ASHLAND TIDINGS.

Friday.....*October 25, 1889*

Ladies.

D. R. and E. V. Mills are prepared to make buttons to match any dress in sizes 24, 30 and 36—Price 25c a dozen.

Notice to Scholars.

The time for exchange of all school books ends Oct. 31st. On that day we will also stop selling at introductory prices. D. L. MINKLER & SON.

In the Old Business Again.

Gregory & Hicks are back in the truck business again, having bought out Mr. Estes, to whom Mr. Gregory sold the business and outfit last spring. They propose to give entire satisfaction in the business, and solicit a renewal of the patronage of all their old customers.

Land Office Bulletin.

Our Washington correspondent sends us the following information of land contests decided, the names of the successful parties being in italics:

In the Roseburg district—George F. Ritchey vs. *David Stephens*.

In the Lakeview district—*Wm. Black* vs. George W. Anderson. D. R. Jones et al. vs. *W. R. Bond*.

Notice to Laboring Men.

All day laborers, residents of Ashland, desiring to work on the water works of the city, can register their names at the store of D. R. & E. V. Mills, any time during business hours, for the next 10 days. When men are needed by the Supt. they will be taken from this list, so that resident laborers will be employed in preference to outsiders.

J. S. WALTER.
Chairman Water Com.

To Farmers and Horsemen.

Galbraith Bros. of Janesville, Wisconsin, offer for sale at the Live Stock Exchange, corner Fourth and Ash streets, Portland, Oregon, a choice collection of their celebrated Clydesdale, English Shire, Hackney and Cleveland Bay stallions at moderate prices, and on terms to suit purchasers. These horses are all of the highest merit and most fashionable strains of breeding. Every animal satisfactorily guaranteed. Call and see the best draft horses ever brought to Oregon.

Tragedy at Canyonville.

Canyonville, Or., Oct. 23d.

This morning Mr. Robert Stewart called at the residence of Mr. George Bruno. No one appeared to be about the premises. Noticing a door partly opened, he looked in and on a bed in one corner of the room lay the form of Bruno, now still in death. Stewart immediately returned to a neighbor's house and they both went into the dead man's house and made an examination. In front of Bruno's body lay a revolver on a box; also a knife. An inquest is now being held to determine the cause of Bruno's death. Bruno was a Hungarian, given somewhat to drink, and an old resident.

Injured While Riding a Cow.

Lakeview Examiner.

Nannie Howe, aged 9 years, daughter of W. E. Howe, of Cedarville, who was moving his family to Metzker's mill, met with a serious accident one day last week, near Willow ranch. The child was riding an old gentle cow with a saddle when the cow attempted to lie down, which threw the child off, but one foot caught in the stirrup, and the cow stamped her frightfully before her father could get to the cow. The little girl's scalp was torn off for seven inches on one side and back of the head, leaving the skull bare, and she was also cut across the left eyebrow and across the nose, besides other less injuries. She is now recovering. It was a very narrow escape from death.

The Farmer's Institute.

The session of the first farmer's institute to be held in this valley under the auspices of the State Agricultural College will begin with a meeting this (Friday) evening at the Ashland State Normal School building. The public is cordially invited to be present at this and all the other sessions of the institute. One of the interesting features of the program will be excellent music, appropriate to the occasion. The institute at Roseburg was well attended and very interesting to the farmers and the general public, and it is anticipated that this will be of the same character. It was intended to have the Saturday evening session at Granite Hall, but a prior engagement of the hall prevented, and the Saturday evening session will be at the Normal School.

They Give Satisfaction.

Star, Pipestone, Minn.—Oakes' sketch Club gave one of their entertainments in Opera Hall last night to one of the largest houses ever gathered in Pipestone, the house being packed so full there was hardly standing room left. Their entertainment was first-class in every particular, and their lady-like and gentlemanly manners won the approbation of the entire audience. They will always get a good house in Pipestone, where any good entertainment is sure to be well patronized.

Idaho Journal, Pocatello, I. T., says: The Oakes Comedy Sketch Club and Swiss Bell Ringers gave an entertainment last Wednesday evening to the largest audience ever gathered in Pocatello. The entertainment was first-class in every respect. The musical part of the program was far above the average. As a facial contortionist and female impersonator, Harry Eades is phenomenal, and well deserves the world-wide reputation which he has gained as being the greatest facial artist upon the English and American stage. They can always be sure of a crowded house in Pocatello.

Granite Hall, Sat. eve., Oct. 26. Admission, 50 cts., reserved seats, 75 cts, for sale at Plaza corner store.

The Oregon National Guard.

