ASHLAND TIDINGS.

FRIDAY..... MARCH 15, 1889

Real Estate Sales.

Luckey & Co. report: Mr. Pedgriff to Benj. Fox, 9 acres of the Patton tract near Talent; con. $450.

Roberts & O'Neil sold 20 acres of land near Talent this week to Wm. Addison at $100 per acre; also 6 acres to Samuel Rhodes at same price.

Logan of Ashland.

"I'd give the world," he sighing said,
And closer drew his chair,
"To know the thought that fills your head"
She tossed her glowing hair: [head.

"You would," she answered, "really now,
Your offer makes me laugh,
For I was thinking how I'd look
In Logan's photograph."

A. O. U. W. Social.

Ashland Lodge No. 66, A. O. U. W. will give a social entertainment to a number of invited guests at the Lodge rooms, in Odd Fellows' hall, next Tuesday evening, March 19th. The success of the last entertainment of the kind given by the Lodge left a pleasant memory with those who attended, and the guests invited this time may all be expected to attend.

The Rain.

The long-delayed rains began last Monday, and though but little has fallen yet in Ashland, still it is a beginning, and a very welcome one. Up to yesterday noon 45-100 of an inch had fallen by the measurement of the U. S. signal office. The clouds still linger, and a good, soaking rain may be expected.

No Extension of Tax Time.

At the regular session of the county court last week, Sheriff Birdsey applied to the court for an extension of time allowed for the collection of 1888 county taxes. On the first Monday in April the tax becomes delinquent according to the statute, and the delinquent list is to be collected by the Sheriff at the expense of the delinquent taxpayer. Ordinarily the county court has allowed an extra month for collection at the county's expense, when asked by the Sheriff, but this time the court decided not to do so, and the tax will therefore be delinquent April 1st. Those who have not paid should bear this in mind.

Important to Settlers.

The following is an extract from a letter written by Hon. Binger Hermann to settlers of Harney valley:

"Why do you settlers not take active measures and agree on some plan of action. If many settlers there do not soon send up their affidavits with two corroborative affidavits in each case, the lands will be approved to the state and then they are gone. It will be done soon.

All lands reported as swamp will soon be confirmed to the state *except* where affidavits are on file showing fully that they are *arable*, and not swamp as to each quarter section."

The Sacramento Raging.

Very heavy rains along the head waters of the Sacramento river caused numerous small landslides Tuesday, which delayed the north-bound express, so that it was 4½ hours late in reaching Ashland. A big washout just behind Tuesday's train held Wednesday's train back over six hours.

Later reports say that the river was up at a very high freshet stage, and that at one place five hundred yards of track was washed out. All trains are blocked there, and nothing has passed that point since Tuesday. Local trains are run between Ashland and Sisson. Two hundred men were sent up from San Francisco yesterday, to aid the repair force in its work.

W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Anna R. Riggs, President of the Oregon Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be in Ashland on Tuesday, March 19th. Tuesday afternoon at 2:30, will address the women —especially the young women—at the Baptist church. In the evening at 7:30 will give a public address in the Presbyterian church. Of course "the usual collection" will be taken; but it is hoped any who are unpleasantly sensitives on this point will not stay away on that account. Money must be had, and simple giving is the easiest and most commendable way of obtaining it; yet we desire the people to hear our speakers even though they withold their mite toward helping us pay expenses.

Another Avenue Enterprise.

Gentlemen who own property (improved and unimproved) upon the hill slope in the western part of town have in project an enterprise which if materilized will be of great benefit and advantage to that part of town, and will be an important addition to the attractions and beauty of Ashland. They propose the laying out and grading of a broad avenue from the northern part of town along and around the hill at a gentle grade to the summit where W. G. Tanner's orchard is planted; thence back on the western slope of the ridge, to connect with Wimer street or some other avenue in the northern part of town. This, properly graded and improved, would indeed be a magnificent avenue for residence sites and a popular drive, giving an extensive and charming view of the city and valley. Hope it will be quickly pushed to successful opening.

Jury List.

Following are the names of jurymen drawn for the April term, 1889, of circuit court for Jackson county:

W. G. Bishop, Eden; farmer.
G. F. Schmidlein, Woodville; farmer
H. H. Wright, Chimney Rock; "
A. Wyland, Chimney Rock; "
A. P. Ankeney, Sterlingville; miner.
S. B. Edsall, Big Butte; farmer.
A. Inyard, Uniontown; "
Arthur Wilson, Medford; "
E. F. Walker, " "
J. S. Herrin, Ashland; "
L. Shideler, Jacksonville; "
Alex Orme, Foots creek; miner.
John Cantrall, Uniontown; farmer.
Jas. Thornton, Ashland; merchant.
F. Hubbard, Medford; "
Thos. McAndrews, Medford; farmer.
Wm. Cameron, Uniontown; "
John Devlin, Ashland; "
John Nickell, Little Butte; "
Henry Engel, Phœnix; merchant.
J. G. Briscoe, Trail creek; farmer.
G. W. Beall, Big Butte; "
Jos. Saltmarsh, Sterlingville; "
C. W. Skeel, Medford; mechanic.
W. S. Cook, Rock Point; farmer.
I. N. Webb, Medford; merchant.
G. L. Webb, " "
Chauncey Nye, Flounce Rock; farmer
Rob. H. Dean, " "
J. B. Welch, Meadows; mechanic.
John O'Brien, Applegate; farmer.

