

WEATHER REPORT.

The following is the weather report furnished us by H. C. Hill, for the week ending July 14th. Thermometer recorded at 6 a. m. and 12 m:

Table with 3 columns: DATE, WEATHER, THERMETER. Rows show data for 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14.

Oxen.—A fine yoke of cattle, large, well matched in size and color, well broken, seven years old, for sale by David Dunlap at his ranch on Big Butte. Good yoke goes with them. [3-3t.]

POPULATION OF GOOSE LAKE.—From the book of the last census enumerator, says the Lakeview Herald, we discover that the population of Goose Lake valley is now 1,600. This includes the entire valley, in both states, from the extreme south end to the northern limit.

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Good oak and pine wood in any quantity for sale cheap by Douglas Gunn at the old Kilgore place in the eastern edge of town. [5t-6t.]

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Jacksonville's popular barber is B. Rostle.

John Fraley starts next Monday for the East.

Hohman's Liver Pads at Chitwood's drug store.

Raspberries are crowding strawberries off the table.

Samuel Phillips, of Sterling, paid our town a visit this week.

A. S. Jacobs has moved into his new house on Main street.

Jas. Taylor, of Sprague river, made a trip to our valley last week.

The steeple of the new Presbyterian church at Jacksonville is 80 feet high.

It is said that Senator Slater will dump the state for Hancock and English.

The croquet season is opening in Ashland. Late, like all the seasons this year.

Miss Della Cardwell, of Jacksonville, has been spending a few days in Ashland.

Inlow & Hill have on hand a full assortment of the finest Castile and toilet soap.

Supervisor Sukesdorf says the population of Oregon will foot up to about 170,000.

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came in from Linkville last Sunday, and proceeded down the valley to Jacksonville. Mr. Thatcher returned to Linkville on Wednesday.

The heaviest business failure in the Willamette valley for a number of years is that of Brassfield & Co., of Harrisburg, which occurred last week. Their liabilities were over \$125,000.

Rich. Hutchinson, Jr., was taken very suddenly with a severe attack of congestion of the lungs last Monday morning, but, under the care of Dr. Chitwood, he is now out of danger, and improving.

The dwelling house of J. Faith on the Wesley Mitchell place in Manzanita precinct was destroyed by fire on Monday of last week. No one was about the house at the time. The loss is about \$400.

Senator Blaine intends to visit the Pacific coast sometime during the summer, and will make several campaign speeches in California. He will probably speak in Portland, also.

McCall, Atkinson & Co. have just received from San Francisco a fine assortment of ladies', misses' and childrens' sandals and kid button shoes, etc., also an assortment of baby carriages, of neat and unique styles.

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Mrs. Jacob Thompson, of Lake county, has been spending a few days in Ashland with her son, G. S. Butler. On Tuesday she returned home, Mr. Butler and wife accompanying her, to rusticate for a week or two in the Lake region.

The sidewalk on Main street opposite the Pioneer Store is in a dangerous condition, and should at once be subjected to repairs. The yawning chasm that opens in the pathway may prove a dead-fall to some heavily-loaded citizen some dark night.

A. F. Squires reached Ashland last Friday, on the return from the visit to his old home in Prince Edward's Island, Canada. He greatly enjoyed meeting with old friends and witnessing old familiar scenes, but says he is glad to be in Ashland again.

County Assessor Goddard was in town last Saturday. He retains his office until September, when he will yield up the books. In retiring he has the satisfaction of knowing that a good man succeeds him, one who will make an efficient and conscientious officer.

Just received at Reeser's, a full line of Osborne reapers and mowers, dry goods, groceries, clothing, boots and shoes, cigars and tobaccos, candies and nuts, hats and caps, notions, stoves, tin and hardware for sale at bed-rock prices for Cash. Give him a call. 1-4t.

The Independent, of Alturas, says: Never since the settlement of Modoc County has there been such an abundance of grass upon the overgrown land and meadows upon the plateau north of here as is now growing. It is estimated that in many places the yield will average four or five tons per acre.

A number of substantial improvements are contemplated in Jacksonville this summer, says the Sentinel. Among them are a new brick building to be occupied as a drug store by R. P. Kahler and a brick store house to be built by J. S. Howard on the lot now occupied by Mr. Wolter's bakery.