The efforts begun a few years ago to place the Oregon militia upon a good footing have met with gratifying success thus far, and the O. N. G. is one of the institutions of the state to which we can "point with pride," to use a campaign expression. Almost without exception the ranks have filled with good material, many of the best young men of the state being now enlisted. Service in the militia for one or more terms cannot fail to be of value to any young man who is situated so that he can become a member of a good company. The drill and discipline are beneficial mentally and physically, and it is a source of pride and satisfaction to a properly constituted young man to be a part of an army of well organized, well equipped and well trained citizen soldiery. Where military service is compulsory upon young men, as in Germany, it becomes usually a great hardship—as it is army life in earnest there, regular service in the regular army. But here a young man may continue his vocation or business in civil life and at the same time render his state a service by joining her militia force. The duties required are almost no burden at all, and there is no hardship of any sort about them. It is, therefore, not to be wondered at that in many places in the state the full complement of the several companies organized was quickly made up and that many young men have been disappointed at finding the ranks full in their neighborhood upon offering to enlist.

In Ashland Co. D., 2d Regiment, has made a good start, but there are many young men hereabout who should enlist and who could still find opportunity to do so, perhaps, if they desire it. Capt. McConnell is expecting a visit soon from the commanding officer of the regiment, Col. Smith, of Salem, who will be out here within a few days, it is understood. The boys here have not had as much drilling many of the companies in the state, but for their time and opportunities in that line, they will make a creditable showing.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria

BREVITIFS.

Oakes.

Look out for the Deestrick Skewl program.

The fair at Portland closes to-morrow night.

New styles of Ruching at D. R. and E. V. Mills.

Farmers' Institute to-night at the Normal School.

Good winter apples are in demand at 70 cts. per bushel.

Several dwellings are being built at Tolo by the townsite company.

Reserved seats for the "Deestrick Skewl" for sale at Plaza corner store.

Fine line of Ladies Jersey underwear in six shades at D. R. and E. V. Mills.

Services will be held at the Ashland Catholic church next Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m.

A few choice building lots for sale cheap in Highland Park, by B. F. Reeser. [18-1m.

A suit has been commenced to partition the Sisemore-Felton property in Sam's valley.

Mart Hurst has sold 120 acres of his farm in Little Butte precinct to Thos. Riley and wife.

The farmers of the valley should attend the farmers' institute, especially the Saturday sessions.

Teamsters, Attention! Four-horse whips for sale at cost at A. P. Ball's, Granite street, Ashland. *

Parties owing B. F. Reeser will save cost of trouble by settling immediately. The money must come. [18-1 m.

When you come to visit the Deestrick Skewl, be prepared to "laff" for the good of your health.

H. J. Clark has the brick walls of the Thompsom & Billings brick about up to the top of the window frames.

W. P. Benn, an experienced butcher, is in charge of the slaughtering department of S. Stacy's meat business.

The Deestrick Skewl of fifty years ago will be out on the boards at Granite Hall, Tuesday Oct. 29th, by home talent.

Geo. L. Matthews, formerly of Jacksonville, has located a homestead claim on Skookum prairie, Flounce Rock precinct.

Services have been held at the Ashland Dunkard church every evening during the past week, Elder Brower being the chief speaker.

Oakes Swiss Bell Ringers and Comedy Sketch Club at Granite Hall Saturday night—keep your mind on that. All the ladies want to go.

Three local granges have been reorganized, and one new one formed in this valley recently by state organizer Simpson, of Eugene.

The costly Dahack-Wilson horse case is to be appealed to the supreme court, it is said. A very costly $40 horse, that is proving to be.

A new stock of cigars has just been received at the Soda Works—all the leading and best brands. Call in and try one. *

Dr. J. B. Newman has been appointed surgeon of the S. P. R. R., his field of duty extending from Grants Pass to Dunsmuir.

Apples in good demand at 70 cents per box. This ought to be the index to the future chief industry of the Rogue River Valley.

The rains of this week have sent a good volume of water down Ashland creek—raising it higher than it had been for many months.

Geo. Washington Waback has been secured to teach the Deestrick Skewl to begin at Granite Hall, Tuesday eve. Oct. 29th. Everybody Come.

Mrs. J. D. Fountain offers for sale her household furniture at her residence on Granite street; will also rent the house. Apply on premises.

Walter H. Bishop, the special agent of the Interior Department to investigate claims for losses by Indian depredations, is in Southern Oregon again.

Jacob Wagner has sold to John L. Kline, who came out to Ashland from Portland some months ago, a lot on Granite Street, adjacent to that of Wm. Harris; consideration, $500.

C. W. Ayers has the contract to complete the Ganiard opera house block after the brick work and plastering are done. The contract price for the materials and labor is $7100.

A. P. Ball has moved his harness shop to the Baldwin building on Granite street, first door above the corner of Main street, where he continues to do work and sell goods at bedrock prices.

A few salmon are finding their way up the Klamath river, to be caught at Spencer creek, but they are very few, compared with the numbers that ascended every year before the big dam was built.

Sheriff Birdsey gives notice that he will begin the annual tour of the county to receive taxes at the polling places in the several precincts, the first day appointed being Nov. 4th, at Willow Springs.

The trains through the Willamette valley have been so crowded during the last weeks of the fair that two conductors have been required on the regular California express between Portland and Albany.

