ASHLAND TIDINGS.

Friday .....August 29, 1890

Settle up and Pay up!

Those knowing themselves indebted to the undersigned will save costs by complying with this notice.

J. M. McCALL. *

Mrs. Maggie Crisman.

Information is wanted of Mrs. Maggie Crisman formerly of Ashland, Oregon, but now somewhere in Kansas or Nebraska. The whereabouts of her little boy Ralph, will be furnished as soon as her address is known. Exchanges please copy.

A. A. HAGO, Portland, Or.

Eastern Star Meeting.

The first regular meeting of Alpha Chapter No. 1, O. E. S., after the summer interim will be held next Tuesday evening, Sept. 2d.

All members of the chapter are earnestly requested to attend.

JOSEPHINE D. CROCKER, W. M.

Supplies for Klamath Agency.

Gen. E. L. Applegate, Indian Agent, at Klamath Agency, advertises for proposals for the contract to furnish and delivee at the agency 64,300 lbs. net beef, 690,30 lbs. of flour and 20,000 lbs. of oats, for which the bids will be opened Sept. 15th next, at 2 o'clock p. m. Particulars may be had upon application to him.

Religious.

Regular services by the pastor at Ashland M. E. Church next Sunday at 11 A. M., and preaching by Rev. T. P. Boyd, of Cottage Grove, in the evening.

Services at the Presbyterian Church next Sabbath both morning and evening. Subjects: "The Royal Road to Greatness" and "Bad for Prohibition."

Pioneer Reunion.

The 14th annual re-union of Southern Oregon Pioneers, will be held in Jacksonville two weeks from this Thursday, on Sept. 11th, 1890. Extensive preparations are going forward to make the occasion particularly pleasant to the old pioneers. Hon. Henry Klippel is marshal of the day, Rev. M. A. Williams, chaplain and Fletcher Linn will deliver the annual address. The dinner committee is composed of most of the pioneer ladies of the county, who will no doubt sustain admirably the splendid reputation already achieved at pioneer dinners.

The Picture of Ashland.

A comparison of the sketch of Ashland just made by the artist, Mr. E. Moore, with the lithograph of the town as it was seven or eight years ago, shows a wonderful improvement in the period that has intervened between the two sketches. The new sketch will make a handsome litograph, and it may be made a most valuable advertisement for the town. Mr. Chitter is now making a canvass for subscriptions for copies of the picture, and it is to be hoped a large number of orders will be given. Every picture sent abroad with the proper amount of reading matter will be a good advertisement for the town and valley.

Land Sale in Klamath.

Ban Crawford, who went out to Klamath county from this valley some years ago, and bought and improved a tract of land on Tule lake, has just sold out, and will move to Colusa county, Cal. He sold his ranch of 996 acres, two hundred head of cattle and horses, farming implements, etc., and 6.5/9 of the 4500 shares in the Little Klamath Lake irrigating canal, for $29,000. The purchaser is Charles Merrill, of Willows, Cal.

Mr. Crawford and wife were on Tuesday evening's train, bound for Portland, and after a short stay there they will return southward to Colusa county, Cal.

Charged with Cutting Government Timber.

George N. Buntz, of Wagner Creek, was taken to Portland last week by deputy U. S. Marshal A. T. Kyle, upon warrant charging him with cutting timber upon government land, to get wood which he is selling to the railroad company, upon a contract to deliver it at Talent. Three other Wagner Creek men—Jack McCoy, W. H. Barlow and G. H. Lynch,—were subpoenaed as witnesses and accompanied the marshal to Portland. Where is the rest of it?

Buntz was arraigned in U. S. circuit court Tuesday, and entered a plea of guilty and was fined $100. Mr. Buntz claimed that he was only technically guilty of the offense but thought the easiest way out of the scrape was the best.

A Suggestive Name.

H. S. Lyman told an *Oregonian* reporter, who wrote it for last Sunday's issue of that paper, that the mercury was up to 104 in the shade at Ashland last week while Mr. Lyman was here. Mr. Lyman has a very poor foundation for such a yarn, for the records of the state weather bureau station here show that the highest point recorded by the self registering thermometer during the whole of last week was 85 degrees—nineteen degrees lower than reported by Mr. Lyman. The hottest weather of the month occurred Wednesday of this week, when the thermometer recorded 94. Mr. Lyman is said to be collecting data for a historical work. If his records of past events are not more accurate than his report of Ashland weather they won't be worth much as history.

Fruit Growers' Meeting.

The third annual exhibit of the Southern Oregon Fruit Growers' Association will take place at the Fair grounds near Central Point, Jackson county, on Monday, September 22d. The District Fair Association has kindly thrown open all the gates to the grounds on this day, and no admission fee will be charged either to the main grounds or to the race course. An interesting program will be prepared for this occasion, and a large attendance of fruit growers is expected from all parts of the state. The annual election of officers of the Fruit Growers' will take place at 10 o'clock a. m., all members of the association are requested to be present. Everyone attending is expected to bring something for exhibition—this exhibit to be taken to the North Pacific Industrial Fair at Portland.

