

ASHLAND TIDINGS.

THE WOOLEN MILL.

Jacksonville Brevities.

Linkville Notes.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 1889.

EDITORIAL NOTES AND NEWS.

The Lakeview Excavator is "wiping the ground" with the United States Senate because of Dolph's wagon road grant forfeiture bill which doesn't benefit much as the Excavator sees it.

A new ruling has been made in the matter of entering land, by the Interior Department of the U. S., under which a notice in certain cases can enter, something he has been entirely debarred from heretofore.

NEWS DISPATCHES.

John Hight left on estate, variously estimated from \$250,000 to \$750,000.

A sister of Stephen A. Douglas, almost 80 years old, is postmaster at Clinton Springs, N. Y.

Sharp earthquake shocks were felt at San Francisco, Santa Cruz, Los Gatos, Gilroy, Merced and other places in California Sunday night.

After his forty years' bedwetting at the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. D. Hayes Agnew delivered his farewell address a week ago.

The wife of James G. Campbell, of Applegate, Cal., wants information about her husband, whom she has not heard from since December last.

Postmaster General Wainwright has established an 11th rule that no post-office shall be kept in a saloon, or in any room from which a saloon may be entered.

At dinner at the White House four generations gathered. There are Grand-grandfather Scott, President and Mrs. Harrison, their two children and their children's children.

The Silverton Appeal reports the finding of a counterfeit outfit in the Marion county hills, in an old cabin. A \$20 piece and a half dollar piece would be found.

Two families in Jackson county have just realized the benefit of life insurance in the A. O. U. W. The widows of T. McKenzie, of Jacksonville, and Mr. Nolan, of Mefford, have each received \$2000 from the order.

A son of Senator Dilph, 21 years of age, was one of three Princeton college students who were arrested at Red Bank (a little town on the Jersey side of the Delaware river) charged with disorderly conduct the other day.

In making the arrest, a policeman struck young Dilph a heavy blow upon the forehead with his fist, and the justice before whom the young man was examined discharged them, the evidence being insufficient to warrant the proceeding against them.

A dispatch of the 16th from Brownsville, Louisiana, says that the Oregonia mill and the woolen mills of this city were bought for the sum of \$800,000 by a home company composed of the business men of this city. The sum of \$17,000 was raised in one hour. This comprises the whole plant of the mills here, except the machinery which the old company reserves to move to their mills in Albany.

Washington, April 15. It is reported that the president contemplates taking the whole south front of the first floor of the state department building for executive offices and establishing the office hours there. Such a plan would give the president the privilege that the humblest employed of the government have, but which the chief executive does not possess, the right to enjoy his own home, the clerks in some of the smallest divisions of the state department have more room and more convenience than the clerks in the executive mansion.

Washington, April 11. The Second Assistant Postmaster-general today began opening bids for carrying the United States mails on about 1000 star and steamboat routes in several States and Territories. About 25,000 bids had been received for this service.

Consolidator of Pensions Tammor today issued an order providing that "whenever a pensioner is disabled in the land or foot in a degree entitling him to \$21 per month under the act of March 3, 1882, such pensioner shall by reason of that fact be entitled to a rate of \$30 per month under the act of August 4, 1886. This order will affect the pensions of some 600 or 800 disabled veterans of the late war.

Congressional Reapportionment. Washington, April 11. Congressman Springer of Illinois who has always taken a great interest in matters relating to the census, was asked today what he thought of the prospect of a reapportionment of the Congress on the basis of the Fifty-first Census, after the Superintendent of the Census should have made an enumeration of the population.

Mr. Springer replied: "Very much will depend upon the political complexion of the Fifty-second Congress, which will have been elected by the time if the Republicans maintain their control there is little doubt they will be allowed to pass a reapportionment bill without any opposition on the part of the Democrats. If, however, the elections in the fall of 1890 should reverse the present majority then it is likely the Democrats will think they can appoint the Congressional representation under the Fifty-first Census just as well as the Republicans. In that case there is likely to be a contest.

