas ball and turkey, you bet.

Miners are waiting for rain. They say it is sure to rain by Christmas.

The roads were never better to Kerbyville, and accommodations fair.

Mr. J. L. Layton's hydraulic on William's Creek works to a charm.

Brother Ritter immersed two persons in the Applegate last Sunday.

The last few nights are reckoned the coldest for years when there was no snow.

S. Philips has a fine Percheron colt, two years old last June, that weighs 1,500 pounds.

Mr. Ish's covered mail hack makes semi-weekly trips from Jacksonville to Kerby and Waldo.

By the way, D. Green estimates the distance from Galice Creek to Illinois River, via Rogue River, at 30 miles—a practical route. Either route sufficient. Take the best and cheapest.

Mr. Hughes, County Clerk of Josephine, received a letter last week from Messrs. Riley & Stewart, of Ellensburg, which announced that a company from San Francisco had bought out their fishery at the mouth of Rogue River, and said company has a light draft steamboat of 100 tons to navigate Rogue River from its mouth up to Illinois River (about 40 miles). Now if the citizens of Jackson and Josephine Counties unite and build a wagon road to the mouth of the Illinois River, say down the Illinois River from the vicinity of Deer Creek, the present road, which is estimated at 37 miles (Mr. A. Watts, County Surveyor of Josephine, thinks the most practical and least expensive route to the mouth of Illinois River), organize and open the road, and the thing is done; you have an outlet to the seaboard, connecting with the coast line of steamers to San Francisco. The steamer *Continental*, during the last Summer, made two trips per month, for four months, between Ellensburg and San Francisco, mostly on freights to and from Curry County. Probably this is the nearest and cheapest route to a safe and acceptable harbor, and the route once open would be mutually valuable to the three counties named. It would stimulate various branches of trade, increase the population and settlement of the small vallies along the new road, enhance the value of farm lands, quartz, and other mining interests in ways too evident to need naming.

DR. CHITWOOD displays a fine lot of confectionery at his Drug Store. He has snaps and drops, and cracks and kisses, and sticks and sugar-coated pills—just the things for Christmas.

WHY is the Willamette Valley at this time of year like the letter O? Because it is in the midst of fog. Why like the letter U? Because it is in the middle of mud.

WILLIAM TURNER, telegraph operator at Jacksonville, passed through town this week to answer a summons to the bed-side of a sick sister in Philadelphia.

THE *Times* advises people to advertise in the paper having the largest circulation. We second that motion. It's good for the TIDINGS.

FURS FOR HOLIDAY PRESENTS.—Muffs, capes and boas for little girls, cheap at McCall & Baum's. Call and see them—only $2 50 a set.

THE best of flour and fresh ground graham and corn meal delivered in any part of Ashland, at mill prices, by the Eagle Mill. *

CONVALESCING.—We are glad to announce that Mrs. J. R. N. Bell is recovering from her late severe illness.

THE *Democratic Times* closed its sixth volume with its last issue. It will hereafter be published on Saturday.

Go to Wagner, Anderson & Co.'s if you want some A. 1 sausage-meet.

DON'T forget the balls at Ashland and Phœnix on Christmas night.

SEE G. W. Smith's new ad., and then go and see his new jewelry.

WEATHER still fine, but look out for snow during the holidays.

JAYNE'S sanitive pills are recomended for too much turkey.

WHO are you going to take to the Christmas party?

DAY after to morrow will be Christmas morning!

How do you like this number of the TIDINGS?

READ our new Christmas story to-day.

"CHRISTMAS Peals" next week.

STORY OF AN ENGAGEMENT RING.

Some time ago a wealthy and otherwise attractive young gentleman of Washington, says the Cumberland (Md.) *News*, was engaged to be married to a beautiful belle of Morgantown, W. Va., and a brilliant "society wedding" was looked forward to by the friends of both parties, particularly the young lady intimates of the prospective bride. But the course of this love was true to the proverb about true love in general, and a month ago the engagement was broken off—how or why does not concern this story—though the whole affair may possibly be rudely dragged before the public by unfeeling lawyers; and for no fault—unless carelessness is a crime—of either of the parties. Of course, the engagement was broken, the young lady quickly sent back the ring, and the quickest way she could think of was by mail; so by mail it went—that is, it started from Morgantown, but never reached Washington. The gentleman made no inquiries about it, and, but for a train of events that couldn't possibly have been arranged by chance, might have gone on thinking that his former fiancee was mercenary enough to hold on to the magnificent ring that had been a token of her loyalty to him. But the mysterious destiny which shapes our ends ordered it otherwise.