ROBERT A. MILLER, Pres.

Taking Mining Statistics.

Wm. Huntley Hampton, the Portland assayer and mining engineer, was appointed special agent of the census bureau to collect statistics of mines and mining in Oregon and Washington. He had until the first of September to cover the field, and has been attending to most of the work in person, but finding that his time would run out before he could complete it he has been obliged to put assistants at work. He came out to Ashland last Friday, and secured the services of C. C. Walker to collect the statitics for Jackson county, and Mr. Walker began his labor last Monday, expecting to visit all the mines in operation in the county by the 1st of next month. The facts to be ascertained are the estimated value of the mines, amount of money expended in developing them and the annual production of metals, together with the annual cost of operation, etc. A gentleman from California is taking the data in Josephine county.

Mr. Hampton reports the counties as most prominent in mining in Oregon at this time to be Union, Baker, Jackson and Josephine. Union yielded the largest amount of gold last year.

School Books.

We wish to announce that we have this fall again laid in a complete line of school books and school supplies and will keep every thing in stock needed in this line during the school term. We have also gone through the entire stock and marked them down to the lowest possible figures that they can be sold for. So there can be no complaint as to prices, but we will sell strictly for cash and no other way. D. L. MINKLER & SON.

BREVITIES.

Maude Granger at the opera house Saturday night.

Circuit court convenes at Jacksonville next Monday.

"Dode" Baker, youngest son of State Printer Frank C. Baker, and son of the editor of the *Rural Spirit*, died this week in Portland, of consumption; aged 23 years.

Inherited, in which Maude Granger will be seen at the opera house Saturday night, was originally produced in Paris a year ago under the title of "L'Heritage d'Helene."

Mr. Crowell has discontinued the practice of the law at Ashland, for the present but persons having business with him can see Mr. Crowell either at his residence or at The Oregon.

The work of repairing the stone walls of the county bridges at the Tolman and Songer places is in progress, and a new stone culvert is being put in between Songer's and Kingsbury's.

A rumor of some trouble between cattle men in Klamath county resulting from the Goodlow homicide was afloat this week, but could not be traced to any substantial foundation upon inquiry at Linkville.

The robbers of the Linkville stage near Lakeview about two weeks ago had not been apprended at last report. They got nothing out of the express box but $2.50 and some drafts and checks which were of no use to them.

Mrs. T. Stanley favored the TIDINGS office this week with some of the finest and best flavored Crawford peaches ever seen here. They are from a very choice tree, from which large numbers of young trees have been budded.

Will Nutley has been breaking a number of fine colts for different parties up at the Nutley ranch in the mountains. One of them is a three-year-old belonging to Paris Hamilton, a lively and promising colt of running stock, that Paris intends to try on the track this year or next.

R. Cox has threshed over 30,000 bushels of wheat in twenty days, and last week he made the astonishing good time of moving his machine thirteen times and threshing out 2,000 bushels of wheat.—[Medford Mail

The TIDINGS is under obligations to the secretaries of the Oregon State Fair, the North Pacific Industrial Fair and the Southern Oregon District Fair for complimentary tickets, for all of which due thanks are rendered.

Mrs. Wm. Patterson has been troubled recently by a terigium that had been rapidly growing over one of her eyes, and went down to Medford last week to consult Dr. Geary. This is one of the eye troubles which an oculist usually has but little trnoble in remedying.

Two men and two ladies who have been giving patent medicine concerts at the towns in California, stopped in Ashland last week, but didn't like the Oregon laws regarding license for selling patent medicines, and therefore did not open business here.

A little baby of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kesterson, who recently came here from Montesano, Wash., died last Friday, and was buried the following day. The little one, who was about six months old, had been seriously ill for some time before the family left Washington.

The owner of that orchard up Granite street warns the man who has been doing the picking at night that he had better quit the job, as the watchman might possibly be startled into letting drive with his shot-gun, if he should be wakened suddenly out of a catnap.

J. M. Casebeer, who has a small band of fine grade Merino sheep at his farm north of Ashland, received by express from L. B. Geer, of Baker City, this week, a fine yearling Spanish Merino buck, which he considers one of the best ever brought into the county.

In the engagement of Maude Granger, our theater goers will have an opportunity of seeing precisely such a performance as might be seen on the stages of any of the leading theaters of New York city. A strong feature will be the powerful supporting company she will bring with her.

An excursion from Ashland to Colestin was arranged for Wednesday by Rev. Geo. J. Webster, of the Congregational Church, and more than a hundred people went over. An extra car was attached to the regular train, and brought back by the regular train in the evening.

Farmers in many parts of the county complain that the dagger cockle burr is increasing at a rapid rate in the public highways, and that it is impossible for them to keep it out of their fields while the road supervisors neglect the duty imposed upon them by the law relating to the matter.