W. G. Tanner, who returned to Mott yesterday, took with him for assay a box of quartz from the lead opened on his place in the western part of town some two years ago; also some from one of the Wagner creek ledges.

Still the open switch and cow killing accidents continue on the railroads north of us. The locomotive firemen seem to receive all the injuries thus far, though the railroad companies sustain heavy property damages.

Ayer's Pills, being convenient, efficacious, and safe, are the best cathartic, whether on land or sea, in city or country. For constipation, sick headache, indigestion, and torpid liver, they never fail. Try a box of them; they are sugar-coated.

In the report of deeds recorded received last week was one of a transfer purported to have been from Mary J. Sutton to Elizabeth Andrews. The deed was from R. K. Sutton and wife to Elizabeth Andrews, and should have beed so reported.

F. Co., 2d Cavalry, U. S. A., went through Ashland last Saturday night by special train of eleven cars, en route from Vancouver to Leavenworth, Kan. Lieut. Fuller, who was out at Fort Klamath with Gen. Miles recently, is attached to this company.

J. W. Sowden sells the celebrated Acme button hole attachment for all kinds of sewing-machines. This attachment is a success and makes a neat and durable button hole. Send for sample of work, prices, etc., to J. W. Sowden, Jacksonville, Oregon.

Success in life is the result of push and energy. If the blood is impure and sluggish, both body and mind lack vigor. To cleanse and vitalize the blood and impart new life to the system, nothing else has such a marvelous effect as Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

John T. Flynn, the rustling real estate man of Portland, made a great stir among the newspapers at San Francisco while there recently over the proposed railway up the coast to Crescent City, thence eastward by way of Grants Pass to connection with the Union Pacific.

Mr. J. M. Spafford, of the Cutting Packing Co. and the Cutting Fruit Canning Co., was through the valley recently and will be here again soon to look up the prospects for a cannery enterprise in Ashland next season. This company is well known as one of the largest operating on the coast.

George W. Crowson has bought out the produce business of P. H. Donohue, and will continue the business at the same store, in Pioneer brick block, with a full supply of fresh butter and eggs, vegetables of all kinds, flour and feed, bacon and lard, and a large stock of choice apples and other fruits. Give him a call. *

Wednesday and yesterday were the days advertised for the great auction sale of lots at Klamath City. An excursion was to arrive Wednesday from San Francisco, but up to last evening it had not arrived, the TIDINGS was informed. Further particulars could not be had in time for this issue.

At the monthly meeting of the Ashland Building and Loan Association last Monday evening, a loan of $400 was made at 31 months interest in advance, and a loan of $667.50 at 24 months advance interest. The affairs of the association are in a very satisfactory condition.

The tent and entire outfit of John VanDyke's sheep camp up on the headwaters of Little Applegate were burned one day last week, and near the ruins was found a "notice" which read as follows: "Saltpr. is good for stray sheep. We will try it nex.

CATTEL MEN."

There is a probability of the business men of Linkville buying the military telegraph line between that place and Ashland, to be sold at auction Nov. 2d. It can no doubt be had for almost nothing, and Klamath county should have telegraphic communication with the rest of the world.

The room heretofore occupied jointly by Zoellner, the tailor, and Lackey, the real estate agent, has been divided, leaving a snug real estate office on one side of the partition, and a handsomely finished merchant tailoring display room on the other. Mr. Zoellner is having it fitted up in a very neat style.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the West Ashland Ditch Co. last Saturday evening, a majority of all the stock voted in favor of a resolution directing the withdrawal of a suit begun in circuit court against F. Roper to settle a dispute over prior right to water. The suit will therefore be dropped.

It was with general regret that the news was learned last Friday of the closing of Engel Bros.' store at Phoenix through attachments levied at the instance of various creditors of the firm. The gentlemen are enterprising and accommodating, and it is hoped they will be able and willing to resume business soon.

The foundation for Ganiard's opera house block is one of the best ever laid in this country. The stone is in smooth blocks of good size, and rapid progress has been made with the work. The hammered stone work for the "water-table" is about all completed by Mr. Russell, who quarried it from the large sandstone ledges on the Tolman place.

The Oakes company of Swiss Bell Ringers and Comedy Sketch Club carry seven thousand dollars worth of musical instruments and the "Harpest Queen" (Miss Alice Oakes) plays upon a harp costing one thousand dollars. Not only this, but they have the most expensive artists in their line now traveling. Saturday night. Granite Hall. 50 and 75. Plaza corner.

People over from Hornbrook report that the prospecting work at the blue gravel mine of Barr, Sullivan, Ryan & Morgan is progressing at a lively rate, work being pushed day and night. The large, inclined shaft is being advanced four feet every day through the gravel along the bedrock from the western rim of the channel, and good pay dirt is being taken out.

There is little doubt now that Fort Klamath garrison will have to go. Gen. Miles recommended its maintenance, with one or two troops of cavalry, and the repair and improvement of the telegraph line between this place and the Fort, but orders received since the consideration of his report by the Secretary of War show that the General has been overruled on every point.