The Electric Light.

On Thursday last Mr. B. M. Brown, representing W. C. Clark, the San Francisco dealers in electric lighting apparatus, arrived here to take charge of the lights for the first thirty days of their operation. On Friday Mr. W. C. Cheney, special agent of the Westinghouse Co., arrived from Seattle to supervise the setting up of the machinery and starting it. These gentlemen, with Mr. Tuthill, have been stringing the wires, this week, and expect to have the lights burning to-night in place. Monday evening the dynamo was run and thirty are lights, hung in the building near the machine, were all burning. They gave a perfectly clear and steady light, not a flicker or jar occurring while they were run.

In introducing the lights with the rates fixed, Mr. Logan, secretary of the company, has met with great encouragement. Thirty are lights were ordered with the machine, and all are needed at once to fill orders, it is understood. The incandescent lamps have not yet arrived, but they will be popular and in demand when introduced.

The city council, as heretofore reported, has contracted for seven are lights to run till 12 p. m., for street lighting, and they will be located as follows: One at flag pole in the plaza, one at corner of Main and Granite streets, one at corner of Granite and High, one on hill near Presbyterian church, one at corner of Main and 1st avenue, one at junction of Main street and Boulevard, one at corner of 4th and B streets.

Seed oats at Ashland Mill. *

BREVITIES.

Choice perfumes in bulk at Chitwood's. *

Bain wagons from $90 up, at Ashland Mills. *

"Crops never fail in Oregon"—not even the rain crop.

Use fresh garden seeds, and get them at Minkler & Son's. x

Boston brown bread at the U. S. Bakery fresh every day. *

Planet Jr., cultivator and garden tools, at Ashland Mills. *

Hear Mrs. Riggs at Presbyterian church Tuesday evening.

See carpets and get prices, at Smith & Dodge's before buying. *

For fine hand mirrors, hair brushes and combs call at Chitwood's. *

The only place to find hardy northern grown seed, is at the Red House *

The celebrated Ben Cotton minstrel troupe will be in Ashland next week.

You can get those Oliver chilled plows with slip shares, at Ashland Mills. *

Ashland creek was swollen considerably Tuesday night, the first time for two months.

Jacob Thompson is elected a member of the city council, vice J. D. Fountain, resigned.

Sunday, March 17, is St. Patrick's Day, when the "wearin' o' the green" will be in order.

Prices in the egg market reached low water mark this week, 12½ cents per dozen in Ashland.

David Payne and T. A. Harris have dissolved partnership, and publish a notice to that effect.

Direct from the east—a fine line of new and desirable window shades and pulls, at Smith & Dodge's. *

Mrs. Anna R. Riggs, President of the Oregon W. C. T. U., in Ashland next Tuesday. See notice in another column.

Wall Paper—an unusually well selected stock of trimmings, borders, ceilings and decorations, at Smith & Dodge's. *

See the frames of Photos at the Post office and Plaza store of the Wade-Leroyle company to play here Monday and Tuesday evenings.

S. J. Scott is having a portion of his 10-acre tract near the old '49 diggings cleared, preparatory to tree planting. B. F. Wyant is doing the work.

The Ashland "soldier boys" are being sized up by the tailor this week, and it wont be long until they will be ready to come out in full dress uniform.

Mr. Wadsworth, who bought the property of H. Roach on Wimer street in the northwestern part of town, is building a neat and comfortable cottage thereon.

The Ladies Co-operative Society of the Presbyterian church will give a social at the residence of Mrs. Rice, on Spring street, next Wednesday evening, Mar. 20th.

J. D. Fountain and James Thornton, of the city council, who were appointed a committee to purchase a fire bell for the city, find they can procure a good one for about $75.

A brown filly, 2 years old, no brand visible, was sold by City Marshal Walrad last Saturday afternoon to pay pound charges, and was bought by Fred Schultz for $21.

No need to go out side of Ashland for fine or cheap furniture, as by recent arrangement we obtain same rates as Portland and San Francisco on car lots. Smith & Dodge. *

Rev. G. J. Webster will deliver a temperance address next Sunday evening in the Congregational church at 7:30 p. m., on the subject "Why we are not all Prohibitionists."

Sheriff Birdsey collected $4700 county taxes in Ashland last Saturday—and this was the second time he has tapped the town, too. On the first of April taxes will come out in their new spring costume, trimmed with costs.

Rev. Chas. McDermoth, representing the Portland Hospital, arrived in the city yesterday morning, and wished to address the people at the M. E. church at 7:30 o'clock last evening (Thursday) upon the subject of hospital work.