C. W. Logan returned last Sunday from his trip to Crescent City, bringing with him a large number of negatives from which pictures will be printed in his gallery. Many of them are portraits, but he has some fine landscape and marine views that will be ready for inspection soon.

With Miss Granger's company is sweet little Baby Parker, the famous child actress who created such a furoe in New York last winter. Little Miss Parker is but five years old, but commands a salary of $40 a week and the expenses of herself and maid. She is the only support of a widowed mother living in New York city.

Noticing the report from the Klamath *Star* that somebody in Klamath county had harvested 900 bushels of grain from 30 acres, George Anderson stated the other day that his father had just threshed 800 bushels of oats from a piece of ground a little less than nine acres in size, at his farm near Talent. This is something worth reporting.

A little four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. —. —. Jarvis, who live on Neil creek south of Ashland, ran the point of one blade of a pair of scissors into her eye one day last week, narrowly missing the pupil. Dr. Hall was called in, and prescribed treatment. It was feared for a time that the injury would destroy the sight.

A Spikenard correspondent of the *Mail* writes as follows: "The excitement of the day is the alleged find of a silver bearing ledge on upper Evans creek. The rock is said to go $90 per ton in silver and $2 in gold. The rock looks well, being a rotten white or gray quartz. Flakes of metal can be readily seen with the naked eye. Everybody nearly are staking claims."

Wm. Gee, who has been opening a coal mine on the ridge between Sam's Valley and the Meadows, is expecting parties from a distance to inspect the mine soon, with a view to purchasing. He has run a tunnel about fifty feet into the hill. The vein is ten feet thick, about one-half of it being of a fine quality of coal—of such quality that good judges who have examined samples of it say they could not tell it from Cumberland coal.

$7.45 buys a sack of dry granulated sugar at the Red House, and $1 will buy any one of the following articles: 13 lbs. dry granulated sugar, 14 lbs. extra C. sugar, 18 lbs. best rolled oats, 12 lbs. best island rice, 5 lbs. best Costa Rico coffee, 20 lbs. best navy beans, 7 quart cans tomatoes. Mason fruit jars. Ask your grocer how he sells these goods.

GEORGE ENGLE, Propr.

Great Chance for Fine Tailoring.

Mr. S. L. Horowitz, who has had over 25 years' experience in fine tailoring, and is one of the best cutters on the coast, has opened a fine assortment of tweeds, worsted, diagonals and cassimeres at the store in Odd Fellows block opposite the Ashland House, and is prepared to make gent's clothing to order in the best style, and complete satisfaction in fit, at the lowest prices. Call and see goods and learn prices. Will be here for a short time only, unless business should warrant a permanent location.

Ashland, Or., Aug. 28, 1890.

HERE AND THERE.

Scarlet fever and diphtheria both are reported in Linn County.

Lebanon, Linn county, is having a building boom. Forty carpenters are now at work there.

We understand that a number of Del Norters will take in the fair at Central Point, Jackson county, Or.—Record.

The pioneers of Polk county will go into camp at Multnomah, September 11 and 12, and hold their first annual reunion.

An exchange reports: "For the first time in twenty years cattle in Eastern Oregon and Washington are dying with murrain. The disease is confined principally to yearlings, and is supposed to have been caused by stock getting too much dry feed without salt."

The people of Heppner have voted to bond the town for $5000, in order to continue sinking the experimental artesian well. The drill is now in very hard blue rock, and has reached a depth of over 600 feet, with indications that are considered good.

The bear market in San Francisco has taken an upward tendency on account of the Native Son's celebration. Six-weeks-old bear cubs are quoted at from $75 to $100. The figures are not likely, however, to last long enough to pay for anybody fitting out extensively in the bear catching business.

Says the Oregon City *Courier*: The net income of the Willamette Falls Electric Company is $5,000 a month. When the four new wheels at the power house are running, and facilities have been perfected for supplying power in quantities to suit to printing offices and other workshops in Portland, the net income of the company will be doubled.

The TIDINGS has received a copy of *The Headlight*, published every month in Portland, Oregon, for the traveling public. It is published in the size of a vest-pocket pamphlet, and contains full information of the arrival and departure of trains, steamboats, programmes of theaters, and much other useful information. It is sold at the low price of 10 cents, and issued monthly.

Mr. Hermann has made application to the department that Grant's Pass, in Josephine county, be made a presidential office, and that N. P. Dodge, the present incumbent, be reappointed under presidential commission. The office has earned over $250 for each of the past four months. The money order, postal note and registry business is also large and increasing.

Says the Crescent City *Record* of last week: A bone shark, said to have been 40 feet long, was seen up the coast on Thursday by the divers and crew who are locating the wreck of the Brother Jonathan. The shark followed their boat for about two hundred yards. One of the crew who has been in the southern latitudes says that the shark was the largest one of that species he had ever seen.

East Oregonian: The Umatilla Indian land commissioners armed themselves Monday with a wagon, team, driver, cook, and all needful supplies, and left about dusk for the Agency, accompanied by a surveyor, Mr. Kimball, of North Power. This morning the party departed for Meacham, which they will make their headquarters for a time during the process of appraising timber land. The commissioners have no idea of the time required to complete the work.