A few weeks ago one of the Morgantown young lady's friends saw the ring on the hand of a lady in the same town, who was not acquainted with the first named, and consequently did not know the ring or its history. Investigation was at once begun, and a few days' time and very little trouble traced the ring to a clerk in the Fairmont postoffice, who, it is alleged, has stolen it from the mail, loaned it to a gentleman friend at Morgantown, W. Va., who had made it to do duty as an engagement ring for his fiancee in Morgantown. The Fairmount postoffice clerk was arrested by Government officials and will be tried in the United States District Court at Parkersburg some time during the month.

To the trial of the postoffice clerk will probably be summoned the young lady who "sent back" the ring, and possible all parties connected with it, including the Morgantown gentleman and his fiancee. Should the question of the ownership of the ring come up, it will prove a knotty one. To whom does or did the ring belong at the time of its loss? The case will be an interesting one at all events, and highly so if it should be necessary to legally prove the ownership of the alleged stolen property.

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

There are about 50 cases of mumps at The Dalles.

The diptheria is making great grief for the loss of little ones in several parts of the Willamette and Umpqua Valleys.

Hawkins, the man captured at Goose Lake last Fall, plead guilty to the charge of grand larceny in court at Dallas last week, and was sentenced to four years in the State penitentiary. Since getting into his difficulty he has turned quite gray.

The Associated California Pioneers have inaugurated a series of monthly receptions of old ties, swapping pioneer experience, eliciting and recording personal and historical facts connected with pioneer days. The opening reception at the Sturtevant House was a decided success.

An Idaho girl bet a dozen kisses that Tilden would be elected. First she won, and then the next day it was Hayes, and the bet had to be taken back. It has been alternating between Tilden and Hayes every day since, and the osculatory demonstrations have been kept up with a degree of regularity that is quite acceptable to the parties interested.

MARRIED.

McDOUGALL—RALLS—At the residence of V. S. Ralls, December 14, by T. B. Kent, J. P., James McDougall and Miss Catherine A. Ralls.

BORN.

GRUBB—Near Ashland, December 17, to the wife of W. B. Grubb, a daughter.

NOTICE!

WE HEREBY GIVE TIMELY NOTICE TO all knowing themselves indebted to us that our books

MUST BE SETTLED UP!

Either by money or some other satisfactory arrangement, by the first of January, 1877. Those owing notes will call and make satisfactory settlement. "A word to the wise——."

J. M. McCALL & Co.

ASHLAND, Dec. 1, 1876. 25:3t.

MILL NOTICE

THE EAGLE MILLS, SITUATED ONE AND a half miles north of Ashland, has on hand and is constantly making an excellent article of flour. All those desiring to purchase their

WINTER SUPPLY OF FLOUR

Will do well to call at the mill; will also grind, on exchange, 36 of flour, 8 of bran and 2 of shorts per bushel of good wheat; will sack and brand the sacks—customers to furnish the sacks.

L. STRONG, Miller.

Sept. 26, 1 mo.

HE IS STILL HERE!

A. M. SPICKELMIER,

Carpenter and House-Builder.

WILL DO ANYTHING IN MY LINE ON short notice and at the lowest terms, for cash. Wheat, oats, barley, hogs or lumber, taken in exchange for work. Call and see me, at upper Granite Street. A. M. SPICKELMIER.

ASHLAND, December, 16, 1876. 27:3m.

G. W. SMITH,

WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER,

Ashland, Oregon.

Just received, a large and select lot of Gold and Plated jewelry; also, a good assortment of

CLOCKS, WATCHES, SPECTACLES,

Eye-glasses and Sewing Machine needles constantly on hand and for sale at minimum prices. 27:tf.

Wagon Shop.

THE UNDERSIGNED WILL BE FOUND at his shop on Main street, two doors from the livery stables, where he is prepared to do all kinds of work in his line at the lowest price.

WAGONS, BUGGIES AND ALL KINDS

Of Vehicles Made to Order.

Repairing of all kinds done with dispatch. call and see me.

no1tf. JOHN RALPH

THERE'S NO BOSH HERE!

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE UNdersigned, either by note or account, are hereby given timely notice to call in and settle up between now and the first day of January next, and thereby save cost and bother. 25:tf. B. F. REESER.

NO CENTENNIAL FOR

ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

If you want to invest your money where it will pay come to the

Ashland Nursery!!

And buy nice fruit and shade trees.

NOW IS THE TIME TO PLANT

Trees, and I am bound to sell cheap for Cash. I will sell fine bearing trees by the thousand for seven cents each; not less than fifty trees of one variety to be

PLANTED IN ONE ORCHARD

Who is the lucky man who will take away the first one thousand? TWENTY THOUSAND, only five cents each—all as

FINE GRAFTED FRUIT!