B. C. Goddard, Sr., brought in a big load of beans from his place on Wagner creek this week. A man doesn't need much ground like he has to make a living. On four acres last season Mr. Goddard raised more than 7000 lbs. of beans.

Ayer's Medicines have been satisfactory to me throughout my practice, especially Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, which has been used by many of my patients, one of whom says he knows it saved his life."—F. L. Morris, M. D., Brooklyn, N. Y.

It is rumored that the passenger engines on the Siskiyou division of the S. P. R. R. will be displaced soon by new ones having as much power or more, and also larger driving wheels, so that better time may be made on the valley sections of the road.

T. A. Harris has sold his meat market building and lot, opposite the Central House on Main street, to David Payne, who also bought Mr. Harris's interest in the butchering business, in which they were in partnership. The price paid for the property was $1500.

That tired, debilitated feeling, so peculiar to spring, indicates depraved blood. Now is the time to prove the beneficial effects of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It cleanses the system, restores physical energy, and infuses new life and vigor into every fiber to the body.

Chas. Kline, of Portland, brought in two carloads of cattle this week from Klamath county for shipment to Portland. It is understood that most of the cattle were work oxen, taken to be sold for logging purposes in the Columbia river and other timber camps.

Prof. Lester's dancing classes are getting along nicely and are well patronized. The regular Saturday evening socials are largely attended, and "The German," introduced for the first time in Ashland, make them unusually enjoyed by the dancing people here.

Mrs. Fred Close, of this precinct, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Talent, of Talent, died at her home at the brickyard south of Ashland last Friday morning, after an illness of about two weeks with cerebro-spinal meningitis. The funeral was on Saturday afternoon, burial at Ashland cemetery.

Some of the members of the militia company have taken the contract upon themselves and are making an addition to their hall in the grove to meet the requirements of the company. The addition will consist of two rooms, one for business meetings and the other for storage of arms and uniforms.

Miss Fannie Fox, who spent most of the past year in Portland studying the kindergarten system, will open a school of that kind for the little folks in Ashland, and is having a neat school house built upon a lot leased of the Presbyterian church on the east side of Main street, between the church and Helman street.

The furniture of the "Oregon" is about all put together and in place, and the handsome new hotel is now nearly ready for use. The finishing of the office is yet uncompleted, and the proprietors are unable to fix a date for the opening because of the delay in arrival of the crockery outfit—ordered from the East.

Sheriff Birdsey who was in Ashland collecting taxes last Saturday, had not an idle moment during the whole day, but was kept busy from breakfast time till evening train time making out receip'ts. Birdsey has justified all the claims made for him by his friends before election. He is proving a thoroughly competent, careful and efficient officer.

N. M. Gilbert arrived here this week from Salem, on his way to California with three fine stallions for sale. They were brought out from Missouri to Marion county several months ago. One is an "English Coach" horse and one a "Shire Horse"—both imported from England. The third is a roadster of the breed known in Kentucky as Denmark Saddler. The horses will be at Stephenson's stables for a few days.

E. B. Myer, who has recently fitted up poultry yards stocked with the best birds to be had of the popular Plymouth Rock, Wyandotte, Light Brahma and Brown Leghorn breeds, gives notice to the public that he is ready to furnish eggs of each variety, warranted pure, and guaranteed to give satisfaction.

J. M. Loffland, of Jacksonville precinct, who boards the county paupers by contract, reported last Saturday that he had twenty-six of such boarders. Besides these there are from fifteen to thirty persons for whose support outside the county hospital the county contributes from $3 to $10 per month each.

W. M. Gilroy says he has on hand at the planing mill over 100,000 feet of first-class dry lumber, and can fill the lumber bill for most any kind of building, so that there need not be such a howl about the scarcity of lumber. Mr. Gilroy always keeps a large stock of lumber, at his yards whether the other yards are out or not.

Wm. Gifford, one of the old time residents of Wagner creek, who returned about two years ago from wanderings in other parts of the country and has since been living at the home of Samuel Robinson near Talent, died there on Tuesday morning from the effects of diabetes or some kindred disease. He was laid to rest in the Stearns graveyard.

A certified copy of the new city charter was received from the Secretary of State by Mayor Mills yesterday morning. As there is some doubt whether it is already in effect by virtue of the emergency clause, it is probable that the council, to avoid possibility of complications, will continue to act under the old charter until the expiration of 90 days from the date of passage of the new act.

The new steam saw mill to be built in Josephine county by Messrs. Gilbert, Burgess & Ramage, was to have been located on timber land belonging to the gentlemen, a short distance south of tunnel 9, but they changed their plans this week, and will put up the mill first across Rogue river from Grant's Pass, about four miles from the railroad. The mill will run up to the full capacity afforded by 50-horse power, and will begin cutting by April 1st, it is expected.