As we go to press, Gen. E. L. Applegate is speaking to a good audience in Houck's Hall upon the political issues of the day. He is one of the Republican electors of our state, and in his trenchant style is undoubtedly making Democratic fly. He is well known as one who speaks in an interesting manner upon any subject he takes up, and there are many in his audience who enjoy hearing him, even while party ties will not allow them to vote as he will.

MUST BE SOLD.—The residence and property of M. Baum, on Granite street, is offered for sale at a bargain. For particulars inquire of M. Baum at McCall, Atkinson & Co.'s store. 6-4w.

TAKE NOTICE.—All those knowing themselves indebted to the late firm of J. M. McCall & Co., either by note or book account, are requested to call immediately and settle or make arrangements for the settlement of the same, as the business must be closed without delay. Open accounts if not settled immediately will be collected by law. 6-2w M. BAUM.

THE NEW SUPREME COURT.—The newly-elected Judges of the Supreme Court were sworn into office on Monday of last week. The drawing for choice of terms resulted as follows: Judge Waldo secured the six-years term, Judge Watson the four-years term and Judge Lord the two-years term and the Chief Justiceship. The present clerk, Peter D'Arcy and the bailiff, E. C. McLain, are retained.

CANTATA.—Our town is soon to be favored with a rare musical work, an operetta, the "Corationa of the Rose," presented by Rev. S. C. Caldwell. In music matters Mr. Caldwell deals with classic material, and in a classic style. The opera is the highest art of music, the majestic temple of sound. The operetta is the decorative, flagrant, portico of this temple. The Cantata (chain of song), to which the cities of the East have responded with cheers, will be something quite new to this region, and will certainly be heard by every one who would wish to get a symmetrical idea of music. One who had only seen single trees could have little idea of the grandeur of a forest. Disjunctive songs are but single parts of an image. Look out for advertisement.

The Fitzgeralds.

The female one—the "renowned female"—appeared in Houck's Hall again on Monday evening in the attractive role of "orator and vocalist." The male one had announced upon the streets that she would extinguish the Tidings because of the little criticism of her effort last week that appeared in last Friday's issue. This announcement helped very materially to make up the audience, quite a number, the writer among them, being attracted by curiosity, as one would go to a dog fight. Her expected and threatened annihilation consisted in calling the paper a "quondam" sheet (she added the "quon" out of respect for her audience), and the criticism referred to, a "scurrilous attack," etc. We do not consider it particularly dignified to make any reply to anything that may emanate from such a source, but will notice one remark, for the benefit of a few individuals in the audience who may be inclined to reiterate in the belief that it was pertinent and cutting. The "female" said we had "attacked" her because she was a woman. Well, it may be that there are sufficient reasons why she could never have been admitted to a cadetship in the United States military or naval schools, but in view of the fact that it is impossible for the public to detect any true womanly qualities in her character, we might with propriety plead that we didn't know she was a woman. To speak seriously, however, we will say that when a woman announces herself a public lecturer and assumes to give "the finest intellectual treat ever offered to the public" she should expect to be criticized. The only thing we have to regret in our treatment of the Fitzgeralds, so called, is that we did not publish them before they arrived as the bills they are known to be. They are of a very low grade of adventurers, mendicants without the redeeming quality of beggars, humility. In fact, their methods approach very closely to blackmail, if they cannot actually be so termed at present. They quarter themselves upon a town and then say to the people: "You will have to help us, or we can't get away," and as they make themselves so obnoxious that everybody is anxious to have them leave, they are usually helped out of town, and sent to afflict innocent people "further on." In Yreka the people procured their stage tickets to Ashland, and the newspapers congratulated the citizens upon having sent them to Oregon.

They are too well known and of too small calibre to attract attention in the cities, where the people are familiar with the vapors of much abler representatives of the sand lot element, and are trying hard to beat their way through the country where the people are induced to hear the "woman" out of curiosity. In their travels through California they have left a bad odor on their track, and have been favored with a good deal of free advertising by the press. Several of our California exchanges speak of the "female" as a true virago, she having made personal attacks upon gentlemen who provoked her wrath. In Fort Jones on the street she seized a certain citizen by the beard and shook him about, while the male Fitzgerald stood with a pistol in his hand, saying "Don't touch my wife! Don't you touch my wife!"

