ASHLAND TIDINGS.

FRIDAY .....JUNE 3, 1887

For Sale.

One two seated hack, one due single buggy. Prices very reasonable.
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The Hamlin Case.

The case of the State of Oregon vs. Andrew Hamlin, charged with rape, was given to the jury Wednesday, on the third trial, which has consumed the greater portion of the past two weeks. The jury is still out.

Strawberries and Ice Cream.

A strawberry and ice cream sociable will be given at Granite Hall, Tuesday evening, June 7th, by the ladies of the Co-operative society of the Presbyterian church. The privilege of the hall free. Strawberries and ice cream, each, 15 cts. a dish. All are cordially invited to come and be happy.

Ashland State Normal School.

Steps have been taken to place the Ashland normal school upon a better basis than ever before, and the prospects are that the school will reopen for the next school year under a new management and with a status that will be entirely satisfactory to all of our citizens and give promise of more enduring prosperity than yet experienced. Fuller information will be given in next issue of the TIDINGS.

State Appointments.

Governor Pennoyer has appointed N. L. Butler, of Dallas, county judge of Polk county, vice Judge Dempsey, who resigned on account of failing eyesight. Judge Butler was the candidate for congress against Hon. Binger Hermann in 1886. The governor also appointed S. J. Barbour, of Portland, dental examiner vice D. Seddall of The Dalles, resigned. Dr. Barbour will serve for two years. A third appointment was that of L. L. McArthur of Portland, U. S. district attorney, to be regent of the state university, to serve for twelve years.

The Fourth of July.

A meeting of citizens of Ashland was held in the town hall Wednesday afternoon to begin arrangements for the celebration of Independence Day. A. P. Hammona was called to the chair, and Robt. Taylor was chosen secretary. Messrs. J. T. Bowditch, J. M. McCall and Isaac Diner were appointed a committee on orator.

The following gentlemen were appointed a committee on general arrangements, with power to appoint sub-committees, and report at a general meeting to be called as early as practicable, viz: W. H. Atkinson, I. W. Burriss, Geo. Youle, G. F. Billings and S. T. Songer.

Distressing Accident.

On Monday of this week Eugene Spencer and —·—·— McCord, of Klamath county, were badly injured by the un-looked-for explosion of a blast with which they were working. They were engaged in blasting rocks at the steep grade east of Parker's and one charge of powder failed to explode after the lighting of the fuse. They attempted to remove the powder from the hole, and were both close down upon it, one of them holding a drill in his hands when the blast went off. Spencer has suffered the total loss of his eye-sight, it is feared, and McCord has lost his left hand, it is reported. Dr. Hemingway, of Linkville, was called to give them surgical attention.

Runaway Accident.

A Jacksonville dispatch of the 31st says: "Another terrible runaway accident occurred here this evening in which Wm. Easton, street commissioner, was seriously if not fatally injured. His team ran away, throwing all the occupants over an embankment and the wheels passing over Easton, breaking his jaw bone and crushing his head. It is only a few months ago that he was thrown from his wagon and had his leg broken, and was just getting well, only to meet with this other one. The month of May has a large record for accidents and runaways. One man and a small boy were kicked by horses and died from their injuries, and at least half a dozen persons have been crippled and badly bruised by runaways during this month.

Killed a Rattler.

Last Saturday evening, as Mrs. H. F. Barron, Mrs. G. S. Butler and Mrs. E. B. Barron were returning home in a buggy from a visit at Soda Springs they saw an immense rattlesnake in the road near the top of the Songer hill. The two younger ladies wanted his scalp—rattles, that is, and dismounted from the buggy. There were plenty of large stones lying about, but they were afraid of crippling one another or killing the horses if they went to "throwing rocks," so they tore down a panel of worm fence to get a rail small enough for a club. Then they drove the snake under the fence, climbed upon the fence themselves and accidentally hit the snake on the back, crippling it so that it couldn't get away. Then they shut their eyes and killed it "dead." They carried home eleven rattlers "and a button" to prove their story.

Enterprising and Reliable.

G. F. Billings, Ashland's enterprising real estate agent, has this week prepared an extra edition of five thousand copies of the TIDINGS with a careful description of Southern Oregon and a vast amount of information of especial interest to people abroad who want to know more of our attractive valley. The business and professional standing of Mr. Billings is of the highest character, and it is simply just that the people into whose hands the TIDINGS may come should be informed that should they have any dealings with Mr. Billings they will find him thoroughly reliable in every respect and one who will do full justice to any interests or trusts placed in his hands. He is one of our wide awake and progressive citizens who believe in keeping things moving and improving, and is always among the foremost in everything calculated to stimulate development of the country and its resources.

Real Estate Sales.

The following hitherto unreported land sales were made by G. F. Billings, Real Estate Agent:

147 acres known as the "Hargadine creek ranch" adjoining Ashland, sold to E. C. Kipe for $4000.