Robert P. Neil, who has been feeding about 200 head of beef cattle at his own ranch out at Dead Indian and at several places in the valley south of Ashland under contract to deliver at a stipulated price to Jas. Chenoweth, the Douglas county cattle dealer, will turn them over to Mr. Chenoweth the first of next week, and they will be shipped to Portland, requiring a train of eleven or twelve cars. Mr. Neil gets 3½ cts per lb.—half a cent higher than ruling prices this spring.

The gentlemen in charge of the U. S. Fish car expressed themselves in Portland as considerably disgusted at their failure to obtain young salmon at McCloud hatchery for the Rogue and Umpqua rivers. The warm weather on the McCloud had hatched out the salmon eggs and caused the young fish to grow so rapidly that they had all been turned loose to slide down the Sacramento river just before the fish car arrived. The car left Portland for the East Saturday morning, taking 2000 young Oregon carp. Next year it will bring a load of young shad to this coast.

The concert at the M. E. church last Friday evening, a repetition by request of many people of the one given several weeks before, had a fair attendance, and was much enjoyed, though a portion of the programme was unavoidably left out, because of the absence from town of some who were to take part. The chorus singing, under the leadership of Prof. Shepherd, was unusually good, and the solos by Miss Downing, Mrs. Gilroy and Miss Thornton were fine, while a humorous solo by Mr. Andrus was received with hearty applause, and a baritone solo by Mr. Boyd was finely rendered. The papering of the church, though not completed, improved the appearance of the building so much as to give everyone an agreeable surprise. The papering of the arched ceiling, a very difficult job, was handsomely done under the direction of Mr. Andrus.

Ashland Building and Loan Association.

Pursuant to call, subscribers to the stock of the Ashland Building and Loan Association met in the city council chamber Wednesday evening to effect an organization. W. H. Leeds was called to the chair and George Engle chosen secretary. A draft of by-laws was presented and after full discussion of each section they were adopted with such amendments as met the views of the stockholders. They are substantially like those of the Portland Building and Loan Association. The par value of the shares is placed at $100, and the monthly assessment was fixed at 50 cents per share—which provision can not be changed except by unanimous vote of the stockholders. In addition to this, each share must pay 50 cents yearly dues, to pay running expenses of the Association, making $3.50 per year the total sum that can be collected from one share. The interest rate upon loans is fixed at ten per cent, and competitive applicants for loans will bid interest in advance, the one offering the greatest number of months in advance to have the loan. The regular monthly meeting of the directors will be on the third Monday in each month, and monthly assessments must be paid to the secretary on or before that date.

The by-laws having been adopted, a board of nine directors was chosen, consisting of the following: George Engle, W. H. Atkinson, O. H. Blount, W. H. Leeds, L. R. Webster, P. Dunn, A. S. Hammond, R. K. Sutton, Wm. Patterson. A board of three auditors was elected—M. L. McCall, L. F. Willits and N. A. Jacobs. It being shown that the capital stock fixed by the articles of incorporation ($100,000) was already about exhausted by subscription, the incorporators were directed by vote of the meeting to file supplemental articles at once, increasing the capital stock to $200,000 (2000 shares). The meeting of stockholders then adjourned.

The directors, after qualification in accordance with the state statutes, elected the following officers of the association: President, W. H. Leeds; Vice President, P. Dunn; Treasurer, W. H. Atkinson; Solicitor, A. S. Hammond. George Engle was prevailed on to act as Secretary until a permanent secretary be chosen. The first regular monthly meeting of the Directors will be held next Monday evening at same place.

The Association starts out with nearly 1000 shares subscribed, by more than one hundred people. It will be an institution of great benefit to Ashland.

"Around The Globe."

Miss Lottie Wade, whose mimetic power, versatility and lightning changes have earned for her the title of the only "lady protean artist," will make her first appearance at this place on Monday and Tuesday evenings next, March 18th and 19th, in her original, operatic, dramatic, protean entertainment "Around the Globe," in which she will present twelve different impersonations, displaying wonderful power in changing voice, figure and face, each character being a distinct study from real life. Her singing is excellent and her dancing pleasing. Miss Wade is supported by the Australian humorist, Mr. Hennessey Leroyle, whose witticisms and droll humor in his great character of Dennis O'Mally, never fail to please. The Nevada City *Transcript* says of the artists:

"The Wade-Leroyle entertainment at the theater Tuesday evening, was almost an entire change from that given Monday night. The songs, dances and characterizations were mostly new. Among those in the audience were many first-nighters, and these same were the leaders of the applause and laughter, which were liberally bestowed, but not without judgment. The merits of Miss Wade and Mr. Leroyle as actors have heretofore been dwelt upon at length by the Transcript, and the character and quality of their specialties have been enumerated; but no one has there been bestowed upon them or their entertainment, any word of commendation that was not fully warranted. Miss Wade is much more artistical in her rendition than Kate Castleton, and is the most versatile lady who has appeared before the footlights here. Mr. Leroyle excels as an Irish comedian and in burlesque. There is not a dull moment in their entire evening's entertainment, everything being with a vim and smoothness that is captivating. It can be said with truth that a better or more pleasing performance has never been given here at the prices named."

