ASHLAND TIDINGS.

Friday,.....October 10, 1890.

Millinery and Dressmaking.

To the ladies of Ashland: I will be at the Ashland House, after October 8th, with a nice line of trimmed hats and bonnets; will also take orders for dresses. Will be pleased to have the ladies call and examine goods.

MRS. E. B. CHRISTIAN.

Bargains in Household Effects.

A lot of good household furniture, including bed room suits, two stoves, etc., will be sold at public auction at the Ashland plaza to-morrow (Saturday) afternoon at 2 o'clock, by E. K. Brightman. The furniture is that of the late W. H. Whightman.

A Special Agent of Huntington.

Wm. Mohl, of New York, a special agent of C. P. Huntington, sent out to look over the narrow gauge road property recently purchased in Oregon by Huntington, passed through Ashland yesterday. Manager Koehler of the O. & C. lines came out as far as Ashland with him.

Jacksonville-Medford Railroad.

A Jacksonville dispatch of Oct. 2d says: Crawford, Howell & Co., of Corvallis, have entered into a contract with the Medford and Jacksonville Railway company to build a railroad between Medford and Jacksonville. The contract was received at Medford this morning, duly signed by the contracting parties, and work will be commenced immediately. Jacksonville gives a bonus of $12,500, which is deposited in the bank of Beekman & Reames, and Medford gives $7500, which is deposited in the Medford bank. Steel rails have been ordered and grading begins without delay.

A Good Show.

There was a pleased and mystified audience at the Ganiard opera hou e on Monday and Tuesday evenings of this week, and many of the citizens who were there pronounce the Merrill-Abt-Abbott, Modern Miracle Combination one of the best shows that ever visited the town. It was remarked by many that this was one of the few companies who give the audience more than they advertise. The cleverness of the little prodigy, Master Eddie Abbott, was admired and praised by everyone, and the stereopticon part of the performance was a treat for the little folks such as they seldom have a chance to see. The imitation of spirit medium performances by Prof. Abt was good, and the cycling by Merrill was as skillful as his high reputation in the art demanded.

Silver Mine on Anderson Creek.

The prospecting work done by the Empire Mining Co., of San Francisco, at the Trombley mines on Anderson creek is reported to have developed a rich strike in silver rock. The report is that an eleven-foot vein has been struck which goes $30 to the ton in silver.

J. J. Owen, the principal man of the company, with two other San Francisco men, accompanied by Mrs. Owen and two other ladies, came up Saturday to visit the mine, and remained till Tuesday morning. They seemed much pleased with the prospects. The company has run one prospect tunnel 150 feet, and is at work upon another.

It is the general gossip in the neighborhood of the mine that the enterprise is directed by some mining expert in the "spirit world" through the mediumship of one of the ladies of the party there this week. Be that as it may, the belief is that they have struck a good silver-bearing ledge.

Accidents.

Geo. B. Landers of the Ashland Roller Mills met with an accident last Friday morning which caused much alarm for a time and narrowly missed being serious in its results. Mr. Landers was found lying unconscious upon the ground floor of the mill near the door, and it was some time before restoratives, applied under direction of Dr. Parson, revived him, and then he was bewildered and flighty and dizzy headed for a number of hours. It was learned that he had caught his hand in the bran elevator and the pinching of his fingers had made him sick and light-headed and in stepping backward he fell full length to the floor, the back of his head striking heavily. The blow upon the head was severe enough to leave bad effects from which he has not yetfully recovered, but is able to attend to business. For several days after the accident he experienced double vision, and could walk but little.

Fred Houck, who had one of the bones of his arm broken some time ago, had a fall from O. R. Myer's large bicycle last Monday evening, and broke the bone again. Dr. Parson reduced the fracture again.

The Ashland Stone.