As to the record of the male Fitzgerald, we make the following extract from an article which recently appeared in the Coast Review, of California:

"To refresh the memory of our readers, as well as to give information to the general outside public, we epitomize the statements formerly made by us concerning Fitzgerald:

1. "His swindling operations have been carried on under various aliases, he himself having testified that he has gone by the following names, which were all that he could remember, viz: F. W. Emmerman, F. G. Wilson, Ira L. Evans, Chas. D. Williams, O. R. Payne, H. G. Wright, J. B. Randolph and C. C. Schofield."

2. "After swindling various life insurance companies in the East, he came to California in July, 1868, and, with some intermissions and absences from the State, continued the line of business until the exposure made by us."

3. "He was indicted for bigamy in Missouri in February, 1868; was arrested, gave bail and skipped the country, leaving his bigamist in the lurch."

4. "He was arrested in Montreal, Canada, for larceny, having stolen a lot of jewelry; was tried, convicted and imprisoned."

5. "He forged applications for instance, testimonials as to his character, and various other documents, including what purported to be a decree of divorce from his wife."

6. "He was posted as a scoundrel and fraud in various Masonic lodges, especially the lodges of Texas; in short, as a liar, thief, forger, bigamist and swindler in general, his record is complete and unique."

"Subsequent to their publication in the Coast Review, Fitzgerald acknowledged in writing the truth of all our statements concerning him, as shown by the following:

"This is to certify that the statements published in the Coast Review concerning me and my past record are in substance true, and that the allegation contained in the complaint in the suit of R. F. Fitzgerald against the publishers of the Coast Review are in substance false. The above statement is freely and voluntarily made." (Signed)

R. F. FITZGERALD.

Here is the acknowledgement of the man himself that he is a liar, thief, forger, bigamist and swindler.

On Tuesday the pair went around town and by threatening our people with a continued stay unless they were helped out of town, succeeded in extorting money enough to pay their fare to Henley on the stage. They left unpaid bills here, as at Jacksonville.

"The Ghost, or Supernatural Appearance.

Gen. E. B. Applegate, who has been stopping in Ashland for more than a week, has been for some years interested in the subject of supernatural appearances, and has embodied the results of his researches and thought in this direction in a lecture, or discourse, which he has delivered at several places in the Willamette valley. At the request of his relatives here, he brought the manuscript with him to Ashland, and was prevailed upon to read it before a few friends the other day. We had the pleasure of hearing it, and do not hesitate to pronounce it one of the ablest essays we have ever heard upon this or kindred subjects. It is original, logical and exhaustive. We are almost afraid to give any report of it, lest we should do injustice to the author in the brief and partial abstract that we have room for, but will risk mentioning some of the most striking points in the outline of the argument:

Starting with the familiar expression, "This is a world of wonders!" the discourse refers to the innumerable objects, scenes and phenomena in the physical world which excite our awe and wonder. Wonders that are real, and lasting, and those that cease to be wonders when they have been subjected to the destructive ordeal of scientific investigation. "It is even wonderful how wonders have passed away. The ancient brazen, and iron castles of the Giants Gog and Magog have utterly faded away from the confines of the world. The wall of black rocks which in the minds of the ancients stood upon the margin of the world has been passed." In the department of supernatural wonders, the world has revealed the order of logical reasoning, and imposed the burden of proof upon the skeptical. But time and facts, in spite of men, move in strict accordance with the laws of logic to establish truth and eradicate error. It has been noticed, even by casual observers, that the thinkers of the world, the philosophers, who have built up the sciences and established on earth the light of knowledge, have had but little to do with ghosts and hobgoblins, while the inferior and the ignorant have always been familiar with supernatural wonders. "The last seven-to-five years of liberty, free thought and free discussion have been worth more to mankind in developing a proper understanding of this wonderful world than all the hundreds of years from the great Bagdad expedition down to the time of Salem witchcraft."