Grants' Pass *Courier*: There are something over one hundred men in Josephine county, Oregon, who draw pensions. Their monthly rates range from $36 to $4. In all, there are over $10,000 of Uncle Sam's surplus distributed among the people annually. Were this inflow of money to suddenly stop, many of those who are grumbling about paying so much money for pensions would raise a fiercer growl at the scarcity of money. $10,000 a year is no great insult.

The boundary line between Yamhill county and Polk has long been in dispute. A few years ago, when the old Indian was murdered at Grand Ronde, it was a question as to which county should bear the expense of prosecuting the murderer. The commissioners of the two counties have held a conference, and the line is to be surveyed, and monuments erected every two miles and at the principal crossings. The monuments are to be of cast iron, with the name of the county on either side.

A private dispatch received at Corvallis last Saturday states that the bill increasing the amount for the agricultural college of each state from fifteen to thirty thousand dollars per annum, and one thousand dollars each year until the amount shall be forty thousand, passed the house on the 20th, having previously passed the senate. The college will thus have about forty-eight thousand dollars for this year's expenditure. The sum expended by the students will make the total amount expended there as the direct result of the establishment of the college at least seventy-five thousand dollars a year.

The widow of J. C. Catching, of Canyonville, has instituted suit against L. Puckett for the sum of $10,000 damages. Catching was killed by Puckett a year ago, the latter immediately leaving the country, and so far has succeeding in evading the officers of the law. The Roseburg *Review* says he has some valuable property in Canyonville consisting of a flouring mill and land, hence this civil suit. Puckett is in Harlan county, Kentucky, and if anybody wants him badly they can have him. That county's a tough one to take a tough man in, and the man that captures him alive will be mighty clever.

Says the Portland *Welcome*: In view of the fact that so many Oregon farmers have of late been "done up" by sharpers it is with more than ordinary pleasure that the Welcome prints this refreshing exception to the general rule from the Stayton *Sun* of the 21st inst.: We learn that an attempt was made not long since by two sharpers to bunko Charles Miller, the World's Fair Commissioner, living near Jefferson. As the story goes a fellow called at Mr. Miller's, who pretended to have recently been in the banking business East, and while talking about a business location another man appeared with similar circumstances to relate. Mr. Miller told them to rest easy, that dinner would be ready soon and to stop and be seated. Mr. Miller dropped down on a lounge and was soon snoring at a 2:40 gait. Soon the two sharpers were whispering to one another. The World's Fair Commissioner didn't snore with one eye open, but one ear appeared to be leeward; enough was heard to satisfy the old farmer, and he promptly got up and told the bunko men to "git" and they "got."

Says the Henley correspondent of the Yreka *Journal*: "Harry Pendergrast, in sinking a well at Klamath City, at a depth of sixty feet, dug into blue gravel pitching to the west, and it looks tip top. This is the first indication of the east rim, south of Soda Bar, and gives the channel a width of about one mile. The prospects continue to improve in the Black Jack. Jillson & Co. have commenced building new flumes and will work three under currents next winter. Capt. Wilburn's prospect, on the south side of Klamath, made a very decided improvement this week. He has cut through the rim, found bedrock pitching, and a good prospect on it, with gold all through the gravel." Frank Niles, Harry Pendergrast, Joseph Poirera, Elmer L. Niles, Joseph McVey and John M. Hacker have located a claim, which they call the "Pride of California."

Go to our store, east side of Plaza for paints, oils, varnishes, brushes, artists' materials, and wall and building papers. Estimates made on painting, paper hanging, interior decorations, etc.

EVANS & BRUNK, Ashland, Or.

Don't buy that new dress until you have seen those Broadhead goods just unpacked at Hunsakers. *

PERSONAL.

H. E. Spencer, of Klamath county, is in town this week.

Wm. Patterson and wife went over to Colestin yesterday.

Rufus Cole, of Cole's, Cal., was in town a day or two this week.

Mr. H. F. Deardoff, of Dead Indian, was in the valley last Saturday.

Sheriff Birdsey came up the valley Monday on official business.

E. B. Hunsacker, has been over in Siskiyou county during the past week.

Geo. Markle and party returned Wednesday from their crater lake trip.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Atkinson are up at Wagner's Soda Springs this week.

Miss Helen Strang, of Medford, returned home last week from Walla Walla.

Chas. Kahn came out from Portland again Tuesday on cattle business.

G. A. Hubbell, of San Francisco, is visiting old friends at Jacksonville.

Rev. James Hummer, of Ashland precinct has just been granted a pension.

Messrs. Norris, Wagner, Hicks and Minkler returned yesterday from Klamath lake.

T. A. Harris, H. H. Wolters and Wm Ulrich, of Medford, were in town Wednesday.

Richard Beswick went over to Shovel creek springs yesterday, to remain a week or so.