The question of the use of the Ashland sandstone in the new city hall of Portland is settled in the affirmative. On the evening before the meeting of the council at which the report of the committee that decided the matter was made, the Evening *Telegram* had the following:

A member of the committee said to a *Telegram* reporter yesterday that a favorable report will be made upon Ashland stone. "We visited both the Ashland and the Tenino quarry, and found that the former puts out the better quality of stone. The contract so far as can be let to them at present will amount to about $4600. We shall bargain for stone enough to trim the basement story, and the ground work or heavy part will be built of St. Helen's black stone which is now being got out. The Ashland stone is better than the Tenino output, but that is not the only reason for selecting it.

"The fact is, at the next meeting of the legislature the city of Portland will ask the state to authorize an appropriation of about $400,000 to complete the city hall. The city under its charter, can assume but $200,000 indebtedness, except by legislative permission, and if we ignore Ashland stone we will lose all the support that will otherwise be given our bill by Southern Oregon representatives and state senators. Then, too, if we fail to patronize the home quarry, and the members of Southern Oregon got their back up, they could combine with Eastern Oregon and raise the duce on the election of a United States senator. Oh, but they have got the everlasting clinch on us this time!"

Mark Kerr Surveys Mt. St. Elias.

Mark Kerr, the genial young Baltimorean who made many friends in Ashland during his stay here several years ago while in charge of the U. S. topographic surveys in Southern Oregon, has been winning fame by explorations in Alaska. The San Francisco *Examiner* of the 6th has a two column account of his experiences in a partial ascension of Mt. St. Elias, which has been declared to be about 20,000 feet high, and the ascension of which is believed to be well nigh impassible. Mr. Kerr started last June under the auspices of the National Geographical Society to measure the base line at Yakutat bay, by which triangulation for an accurate survey of Mount St. Elias might be made. Kerr was accompanied by Professor Russell, of the United States geological survey, and six stalwart woodsmen from Seattle. Although Kerr failed in the attempt to reach the Summit of Mount St. Elias, owing to snow storms, the result of the expedition he summarizes as follows:

That Mount St. Elias is not 19,500 feet high as the latest government maps have it, but much lower, perhaps 5000 feet; that Mount St. Elias' crest lies within the American territory; the discovery of largest glacier in the world, which was named Lucia by Kerr. It moves fifteen feet a day and forms a natural pass over St. Elias range into the interior of Alaska; the discovery of a great range of mountains behind St. Elias range; also that between St. Elias and Lucia glacier there are several other peaks averaging 12,000 feet in height and covering far greater territory than does St. Elias.

The party had several thrilling adventures and Kerr had a narrow escape from freezing to death. He will go to Washington in a week or so.

SUBDUE THE FRUIT PESTS.

Maj. J. A. Varney, of The Dalles, state fruit inspector of Oregon, has been in Jackson county for a week or more past, and spent several days in Ashland, examining the orchards and their products. Maj. Varney is a practical horticulturist and well informed upon matters affecting the fruit interests of the state. He is a close and careful observer, and has been doing good work in his official position. From the time he started out in April to examine the trees in the Willamette valley, and convinced the orchardists that they were being sadly misled by Sam Clarke and others who were telling them that the winter had killed the codlin moth in Oregon, he has been traveling most of the time and making personal inspection of the orchards in the principal fruit growing sections of the state. This was his first official visit to Southern Oregon, and upon being pressed by the TIDINGS reporter with the rather invidious question: "Don't you think the Rogue River Valley has advantages over every other part of Oregon as a fruit growing section, considering the variety and perfection of fruits which can be raised here?" he was compelled to answer yes.

Mr. Varney finds that the pests common to apple, pear and peach orchards have now appeared in nearly every nook and corner of the state, and he admits that fruit growers will have to be vigilant and active to save the products of the orchard in marketable condition, but he is fully satisfied that with such attention and industry as is required in many other pursuits fruit growing will yield returns entirely satisfactory to the reasonable orchardist; and he believes the fruit industry of the state will rapidly expand into large proportions.