Belief in the ghost has been common to all nations, yet there have always been individuals who doubted our ability to perceive this condition of existence through the instrumentality of the senses. And at this day, after a million of men, women and children have sworn, directly and indirectly, in court and out of court, that they have seen ghosts, the author denies the affirmation. No doubt they saw something, but it was not supernatural. Ghostly appearances may be classified as apparitions, specters, frights and personifications. The first proceed from abnormal conditions or actions of the functions of body and brain; the second are optical illusions, and are produced in most cases by certain conditions of the atmosphere; the third include real, material ghosts, such as white stumps, white horses or cows or sheep in a graveyard, etc.; the fourth are the creations of the imagination and are innumerable and varied—from Jupiter, with his thunderbolts, down to the humble water witch that haunts the lonely banks of forest streams. The imagination, in its pure and healthy action, is the source of much of the pleasure of life, but it must not be mixed up with logic, and we have ample grounds for believing that all the appearances under any of the above classes of which we have any record may be accounted for and explained upon natural and scientific principles. "There can be no such thing as a supernatural philosophy, for nature is all, includes all, and the soul of nature, God, cannot but be the God of nature, too." The testimony upon which the existence of ghosts rests, is very slight and entirely insufficient. The writer here gave a definition of the scope of human testimony, which is clear and comprehensive. We give it exact:

"1. A fact cannot be established by human testimony against a known law of nature, no matter how many witnesses or however honest they may be known to be. A thousand witnesses could not prove that a dog had turned into a horse, or that a man had lifted himself over a fence by his boot straps."

2. The evidences of the senses independently of judgment, experience and knowledge of natural law is not conclusive proof of a fact. The arts of the juggler or magician illustrate this. The evidence of the senses must be digested by the reason, or the qualities of mind above them."

3. The evidence of a witness cannot be relied upon above or beyond his experience. The tropical man, who never saw ice, might be expected to doubt that water could become a solid."

4. Hearsay evidence is no evidence at all. As it cannot be allowed to prove a common fact, it certainly should not be allowed to prove an uncommon one."

5. The evidence of interested witnesses must be taken with great allowance, even when honest."

6. Dishonest, interested and mistaken witnesses are the most numerous, and upon all wonderful things are extremely anxious to testify."

A number of the most noted cases of supernatural appearances and phenomena which have been explained and understood as produced by natural causes were mentioned, and the progress of the truth shown to have chased away the dark and the mysterious by the discovery of the real.

And finally the author concludes that in the realm of the wonderful, the great rule of the philosophers should be applied. It is simple, like all great principles, but it is fatal to ghosts:

"1. No causes should be ascribed except those demonstrated to be true; and 2. No supernatural explanation of a fact should be resorted to when a natural one will answer; and if we can find no other than a supernatural, then rest, until science shall find a natural one."

Our correspondent sends us the following under date of July 10th:

Saw mills running. Bad colds are prevalent. Our census enumerator found a superfluity of widows, and it is amazing how young they all are.

E. H. Hughes and two sons killed a very large brown bear, which has been a terror to Big Butte stockmen for many years.

Some mice broke into Mr. Justice's cabin near the mouth of Big Butte creek and appropriated everything in it save the straw in the bed tick—did not leave the grind stone even.

Joseph Hanna, of Rogue River, is burning a large kiln of earthenware. Such enterprises of home industry should be encouraged.

Crops are not as good as they might be, but they are generally better throughout the valley than many reports have made them.

There are more grasshoppers in many localities than we have ever seen in Jackson county. What is the cause of these pests after such a hard winter is what engrosses our minds just now.

At the June election 21 electors in this precinct did not go to the polls to exercise the right of suffrage. Hancock and Garfield, will probably make us envious however.

Our J. P. has qualified and now announces himself ready to tie the nuptial knot on short notice, and his motto is, "first come first served."

Our natal day was duly honored by the citizens of this place and many from Little Butte, in the shady grove near our school house. Wm. McGregor acted as marshal of the day, Dan. E. Morris reader, Rev. A. C. delivered the prayer, and Dr. J. M. Buck and W. H. Parker were the orators. Had a good treat of vocal music by Mrs. G. A. King, Mrs. C. P. Parker and Charles Carey, and also some young Misses. The dinner, which was excellent, was spread under the auspices of Mrs. Stought, who is our boss table organizer. It closed with a ball at the "Clipper Hotel," where 25 couple participated. Everybody seemed to enjoy themselves. One gentleman refused to celebrate because he was not invited, but since the several committees were not aware that they had to send invitations for persons to attend a Fourth of July celebration, I presume they were pardonable. B. B.

Items From the Fort.

The following was received one day too late for last week's issue: Haying will commence soon. The glorious Fourth passed off quietly at the Fort.

H. M. Thatcher, from Linkville, visited the Fort to look after his interest in the post trader's store.

A large assortment of dry goods and other merchandise has been received at the post trader's store.