Andrew Dozier to W. H. Leeds, 100 acres near Soda Springs (10 miles S. E. of Ashland) price $1200.

Daniel Miller to S. Cowles, of Iowa, 10 acres adjoining town of Ashland, price $1000.

J. P. Walker to M. Mickelson 320 acres 16 miles from Ashland, price $1600.

Heirs of J. & C. Patterson to Mrs. Manetta Kyle, house and lot on Main street, $1000.

Ira Dodge to Isaac Rhodes, of Southern California, two acre lot and house on suburbs of Ashland, $650

C. P. Blake to J. N. Teal of Portland, Or., five acres adjoining Ashland, $840.

W. H. Atkinson reports the sale of ten acres of his twenty-acre fruit tract, cleared and planted this spring, to Mr. Max Pracht, of Alaska, for $2000; also ten acres adjacent, unimproved land belonging to E. V. Carter to the same purchaser at $75 per acre; also 2½ acres belonging to A. P. Hammond, in the same neighborhood, planted in trees this spring, to the same purchaser for $466.

BREVITIES.

Garanite Hall, Tuesday evening.

June 7th, strawberries! Yum! Yum!

Quaker City fine shirts at D. R. & E. V. Mills's. *

The Fourth of July will soon be with us again.

Wood for sale at lowest prices by Sutton & Miller. *

Men's winter boots at reduced rates at O. H. Blount's *

Don't forget the sociable at Granite Hall, Tuesday evening.

Forty hours ride from San Francisco to Portland, via Ashland.

Mineral water from Wagner's Soda Springs at Clayton & Gore's.

Jersey butter for sale at Sutton & Miller's. Call and give it a trial. *

Less than 20 miles now from Ashland to the California & Oregon R. R.

Just six hundred school children enrolled in Ashland district this year.

Wm. Hanley will drive 100 head of hogs to the railroad front within a few days.

Twenty dozen men's fancy Percale shirts. Light colors or blue at O. H. Blount's. *

Prof. J. W. Merritt's name now appears as one of the publishers of the *Sentinel*.

Ingrain carpets from 60c. to 85c., Brussels from 85c. to $1.45c. at D. R. & E. V. Mills's. *

Pasture to let by Austin W. Bish at his ranch three miles south of Ashland. Apply at the place. [11-48

Circuit court will convene at Linkville on Monday, the 13th inst. The docket is light thus far.

Sheriff Dean gives notice that delinquent taxpayers will save costs by paying up before July 1st.

Lecture at Granite Hall Sunday evening by Samuel P. Putnam. Admission free. No collection.

Many people in town are tapping the city water mains for a supply of water for scrubbing, sprinkling, etc.

Fifty thousand dollars to loan on approved city real estate security, in Ashland. Apply to W. G. Tanner. *

Baled grain hay for sale at the Depot Feed Stables and will be reweighed to customers. G. F. PENNEBAKER.

Dollarhide & Co. received a new saw mill last week over the O. & C. R. R., to replace their old one in the Siskiyous.

Southern Oregon farmers have been having favorable weather for the harvesting of their first crop of hay this week.

One gang of the C. & O. advance grading forces known as potholers moved to the north side of the Siskiyous Tuesday.

The land case of Miller vs. Tobin, appealed from Klamath county, will probably be decided by the supreme court this week.

Ashland creek has been booming all the week, and the immense banks of snow on Ashland Butte must have been settling considerably.

Tom Lynch has gone up in the Siskiyous to open a barber shop. He is a first-class barber, and will no doubt have all the patronage he can accommodate.

In a thirty-acre orchard set out this spring by F. H. Carter at the southern edge of town, every tree is growing, as far as can be seen by observation from the road.

Good price, good market for all kinds of produce, and the best crop prospects in the United States all combine to make Southern Oregon farmers happy this spring.

Youle & Gilroy received their new machinery and turbine water wheel by Wednesday's freight train, and expect to have their mill running again by next Monday.

First-class beef is selling at about 4 cts. per lb. on foot in this valley now—the best price realized here for some time, owing to the demand for the railroad forces.

The young peaches in Ashland are as large as pigeon eggs now, or larger; cherries are ripening and strawberries are improving the daily table fare in nearly every home.

Yesterday the stage terminus of the C. & O. R. R. was moved northward from Hornbrook to Cole's, reducing the staging distance about eight miles of heavy mountain grade.

The secretary of the North Pacific Cannery at Portland has been writing to Ashland to ascertain what prospect there is of securing a part of the peach crop here for the cannery this season.

Jackson county will have better grain crops this year than for some time past, and will harvest far more grain than ever before—the acreage being greater than at any time in the past.

Several Pelican Bay ranchers came in over the Dead Indian road to Ashland this week. They report considerable snow yet on the route, and great numbers of fallen trees across the road.

The streams like Ashland creek which have their source in the snow banks of the high mountains have been too turbulent and turgid for trout fishing during the hot weather of the past week.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Murphy, of this precinct, aged five months, died on Sunday night last after a brief illness from cholera infantum. The burial was at Jacksonville cemetery on Monday.