The apple trees of the Willamette and Southern Oregon are infested with the green aphis, wooly aphis, occasionally the borer, and, worst of all, the codlin moth. Intelligent and persevering attention will preserve the trees and a large proportion of the fruit from the destructive effects of all these pests. The codlin moth ruins the apple crop unless his work be stayed, but it is known beyond question that the spraying of the trees at proper intervals throughout the summer will save from 80 to 90 per cent of the crop. Mr. Varney tells of an instance that came under his observation at Eugene. A portion of a farm near the town had been sold to a new comer, and with it a part of an old apple orchard. The purchaser built a fence along the dividing line through the orchard and then trimmed up his trees and put them in good shape, and sprayed them during the summer with London purple solution, to kill the larvæ of the codlin moth. The old orchard on the other side of the fence was not sprayed. The new man sold his apple crop to Battin of Portland, who reports that scarcely a wormy apple could be found on any of the trees, while just over the fence, where the trees had not been sprayed, scarcely an apple could be found without a worm in it. Spraying the trees is proven beyond cavil to be effective against the codlin moth, and every apple orchard in Southern Oregon should be so treated.

For the green and wooly aphis, scale, etc., a strong caustic wash applied in winter is the remedy, as also a milder wash of the same nature which may be applied during the summer without injury to the foliage.

The worst pest in the state that the orchardists will have to deal with when once it has a start is the San Jose scale, which has already introduced itself in this valley, as frequently reported in the columns of the TIDINGS. It soon strangles the life out of a tree, and is so insidious and pernicious in its spread and so difficult to eradicate that the state board will be compelled to adopt the most stringent measures for public protection from its ravages. It attacks almost every kind of tree and shrub, being found upon all the varieties of fruit trees, upon grape vines, shade trees, lilac bushes, rose bushes, grass and flowers of various kinds in neighborhoods where it is permitted to increase without restraint. It is believed that a strong, caustic winter wash will kill this scale wherever it reaches it, but as the scale spreads all over the trunk, limbs, twigs and even the leaves of the tree, it will be seen that the pest is a very difficult thing to deal with. When it is found on the trees the only way to save them is to cut them back so that the wash may be easily applied to every part. Where this cannot be done to advantage, the trees should be dug out and burned, root and branch. Our people cannot be too much in earnest in their efforts to exterminate the San Jose scale. Its spread means destruction to the fruit interests of the country. Fruit from districts infested with the scale will have to be shut out of the markets in order to protect other portions of the state. Every tree brought from California or elsewhere where the scale is known to exist should be thoroughly disinfected, or, better still, should be burned as soon as received, or never brought at all.

The state board of horticulture will be doing an inestimable service to the state if it shall succeed in showing the people how the fruit pests may be overcome, and the people of the state will be doing simple justice to their own interests in giving the state board every possible aid and encouragement.

Hercules Baking Powder is the cheapest and the best—at the Red House. *

Southern Oregon Stock Protective Association.

MEDFORD, OR., Oct. 4, 1890.

The regular annual meeting of the Southern Oregon Stock Protective Association met at the rooms of David Miller, in this city, at the usual hour, President Joseph A. Crane presiding. Welborn Beeson appointed temporary secretary, in the absence of Wm. Holmes, secretary.

Minutes of previous meeting read and on motion accepted.

Report of Wm. M. Holmes, secretary and treasurer, read and on motion accepted; also an interesting communication read, offering some good suggestions.

On motion the president was instructed to investigate the charges made by the *Times* Publishing Company for advertising stray stock last winter, which was supposed to have been done free on account of the said Pub. Com. not having issued the brand books at the time agreed upon.

On motion Joseph A. Crane was nominated and unanimously elected president. Thomas Nichols, of Eagle Point, was nominated and unanimously elected vice president. Welborn Beeson was nominated and unanimously elected secretary for the ensuing year.

The secretary elect was authorized to collect and take possession of all moneys and property belonging to the association.