Hon. C. B. Watson has been quite sick this week but is able to be about a part of the time.

M. R. Moore came up from Grant's Pass last week, to recruit his health, having been run down by too steady application to hard work.

N. A. Jacobs will teach the public school in the Prairie distrjct the coming term and will board at his father's place east of Medford.

Mrs. J. M. Hill, of Eugene, has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. I. Vawter of Medford.

Mrs. Ban. Crawford, of Tule Lake, Klamath county, returned home from Portland last week.

Mrs. Dr. Geary and children, of Medford, are visiting the lady's mother, Mrs. McConnack, at Eugene.

Mrs. A. Lamb and children, now residents of Phoenix, have been visiting friends in Ashland this week.

Mrs. Jack Frizell and little son came over from Montague last Saturday for a visit with relatives in Ashland.

Miss Minnie Preadmore left yesterday for Klamath county, to teach out there during the coming school year.

David Loring, of the legal department of O. & C. R. R., of Portland, was in Ashland Tuesday, accompanied by his wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowers, of Tacoma, are spending a few days in Ashland, and Mr. Granger is showing them about the country.

George Vaupel started for Sisson's last Monday, intending to spend several days at that place and other towns down in California.

Mrs. Garver and Miss Allie Klippel left Medford last week for Los Angeles, for a visit of several months in the city of the angels.

Rev. A. M. Russell and his daughter Annie, leave to-day for Willows, Cal. Mrs. Russell will remain here for a month or more yet.

Mrs. W. Farra, of Linkville, who has been visiting her sister, Mr. E. E. Loftus, in Ashland for some time, returned home last Friday.

T. A. Haris, of the Grand Cen. Hotel, Medford, who has been sick for a week or more past, went over to Colestin yesterday, to stay a week or more.

Mr. Wm. Haskins, of Wallace, Idaho, the mining town recently destroyed by fire, was in Ashland last Sunday, visiting the family of Mr. James Chisholm.

Ed. Herrin is again at his post of duty at the reduction works at Forbestown, Cal., having left Ashland last week for that place, after a pleasant visit here of several weeks.

Benj. Welch, master car builder of the S. P. R. R., who has been in poor health for some time, came up over the road to Ashland this week, in company with T. A. Davis, supt. of bridges.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Butler, who have been out of town during nearly the whole summer, being at the stock ranch up at the Cove most of the time, returned to their home in Ashland this week.

Dr. O. C. Harran and wife, of Beatrice, Nebraska, arrived a few days ago, and will make their home in Ashland for several months, if not permanently. Dr. Harran is a brother of Mrs. S. C. Palmer, of this place.

F. H. Page, the Portland fruit and commission merchant, was in Ashland Wednesday, taking a brief inspection of affairs at his fruit packing house here, which is well managed by J. W. Hockersmith.

Revs. Robert Ennis, of Jacksonville, and M. Lott, of Linkville, both of the Presbyterian church, were visiting Rev. F. C. Strange in Ashland this week. Mr. Lott has been spending several weeks in this valley.

Ex-Postmaster Farlow and family started Monday evening for Yaquina bay, to spend a couple of weeks at the sea shore. The family of Chas. Miller went to Albany by the same train, for a visit with Mrs. Miller's parents.

Prof. La Dru Royal, of Portland, and Miss Lizzie A. Deadrick, of Chicago, were married at the residence of the bride's sister in Chicago, August 14th. Prof. Royal and bride will reside in Portland, after a tour through the Atlantic states.

Mr. T. E. Godfrey reached home last Thursday evening from Oakland, Cal., whither he had gone with Ed. Morse from Shovel creek. Ed. is still in a critical condition, and at best will be a long time before he can regain his strength.

S. C. Beach, of the Lakeview "Examiner," with his wife and mother, were in Ashland last Friday and Saturday, returning home from the trip to Portland. Mr. Beach was elected one of the vice presidents of the Oregon Press Association at its recent meeting.

Benj. Davis, of Stanislaus county, Cal., an old acquaintance of J. B. R. Hutchings, of this place, arrived in Ashland this week, and is looking about the valley with an idea of locating. Three nephews of Mr. Hutchings from the same neighborhood will be up soon with the same purpose.

Mrs. C. W. Root started last Friday morning for Fairhaven, Wash., Mr. Root being engaged now among the civil engineering corps of the Great Northern R. R. During the summer Mr. Root has been in charge of a party making preliminary surveys in the mountains east of the sound.

Mr. J. L. Kline, of this place and Mrs. Laura A. Freeland, of Lake mills, Wis., were married at that place recently, and on Friday morning last Mr. and Mrs. Kline and the lady's two sons, arrived in Ashland to make their home here. Mr. Kline will finish his uncompleted house on Granite street.

W. J. Stanley and family, who have been spending a few weeks in the mountains up near the head of Evans creek, returned to Ashland this week. Miss Winnie has finished the term of school which she was teaching in Pleasant creek district, and Mr. Stanley begins another term of the Wimer school next Monday.