Admission 50 cts, children 25 cts. Reserved seats on sale at Plaza store without extra charge.

Red House ahead. x

HERE AND THERE.

The Lane county agricultural association has disbanded. Want of funds is the cause.

The Astoria *Pioneer* claims that city to be the second largest in the state with a population of 8000.

The altitude of Yreka, by Surveyor Palmer's map, is given at 2,620 feet, and of Montague 2,541 feet.—[*Journal*.

According to the new charter Eugene City will hereafter be known as Eugene—leaving off the word city. [Sensible.

Salem has subscribed its $20,000 bonus for a woolen mill, and Thos. Kay is to build a mill which shall use 200,000 lbs. of wool the first year.

The Fresno *Republican* estimates that instead of between $200 and $300, the Pixley train-robbers got between $20,000 and $30,000 from Wells, Fargo & Co.

W. H. Watkins has sued the Southern Pacific R. R. Co. for $10,528 damages, resulting from his falling off the walk at Lebanon and breaking a rib or two.

Based on the report of its School Clerk, Salem claims a population of 10,000. At the same ratio Albany has a population of 5,000. Are the figures correct?—[Democrat.

Salem has been paying $10.50 per month for each of the twenty-six electric lights in its streets. From this, it will be seen that the rates of the Ashland Electric Light Co. are very low.

Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, of Salem, this state, was 102 years old last June. She has been in good health physically and mentally till within the past two years, but her long life has now about reached its close.

Geo. M. Albert a young man confined in the insane asylum at Salem, broke out with the smallpox Monday evening. The case is a mild one, and every effort is being made to prevent the spread of the disease.

Moody is in California, Sam Jones is in Frisco and Sankey will be in Oregon in a few days. If there does not occur a big religious awakening throughout the Pacific Northwest we will have to inquire the reason why.—[Ex.

Great excitement is reported in Southern California over the new gold discoveries near Ensenada, and a great rush of people has occurred from Los Angeles, San Diego and other places. The usual disappointment and distress will be reported a little later.

S. A. Clarke, the veteran agricultural editor of Oregon, will put out two thousand more trees—1000 pears and the remainder peach and prunes—at his fruit farm near Salem this year, making altogether eight thousand trees in his orchards.

The Portland Sunday Welcome of this week had the following: Mr. James Lotan took the train for San Francisco this p. m. to arrange with Mr. Samuel Coulter, already in that city, for the sale of a large tract of timber land in Klamath county, Oregon.

Says the Yreka *Journal* of Wednesday: C. H. Harris, a native of Missouri, aged 67 years, dropped dead from a load of hay at John Miller's ranch, yesterday morning, being afflicted with heart disease. He was an old pioneer, and came to this county during the '50 period.

A reduction of ten per cent. in the wages of employes of the O. R. & N. Co.'s steamers on the Columbia river and Puget Sound was ordered last week, and every boat was at once tied up. The strike was ended after a few days by the company setting the men at work at the old wages.

Salem is making more stir in the real estate business just now than any other city in the state. Its newspapers are filled with advertisements of real estate agents, and the record of sales shows that the agents are doing a good business. Salem has some men of enterprise pushing her car of progress.

The Salem *Capital Journal* has seen R. L. Morris, of Woodburn, who has a contract to cut 1000 cords of cottonwood to be shipped down the Willamette to the Excelsior factory at the falls, which will require 5000 cords a year. These immense balm trees that have stood in the bottom all these years will finally be put to good use.

Rev. Mr. Wendts, pastor of the Unitarian church of Oakland, Cal., seems to have very little respect for the legislature of our neighboring state. In a letter to the Boston *Christian Register*, he speaks of Sacramento as "the most wicked city in California, debauched by what is probably the worst state legislature California was ever afflicted with."

Governor Pennoyer Tuesday appointed officers for the new county of Harney, with county seat at Harney City, as follows: W. E. Grace, clerk; A. A. Coving, sheriff; T. J. Shields, county judge; J. E. Morrison, T. B. James, county commissioners; Wm. Harvey, assessor; L. B. Baker, school superintendent; W. R. Gradon, surveyor; V. J. Miller, treasurer.

Next week, says the *Oregonian*, the rack will be put in at the fish hatchery on the Clackamas, to prevent the salmon from ascending the river any higher than the hatchery. There are now in the hatchery, ready to be turned into the river about 500,000 young fish, making the total number hatched since last August 5,500,000. It is expected that the output for this year will be between 6,000,000 and 8,000,000 young fish. All depends on the run of salmon.

The latest railroad news, says the *Astorian*, is that the Union Pacific is going to Tacoma, and the Chicago & Northwestern is coming to Astoria. The latter road has found it useless to attempt a terminus at Yaquina, and having secured the Oregon Pacific, are looking this way. At this end of the line things are moving right along. Work on a ten-mile contract on the Astoria and South Coast Railway was begun yesterday, running south from Skipanon.