A hand car upon which section foreman Lawson and his men were riding was struck by the south-bound express last Saturday morning, but, fortunately, the men all jumped off before the collision came, and no one was hurt. The wind was blowing hard at the time and the men on the hand car could not hear the train. The engine came suddenly upon them around a sharp curve and they had to jump for their lives.

Ashland has had a larger trade from east of the mountains this year than for a number of years past, notwithstanding that the wagon road has been wholly neglected as far west as the boundary line of Klamath county. One gentleman from Lake county who went on down the railroad as far as Portland, said he could buy supplies in Ashland at better rates than in Portland—not even excepting groceries. All who come in are well satisfied with their treatment by the merchants here.

Mr. James Owen, one of the prosperous ranchers of Sprague River, who was in this week after supplies, says the Sprague River cattlemen were paid a better price for their beef than was paid in most parts of Klamath county, simply because they were prepared to carry them through the winter if necessary, and had the sand to hold out for the prices they thought fair. The Sprague River Valley is proving to be one of the best stock sections in the whole of Eastern Oregon. All the ranchers are prosperous and the precinct is the richest in Klamath county.

Messrs. L. L. Angle and H. C. Dollarhide have bought the Youle & Gilroy planing mill of the assignee, Mr. Rogers, paying for the same 50 cents on the dollar of the claims against the estate of the assignor, W. M. Gilroy. This is a good sale for the creditors, under the circumstances, and certainly a good bargain for the purchasers, as it is a valuable property, has an excellent field for business, and the factory can be operated very economically. Mr. Rogers will remain in charge until the full payment has been made, and the mill is now running with I. O. Miller as foreman.

The Eldorado Blue Gravel Mining Co., composed of eight Ashland men, held a meeting at the office of J. N. Phillips last Tuesday afternoon and elected the following officers: President, J. M. McCall; Secretary, H. T. Chitwood; Treasurer, H. B. Carter; Executive committee, Samuel Watson, J. M. McCall, I. W. Burriss. This company has located a claim upon ground near Henley, Cal., supposed to be upon the old blue gravel river bed. The work of prospecting by drilling will be commenced in a short time, and Mr. Watson, an experienced miner, will have charge of the work.

The question as to whether the Sugar Pine Door and Lumber Company will rebuild their large factory at Grants Pass is one which is still causing much anxiety at that enterprising young city, according to the latest report from there. The loss of the company is a very heavy one—$60,000 with no insurance, but if the factory should not be rebuilt the loss to the town will be incalculable. The citizens have subscribed a cash bonus of $5000, or offer to take $10,000 stock, it is said, as an inducement to the company to rebuild. Albany and other towns down in the Willamette are making overtures of a bonus to induce the company to move thither, it is said.

Mr. Vertrees, of this place, has a problem that he is anxious to find a solution for. His son shot a wild goose down on Bear creek one day recently, and when it was being prepared for cooking its craw was found to contain what Mr. Vertrees is sure is rice. What he wants to know is whether the wild geese are flying northward now, and are stopping to rest en route from the rice fields to the north pole, or whether there are rice fields down in the famous, mythical "Symmes" valley at the north pole. Possibly a less romantic explanation must suffice. The goose may have taken a square meal from the wreckage of a vessel of which rice was a part of the cargo.

We have all heard of the men who are constantly complaining of having nothing to do, and yet who can't be inveigled into a job of work for love or money, if anybody happens to need their assistance. They are always ready to go to work to-morrow, or next week—but you can't surprise them into an offer to throw off the coat and go to work to-day. Ashland, as well as some other places, is afflicted with the presence of some individuals of that class. It is not difficult to find idle men or boys any day, but if one happens to want an odd job done—anything from patching a fence to sawing wood—he may hunt all day and not find a man who will be ready to go at it before day after to-morrow.

HERE AND THERE.

C. B. Fitzgerald, of Gold Hill, an excellent teacher, will have charge of the Willow Springs school this winter.

The San Diego Ladies' Annex, an organization working on the same lines as the Board of Trade, has 418 members.

Francis X. Trusty has been appointed postmaster at Etna, this county, vice Harry Richardson, resigned.

The public schools at Newport, on Yaquina bay, were closed last week, on account of the prevalence of diphtheria in the community.

T. J. Shattuck, of Grant's Pass, is preparing 4000 bushels of winter apples for shipment from various orchards near that place.

Less than 7 per cent. of the wheat that goes to the Portland market is from the Willamette valley, according to the Journal of Commerce report.

The Baker City and Canyon stage was held up last Friday morning by the lone highwayman, and all the registered mail matter stolen. No arrests.

The Hillsboro *Independent* has been sold to Dr. S. T. Linklater for $5,000. Its former proprietor, W. L. Jones, has gone to Port Townsend to establish a daily paper.