The engine, boilers and air tubes used at Buck Rock tunnel in running the drills by compressed air two years ago have been hauled by teams around to the site of the shorter tunnel to be excavated by Hale & Smith.

Wm. Mills put up considerable ice in the shape of icicles from the flume up the canyon last winter, but it failed to keep, and is all gone now. Almost all the ice used here this summer will have to be brought from Portland—345 miles.

The TIDINGS gives less attention than usual to local matters in this issue, owing to the large share of space devoted to matters of interest to people at a distance, but hopes to pick up next week the neglected ends of the thread of local events.

Ashland must have a big celebration on the 4th. The regular trains run now so that many of our neighbors down the valley can visit us conveniently, and no doubt large numbers will come if a suitable programme of entertainment be prepared.

Three large coaches now run each way daily between Ashland and the end of the California & Oregon track. Another will be added soon, and it is likely that five or six will be required to accommodate the increased travel before the summer is over.

Logan was over at the C. & O. F. F. front last week, and secured a number of fine views of various scenes of interest, including the big trestle at Bailey Hill, the camps of various divisions of the forces, etc. He has some of the photos printed and mounted by this time.

In a late *N. P. Rural Spirit* is an account of Messrs. Fryer & Godard, of Portland, selling a pair of 1300 lb. horses for $700. Why breed small horses that when grown are worth from $75 to $125 when good large ones are ready sale in our cities at $500 to $700 or $800 per pair?

HERE AND THERE.

The *Star* wants a bank established at Linkville.

Linkville sportsmen have got up to clay pigeon shooting.

Don't fail to give the tables of temperature and rainfall your careful attention.

Remember that the rainfall of Southern Oregon is not excessive—see table on fourth page.

It is estimated that the California hop crop of 1887 will be 80,000 bales, or 23,000 bales more than last year.

Mrs. Maggie Rapp, daughter of Supt. J. Brandt, of the O. & C. Railroad, died suddenly at Roseburg last Monday.

The Altamont mare, "Fleeta S.," owned by C. S. and R. S. Moore, of Linkville, was recently sold in Portland for $800.

Small hotel or boarding house well located and going a good business will be sold very cheap. Apply to P. O. Box 26, Ashland, Or.

Sara Bernhardt has closed her season at San Francisco. It was very successful, the total box receipts for two weeks being $41,394.

Large quantities of new potatoes have been shipped to Chicago from California this month. They go to Chicago for $1 per 100 lbs.

Coyotes are increasing alarmingly in Josephine county, and the *Courier* advises the county court to offer a bounty of $5 for the scalp of ever full-grown coyote killed.

Fully fifty good mines will be placed on the Portland Exchange before winter, and an effort will be made to attract hundreds of miners to the city during the winter season.—[News.

John E. Stiles, convicted of placing a dynamite cartridge on the track of the Sutter street cable road in San Francisco, was sentenced to two years and four months in the state prison.

Sergent Bros. shipped during the week 8,000 pounds of potatoes to Rogue river valley. One year ago from that place the same produce was being shipped to this county. Presto change. —[Linkville Star.

Saturday was the hottest day known in San Francisco for fifteen years, and the hottest day ever known there in the month of May. At 12:30 the mercury registered 96.9 in the shade. In the evening at 7 o'clock overcoats were worn on the streets.

The city council has notified all persons owning property in town to clean up immediately all rubbish heaps and everything about the premises that might become a menace to the public health. The order is a wise one and should be promptly complied with by all, and rigidly enforced wherever necessary.

Last Sunday was a "red hot" day all over the Pacific coast. In Ashland the mercury in the various thermometers about town reached 94° to 98°. At Jacksonville it was several degrees warmer, and in the central part of the valley, at Medford, Central Point and elsewhere it was 104° to 106°. At Roseburg it was 112°; at Portland 99°, and at San Francisco 97°.

Under the new time schedule, which went into effect yesterday, the trains will leave San Francisco daily at about 6 P. M., reaching Cole's at 11 o'clock A. M. the next day. The trains will continue to start from Ashland at 5 P. M. for the present, but will probably leave Portland an hour later in the evening than heretofore. The time between Portland and San Francisco is now 40 hours.

The Red Bluff *Cause* is responsible for the statement that all the rooms at the Sisson hotel at the soda springs near Mt. Shasta, have been engaged for the summer, and that many strangers are being turned away. The railroad company has commenced building an immense dining room to accommodate excursionists this summer, and will soon build a hotel containing sleeping accommodations for over 200 guests.

The Portland *Telegram* has the following: "On Monday, May 28, at the Good Samaritan hospital, Dr. W. H. Saylor, assisted by Drs. Wells, Wilson and Strong, and witnessed by several other physicians, removed a tumor weighing forty-three pounds from the abdominal cavity of Mrs. G. W. Bailey, of Jackson county. The patient is doing remarkably well and chances for her complete restoration to health are excellent.