Three of the new teachers for the Ashland schools arrived this week. Misses Janet Fobes and Allie Bonine, of Columbia, Pa., arrived Sunday, and Miss Bonine started next morning for Pasadena, where she will teach this year. Misses Mollie McKinley and Hattie Coburn, from West Salem, Wisconsin, arrived Monday morning.

Among the Ashland people who went down to Grant's Pass during the M. E. conference session were Rev. C. H. Lewis and wife, W. C. Myer, Mrs. Billings and Jackson, Mrs. Jacob Wagner, Mrs. James Thornton, Mrs. Fitch, Mrs. Denney, Prof. Getz and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. D. Walrad; Mrs. Huldah Colver and Mrs. S. C. Taylor, of Phoenix, were there, also.

Hon. Frank Wetherald and wife, of Hebron, Nebraska, old friends of the family of Mr. F. Roper, spent last Saturday and Sunday in Ashland, on their way from Tacoma to San Francisco in a general tour of the Pacific coast. Mr. Wetherald, who is one of the Nebraska state senators, is a son of Mr. Roper's old partner in the milling business in Nebraska. He, also, is engaged in milling, as well as banking.

I. O. Miller and others who have been up the middle fork of Ashland creek fishing or hunting this summer, report that there has been a big freshet up the creek within a few months, from a cloud-burst or something of that sort. For a long distance the bedrock is washed bare, as if stripped by the most powerful hydraulic mining apparatus, and then further down the stream, the water seems to have spread out more and moved with less force. The opinion is that the washout occurred sometime in the spring or summer, but if it did it has shown the remarkable capacity of the stream to get rid of a large quantity of surplus water with very little disturbance, for there has not been noticed in Ashland any indication of a freshet up the creek during the summer. It is possible that the washout occurred during the February rains.

The Champion You Read About

Is the Davis "Buggy-Runabout." It knocks out the road cart in one round and is the cheapest first class four-wheeled vehicle in the world. Light weight, hung low, neat, strong and very handsome. It is durably painted, body black and running gear wine color. Steel axles, steel tire, sarven wheels, cushions and shafts. Just the thing for business or pleasure, and all other purposes where a comfortable as well as safe ride is desired. This vehicle removes all excuse for riding in a cart, that torturing and unsatisfactory apology, now that this acme of perfection, the "Buggy-Runabout" has made its appearance; and it is priced within the reach of everybody. I have a few of these buggies in stock, and will be glad to show them to anyone wishing a fine outfit for a low price. Call and see them.

G. C. EDDINGS, Hardware.

Those table cloths at one dollar are going at Hunsakers. *

FRUIT AND FRUIT SHIPMENTS.

There have been many tons of peaches shipped from Ashland by express and freight, and many carloads of fruit, apples alone and mixed carloads, consisting of peaches, plums, nectarines, pears, apples, etc., during the past three years, but the first carload of peaches alone that ever left the town was shipped by S. B. Galey last Monday, consigned to Tacoma. Another full carload of peaches was shipped the following day by Mr. Galey, it also to Puget Sound. Shipments in carload lots, either full carloads of peaches, or mixed carloads, will continue for some time yet, and there are large shipments by express every day.

Mr. S. U. Alffard, whose place is high on the hill on the east side of Bear creek northeast of town, brought the TIDINGS this week samples of some fine early Crawford peaches grown upon young trees in his orchard, in order to show what trees will do on that side of the creek, where a few years ago it was believed it was not worth while to plant orchards. The peaches are of good size and good flavor, and other young orchards, too, on that side of the creek have fine fruit upon their trees this year. Either side of the creek will grow fruit.

Talking about what can be done on a small patch of ground in this country, Mr. J. M. Hicks reports that he has a tomato patch of one-fourth of an acre on his place the production of which is worth noting. He has picked it over twice for market. The first time he picked 50 boxes, of 20 pounds each, and the second time (this week) he picked 165 boxes. How many more pickings he will have before the frost nips the vines he doesn't know, but thus far he has realized over $75 from his quarter of an acre of tomatoes. Tomatoes have been selling in Ashland this summer at from 1 to 2 cts. per lb. to export.

The later peaches are ripening handsomely and turning out a bigger yield than was anticipated by many, and the estimate of 15,000 boxes as the shipment from Ashland this year, made early in the season by a prominent dealer, as reported in the TIDINGS, will be fully realized. Two years from now a good season will see a hundred thousand boxes of peaches shipped from Ashland.

Southern Oregon District Fair.

In less than a month the Southern Oregon District Fair will be held at Central Point. The matter of exhibiting at the Fair must now be decided *pro et con*. Much has already been taken, but to give a grand exhibit of the various counties will require much more general effort. The coast counties, with their inexhaustible mines, magnificent timber, extensive fisheries and prodigal results of dairy and farm, can bring an exhibit that will be highly complimentary to those counties, and will also by that means, advertise to in-coming home seekers, one of the most delightful parts of the state.