Peter Kearns, uncle of George Kearns, who had been ill for some time with dropsy of the heart, died last week, at the residence of Chas. Anderson, near Glendale.

Richard Gray, general freight agent of the Southern Pacific Company, has been appointed general traffic manager of the company, vice J. C. Stubbs, resigned, the appointment to take effect November 1.

The rainfall during the present month has been the largest ever known in California for the month of October. In San Francisco it was 5.05 inches up to Monday evening. The farmers are jubilant throughout the state.

Ben Chelan, an Albany boy, had his right arm torn nearly off by the accidental discharge of his shot gun while in a boat hunting ducks on the Willamette last Saturday. The arm was amputated close to the shoulder.

At Portland last Saturday, Gerald Robertson, a clerk, was thrown from a buggy at Twelfth and Washington streets and killed. Mrs. T. B. Merry, with whom he was riding, was also injured, but not seriously.

At Arroyo Grande, Cal., a fair was held recently at which were exhibited, a mangel wurzel beet, seven feet, two inches long, weight 154 pounds; squash, 204 pounds; carrot, 19 pounds; twenty onions went over 100 pounds.

Wm. Reid, president of the Astoria and South Coast railroad, has gone East to place some of the bonds of the company. The total amount of bonds issued is $300,000. It is thought this will be sufficient to complete the road to Hillsboro.

Work is beginning on the eastward extension of the Oregon Pacific railroad, and with 800 men the contractors expect to complete 40 miles of the road, to the summit of the Cascade mountains, this winter. Bad time of year to begin.

The net profits from the water-works owned by Portland, amounted last year to $33,000. Although there have been $5,000 more interest on the bonds issued to pay this year, the net profits from the water-works to date amount to over $60,000, and will be double those of last year.

Says the *Examiner*: "The selling price for grain and produce in the Lakeview market, is as follows, at present: Wheat, 3 cts; barley, 3¼ cts; oats, 3¼ cts; good timothy hay delivered in town, $12 per ton; potatoes, 1½ cts; apples, 3 cts; butter, 25 cts; eggs, scarce at 25 cts.

Mr. Scott Morris, of Spikenard Meadows, "the great disseminator of Oregon plants," paid us a visit last week. He brought to the depot a wagon load of over 1000 lily bulbs, indigenous to this valley, for shipment to the Eastern seedsmen and florists. Mr. Morris' business in this line is increasing every year.—[News.

In Washington county a "wheat pool" has been formed, which controls 40,000 bushels. The object of the members is to hold their grain together, so that if buyers lack a certain amount to complete a cargo they can get it without purchasing in small quantities, and presumably will be willing to pay a little higher price.

James McDevitt, the fifteen year old son of the O. R. & N. depot agent at Portland, who was shot by the negro porter, Gibbs, died last Friday. Gibbs has not been captured. The Portland detectives say he is still in that city. The newspapers think he is one or more thousand miles away.

To-morrow Staver & Walker, of Portland, the largest dealers in machinery in the Northwest, will give away by ticket drawing thirty-six splendid prizes, some of them reaching $50 each in value. The numbered tickets were distributed free at the Industrial fair, and the scheme is a good advertisement for the enterprising firm.

A girl baby without eyes was born at Weston, Umatilla county, one day last week. The unfortunate little being is not only sightless, but is disfigured by not having even the semblance of eyeballs. The orifice where the eyes should have appeared being but slightly marked. The child is lively and healthy. The name of the mother is Mrs. John Curtis.

The land slides have already begun on the railroad down along the upper Sacramento river. Last Monday's south bound express was held at Sisson all night by a slide at the blue cut near the 8th crossing of the river. Two extra work trains were put on that division last week. Roadmaster Burckhalter reports everything solid and serene in the Siskiyou division thus far.

The natural gas well at Stockton, Cal., bored for a company of citizens of the place, was completed last Saturday, at a depth of 1630 feet. The anger was stopped in a bed of gravel. The total flow of the well is 31,000 cubic feet of gas each twenty-four hours. The gas will be used in the residences of stockholders in the company. Another well will be started next week to supply a neighborhood company with gas and fuel.

The Harney Valley Items had the following some time ago about the big meadow fire out in Grant county: A disastrous fire broke out in what is called Diamond swamp, in the southern part of the county, last Friday, and burned out about eight thousand acres of meadow claimed by Peter French. The origin of the fire is a mystery, but, presumably, it caught from a careless smoker throwing away a lighted cigar or cigarette.

Says a San Francisco dispatch of the 21st: As there is a good deal of talk in Oregon about the need of an additional train between this city and Portland every day, the question was asked of General Manager Towne whether such extra service is probable. His answer seems to settle the question for the time being. "We shall not run a second train until we can fill the one we are now running," was the reply.

The Salem *Statesman* laments that the fire at Grant's Pass has destroyed the main source in the Northwest of a fine quality of box and pattern lumber. "Squire Farrar & Co., S. A. Clarke and others in this neighborhood have bought a good deal of the product of the mills that went up in smoke Wednesday night. Goldsmith & Loewenberg, foundrymen at the penitentiary, possess many patterns made of the sugar pine lumber manufactured at Grant's Pass."