E. McD. Johnson and H. C. Tibballs, of the general passenger department of the Southern Pacific, returned to San Francisco on Sunday from an extensive tour through Oregon over the Oregon & California railway. They secured a great number of splendid photographs, which, when ready, are to be sent to the American exhibition in London. The series, when completed, will embrace views of the whole road from Redding to Portland, and will be of rare interest and excellence.

The San Francisco correspondent of the *Oregonian* telegraphed the following last Tuesday: "The act of E. D. Baker Post of Philadelphia, Pa., in providing yesterday a handsome offering for the grave of Col. Baker, once a U. S. senator from Oregon, ought to touch a tender chord in the hearts of all Oregonians. Col. Baker's grave is in Laurel Hill cemetery, near that city. The offering represented a Grand Army badge, and in the star was set the letters "E. D. P." Two heavy white silk streamers attached to the top of the piece bore the words "To the memory of our lamented comrade, from E. D. Baker Post, G. A. R., Philadelphia, Penna." Col. Baker's grave was also remembered yesterday by a few Oregonians in the city.

Mr. O. Coolidge, the veteran nurseryman and fruit grower of Ashland, thinks there is no limit to the prolific bearing qualities of the peach, plum and prune trees in this valley. After having pruned his peach trees this year till his neighbors declared he hadn't left a bearing twig on them, he supposed the Southern Oregon frosts the papers north have been talking about would probably be able to keep the fertile blossoms down to within proper limits, but this week he has had to pick and knock the young fruit off to keep the trees from breaking, until the ground beneath is literally covered with young peaches; and he is still afraid that he has left too many peaches on the trees. Young trees in town not carefully watched have already begun breaking down under the weight of the growing fruit.

In a letter from Eugene City dated May 29th the TIDINGS representative at the state university, a young man born and reared in Ashland, tells as follows of the erroneous opinion the webfooters have of Southern Oregon climate: "To-day has been the hottest I ever saw it, I believe—the thermometer has only been 95° but there has been no breeze at all, which makes it very uncomfortable. People here all talk about its being so pleasant during the summer in the Willamette and so many get the idea that it is much warmer in Southern Oregon than here—everyone that I ever talked with here on the weather seems to have that idea—that Southern Oregon is the hottest place in the state, during the summer. This is only the latter part of May, and I think it is hotter here than it was in Ashland any day last summer. The mercury in the thermometer may not rise quite so high here, but I believe one feels the heat more."

The best stock range in the "Dead Indian" country—18 miles from Ashland, for sale at much less than its value. Here chance for a dairyman.
G. F. BILLINGS.
Ashland, Or.

RAILROAD ITEMS.

The following brief description of the route of the C. & O. R. R. between the Klamath river and Ashland, prepared for the Sacramento *Record-Union*, will be of interest to some of our home readers, as well as those living at a distance:

From Hornbrook to Cole's, in the Cottonwood valley, the distance by stage is only nine miles; by rail it will be almost sixteen. Near Bailey hill there is an exceedingly deep, though narrow, canyon, the approaches to which have made necessary an extraordinary large cut. This canyon is crossed by a trestle bridge, the abutments to which are the most extensive of their kind ever built in America. From Cole's the line follows the Cottonwood creek through the Siskiyou canyon to Upper Cole's, to which point it is graded. An immense sweep takes the line to the other side of the valley, up the hill to the large tunnel, and on this section of the road the graders are now at work. There are fully 5000 workmen distributed through the different camps. An immense gang is now at work excavating a hill close to the entrance of the big tunnel, where a gigantic blast was exploded a few days ago. Three immense holes were dug in the center of the ridge, into which 1000 pounds of giant powder were placed. The concussion which followed was tremendous, the report being like a thunder-clap. The big tunnel is now very near completed, but another large one remains to be commenced. From the summit to Ashland by stage road is some fourteen miles, but so steep is the grade that the track, when completed, will be twenty-six miles in length, making two enormous loops, in order to secure a uniform grade.

NORRIS—DRAKE.

The wedding of Mr. John R. Norris and Miss May Drake, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Drake, occurred at the residence of the bride's parents in Ashland, Wednesday evening, June 1st. About thirty-five wedding guests were present, and the ceremony was performed at 8:30 o'clock, Rev. J. V. Milligan, of the Presbyterian Church, officiating. The parlors were handsomely and appropriately decorated for the occasion. The fair bride was attired in a beautiful and becoming costume, and never looked prettier. Congratulations, hearty and fervent, followed the impressive ceremony, and in due course the guests were served with an elaborate wedding supper. Mr. Norris is one of our best and most highly esteemed young men, and is to be congratulated upon his good fortune in so happy a marriage. The bride is the daughter of one of the old families of Jackson county, and the young couple have many mutual friends who will learn with pleasure of the auspicious union.