Callahan, the beef contractor, is at the Fort. He brought over his stock from Alkali for the summer.

Mr. Beggs has arrived with teams loaded with stores for the government, also with the property of the infantry company which is daily expected.

The official axe fell heavily upon the neck of our deputy postmaster. He had to step down and out, for expressing his honest convictions that he could not vote the Republican ticket. We are sorry, for he was very accommodating.

We have been informed by a reliable party that Mr. Swalley and Fred. Looney killed nine deer and one bear in a two days' hunt on Cherry creek. They came upon the bear unexpectedly, and for some reason, which we failed to learn, the bear was unable to run. He soon fell a victim to the unerring club of Fred.

EDITORIAL NOTICE.—Please allow us to say a word in your columns in regard to our vacations, as we are asked almost daily if we intend giving our music class a long vacation this summer. We gave them one week in which to celebrate their glorious independence, and shall not have any other vacation during the summer. We shall continue right through the fall and winter, and students can enter our class at any time. Mrs. W. I. NICHOLS.

CHAMPIONS OF HONOR.—A number of young ladies and gentlemen, members of Victory Council No. 2, C. of H., went down from Ashland to Wagner Creek last Tuesday evening, to visit the Council at that place. They enjoyed a very pleasant visit, were hospitably received and agreeably entertained, and report the Wagner Creek Council to be flourishing. It now has a membership numbering sixty, and secessions are still being made.

NOTICE.—The undersigned will hereafter give special attention to the renting of houses and collection of rents in Ashland, and will guarantee satisfaction to those who may entrust such business to him. F. W. BASHFORD.

A New York physician, Dr. Tanner, is possessed with the belief that he can live without taking any nourishment whatever for forty days. He has already fasted for about two weeks, and is growing weak, but still persists in the belief that he can hold out for forty days. The experiment is watched with great interest by scientific men, who are anxious to learn how long a fast may be endured without death.

WHEAT WANTED.—Wagner, Anderson & Co., of the Ashland Mills, are now buying wheat, for which they are paying the highest cash market price. 2-4t.

MARRIED.

DONEY—DAVIS.—At the residence of A. H. Bootle, near Eagle Point, July 11th, by W. H. Parker, J. P., Mr. George Doney to Mrs. Ella Davis, both of Jackson county.

ALLEN—MATHEWS.—In Little Butte precinct, at the residence of the bride's parents, by L. Tinkham, J. P., July 4th, John M. Allen and Miss Martha M. Mathews.

WALKER—WERTZ.—In Manzanita precinct, at the residence of the bride's parents, July 4th, by Rev. D. A. Crowell, Samuel H. Walker and Miss M. A. Wertz.

BORN.

DRAKE.—Near Ashland, July 6th, to the wife of L. A. Drake, a daughter.

KLUM.—In Ashland, July 10th, to the wife of C. K. Klum, a son.

HULL.—In Ashland July 13th, to the wife of P. Hull, a son.

WATSON.—In Jacksonville, July 9th, to the wife of Judge E. B. Watson a daughter.

DIED.

LOGAN.—In Ashland, July 8th, Nellie, infant daughter of C. W. and Hattie Logan, aged two weeks and four days.

NEW TO-DAY.

Dr. H. T. INLOW, G. A. HILL, CITY DRUG STORE.

INLOW & HILL, Prop's., Ashland, Oregon.

TO THE FRONT AGAIN!!! WITH A WELL SELECTED STOCK OF DRUGS, MEDICINES, OILS, PAINTS.

TOILET ARTICLES, PERFUMERY, SHOULDER BRACES, TRUSSES, AND EVERYTHING USUALLY KEPT IN A FIRST-CLASS DRUG STORE. TERMS, CASH!

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All kinds of work done promptly, and satisfaction guaranteed. SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO SHOEING. Shop opposite the Livery Stable. 4-45 tf.

HARRY SMITH, BLACKSMITH, MAIN ST., ASHLAND, OREGON.

Is now prepared to do all kinds of work in his line at his new shop, ON MAIN STREET, ON THE SITE OF HIS OLD SHOP. Special attention given to Shoeing. 4-32 tf.

A. E. WRIGHT, GENERAL BLACKSMITHING, WAGON MAKING, BONANZA, OREGON.

All kinds of blacksmithing done in the best style