For month's past, on the Columbia and Willamette rivers, principally on the lower Columbia, there has been a daily catch of about fifty tons of sturgeon, which is shipped to the interior eastward per rail. From the number hanging on hooks about Portland both in the Caucasian and Mongolian quarters of the city, it appears to be quite probable that a ratio of three tons stop here, and that what was formerly known as "Albany beef" on the Atlantic slope, is to hereafter cross the rockies as "Pacific sea bass."—[Welcome.

A Walla Walla dispatch of last Saturday says: This afternoon Troop F, Second United States Cavalry, forty-two strong, under command of Capt. S. W. Swigert, left with ten day's rations under orders to report at the Umatilla agency, near Pendleton, Or., to remain there until further orders. This movement is the outcome of the discovery that a vast body of the best lands in the reservation is held by whites, mostly French-Canadians, under leases from Indians. These leases are undoubtedly illegal, but the holders have refused to move from the lands when requested by special agent Saunders, now at the agency. The troops were wanted to quiet symptoms of a disturbance and assist in moving vast bodies of stock from Indian lands.

Parties acquainted with every foot of the Klamath river, are of the opinion that it would be cheaper to float lumber down to railroad in a V flume, than to improve the Klamath. The streams run over and around mammoth boulders and through narrow canyons in many places, rendering navigation of saw logs impossible. The river furnishes an abundance of water for milling purposes and for extensive lumber flumes, but to improve the stream would require a vast sum of money, hence it is believed by many residents on the river, that mills will be put up in the vicinity of the lumber belts, to cut up the trees and float the lumber down in a flume to the railroad. The fact of securing a franchise from this county, and seeking one from Klamath county, Oregon, looks as though the company intends to improve the river, as originally planned, which undertaking will make the expense run up into the millions.—[Yreka Journal.

Minkler & Son the cheapest. x

PERSONAL.

Richard Beswick went over to Siskiyou county last Saturday.

Geo. W. Nichols, of Little Butte, is in Ashland again this week.

John Real has recovered from his late illness sufficiently to be about again.

J. F. Cole and Fred Bellows, of Colestein, were in Ashland Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. R. W. Fisher, an Albany merchant, is looking about Ashland this week.

Mrs. C. T. Harris went down to Mott this week, for a visit with her son there.

A. G. Colvin, of Jacksonville, went down to Marysville this week, to sell some livestock.

Mrs. Henry Vostal returned Tuesday morning from a visit down in the Willamette valley.

Danl. Walker was re-elected director and D. G. Spencer, clerk, in Neil creek school district.

T. P. Boyd left Monday evening for Portland, to begin business for the Pacific Mutual Ins. Co.

Dr. Stanfield, who had been in Josephine county for some time, returned to Ashland last week.

George Brown, of Eagle Point, brought over a load of butter and eggs to Ashland Wednesday.

B. B. Hubbard was elected director, and Squire Florey was re-elected clerk of Eagle Point school district.

Misses. Calvin and Davis returned home Monday from a trip into Butte creek valley, Siskiyou county.

J. D. Fountain will leave for Linkville within a few days, to attend to business matters in Klamath county.

State Senator Cogswell went back to Salem again from Linkville on Saturday's train, on professional business.

Mrs. J. M. Loffland, of Jacksonville precinct, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Jesse Dollarhide, in Ashland this week.

E. M. Miller has been down in the Willamette, looking after his property in Linn county during the past week.

Chas. Waar, the telegraph operator, returned to Ashland Wednesday morning, after an absence of a year or more.

Poly, Heilborn & Co.'s agent, Ranlett, shipped three more carloads of cattle from Fred Barneburg's place last week.

Jerry Nunan, of Jacksonville, was on Tuesday morning's train, en route for San Francisco after new goods for his store.

W. M. Gilroy, of the planing mills, was down at Grant's Pass last Saturday after lumber, as was also contractor A. W. Scott.

Miss Hattie Sackett, agent of the Postal Telegraph Company at Sisson, has been visiting her home in Ashland during the past week.

Jas. Luttrell, who has been a resident of Tolo for two years past, was in Ashland yesterday, and leaves this morning for California.

Mrs. W. C. Cheney, wife of the electric light expert, accompanied her husband to this place from Seattle, on his business trip hither.

Mrs. F. E. Dunn went to Ashland last Thursday night on a visit to her mother. She will be absent about three weeks.—[Eugene Register.

W. H. Cameron, of the S. F. Chronicle, a nephew of Gen. Tolman, was on Friday morning's train last week, returning to California from the Sound.

Dr. Poppleton, one of the early pioneers of the Willamette valley, now living most of the time in Portland, came out to Ashland Wednesday on a business visit.

Mr. L. Martin, who went to San Francisco with two carloads of apples, returned the first of the week. He extended his trip as far southward as San Diego.