As there is in America. FIFTEEN THOUSAND fine bearing grape roots, for the trifling sum of two cents each!

ROSES, DAHLIAS,
AND A VARIETY OF
FLOWERING SHRUBS.

Green house plants, etc., in profusion. Call and see them. O. COOLIDGE.

HE STILL LIVES.

I. O. MILLER,

ARCHITECT AND HOUSEBUILDER.

Granite Street, - - Ashland.

WILL DO

anything in my line

ON SHORT NOTICE

AND AT THE LOWEST TERMS.

SASH,
DOORS,
FURNITURE,

Made to order.

Picture Framing, &c.

Wheat, Oats, Lumber, or Cash taken in exchange for work. Call and see me.

Ashland, June 23d, 1876. no2tf.

INTERESTING TO FARMERS!

THE UNDERSIGNED, BELIEVING IT to be to the mutual advantage of

Millers and Farmers,

Have made arrangements whereby the

Ashland and Phœnix Mills,

Will be under the management of JACOB WAGNER, who will have charge of both Mills for the Company during the ensuing year, ending July 1st, 1877.

We will pay the highest market price for good merchantable wheat, and are prepared to contract flour at $18.00 per thousand pounds at the Mills.

Office of the Company at the Ashland Mills. Address,

WAGNER, ANDERSON & FARMER'S CO.,
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ON THE TRADE.

I WISH TO SAY TO MY PATRONS that I am prepared to take in payment of subscription to the TIDINGS all kinds of marketable produce, such as Wheat, Flour, Lumber, Wood, Dried Fruit, Eggs, Butter, Cheese, Beans, Bacon, Lard, etc. Arrangements have been made, whereby parties bringing in more produce than enough to pay their subscription, can receive merchandise at CASH RATES for the balance.

J. M. SUTTON, Publisher.

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Address, as usual,

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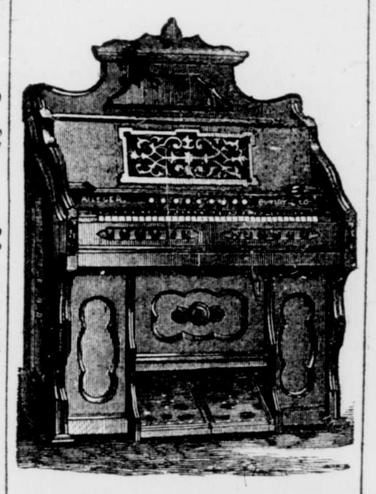

Surpasses in tone and power any Reed Organ heretofore manufactured in this country. It has been tested by many competent judges, and gives

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By a skillful use of the stops, and of the patent knee swell, the music is adapted to the human voice, ranging from the softest flute-like note to a volume of sound

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Instrument. The proprietors have noted carefully, for many years, the imperfections and needs of the reed instruments, and direct their practical experience to the correction of such imperfections, and their experiments have resulted in the production of a quality of tone which assimilates so closely to the

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That is difficult to distinguish between the two. This instrument has all the

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And every organ is fully warranted. Large Oil Polish Black Walnut Panelled Cases that forms, in addition to a splendid instrument of music, a

BEAUTIFUL PIECE OF FURNITURE.

This organ needs only to be seen to be appreciated, and is sold at extremely

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Made to Teachers, Ministers, Churches, Schools Lodges, etc., where there is no agent for the Star Organ. Illustrated catalogue and price list free. Correspondence solicited. Address the manufacturers,

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STOVES, HARDWARE,

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Pressed Tinware,

Ever brought to Ashland, I am prepared to sell everything in my line, FOR CASH, cheaper than the cheapest.

STOVES, NAILS, ROPE,

HORSE-SHOES, AXES, CARPENTER TOOLS,

And everything kept in a first-class

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SEWING MACHINE CASTORS,

to fit any and all sewing machines.

Always on hand, and made to order, the very best quality of

TIN, SHEET-IRON & COPPER-WARE.

Produce taken in exchange for goods.

B. F. REESER.

N. B.—All persons indebted to me by note or account, will please come forward and pay up within thirty days, and save costs.

Ashland, June 17th, 1876. B. F. R. no1tf

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HELMAN & FOUNTAIN,

HAVING PURCHASED THE ENTIRE STOCK of

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Purpose selling the same on terms and at prices to suit the times.

ALSO BOOKS, STATIONERY,

Candies, Nuts, Toys,

&c., &c., &c.,

Produce taken in exchange at the highest market price.

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