Says the Portland *Welcome* of last Saturday; At the Holladay residence to-day ⅝ of the property known as Weidler's sawmill was sold by Auctioneer A. B. Richardson for $200,000 to a party (presumably Joe Holladay) represented by the young attorney Whitney Boise. Some think the property was bought for a San Francisco syndicate, and say that the sale was a farce and will not be confirmed by the court, for it has been appraised already for $100,000 more than it has been sold for.

The new bridge across the Santiam river at Stayton, built by Hoffman & Bates, of Portland, at a contract price of $18,500, to be paid for equally by Marion and Linn counties, has been rejected by the County Courts of Marion and Linn counties on the ground that the piers have not been filled with concrete, as the contract required. Both counties refuse to pay on that ground. An examination showed the piers to be filled with loose stone, sand and gravel.

A Jacksonville lady recently sent a green stone found on the beach near Crescent City by her daughter to be polished by a San Francisco lapidary, and last week learned that it was a fine emerald worth $2500.—[Ex. The lady has recently returned from San Francisco to Jacksonville, and she or others will probably soon be looking for other $2500 gems down on the beach where this was picked up. Is it possible that the finding of such valuable stones will become common on the Del Norte beach?

A very wealthy wedding occurred at Portland last week—the marriage of Miss Carrie Ladd, youngest daughter of W. S. Ladd, and Mr. Fred B. Pratt, of Brooklyn, N. Y., son of the President of the Standard Oil Company. The ceremony occurred at 8 p. m., at the Calvary Presbyterian Church, and the reception afterward at the Ladd home was a grand affair. W. S. Ladd, the bride's father, is the wealthiest man of the Pacific Northwest, and the Groom's father is a very heavy millionaire. The newly married couple will live in Brooklyn, N. Y.

The assessment recently completed by the county assessor of Josephine county is summarized as follows: Acres of land, 76,819, total value, 333,-153; value town lots, $139,620; improvements, $198,824; merchandise and implements, $134,091; money, notes, accounts, shares of stock, etc., $219,583; household furniture, carriages, watches, etc., $41,2[illegible]; number of horses and mules, 1193, total value, $44,507; number of cattle, 4694, total value, $62,074; number of sheep, 1195, total value, $1737; number of swine, 2427, total value, $4123; gross value of property, $1,238,655; indebtedness, $216,849; exemptions, $105,574; total taxable property, $816,251; number of polls, 486.

The Jacksonville Railroad.

An engineer to begin the surveys for the railroad from Medford to Jacksonville was expected to arrive from the north yesterday morning. All the requirements with regard to the bonus have been met by both towns, it is said, and actual construction work will be commenced soon. The *Times* says "There is no doubt that a railroad operated by electricity will be running between the two places inside of six months. Electric lights will be burning in both towns before that time. The organization which has taken the contract to construct the road will be known as the Jackson County Electric Light and Power Co., and must agree, in addition to furnishing and constructing a complete electric light outfit, to build and equip a railroad between Jacksonville and Medford, the said road to be of three-foot gauge, with steel rails not less than 24 pounds in weight, and to furnish the same with what is known as an electric motor, first class passenger coaches and freight cars having sufficient transporting capacity, all to be finished and in running order next May. The generating machinery and plant will be located in Jacksonville, and the whole must be operated successfully and continuously for a period of five years. If the said company should, in that time, fail to operate said road and works for twenty successive days, they forfeit their right thereto. In all probability these articles of agreement will be ratified by the corporation, when work will be commenced in a very short time. Bids for furnishing the necessary poles have already been solicited."

The bonus of $7500 on the part of Medford is secured by the individual notes of seventy-eight citizens of the town, the notes being payable at the bank when the road is completed, not to be later than May 1, 1890. The citizens are to be reimbursed by the town scrip, it is understood.

The Sunday *Oregonian* had the following Seattle dispatch concerning the matter:

Seattle, Wn., Oct. 19.—W. H. Llewellyn, J. F. Estelman, W. W. Kirkwood, B. Converse, C. J. Eddy and R. R. Spencer have incorporated themselves into a company designated as the Jackson County Electric Railway, Light and Power Company, and filed articles to-day in the auditor's office to-day. The capital stock is $500,000, divided into 500 shares of $100 each. The object of the company is to build and operate street railways from and between Medford and Jacksonville, Jackson county, Oregon, and to operate the same by such motive power as may be deemed best, and produce and sell electricity, etc.

PERSONAL.

R. T. Baldwin has gone to Grant's Pass.

H. J. Roberts and wife returned to Ashland from Dunsmuir this week.

Mr. Skriver, the wide-awake hotel runner, has gone to Sisson to remain for a time.

Mrs. J. H. Gay and Mrs. Ritchie, of Central Point, were in Ashland several days this week.