Mr. McVay, of Smith river, Cal., arrived here this week, after horses and mules for the Del Norte county market, and went on out to Klamath county Wednesday.

Judge Webster was in Ashland Wednesday, and attended the meeting of the Ashland Building and Loan Association, of which he was elected one of the directors.

Mrs. Chas. Sulloway and children, of Berryvale, Cal., who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Cole, at Colestein, for a week, returned home last Saturday.

Messrs. O. T. and Albert Hayden, brothers, of Beatrice, Neb., arrived here last Sunday evening, and are looking at Rogue River valley with a view of making their home here.

Col. R. F. Maury and Oliver Harbough came up from Jacksonville Monday to unite with O. Ganiard in viewing the route for a new county road petitioned for in this precinct.

W. P. Keady and wife left for Portland Monday, after a visit of some length in Ashland. Mrs. Keady, whose health is suited by our climate, will return soon, to spend more time here.

Mrs. M. B. Bowlitch, who was at Salem with her son, Representative J. T. Bowditch, during the legislative session, returned to Ashland last week, after visiting at Grant's Pass for a few days.

T. J. Babcock, county clerk of Marion county and Grand Secretary of the A. F. & A. M. of Oregon, arrived here yesterday morning, for a short season of rest and recuperation after overwork in his office.

Geo. E. Youle, who has invested in tide-flat property at Seattle, went northward again this week, and will probably go into business in that city. His many friends in Ashland wish him abundant success.

Arthur Langell was in Ashland again this week, returning home to Klamath county from the Sound country. He sold all the horses he took northward at different places and at satisfactory prices.

John F. Swift, of California, who stumped Oregon last June, on the trail of Col. John P. Irish, has been appointed U. S. minister to Japan. The salary is $12,000 per annum—expenses all of that, or more.

Supt. J. Brandt of the O. & C. R. R. and his family were on Wednesday morning's train going to San Francisco. Mr. Brandt is in poor health and is expecting that a short stay at the Bay City will benefit him.

Mr. C. E. Van Horn, who was here this week as advance agent for the Wade-Leroyle Co., was through here 13 years ago as advance for the Swiss Bell-ringers, who fairly took Ashland by storm at that time. He was here last six years ago as agent for Sherman's trained horse circus.

Mr. George Hatch, a merchant of Virginia City, Nev., stopped in Ashland a day or two this week, en route for the Sound, at the invitation of Mr. D. F. Fox, who is always on the lookout for acquaintances who might slip by without seeing our town. Mr. Hatch was greatly pleased with Ashland.

Mr. Chas. E. Curtis, of Wisconsin, an uncle of Mrs. W. H. Atkinson of this place, who has been spending several months in Marion county, arrived Wednesday morning for a visit in Ashland. Mr. Curtis, if he should locate in Oregon, will bring considerable capital to the place he may choose for a home.

Andrew Taylor, of Sprague River, who came in with his family to this valley last December, and met with the sad bereavement of the loss of his wife from puerperal fever at his father's home on Emigrant creek, will return soon with his three little children to Sprague River. Mrs. Irvine, mother of his wife, goes with them to take care of the children.

Mrs. S. M. Byers, of Princeton, Minn., arrived here last Sunday, to join her husband, whose arrival was noted last week. Mr. Byers has carried on the mercantile business on a large scale at Princeton, Minn., and is now looking for a home in a more genial clime than that of Minnesota. Both he and Mrs. Byers are much pleased with Ashland, and they will probably decide to move hither as soon as practicable.

Taxpayers of Ashland school district, don't forget that the time is about up on the school tax, and that sheriff's costs will be added to delinquent tax.

Jacksonville Brevities.

Mrs. Chappell will open the Ryan hotel this week or next.

Mr. Cardwell is seeding down to alfalfa a large portion of his farm.

Rev. Father Noel has returned from his trip to Klamath county.

The almond trees and many of the young peach trees are in full bloom.

Mr. Ed. Helms will assume the duties of Marshal on Friday of this week.

There is some talk of having a cheese factory or creamery located near this town.

Miss Martha Cardwell of Sams valley, has been in Jacksonville for a few days.

Miss Fanny Knowles will begin a term of school in the Antelope school house next week.

Col. Robt. Miller has returned from Salem and it is now in order to rise and explain.

Mr. Hubert Donegan, a son of P. Donegan, has been visiting his parents in this place.

It is probable that our late election will be considered all O. K., and no contest take place.

Thos. T. Turner has obtained a position in Seattle as operator in the same office with his brothers.

Rev. Mr. Ennis will hold services in the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning and evening.

Marriage licenses issued March 9th to W. H. McKee and Mrs. Jennie Cook, and also to Wm. M. Miller and Mary C. Sargent.

There will be a temperance lecture in the M. E. church on Sunday next at the usual hour for morning service, by a Mrs. Haines who is connected with the W. C. T. U.

Mr. Geo. Walker, an uncle of Mrs. Wm. Bybee, has been looking up old friends in this place recently. He is an old time resident of Jackson county, and has been absent for many years.