The counties on this side of the Coast range, can add immeasurably to results already achieved in horticulture, agriculture and stock raising. The vast extent of country east of the Cascades, can also show splendid results of field and farm, and although comparatively new in grain and fruit, will hold in even balance every part of the district. Let the people then as a matter of local pride present each county at its best, in fair and loyal competition, and the result will be to awaken new interest, and inaugurate new enterprise in every part of the district; the southern and better part of the state will be thoroughly advertised, immigration invited, and generous rivalry animate every line of trade. 50 per cent. will be added to property valuation, and the demand of the times will be to break down mountain barriers, and cross lines of railroad will follow the tide of progress down to the Pacific ocean on the west, where ever-ready ships of commerce will scatter our magnificent stores through the islands of the sea, or join the endless net-work of railroads on the east, until the great heart of commerce thrills in unifying bond through the whole United States. This is no utopian dream, but one of the possible and probable results of a beginning that may and ought to be made at the coming District Fair.

A Notable Event.

The peerless Maud Granger, everywhere recognized as the greatest emotional actress of the American stage, is coming to Ashland. She will be seen at the opera house Saturday night, in her new powerful play "Inherited." It is only due to the enterprise of Mr. Gainard, that our citizens are given an opportunity of seeing this great actress. Hearing of her passing through, on her way to San Francisco, he wired her manager at Portland, where Miss Granger was playing, guaranteeing him a certain sum, if Miss Granger would stop off. Eugene, Red Bluff and several other towns between Portland and San Francisco were also trying to secure her, but Mr. Ganiard succeeded. Her engagement will prove an event that will long be remembered. She brings here the same powerful company that supported her in the large cities of the East and that will be seen in San Francisco. She will wear here the same magnificent costumes she had made in Paris, when she went over to see the first production of "Inherited" in that city. Seats are now on sale at McConnell & Eubank's. But a few will be left by Saturday, for orders are coming in from all over the country. The prices are 50 cts., 75 cts. and $1.00.

Drowned in Missouri.

Charles W. Stanfield, formerly of Ashland, a son of Dr. W. W. Stanfield, was drowned near Sedalia, Missouri, on July 11th, last. The Sedalia *Morning Bazoo* gives the following particulars of the accident:

"In company with a party consisting of Messrs. A. D. Logan, Otto Smith, W. J. Harbour, R. S. Carver, John McIntosh, John Reese and others, Stanfield went to Flat creek for the purpose of seining. While dragging a pool where the water was about seven feet deep, Stanfield, who was some twenty feet from the rest of the seiners, got beyond his depth and shouted for help. His companions say that they thought he was calling for fun and paid no attention to his cries for aid. To their dismay, however, Stanfield had disappeared from sight when they turned to look for him, when he called a second time. Efforts to bring his body to the surface were promptly made, but it was only after an hour's work that his lifeless remains were recovered."

Deceased will be remembered in Ashland as a resident here three years ago, an exceptionally fine bass singer who took part in public concerts. He had lived in Sedalia, Mo., for about one year. He leaves a wife and two children.

Capt. Ankeny.

Constant worry over riches will break down the strongest mind. There are few citizens of Oregon but who know Captain Ankeny, and they will all be pained to learn that he is now in the insane asylum at Salem, and his mind is almost totally gone. Captain Ankeny has been engaged in mining on Sterling creek, Jackson county, for several years, manfully endeavoring to repair his shattered fortunes, and has borne up bravely under a succession of disappointments. It is probable that work and worry have worn out the sturdy old gentleman and at last his mind has given way. He was one of the most public-spirited citizens of Portland and every one who knew him hoped that his mine would make him rich, and will regret to learn of his sad condition.—[Oregonian.

G. F. Billings reports the sale of the following: L. A. Sackett to Rev. J. T. Abbett, block of land, 2 acres in Woolen's addition to Ashland; con., $225. Mr. Abbett is a Methodist minister recently from Indiana, and has been assigned a charge in the Willamette valley. He intends to put out a peach orchard.

A fine fresh milch cow for sale at Eagle Mills. *

Fair at the Presbyterian church on the 2d, 3d and 4th of September.

ASHLAND STONE TO THE FRONT.

People who have known the value of a first-class building stone that works easily and yet has the qualities of resistance and endurance necessary in permanent work have always expected that the fine sandstone about Ashland would become an article of commerce, and in great demand. The stone has been tested in walls, buildings, monuments and fireplaces for many years, and its enduring qualities are well-whown here; its existence in large quantities was not doubted, but the long distance to the larger cities where the stone of this character is chiefly used, and the consequent high rates of transportation by rail, have made the profitable exportation of the stone seem problematical so far as the present or the near future is concerned. Now, however, we find that the stone is to be a part of the building material used in the finer structures of Portland, if not other cities on the coast. The credit for its introduction to the public abroad is due to C. W. Ayers, who used it in the construction of the fine new building of the Bank of Albany now approaching completion in that city. Recently Mr. Ayers concluded that the stone would bear shipment to Portland, and undertook the difficult task of introducing it, in the face of active competition with stone that can be laid down in that city at a considerably less cost of transportation. He began by aiming at a "ten strike", and he made it, having succeeded in obtaining the contract to furnish Ashland stone for the trimmings of the new city hall, a magnificent structure to cost half a million dollars. He satisfied the city authorities that this stone was the best that could be selected for the purpose, and at a meeting on Wednesday evening of last week the city council adopted the Ashland stone for the trimmings of the new building. Finding what he had accomplished, several moneyed men of the city wanted to join him in the enterprise, so the "Siskiyou Stone Company" was incorporated, composed of Dan Crowley, president; Mr. Rittenbergen, secretary and treasurer: C. W. Ayers general business manager; James Hall, superintendent, and E. D. Smith. The company has ample capital, and will no doubt soon be shipping large quantities of stone for building and other purposes.