"In your opinion what is likely to be the basis of reapportionment?" "That, of course, is difficult to answer at this time, but I should say we have close upon sixty-five millions of people to-day. This would give us an increase of almost fifty millions in the last ten years, and of this increase Illinois can show fully a million. The great States of the West, notably Minnesota, Nebraska and Kansas, will certainly be entitled to an increase in representation, and so will Nevada and California.

The changes are, too, that Alabama, and perhaps Georgia, have grown sufficiently to warrant an increase in their representation even though the basis of representation may be higher. Texas has grown more rapidly than any other State of the South, and her Congressional representation will be correspondingly increased.

New York may fall off one, although the large cities like New York, Brooklyn and Buffalo may counteract the falling off which has been noticed in some of the country districts. Rhode Island, Maine and Vermont will not want to give up any of their representation, and for like reason it is probable a fight will be made to keep the basis down, which would necessitate a corresponding increase in the number of members.

If we take 200,000 as a basis this would give just about the same number of representatives as we have now. The reapportionment under the tenth census was made upon a basis of 1,000,000. On the basis of 2,000,000, and with a population of 6,000,000, there would be just the same number as we have today, namely, 325.

But it must be remembered that the five new members have been provided for under the Territorial admission, so that 200,000 would give a net increase of at least five. The whole question is a very complicated one, and at this stage it is difficult to make any prediction as to the outcome.

Violin, lute and guitar strings at Burckhalter & Hasty's.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria

As the woolen mill is to be actually in danger of losing the woolen mill, the benefits of which have been enjoyed by the town for twenty-five years. The thrifty and ambitious owners of the Willamette valley all want woolen mills. Their people realize the value of such a manufactory to the community, and measure their appreciation in negotiable quantity. They are willing to pay in hard cash a good price for the benefits which a woolen factory yields to the town in which it is located.

Hosburg set the fashion by the building of a \$500,000 dam and the donation of a valuable water power. Salem people subscribed \$20,000 as an inducement for Thos. Kay to build a mill there. Albany gives \$25,000 to the owners of the old Brownsville mill for the removal of the mill plant to the former place, and a deposit in Tuesday's Oregonian informs us that Brownsville doesn't mean to be left in the lurch, but has formed a new local company and bought the old mill and much of the machinery for \$30,000.

It will continue the business, but now comes Eugene with inquiries if a subsidy would induce the removal of the Ashland woolen mill plant to that city. Eugene people want a mill badly, and would not doubt give a large cash bonus and offer a good water power to parties in whom they have confidence. Happily since the last issue of the Times reveals the fact that the owners of the Ashland mill are seriously considering the question of moving their plant to some other place if a sufficient bonus is offered. Since the report of the Eugene project was put in print last week, letters have come from Fort Land, also, asking how much money would be required to induce the removal of the mill plant to that city.

The mill has been lying idle since the middle of last December. Replying to direct questions the proprietors say there is so little profit in the business as it has run during the past year that they have felt in haste to begin operations again, and the question of removing having come up, they have to settle that before considering anything else. Some of the owners are strongly in favor of removal, believing it would be a profitable thing for them. Others prefer to remain here, if they can see even a small profit ahead. In explanation of the lack of profit in the business, the manager states that the limited capacity of the mill is largely responsible for it. It is a "one set" mill, and yet the building and a large part of the machinery are capable of doing twice the amount of work now done. That is, the building and much of the plant are of a "two set" capacity. The interest on the capital in the real estate, the cost of management and the wages of a number of employees are as much as the output of manufactured goods were twice as large as at present. This places the mill at a great disadvantage in competition with larger mills. To the question why the capacity of the mill has not been increased, the manager replies that the company has always been hampered by lack of capital. A move of the mill to some other place where capital is more abundant and could be interested in the enterprise would overcome the great difficulties in the way of profitable operation, he thinks.