The dwelling house of Mr. H. Coolidge on 1st Avenue has been fitted up for the newly-married couple, and they will set up housekeeping for them selves within a few days.

Crowding the Business.

The Siskiyou mountains will soon be covered with saloons as thickly as fir trees if the rate of increase of the past two or three months continues. Wherever a camp of railroad employees is established, some "accommodating" individual opens a whisky shop. Some have obtained license from the county, and some, it is said, are running without any license. The evil is bad enough when the "restrictions" which the friends of high license take pride in are enforced, but when a whisky barrel is poked under the nose of every workman wherever his work happens to be, tempting him to continual excess in drinking and to neglect his own interests and those of his employer, it becomes a public shame which can have no defense and no palliation. A saloon under every fir tree is certainly "crowding the business" to such an extent that it would seem to be to the interests of those already engaged in it in this part of the county to try to put some limit or check upon it. It is strange that the license law can be violated with impunity, if it is being done as has been reported, and it would seem to be the part of good sense as well as of ordinary respect for themselves for the parties interested to take some steps toward limiting the continual increase of the saloons in this precinct.

A Pleasant Surprise.

Members of the local Chatauqua circle and other kind friends arranged a pleasant surprise for the editor of the TIDINGS and his wife last Tuesday in recognition of the fifth anniversary of their marriage, and assembled at the family residence in goodly numbers to carry out their genial purpose. Many tokens of friendship were brought in the shape of articles appropriate to a "wooden wedding," all of which are highly valued and will be carefully treasured as evidences of the good will and esteem of our neighbors, and many of which are of themselves beautiful and valuable, representing the skillful labor and artistic design of friendly hands and generous hearts. Mr. Billings was selected to present them in behalf of the donors, and did so with appropriate remarks, to which ye editor was able to respond with but halting words that fell far short of expressing the grateful thanks felt for the valued gifts and all that they represent. Among the priceless treasures of life are the love and esteem of our friends, and events like this which give occasions for their expression are cherished as the brightest pages in memory's checkered volume.

Change of Mail Route.

By telegraphic instructions from Washington, received last Friday, Postmaster Hammond was informed that the mail service, 6 times per week, between Ashland and Linkville will be discontinued after to-morrow, June 4th, and on Monday next will be commenced between Willow Creek and Linkville. The same contractors (the Western Stage Co.), who are carrying the mail on this route will continue the service on the new route, and will move their stock and wagons in time to begin promptly on time. Charley Slade, who has been on the route for so long as driver and as local manager, goes with them, and will still be one of the drivers on the main line between Linkville and the railroad. A new route, semi-weekly, between Ashland and Shake, and one between Barron and Soda Springs, are to be established, but as the papers have not yet arrived here from Washington, it is not known to whom the contracts will be let.

Trouble Ahead.

When the appetite fails, and sleep grows restless and unrefreshing, there is trouble ahead. The digestive organs, when healthy, crave food, the nervous system, when vigorous and tranquil, gives its possessor no uneasiness at night. A tonic, to be effective, should not be a mere appetizer, nor are the nerves to be strengthened and soothed by the unaided action of a sedative or a narcotic. What is required is a medicine which invigorates the stomach and promotes assimilation of food by the system, by which means the nervous system, as well as other parts of the physical organism, are strengthened. These are the effects of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, a medicine whose reputation is founded firmly in public confidence, and which physicians commend for its tonic, anti-bilious and other properties. It is used with the best results in fever and ague, rheumatism, kidney and uterine weakness, and other maladies.

PERSONAL.

Isadore Caro, of Roseburg, is again at the Soda Springs.

A. P. Ball, of Linkville, has been in town several days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Whipp, of Jacksonville, are in Ashland this week.

Miss Alena Weber started yesterday morning for Strawberry valley, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald, of Gold Hill, were in Ashland Monday, on a shopping expedition.

W. A. Owen, wife and two daughters of Central Point, were in town Monday last, on a brief visit.

Monroe Sonnichson went with the government surveying party as a copying clerk—with a salary of $45 per month.

George Bremer has sold his interest in the corner variety store to his partner, W. H. Coatsworth, and will go to California.

Mrs. F. Roper, who has been visiting relatives in central and Southern California for several months past, returned home last Sunday.

W. W. Willits, of Flounce Rock, came in this week, and his parents will return home with him, to spend the summer on the ranch.

Mr. S. A. Carlton, of Eagle Point, who had been up to the Siskiyou summit with a drove of beef cattle, was in town Wednesday on his return home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Alford, of Talent, and their daughter, Mrs. Chas. Wolters, of Medford, have gone to the Shovel Creek springs, on the Klamath.

E. B. Edson, of Siskiyou county, was in town Sunday. Edson Bros., who have been doing the butchering for the railroad forces, will build a slaughter house at Dollarhide's the first of the month.

E. H. Loftus, who has been out in Lake county during the past year, arrived in town Saturday last. He will start for Lakeview within a day or two, taking his wife and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Henry Loftus.