On motion the secretary was requested to furnish a copy of these minutes to all the papers published in Southern Oregon and Siskiyou county, California.

The president ordered a special meeting of the association for the purpose of transacting very important business in the interest of the association to be held in Medford, Jackson county, Oregon, on Saturday, Nov. 8, at 10 o'clock a. m. JOS. A. CRANE, President.

WELBORN BEESON, Secretary.

A few wagons out of a car load left and I will close them out at a bargain Call and see if you want one.

* G. C. EDDINGS.

The Oakes Swiss Bell Ringers.

The Oakes Swiss Bell Ringers and Comedy Sketch Club will give one of their popular entertainments at the Ganiard Opera House next Wednesday evening, Oct. 15th. As everybody knows, this company is one of the best on the road. It had a big house in Ashland last year.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Ashland, Oregon, P. O., Oct. 9, 1890.

Krekel, Mattie P. Reynolds, Geo. W.
Kime, Mary. Sanders, Starling.
King, Miss Hattie.

Persons calling for the same, please say "advertised." A. P. HAMMOND, P. M.

New lines of black velvet ribbons, silk ribbons, black dress and trimming silks at D. R. & E. V. Mills. *

BREVITIES.

Mather gloves take the cake. *

King of Soap $1.20 per box at the Red House. *

Ashland Butte had its first fall covering of snow Wednesday morning.

Usual monthly social of the Baptist church next Tuesday evening, Oct. 14.

The Ashland Mills sent a carload of flour to Grant's Pass this week.

Muscatine buckwheat flour at D. L. Minkler & Son's. 17 tf.

G. M. Grainger and family now occupy their new cottage on Granite street.

"The Peak Sisters" at the Congregational Church, Friday evening, Oct. 31st.

J. W. Hockersmith will butcher a large number of hogs this fall and winter, as usual.

Quail shooting is very poor in the valley this year—the long, snowy winter of last year having killed most of the quail.

Mr. Levi M. Eagon has recently finished fencing his three-acre lot in the western part of town with a woven wire picket fence.

"Prof. Gentry's Equine and Canine Paradox,"—dog, horse and variety show—went through town southward the other day.

W. H. Millard, an old pioneer of Oregon, and a printer, died at Cherry creek, Klamath county, of typhoid fever on Wednesday of last week.

Wm. Gee is still continuing the prospect work at his coal claim over near Sam's valley. Another extension of 150 feet of the tunnel is being run for him by Mr. Coy.

If you want apples call on Bish, the gardener, who will sell them to you at from 25cts to a dollar a bushel. Give him your order for winter supply. *

Charley Johnson shot a mink on the bank of Ashland creek back of the Johnson block Tuesday afternoon. The mink had killed fourteen of Mrs. Million's chickens before it met its fate.

The trains are nearly all overcrowded now as they pass through Ashland, and the long-distance passengers are frequently crowded out of the "tourist" coaches into the smoker.

John Bays went to San Francisco last Friday, to confer with the S. P. officials over the work in Cow creek canyon. More Chinamen have been coming up from the city to increase the working force of graders.

Riveted overalls 65c, at Hunsaker's.

Maj. J. A. Varney, state fruit inspector, is the Commander of the G. A. R., Department of Oregon. He attended a meeting of the Ashland post last Saturday and expected to meet the Medford post last evening.

W. H. Mowat, of the Postal Tel. Co., who returned from the north last week, was on a tour of inspection of the line, and went as far as Seattle. The Postal will take every precaution to guard against winter interruptions on its line.

Boy's knee pants and suits—just opened at Hunsaker's. *

The electric light company expects to start the new dynamos next week, and turn the current on the new incandescent lamps, upon the new circuit. Frank Esting, of Portland, representing the Edison Electric Co., is here to supervise the starting of the new machines.