With the facts as given in outline, the Times tries to ask the question: Can Ashland afford to lose the woolen mill? The mill has been operated by the present company since 1858, and since that date has paid in wages to residents of the town, not less than \$100,000. When in operation its payroll on a two-set basis would be from \$1,000 to \$1500 per month, and it would bring into the city from the sale of goods from \$5000 to \$10,000 per month. The effect of the suspension of the monthly payroll is a great loss to the town, and many of our citizens during the next few months. Take the mill away, and the loss will be keenly felt. To the reputation and prospects, as well as the immediate and permanent business condition of the town, it would be a great blow. Certainly, Ashland cannot afford to lose the mill.

But, again, can she keep it? Is anything to be done to checkmate the possible winning by Eugene or some other town in this game? This is a question worthy of the best and most earnest consideration of our new board of trade, and one that will test the value of the organization in one direction, at least. It is of sufficient importance to demand a special meeting of the board, and the president should call a meeting at once, and have an investigation made of the actual status of the matter.

Central Point Items. C. W. Savage is doing a fine business in the St. Cloud hotel.

W. R. A. Temple is framing a large stone building for himself.

Wm. Gates and family have gone to Portland for a week's visit.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Herrington was buried here this week.

Dr. Hinkley is expected home from California visit sometime this week.

A. H. Mealy and N. Fisher, of Jacksonville, were seen on our streets this week.

Mr. Fred Green was thrown from his horse Sunday, and had three ribs broken.

Rev. Mr. Quimby held a series of meetings here last week. He had a good hearing.

Our city officials have ordered the built in all the houses inside of the corporation; which is a general improvement.

There are several parties looking for houses to rent, both dwellings and stores, but there is not an empty house in Central Point.

Elder M. Peterson and some other members from the New York valley will preach here next Sunday, both morning and evening.

W. R. Kincaid has a sister visiting here, from California. It is the first time they have met since they left each other on the "Plains" in 1857.

Improvement still continues. Several of our citizens have formed a company and intend putting up a large cash and door factory immediately.

Dr. Howes has sold his store room to J. W. Merrill of Jacksonville, who is going to put in a stock of general merchandise in the near future.

Thos. Mc & Sons, of Applegate, received a large engine and saw mill complete by Wednesday's freight, which they intend putting up on Thompson creek.

White sewing machines at Dean's store.

Checkers in milk at Chitwoods.

Tobacco and cigars at cost at O. H. Blount's.

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Mrs. Chas. Nickell continues quite ill.

A Chinaman died out on Applegate last week.

Geo. Linn has returned to the halls of learning.

Mr. Cannon has been spending a few days in town.

Miss Lena Cameron spent several days in Jacksonville recently.

James A. Campbell has planted an extensive piece of alfalfa.

N. Langell contemplates remodeling and adding to his residence.

Judge Firm has had his house new roofed and fixed up generally.

Grand Court will resume work and finish the jury cases next week.

Rev. R. Ems attended the meeting of the Presbytery at Grant's Pass last week.

Mrs. Mollie Krause left last week for an extended visit to relatives in the East.

Ben Rosenthal started for a cooler climate last week, leaving some creditors behind.

Rev. J. R. N. Bell, of Redding, was in town last week. His shadow never crosses less.

The little daughter of Mr. Thurston died last Tuesday from the effects of a severe burn.

Judge Webster, District Attorney Colvig, and other legal gentlemen have gone to Grant's Pass to hold court.

Mr. A. L. Renter who has been confined to the house by an attack of asthma for a fortnight, is out again.

Easter Sunday will be observed with appropriate singing at the Presbyterian church, also at the Catholic church.

Col. John E. Ross has been very ill at the residence of his sister in this place, but was moved to his home the first of the week.

Married April 13th, 1889, at the residence of D. J. Lamson, by Rev. Eneas M. Leach, H. W. O'Bryen to Miss Mary L. Ross.

Messrs. Linn and Beckman have ordered their engine and saw mill complete by Wednesday's freight, which they intend putting up on Thompson creek.

The A. O. U. W. have promptly paid the widows and orphans of Mr. Nolan of Mefford, and Mr. McKenzie of Jacksonville, late deceased.

Mr. Messer stopped over in town Monday on his way to Port Townsend. He has been making an extensive tour to his mother and sister in San Francisco.