Mark Kerr, who was in charge of the government topographical surveyors in Southern Oregon last summer, has recently been promoted, and is now chief disbursing officer for the division embracing the Pacific slope.

Mr. F. Newman, of the U. S. Signal Service station here, will probably have a two months' leave of absence from duty this summer, at the end of which he will likely be stationed at some point of greater responsibility in the service.

Mr. Crapp and daughter, recently from Minnesota, have arrived in Ashland, to spend the summer here, and may possibly make this place their home. Mr. and Miss Crapp are both accomplished musicians, and experienced teachers of music.

The marriage of Richard Nixon, correspondent of the New Orleans *Times-Democrat*, and Miss Agnes M. Dolph, daughter of U. S. Senator Dolph, of Oregon, at Washington, on the 20th ult., is reported as an exceedingly "swell" affair, and the names of various prominent officials, civil and military, in attendance make quite a fashionable array.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Johnson went up to Soda Springs yesterday, to remain sometime. Mrs. H. Judge, of this place, and her niece, Mrs. McCarthy, of San Francisco, went up Wednesday. Mr. Lewiston, of Portland, who had been there some ten days came down Tuesday to spend a week in Ashland, after which he will return to the springs. He was badly crippled with rheumatism when he came out from Portland, but is improving rapidly through the use of the water at Soda Springs, and the warm sulphur baths in Ashland.

Ashland is 405 miles from San Francisco.

Our valley is not large, yet it is capable of supporting a vast population.

G. S. Butler returned yesterday from Josephine county, where he has bought about 100 head of beef steers.

The Southern Pacific railroad is now in operation to within 20 miles of Ashland. Oct. 1st is the time set for its completion.

All we ask of parties, with means, looking for homes on the Pacific Coast is to come to Ashland and examine our merits.

Many of our farms contain 160 to 600 acres. Every year more and more of these large tracts are cut up into tracts to suit purchasers.

Taxes in Jackson county are at present 2 per cent on from ½ to ⅓ valuation. In the towns add 1 per cent extra for graded schools and city property.

As the heavy or mountain grade going south, commences at Ashland, it is believed that the S. P. R. R. company will build machine shops at Ashland.

Parties coming from the East will do well to leave most articles of household furniture—as the freight will make the price much more than cost at this point.

One of the leading industries of Ashland is the Ashland Woolen Mills, whose business is constantly increasing, and the reputation of its output is at the top. The manager and directors deserve great credit for their enterprise.

Ashland now has a beginning of a water system for fire and domestic purposes. About one mile of pipe is now in position with hydrants at convenient distances. This will be of great use in case of fire, and should materially lessen insurance rates.

Some people will wonder why it will take four months for a railroad company having the purchase capital of the Southern Pacific to build 20 miles of railroad; but when one knows of the heavy cuts and fills and the three tunnels—it ceases to be a wonder.

During the past winter several car loads of Jackson county apples were shipped to San Francisco *via Portland*. This winter we expect to ship *direct* to San Francisco. Our apples stand at the top of the ladder, so the raising of apples for the California market bids fair to be a *leading* industry in the near future.

The number of pupils enrolled in the public schools of Ashland for the past year is over 600. Prof. Sweet has been principal of the Ashland schools for the past three years, and during that time only one pupil has died during school years. The death rate in Ashland is less than that of any other place reported.

Mrs. Gillette has opened an ice cream saloon at her place next door to the reading room, and is furnishing the public with an excellent article of the frozen luxury. The TIDINGS force was favored with a treat Wednesday evening, and knows whereof it speaks. It is put up in little paper buckets so that it may be carried for a long distance when desired.

Lynch & Smith have quit piping at their hydraulic mines on Wagner creek till after the close of the irrigating season. Mr. Lynch was in town Tuesday with some handsome nuggets recently picked up in the mine. One of them weighed two ounces. They have also picked up many pieces of "float" quartz filled with threads of gold, and someday they may discover the ledge from which the rich placers have drawn their treasure. They have a large amount of pay ground—enough to keep their hydraulic in operation for many years.

Fifty-six inch ducking for wagon covers and tents at D. R. & E. V. Mills's. *

A new invoice of light scarf shawls and wraps just arrived at D. R. & E. V. Mills's. *

Memorial Day.