Don't forget to go to Hunsaker's for your dress goods. *

The survey of the new five mile tunnel through the the Siskiyou mountains by Chief Engineer Hood's engineers will probably not be made before next spring, as the surveyors will be busy until so late in the fall, and it is hardly likely that they will work in the Siskiyous during the winter.

Don't forget to get your gloves at Hunsaker's, if you want to save money. *

G. N. Buntz, of Wagner creek, was reported to have left the country because of complications in the timber depredations bee down on Wagner creek, but Buntz wants the report contradicted, and as he makes the request in person it must be admitted that, "like the flag," he's still there.

13 lbs. D. G. Sugar at the Red House for $1. *

Geo. W. Dunn has bought a herd of fine, full-blooded young Galloway cattle of Mr. Lewis, of Central Point, who imported the breed to this valley several years ago. The purchase by Mr. Dunn includes "Billy Winn" and "Maggie," each two years old, and three yearling heifers; price for the herd, $800. George drove them up to the farm Wednesday.

Seasoned stove wood for sale by G. F. Billings. *

The best yield of spring-sown wheat for the past season of which any report has come to the TIDINGS is that of a 25-acre tract of J. D. Edsall, of Eden precinct. It was sown in April and threshed last month—going 41 bushels to the acre. This is good, not only for Southern Oregon, but for any grain country—a good yield for the number of acres.

The Red House people are the poor man's friends. *

Chas. Hosley and Jas. Hall, the quarryman, have found a large body of fine granite near the railroad track in the Siskyous, which they believe will be in demand for shipping purposes, and they will probably open a quarry soon. There is abounddance of granite of varied character in this region, and it is altogether likely that both granite and sandstone will be largely exported for building purposes in the cities.

California comb and strained honey. Eastern syrups and New Orleans molasses at

17-tf. D. L. MINKLER & SON'S.

Byron Cole has sold to his three sons, J. F., W. L. and H. F. Cole, 927 acres of his land on the California side of the Siskiyous, together with all the cattle and other livestock, farming implements, etc., of the ranch; consideration, $9000. Mr. Cole sells to them all the land used in the stock ranch, and reserves for himself the soda springs property of Colestin, including 320 acres of land. Mr. and Mrs. Cole and the young men were in Ashland and Jacksonville this week on business connected with the conveyance.

Have you tried the Green Seal 5c cigars at Minkler & Son's? 17-tf.

The North California Dramatic company played an engagement of one consecutive night at Ashland, Or., the 20th ult., presenting "Not Guilty" and a bold front. The entire company rode home and brought all their baggage, which is more than can be said of many *real* shows. The Christian forbearance of the Ashland people is sublime, and the writer would have no hesitancy after this of running into the town with an Uncle Thomas Cabin show. All levity aside, the Ashland people are enterprising and hospitable, and their treatment of the amateurs was kind and courteous. There was not one in the company who did not enjoy their short stay in the beautiful city of fruit and roses.—[R. Beers Loos in Montague Herald.

The Montague *Herald* does up the sentimental side of Nort Hawkins, the gay young Yreka printer and heavy villain tragedian, as follows: Nort A. Hawkins inspected the Ashland Woolen Mills last week with a view of engaging in a similar enterprise at Yreka, providing the Ashland girls will consent to leave their situations and work for him. Among other things Nort had to do when he went to Ashland to make arrangements for the appearance of the N. C. Dramatic Co., was to rent a piano. So wrapped up was he in the science of weaving, that he absentmindedly sent the piano around to the woolen mills. When the company arrived he also ordered the baggage sent up to the factory, but the mistake was discovered in time to enable the company to appear at the Opera House.

12½ lbs. Granulated Sugar for $1 at Minkler's. 17-tf.

City Council Proceedings.

A regular meeting of the Ashland City Council was held last Monday evening, present, Mayor Hill and Councilmen Colton, Sutton, Crowson and Kentnor.

Petition of J. K. Helman for permission to move a wooden building from Woolen addition to Helman addition was granted.