This section was favored with nice growing showers Friday night, Saturday, Sunday and Monday night. Hope is father to the wish that frost will not kill our fruit after these cold rains.

Those people who are so much afraid of the borer which infests the fruit trees should wrap their trees with "Carrel" felt. About two feet of the trunk should be wrapped, the felt being pushed well down into the earth.

Considerable excitement was caused last week by the arrest of a young girl on a charge of larceny. The officers of the law dealt very leniently with the case and she was freed, and upon the payment of the fine by a relative, allowed to go free. It is to be hoped that this will be a lesson to her and any others who may be tempted in like manner.

The Chester Arthur Post G. A. R. of Mefford, will celebrate Memorial day at the Jacksonville cemetery May 30th, and it is to be hoped that all who have friends interested there will bring flowers and assist in this beautiful memorial, which in the origin was designed to decorate the graves of soldiers who fell in their country's service, but has spread to so grand a sentiment as to include all, friend or foe, in the bonds of a common fraternity.

Talent Items. There are a few cases of illness in our community, but nothing serious, it is believed.

The weather is all very reasonable, person could ask for. No frost yet, with prospects of everything in abundance.

The fruit evaporator is now the excitement. We expect it will soon make a fine business for its owner.

The Ashland Holiness Band will hold a series of religious meetings at the Baptist church in Talent, commencing Saturday 20th inst, 7 p. m., and continuing over the Sabbath. All are invited.

Mr. Al Helms has sold out his saloon business and taken up a more honorable employment, that of carpentering. He is building a new saloon for rent. He has already three built, so the building boom is increasing at an accelerated rate.

S. Sherman has been playing a California from San Jose around through Jackson and Josephine counties, with the view of locating a stock ranch. He seems well pleased with everything except the sight of snow around old Gray-back. But one must learn, where the grass is perpetually green it is high and moist.

The planing mill is humming now-a-days. The capacity is about 1000 ft. of flooring or rustic per day. They charge the popular prices. The firm is now Drake, Redford & Drake, John Drake having leased Mr. A. P. Talbot's interest in the mill. They expect to be prepared to furnish all the fruit boxes needed in Southern Oregon hereafter.

W. T. Batcher is now employed at the Red House.

The Good Templars of this place propose giving an entertainment soon.

Ben Lewis, the genial proprietor of the Hot Spring bath house, accommodates a large number of people every week.

The steamer Matlow makes regular weekly trips between Linkville and Keno.

W. E. Green has opened a grocery store in the eastern part of town.

Peterman Bros. are constructing a boat house on the water front near their saw and mill factory.

Ky Taylor is having a building constructed next to Graves & Lipsett's for the purpose of opening a billiard hall, it is said.

The Linkville brass band has no intention of participating in the band contest at Jacksonville, as the Times erroneously stated last week. Our band has only been in existence about six months and could not be expected to contest with bands that have been organized for years.

The arrival of Mrs. Judge Moore from Southern California was the occasion of a nice little surprise party on Monday of last week, tendered her by her friends and relatives. A pleasant program was carried out and everything passed off nicely.

The contest case between the Klamath River Improvement Co. and C. S. and R. S. Moore, which had called an extra session of our county court, for a hearing of Link river, was granted the latter for a term of 21 years on condition that the improvement on said stream be completed in one year from notice, that they collect 50 cents per M toll, and give a bond of \$5000.

The lease of Klamath river from Keno to the mouth of Spencer creek was let to the Klamath river Improvement Co. on some terms as above; bond \$5000.

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CANNED GOODS ALL AT COST.

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BOOKS.

Table listing various books and their prices, such as School Books, Blank Books, etc.

Earthen Crocks and Crockery at Cost.

COME AND SEE-READ!

Table listing various household items and their prices, such as Pitcher and Basin, Chamber Sets, etc.

And stacks and stacks of goods that we can not mention here, but can ask you to come and see. All sales STRICTLY CASH, as I will not sell goods for cost and charge them to acct.

AGAIN --- ALL AT COST.

Geo. Engle, Prop'r.

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