Memorial Day was fittingly observed in Ashland. At 10 o'clock a large concourse of people assembled at Granite Hall. Col. Geo. B. Currey, of the G. A. R. post, acted as presiding officer and master of ceremonies. After music by the band, the exercises began with a prayer by Rev. J. V. Milligan, of the Ashland Presbyterian Church. Following this the choir, composed of Misses Della Pennebaker, Effie Gillette, Cliff Harris, Mrs Alford, and Messrs. J. V. Milligan, T. K. Bolton, Cliff. Payne, and O. O. Helman, sang Carlton's beautiful poem "Cover Them Over." The chairman then introduced the orator of the day, Rev. J. P. Coleman, formerly of Iowa, but now a resident of Grant's Pass. Mr. Coleman served with the Union army as chaplain during the war, and was thus enabled to give with a clearness imparted by actual experience vivid pictures of the various phases of life upon the battle field, in camp, and in captivity. The privations and sufferings, the patriotism and sacrifices of the defenders of our flag and our country were depicted in eloquent terms, and the speaker deftly stirred in the hearts of his hearers the noble sentiment of veneration for the memory of the dead heroes whose valor and victory preserved unsevered the glorious Union and saved from loss every bright star in the azure field of its beautiful banner.

At the close of his oration the choir sang "America," and the Rev. W. Skipworth, of the Ashland M. E. Church, pronounced the benediction. The audience then formed ranks, and led by the G. A. R. post with the band in the van, marched to the Ashland Cemetery, where the floral offerings of a grateful memory were placed in beautiful profusion upon the graves. When the decoration was finished, the people quietly returned to town without marching in regular ranks.

No celebration of a public holiday awakens nobler and purer sentiments, and none does greater honor to the character of the American people than the observance of Memorial Day. Let us hope that at each annual recurrence it will find the hearts of our people more fully devoted to its observance.

Satisfied with Oregon.

All who leave Oregon after a few years residence here are glad to get back. A. Ferrara, who lately returned from a visit to sunny Italy, his native land, states that it rained more there during his stay than it usually does in Oregon, and he would not live there if they made him king of the country. George Tuttle, who is just back from an extended trip through the Eastern states, declares that Oregon is the best place he has seen. California is the next best place in the world to Oregon, but Oregonians do not care to linger in that sunny clime. In short there is no place like Oregon, so free from earthquakes, cyclones, blizzards, droughts, epidemics, and where we have an equable climate, peace and plenty, and the grandest scenery in the world and the most of it to the square acre, as well as the most certain crops of everything, including red apples and rosy-cheeked girls.—*Oregonian.*

Overland Stage Travel.

Joel Milton, who has charge of the stage stock of the C. & O. & I. stage Co. in Ashland, has kept a close record of the travel on the stage between Ashland and the C. & O. R. R. terminus since the first of March and from him the following has been learned: On March 1st the terminus was at Gazelle, on the 10th it was moved to Montague. During the month of March 243 passengers were carried on the stages both ways between Ashland and the terminus. During the month of April 401 passengers were carried. May 1st the terminus was moved to Hornbrook, and during May 978 passengers were carried. The number will no doubt reach 1200 to 1500 during the present month.

Some Things Ashland Needs.

We want a first-class brick hotel, costing not less than $20,000.

We need a cannery to put up fruits, tomatoes, corn and apple-sauce.

We have a mountain of fine clay within a few miles of Ashland, suitable for making white-ware, sewer pipes, &c. Here is a chance for parties to build up a leading industry.

Some one to start a broom factory. (Broom corn does exceedingly well in this region.)

Fine Stock.

It is doubtful if there is a single county in the state where more enterprise has been shown in obtaining blooded stock than the county of Jackson. The representatives of the Percheron-Norman roadsters and trotting horses, Jerseys, Durhams, Herefords, Polled Angus cattle, fine blooded sheep and hogs would be a credit to any county.

With the temperature in New York or Philadelphia at the point it has been in Southern Oregon on two or three days of the past week—there would be hundreds of cases of sunstroke and death from the effects of the heat. But on this coast the atmosphere is so different in some respect that a summer heat of from fifteen to twenty degrees more than the maximum in New York is endured without any danger whatever, and in many instances with very little discomfort. Ashland seldom has more than one or two days together in which the mercury rises to 90° or higher—and such heated terms seldom occur more than once or twice during the whole summer. One hundred degrees in the shade has been reached here. It sounds high to an eastern person, but it is far less to be dreaded than a temperature of 80° in New York or 90° at sea level on this coast. In portions of the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys, California, it is not uncommon for the mercury to reach 115° to 120° in the shade during harvest time. Yet sunstroke is almost unknown there.

Saved His Life.

Mr. D. L. Wilcoxson, of Horse Cave, Ky, says he was for many years, badly afflicted with Phthisic, also Diabetes; the pains were almost unendurable and would sometimes almost throw him into convulsions. He tried Electric Bitters and got relief from first bottle and after taking six bottles, was entirely cured, and has gained in flesh eighteen pounds. Says he positively believes he would have died, had it notbeen for the relief afforded by Electric Bitters. Sold at fifty cents a bottle by Chitwood & Son. 6

Lumber, Doors, Windows, Etc.

The Sugar Pine Door and Lumber Co. of Grants Pass have their mill and factory in constant operation, and are prepared to furnish lumber of all kinds, Doors, windows, casings, mouldings, boxes of all kinds and sizes. Turned work of every description. Elegant mantles in natural wood, etc., on short notice and very cheap.