Mrs. Hale, sister of Mrs. G. H. Tyler, who has been very low with typhoid fever, is reported as convalescent.

Mrs. Wm. Mayfield, who had been out in Klamath county for several months, returned to Ashland last week.

Mrs. John P. Walker, who had been out at the Dead Indian dairy ranch all summer and fall, returned home last Saturday.

Mrs. Max Fracht, wife of the Alaskan collector of customs, is expected to arrive on this morning's train, having come from Sitka to spend the winter in Ashland.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Jones, of Warner valley, have been visiting Ashland and other places in this valley during the past fortnight, and also the industrial fair at Portland. Their daughter, Mrs. Oscar Loftus, went to Portland with them.

Congressman Binger Hermann will leave Oregon for Washington early in November. He has been traveling throughout the state most of the time during the recess of Congress, informing himself of the needs and desires of his large constituency.

A grand banquet to Hon. Sol. Hirsch, the new U. S. Minister to Turkey, occurred at the rooms of the Concordia Club in Portland last Tuesday night, under the auspices of the board of trade of the city. Minister Hirsch will start for Turkey within a few days.

Dr. Robinson, one of the pioneer residents of this valley, who has been living down in California for a number of years, arrived at Central Point recently, and may remain there as a resident. His son, Maury Robinson, who has been in the fruit business for a number of years, was in Ashland yesterday looking up the prospects for business here in the future.

D. W. Anderson, of Lost River Gap, Klamath county, was visiting old friends in this valley this week. Mr. Anderson has surprised his neighbors out in Klamath county by showing them at his place this season one of the best vegetable gardens to be seen anywhere in the state of Oregon. He had abundance of the choicest vegetables of all kinds and has a large quantity of the best potatoes, for which he will receive a good price.

Our $1.00 kid gloves are now selling like hot cakes, at 75c. D. R. and E. V. Mills.

Examine our stock inet English walking jackets. D. R. and E. V. Mills.

Buy your flour and feed at the Ashland Mills, you can have it delivered in any part of town. Very cheap for cash. *

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

PERSONAL.

W. G. Tanner came over from Mott last Saturday.

Mrs. W. C. Myer returned home last Saturday from Linn county.

C. B. Watson was called to Dunsmuir on legal business Tuesday.

F. H. Page, the Portland fruit dealer, was in Ashland last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. McCall visited Portland and attended the fair last week.

Mrs. J. D. Fountain returned to Ashland from Klamath county last week.

Capt. A. D. Helman was among the Ashland visitors at the Portland fair this week.

Mrs. H. K. Hanna, of Jacksonville returned home from San Francisco last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Carter have been at Portland all the week, and are expected home to-day.

Judge J. R. Neil and wife, and their son George, are visiting relatives in Ashland precinct this week.

Mrs. Wm. McConnell, of Yreka, returned home Wednesday, after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Giles Wells.

Rev. F. K. Van Tassel is at McMinnville this week, attending the annual state convention of the Baptist Church.

A. O. Eckelson, formerly chief engineer of the Oregon Pacific R. R., was on Saturday evening's train, going northward.

N. Monserat, president of the Cleveland, Akron & Columbus R. R., went through Ashland in his private car Wednesday.

R. A. Bowman returned this week from Grant's Pass, having disposed of his painting business in that place to M. R. Moore.

Levi M. Eagon, who has been in Portland and other places in the Willamette for the past month, returned home Wednesday.

Mrs. S. Phillips started for Sprague River this week with her two sons, the Finley brothers, to spend the winter on their ranch.

E. J. Kaiser, of the *Record*, is expected home next Sunday from his northern trip, which he extended as far as Vancouver, B. C.

Lieut. Jas. A. Swift, in charge of the military telegraph service and signal service office here, is ordered east, upon the disposal of the line by the government.

Mr. G. M. Granger, wife and child, arrived from Tacoma Wednesday morning, to remain in Ashland through the winter. Mrs. Granger is a daughter of Mrs. M. H. Vining.

Sheriff Birdsey has been in this part of the valley on official business—and in almost every other part of the valley within the past two weeks—his business has kept him traveling almost constantly during that time.

W. H. Barr, of Medford, went over to Sisson Wednesday. Mrs. Barr's father and mother—Mr. and Mrs. M. Dougherty of Illinois, were on the same train, going home after a week's visit with the family at Medford.

Among the Klamath county people who have been in Ashland after supplies during the past week are Messrs. Full and Owens and Mrs. McKendrie, of Sprague river; Mr. and Mrs. A. Bonton and Mrs. Ingalls, of Naylox.

J. P. Woodson and family moved last week from their ranch in Poe valley, Cal., to a place near Montague, Cal. Miss Phebe Woodson, who has been visiting relatives in Ashland for some time, left Tuesday for Montague.

Oscar Loftus, whose misfortune in the burning of his fine team, wagon and load of supplies at Lakeview was reported last week, rigged up another team immediately and returned to Ashland after another load of winter supplies.