Messrs. Ayers and Hall came out the first of the week to make arrangements for opening a quarry, and on Wednesday the lease of a tract of land of P. Dunn was consummated. The tract comprises about thirty acres on the upper Dunn place where the railroad crosses Neil creek, and the lessees have the privilege of purchasing at any time within four years for $5,000. There is abundance of the fine blue sandstone at this place, and the quarry will probably be opened at a point about 100 yards from the railroad track. Roadmaster Burckhalter and Mr. Ayers surveyed a location for a spur track at the nearest point to the quarry, and a tramway will be laid to run the stone to the spur.

Messrs. Ayers and Hall left for Portland last Wednesday evening, but will return next week with a force of men to begin operations. Their contract to supply stone for the city hall will require them to ship 80,000 cubic feet or more to portland, and it is to be cut and dressed at the quarry, so that a considerable force of men will be employed there at once. The machinery for the quarries—channelers, saws, etc., will be shipped soon, and for the present the engine now used by C. H. Veghte will be employed for the power.

In Monday's *Oregonian* was the following: Since the council decided that Ashland stone was to be used for the trimmings of the City Hall, many persons have examined the specimens on view in the office of the auditor and clerk and the stone has met with very general approbation, and it may be considered that the council, which forms the building committee, has made a good selection. The stone is a fine dark gray sandstone, very heavy, free from stratification, with great uniformity of texture. Its closeness and solidity prevent it from being affected by dampness or frost. It has been used at Ashland for the past twenty years with good satisfaction, and is claimed to be as enduring as granite and to stand fire as well as fire brick. The council examined a good many kinds of stone submitted, and experts say they used good judgment in their selection. As the stone is a product of this state, and a company of business men here have formed a corporation with $50,000 capital to operate the quarry, the use of this stone will be the means of retaining a considerable amount of money in the city and state. The company will put in a fine plant, with saws for cutting stones of any size, for the rock splits freely and blocks of any size can be taken out.

Fatal Shooting Accident.

A very sad and deplorable accident happened to William Randles, of Lake Creek, last Saturday afternoon. He had mounted his horse and taking his rifle along and gone to see Tom Nichols and to hunt some stock on the way.

While Mr. Nichols was taking a load of hay from the field to his barn, he heard a shot in a gully about 300 yards to his right and answered it by haloing. He received a reply to his haloo which was returned in such an ordinary tone of voice, being merely a "hoohoo," such as anyone not in distress would return, that Mr. Nichols, thinking nothing was wrong, went on to the barn and unloaded his hay. As he was returning to the field he again heard a summons, and some one cried out in a weak voice, "Oh! come here—I'm shot." Mr. Nichols immediately started for the wounded man, but not having located the cry could not find him. Indian "Joe," who was working in a hay field near by, also heard the man cry out and running over to where he believed the sound to come from, he found the trail of the horse, which he followed for a short distance when he came to blood stains and a few yards farther on he found a rifle. By hurrying over the blood-stained trail, he came upon the body of poor William Randles, leaning up against a pine tree and quite dead.

The poor man had been shot in the left knee, the ball striking the bone and ranging upwards had lodged on the inside of the leg near the thigh. After he had been shot he had crawled to a distance of 200 yards, and becoming so weak from the loss of blood, had leaned against the pine tree for support, and there had died.

It is supposed that he had been leading the horse down the rocky hill side and the rifle had slipped from his grasp and by coming in contact with the rocks had been discharged. After he had fallen, it is supposed that he had used the rifle to aid him along, which supposition accounts for the gun having been found after the blood stains.

The horse was found a short distance away with its foot through the bridle rein.

Mr. Randles was about 35 years of age and leaves a wife and five children to mourn his loss.

The funeral took place Sunday at Brownsboro, and was largely attended.—[Medford Mail.

Real Estate Transactions.

The following have been placed on the records of Jackson county since last report:

Rosalie and George Collins to Caroline E. Porter, lot 6, 7, 8 and 9, blk D, city of Ashland, also w½ of se¼ and s½ of ne¼, of sec. 20, and w½ of nw¼, of sec. 21, and s½, of se¼, of sec. 16. $300.

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