The syndicate who bought the Glenn property are having the same surveyed and platted as an addition to Jacksonville, all of which will be ready for buyers soon. Already several lots are sold.

Medford Items.

A. A. Davis left last Tuesday, for Chicago where he goes to purchase the machinery for the flour mill.

Angle & Plymale have their brick building ready for the joists, the first story having been completed.

Curtis B. Miller, formerly of the Sardine creek nurseries, is now assistant foreman of Hammond Bros. nurseries of this place.

F. M. Poe & Co. started their brick machine in earnest last Monday. They are turning out about 12,000 first class bricks per day.

H. E. Baker has sold the stable on the corner of A and 7th streets to a stranger, who will shortly open a large livery and feed stable.

Hon. Henry Klippel of Jacksonville, has rented a room in Adkins & Webb's new building and will move his office here in the near future.

The business of the Medford Fence Factory has grown to such an extent that two sets of hands are employed, and the factory run to its full capacity night and day.

Adkins'& Webb are now busy moving into their fine new building. It is one of the finest buildings in the county and the proprietors are to be complimented on this improvement to the town.

Normal Notes.

The prospect for a closing term was never better.

The last term of the school year begins Monday, March 18. Those wishing to attend should begin at that time

The students have concluded their term examinations, and the question now is "what is your average?" The questions were taken from the regular state examination papers.

Wanted—Students to prepare for the many positions now open for teachers of ability. We have not been able to secure teachers for several schools that have applied to us for instructors. We recommend only such as prove themselves worthy and well qualified.

The regular monthly social last Friday evening was a very enjoyable affair. The choruses were well rendered, as was the duet by Misses Ida and Alta Estes. The instrumental pieces by Misses Estes, Wagner, and Goodyear were unusually good. Recitations by Misses Andrews, Johnson, Anderson, Oliver, and Mr. Helms completed the program and were well delivered. The program for the next social is in the hands of the following committee: Music, Mabel Wagner; Recitations, Mary Davison; Dialogues, Clara Mingus; Amusements, Lydia McCall; committee to report to Miss Sophia Wilson. Children below the preparatory grade will not be admitted

Cactus Hedge a Fraud and Swindle.

Ashland people and those of other portions of Rogue river valley will remember an individual who called himself J. G. Wofford, agent and general manager of the const for the Bush Cactus hedge fence, which as he said "was becoming very popular in California for ornamenting farms and decorating homes." Wofford spent several days in these parts about the 1st of February and succeeded in duping at least one or two farmers in Ashland precinct into buying this cactus which has been pronounced elsewhere as more than a nuisance. The *Pacific Rural Press*, under the heading, "Gulling the Grangers," publishes extracts from different papers in California concerning this cactus hedge fraud.

Marysville, Feb. 28.—Complaint of obtaining money under false pretenses has been filed here against Ed Fleming, who claimed to be the owner of a patent for cactus hedges. He had a check cashed here which was drawn in his own name on a San Francisco bank, in which it has been ascertained, he is not known. Telegrams have been sent out to different places calling for his arrest.

While in Sutter City Fleming portrayed the beauty and utility of these hedges in such glowing terms, and the avidity with which everyone purchased them, together with the immense profit attending the sale, that Henry Beste immediately entered into an agreement to furnish an acre of ground upon which to plant the nursery, also to plant out and care for the young plants which should be furnished by Fleming until they should become marketable, when he (Beste) should sell them, receiving one-half the proceeds, the other half going to Fleming. In consideration of this one-half interest in the business, Mr. Beste deeded to Fleming his house and lot, valued at $3500. About a week after the trade Mr. Beste received a few of the worthless plants which he set out. Since then he has heard nothing of the swindler.

Fleming succeeded in selling a good many of these hedges to boomers in Fresno and Los Angeles counties who were willing to bite at everything with which sharpers baited their hook. After a thorough trial those who bought them declared the cactus worse than a nuisance.

Electric Light Rates.

The Ashland Electric Power and Light Company fixed this week the following schedule of prices per month for lights:

One 1200 candle power arc light to run till 9:30 p. m.	$6 00
Same till 12 p. m.	7 00
One 50-candle-power incandescent light till 9:30 p. m.	2 50
Each additional light	2 25
Same till 12 p. m.	3 00
Each additional light	2 75
One 25-candle-power incandescent light till 9:30 p. m.	1 50
Each additional light	1 25
One 25-candle power incandescent till 12 p. m.	2 00
Each additional light	1 75

Who Said it Wouldn't Rain.

A bargain in fruit land now offered—ten acres of fine fruit land, fair house, with good cistern, good barn; 6 acres cleared and plowed, some fruit trees set. Good soil and pleasant location 1½ miles from Ashland. Apply to G. F. Billings.

Eagles do not catch flies but the new goods at D. R. & E. V. Mills will catch the people. x

County Court Proceedings.

In the matter of county road petitioned for by A. M. Ford et al., Thos