Common lumber delivered to all points in Rogue River valley cheaper than ever before. Special prices on large lots of fencings. Agents:

Ashland, Or., C. W. Ayers.
Medford, Or., Webb & Zimmermann.
Central Point, Or., W. C. Lever.
Gold Hill, Or., J. H. Griffis.

Special estimates furnished on all kinds of finishing work without charge, by forwarding plans to them at Grants Pass, Or.

Physician and Surgeon.

Dr. Chas. H. Osler, formerly of Oakland, Cal., has located in Ashland for the practice of his profession, his office for the present being at the Ashland House. The doctor is a regular graduate of a prominent medical college, and has had a number of years' experience in active practice. *

LUMBER! DOORS!

The Sugar Pine Door & Lumber Co. of Grant's Pass have established a permanent agency and yard near the Ashland depot and are better prepared than any mill in Southern Oregon to supply Lumber, Rustic, Flooring, Ceiling, Sugar Pine Finishing Lumber, Doors, Sash, Lath, Mouldings, Brackets and Casings. Fine Fruit Boxes a specialty. All goods made of kiln dried Sugar Pine and satisfaction assured. C. W. AYERS, Agent,
Ashland, Or.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE.

A Rare Business Opportunity.

The undersigned, assignee of the firm of Willard & Eubanks, offers for sale at a bargain the entire stock of hardware and builders' material, stoves, tinware and tinsmith's tools belonging to the aforesaid firm and to be seen at their store in Ashland.

The stock is all new and in good condition, and the whole lot will be sold at a great bargain. This is an exceptionally good business opening for anyone wishing to go into the hardware business in connection with that of a stove and tinshop.
J. M. MCCALL, Assignee.

Lost.

A chestnut colored mare pony, marked 7 on left shoulder; partly bald face; and a scar on the neck, on left side. Shod on all four feet. Strayed from Medford. Anyone delivering said animal to the undersigned at Medford will receive the reward of $5.00.
O. HOLTAN.
Medford, Or., April 22, 1887. [46-1m

Estray Steer.

The undersigned has at his place in Ashland a stray steer, 5 years old; light roan; crop and two slits in right ear and under half-crop in left. Brand can't be made out. The owner can have the same by calling and paying advertising charges.
CHAS. HOSLEY.
Ashland, Or., May 13, 1887.

I had been troubled all winter with a cold and pain in the chest and got no relief from remedies recommended by druggists and physicians. At the same time I was advertising Dr. Bonanko's Cough and Lungsyrup. I had little faith but thought to try it as a last resort, now I believe even more than they tell me of its curative qualities. [From the News, Elizabethtown, ky.]

Sample bottles 5 cents at Chitwood & Son's. c

Dear Joe: I received your letter a few days since, and, if I did not know you too well, should certainly conclude that you had gone dust. You complain that your foot distresses you, that your tongue is coated, you have a headache and a disposition to snivver as if from cold, and that you are miserable generally. Now, just get a package of Frese's Hammond Tea, and use it as directed, and, my word for it, in a week's time you will feel like a new man and thank me for this advice.
Yours, TOM.

Antelope Items.

Farmers are preparing for haying and prospects are good for a heavy crop of both hay and wheat.

Rev. W. B. Moore and wife have just closed a series of meetings with grand results—seventeen accessions to the church, fifteen conversions, fifteen baptisms. The people of this section turned out and gave them a good audience, such as has never been before accorded to anyone in this part. They leave with the best wishes of the people. M. W.

May 29, 1887.

Two great enemies—Hood's Sarsaparilla and impure blood. The latter is utterly defeated by the peculiar medicine.

Dr. Gunn's Improved Liver Pills.

Removes constipation, prevents malaria, cures dyspepsia, and gives new life to the system. Only one for a dose. Free samples at Chitwood & Son's. c

Fechheimer Goodkind's tailor made clothing in beautiful spring styles at O. H. Blount's. *

LETTER LIST.

Following is a list of uncalled-for letters remaining in the Post Office at Ashland, Oregon, May 28, 1887:

Asbury D J	Mailer M
Baldwin Ira	Nail Miss Mattie
Bright Mrs John	Orcutt Z L
Brown Mrs N A	Pearson John
Cushman Mrs Minnie	Robinson Alex
Dunbar R O	Swank Geo W
Dusenbary R	Taylor Wm Devias
Lawton John	Thornton Joseph
Moore Mrs Florence	Thornton Richard
McVey Perry S	Zevly A

Persons calling for the above letters will please say "advertised."
A. P. HAMMOND, P. M.

Make no Mistake.

By dispelling the symptoms so often mistaken for consumption. SANTA ABIE has brought gladness to many a household. By its prompt use for breaking up the cold that too often developes into that fatal disease, thousands can be saved from an untimely grave. You make no mistake by keeping a bottle of this pleasant remedy in your house. CALIFORNIA CAT-R-CURE is equally effective in eradicating all traces