Liquor license was granted to High & Taylor for one year.

An ordinance to vacate a portion of an alley in Highland Park addition was read and referred to street committee.

On motion, it was resolved that the public schools of the city shall be supplied with water free of charge; churches the same.

It was moved and adopted that the council will not pay any bills incurred after this date for the I. B. Miller family.

The following bills were ordered paid:

W. B. Mayfield, salary for Sept	$60 00
Eugene Walrad " " "	40 00
C. B. Watson " " "	20 85
M. Berry, Recorder's fees Aug. and Sep	36 20
Elec. Light Co., street lights for Sept	59 00
Wm. Patterson, material and labor on water works	93 35
Wm. Patterson, culvert on land of Myer, Long and others	10 00
Wm. Patterson, labor on streets	13 00
Gregory & Hicks, Hauling	81 50
G. C. Eddings, merchandise	55 90
Geo. Marks, blacksmithing	23 37
J. L. Fewell, blacksmithing	55 10
McConnell & Eubanks, groceries for I. B. Miller's family	15 57
T. K. Bolton, medicine for same	14 00
R. K. Sutton livery hire	7 40
A. T. Kyle, rent of store room 2 mos	10 00
J. L. Downing, labor on tower for fire bell	6 75
L. L. Merrick, for fire department	10 95
J. T. Rogers, material for bell tower	5 50
Geo. Crowson, labor on tower and repairing fence	6 00
E. K. Brightman, board of prisoners	2 00
J. H. McBride, hauling	2 00
Leabo & Smith, pitchfork	75
G. Stone, ditch for tiling	5 00
Marion Hickman, ditch for tiling	5 00
Hugh Lee, labor on streets	3 00
A. L. Helman, hauling	2 00
Pat Haraghey, labor on water works	33 00
L. H. Williams, " " "	8 00
H. M. Long, " " "	15 00
F. Dodge " " "	17 50
W. Williams, " " "	19 25
F. Stephenson, " " "	12 50
J. Bailey, " " "	8 75
H. Stephenson, " " "	1 75
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It was moved and carried that an order be drawn on the water works fund in favor of the John Barrett Company for the sum of $626 96, balance due to said company for material for water works.

Adjourned to meet Friday, Oct. 10th, at 7 o'clock p. m. MILTON BERRY, Recorder.

Corral the Scale.

The visit of Maj. Varney, state fruit inspector, gives occasion for another warning to the people of Ashland about the serious consequences which will follow the continued neglect of the worst of all the fruit pests, the San Jose scale, which has already left its blighting marks upon the trees in half dozen or more lots in the central part of town. Anyone who will take the trouble to go and carefully examine the trees which are covered by this scale will realize the danger which threatens the fruit interests here from its spread. Energetic measurers should be taken at once for the quarantine and heroic treatment of the lots now infested. Persons who have orchards should be careful not to admit to their grounds a single basket or box that has been used in or about a lot that has any San Jose scale upon it. It has been carried from place to place by such means time and again.

The region infested with the scale in Ashland seems to include now only the lots of Ab. Giddings, J. H. Russell, W. H. Atkinson, Thos. Smith, O. Coolidge, Mrs. Gillette, and a few trees around the edges of two or three adjacent lots. A determined effort during the coming winter might succeed in preventing the further spread of the pest. Persevering and persistent warfare may possibly eradicate it entirely from the town. The fruit growers of the city and vicinity should meet and take some organized action in the matter.

Jacksonville has had a worse experience with the pest than Ashland has, nearly all the orchards in the place having been invaded before the danger was realized.

The Butte Creek Mystery.

[Yreka Journal.]