M. N. Long went down to Portland Sunday, to see the fair in its last days. His niece, Miss Mulkey, who has been visiting his family in Ashland for a number of months, went with him to Portland, on her way home to Grant county.

Hermann Scherrer came over from Dunsmuir Saturday, to take some of his household effects to that place. His family will remain there through the winter, with the exception of his eldest daughter, Miss Helena, who is attending the normal school.

Rev. F. G. Strange, who has been absent for the past three weeks, attending the Presbytery and Synod, and visiting his brothers in La Grande, reached home yesterday morning, and will occupy the pulpit of the Presbyterian church next Sunday, morning and evening.

Mrs. Paul and little daughter, of Sitka, Alaska, arrived in Ashland last week, for a visit of some length with Mrs. M. A. Saxman. Mrs. Paul is the mother of the sturdy little adopted son of Mrs. Saxman, the father of whom—a native Alaskan missionary and teacher—was drowned with Mr. Saxman some years ago.

Hon. Benjamin F. Harding, ex-U. S. Senator, who is now a resident of Linn county, came out to Ashland this week, to spend some time in Southern Oregon, and is a guest at the Ashland House. Mr. Harding was elected to the Senate from Oregon to fill the unexpired term of Senator E. D. Baker, upon the latter's tragic death at Ball's Bluff.

Mr. B. P. Watson, younger brother of C. B. Watson, came out from Portland last Saturday for a week's visit in Ashland. Mr. Watson lived in Ashland with the family for some time about twelve years ago. For a number of years past he has been engaged in various departments of the newspaper business in Portland, and at present is manager of the *Sunday Mercury*.

Last Tuesday was the 10th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Loomis, and their friends and neighbors, to the number of twenty or more, gave them a pleasant surprise party at their residence in "Towatown." A bountiful supply of choice refreshments was produced by the self-invited guests, and an elegant supper was one of the prominent features of the pleasant occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thompson, of San Diego, were in Ashland this week, on their return home from the north. Mr. Thompson visited Portland, Astoria, Tacoma and Seattle, and says the Sound cities have a worse case of the boom than San Diego had. He considers the Rogue River Valley the best part of the whole country he saw north of the California line, and says that when the people begin to hunt for homes where they can make a good living, and at the same time enjoy the advantages of a pleasant climate, we will see them coming southward from the Sound.

Two of Jacksonville's well and favorably known young people joined their fortunes in matrimony this week. Mr. Henry Pape, Jr., who is now the enterprising editor and publisher of the *Benton Leader*, of Corvallis, and Miss Maggie Shipley, of Jacksonville, were married at the residence of the officiating minister, Rev. M. A. Williams, at Medford last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Pape begin married life at their home in Corvallis with bright prospects, which their many friends in Jackson county hope to see fully realized as the years go by.

Congressman Binger Hermann's eldest daughter was married at Roseburg last Sunday to Dr. K. L. Miller, of that place. The match was objected to by the young lady's father, chiefly, it is stated, because he had determined upon a course of education for her in the East. Sunday night Dr. Miller asked Mr. Hermann for his daughter's hand. Mr. Hermann refused, and the young lady left home and the next morning the marriage took place. When Congressman Hermann heard of it he did not become wrathy as some papas do, but kindly offered to tender the young couple a reception, and is reported to have said that had he known that the young people were so deeply in love he would not have denied his consent.

AN UGLY DISCOVERY.

A Report That Should Be Read.

"A recent analysis in Philadelphia by a celebrated chemist of ten popular brands of sarsaparilla discloses the astonishing fact that these ten samples of blood purifiers (?) contained in the aggregate sixteen different minerals, eleven of which were active poisons. Iodide of potash was discovered in every sample, mercury was found in all but two, while arsenic existed in six of the ten brands. Not one brand was the pure article."

A reporter took the above clipping to E. W. Joy, the manufacturer of Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla. Mr. Joy exhibited no surprise. He said druggists know it. He said he long ago saw the crying need for a safe and absolutely pure vegetable preparation of Sarsaparilla, hence his was named Joy's *vegetable* sarsaparilla, because it contained nothing but pure syrup of sarsaparilla, combined with the pure juices of California's vegetable alteratives. Unlike swash sarsaparillas, it does not force impurities through the skin but eliminates the various specific organs, thereby correcting functional derangements and eliminating all impurities through the natural channels.—*San Francisco Examiner.*

MARRIED.

LASH—REMME—At residence of the bride's mother in Yreka, Oct. 20th, 1889, by Rev. T. S. Wallis, Mr. Levi A. Lash to Miss Katie E. Remme.

WALKER—BAR—At the residence of the bride's parents in Dunsmuir, by W. W. Shattuck, J. P., Mr. W. S. Walker, of Mott, to Miss Minnie Bar, of Dunsmuir.

PAPE—SHIPLEY—At the residence of the officiating minister, near Medford, by Rev. M. A. Williams, Mr. Henry