Sheriff Moxley received a letter last Sunday from his deputy, W. J. Bray, a well known mountaineer, who has been scouring the Butte creek section in every direction, to find some clue of the missing man, Thomas J. Sutton, supposed to have been murdered, although there may still be some doubt about a murder having been committed. The stains on the wagon, supposed to have been blood, are very faint and hard to distinguish. A couple of tin cups were found in the wagon that seemed to have contained egg nogg, or a drink of that character. This man Sutton evidently went up into Oregon from Red Bluff through Modoc county, via Big Valley, and if murdered, may have been killed in Oregon, and thrown into the lake or Lost river, while on his way back from Oregon to California via Siskiyou county. The letter from Mr. Bray says:

Nothing as yet has been found to give the faintest clue. Before I reached this place (where the wagon was found) five of Meise's vaquerros thoroughly examined the country near the wagon and all along the road to another crevice some two or three miles west. Have come to the conclusion that the murder must have been committed further back on the road, towards Oregon, and the team driven to where the wagon was found. It is a very hard country to hunt for anything in. I am going to Linkville, Or., to-day, Oct. 2d, as the paper found in the wagon was procured there, dated July 15th. Shall endeavor to find where Sutton was last seen, and trail carefully back, examining every camping place thoroughly. Have delayed going sooner on account of expecting those parties from Tehama, who were coming here. If I find anything at Linkville, will write you.

Lane County Crowding Jackson.

Lane county seems to be in a bad state, financially. The indebtedness on unpaid warrants and to the school fund, which money has been wrongfully used for county purposes, is $20,507 83, while the assets are $684 42 in cash, and $17,333 63 in delinquent taxes. The above showing does not indicate the full financial strait in which Lane county finds herself for the first time in many years. Within a few months payments for bridges now in course of construction will become due amounting to about $54,600. Add to this estimate $10,000 for a county jail and the whole liab lities will amount to about $84,000, not considering delinquent taxes. This amount, however, has been principally incurred by the building of substantial bridges to replace those lost by last winter's flood. Lane county is rich in resources and will not be materially harrassed by her indebtedness.—[Ex.

Took the Wrong Letter.

W. J. Lee was brought to the penitentiary last night where he will remain for a year as a representative from Portland. He was arrested on a charge of taking from the Ashland postoffice on the 6th of July a letter containing a pension draft of $12, addressed to Jonas Lee. The prisoner called for the letter, and it was given him. He indorsed the draft in his own name, and, after getting drunk, left for California, where he was located by Special Agent of the Postal Department Thrall. He admitted the crime, but said he thought the draft was for him. After being captured in San Francisco he was taken to Portland and arraigned before Judge Deady. Entering a plea of guilty the above sentence was imposed upon him.—[Salem Statesman.

Hon. H. B. Miller, of Grant's Pass, reports that the powerful syndicate which controls the Anaconda mines and other large properties has through its agents bonded the copper claims near Waldo, from some of which the rock is now being shipped to San Francisco for test. The returns are said to be more satisfactory than was anticipated, and it is believed by the sanguine ones that extensive mining and smelting operations will follow. If the prospects are good enough it is not too much to expect that a railroad will be built to the mines, a distance of about 45 miles from Grant's Pass. This would be a great thing for all of Josephine county. Besides opening a mining industry of vast proportions, the railroad would open to the world Illinois valley, one of the richest of the smaller valleys on the coast, and would also bring much valuable timber within reach of the factories at Grant's Pass.

Farm wagons sold on long time by G. C. Eddings. *

PERSONAL.

Cal. Eubanks has been in town this week.

Mrs. Jno. Butterworth has gone over to Yreka.

Miss McConnell, of Yreka, returned home last Friday.

Miss Gertie Brooks left last Monday for Massachusetts.

Mrs. Sheridan Thornton is in Portland, visiting the big fair.

W. H. Fuller and wife, of Columbus, Ohio, were guests at the Oregon, yesterday.

S. B. Cranston, of Linkville, returned home this week from his northern trip.

Chas. Frizell, of the railroad office force in Ashland, has been north on a vacation.

George Andrews has gone to Delta, Cal., to take charge of the telegraph office there.

Mrs. S. S. Caldwell and children left Monday morning for Humboldt county, Cal.

Dave Payne, who is now running a meat market, at Grant's Pass, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Walker moved in from their Dead Indian ranch the first of the week.

Guy Stone came out from Linn county last week and will spend the winter in Ashland.

Sam Clary, of Henley, was over at Jacksonville on a business trip the first of the week.

Mrs. W. L. Townsend has been at Grant's Pass, where her husband is now located in business.

Wm. Hanley and Mr. Bush, a timber land operator, were in town from Medford last Saturday.

James O'Meara, the veteran journalist, and his family were on last Friday's northbound train.

Mrs. Emmons, wife of the attorney of that name at Sisson, is visiting Mrs. S. J. Tuthill, of this place.

Mrs. J. W. Hockersmith and children left last Sunday for St. Helena, Cal., for a visit of several weeks.

Rev. Geo. J. Webster and Prof. C. F. Shepherd made a trip down to Merlin, Josephine county, last week.

Miss Jane DePeatt returned to Grant's Pass last Saturday, after a stay of six weeks with her mother in Ashland.

Sanford Marsh, formerly of this place, was on Sunday morning's train, en route from Salem to San Diego.

Orra E. Angle and wife of Medford, started last Saturday for New York, to remain at their old home until next spring.

J. J. Dixson, of Wallula Junction, a brother-in-law of L. E. Moe, was in Ashland last week accompanied by his daughter.

Hon. H. B. Miller, of Grant's Pass, was in Ashland last Tuesday. Mr. Miller's family have gone to Portland to reside during the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Butler went to Portland by Monday evening's train, to visit the exposition.

Al. Helms and Phil. Brewer, who had been down in Colusa and Butte counties, Cal., for several months, returned to Talent this week.

Chas. Cowles and family have moved up from Central Point, and will occupy the Dave Payne house in Ashland the coming winter.

District Attorney Colvig started yesterday for Lake county. Judge Webster goes today. Circuit Court opens at Lakeview next Monday.

The Grant's Pass Courier reports the marriage of Frank Applegate to Miss Annie Barnhart by Justice Axtell, at that place recently.

Rev. Wm. Lund, of the Episcopal Church, resident at Roseburg, was in Ashland last Saturday and may make arrangements to hold services here once a month.

Mrs. McCall, Grand Matron, and Mrs. Crocker, Grand Secretary of the O. E. S., left Tuesday evening for Roseburg, to attend the annual meeting of the grand chapter.

J. D. Whitman, of the state horticultural board, came up from Medford Saturday with State Fruit Inspector Varney, and spent the day with him examining Ashland orchards.

H. F. Deardorff came in from Dead Indian Saturday with his wife and children, who took the train here for Oakland, Douglas county, for an extended visit with relatives there.

Messrs. D. Crawley, and C. W. Ayres of the Siskiyou Stone Company, came out from Portland last Monday morning and went out to the quarry, starting back to Portland Monday evening.

Senator Washburne and party, of Minnesota, passed through Ashland in a private car of the Minneapolis St. Paul and Sault de St. Maire R. R. last Friday morning, going to San Francisco.

J. N. Phillips and L. L. and J. Burtenshaw are hunting up on Evans creek; Leabo, Cottrel and Patton are after bears in Josephine county; Farlow and Long are carrying guns up about Rancheria prairie.

Dr. C. B. Darrin, one of the Drs. Darrin, of Portland, who do so large a business in the treatment of chronic diseases, was in Ashland yesterday, making arrangements for a professional visit in the latter part of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Atkinson and Mr. and Mrs. G. F. McConnell went to Portland by Wednesday evening's train. Capt. McConnell will attend a meeting of the officers of the 2d regiment, O. N. G., at the armory in Portland, to-morrow.

E. A. Sherwin, of Wallace, Idaho, the recent candidate for Secretary of State on the democratic ticket in that state, spent two or three days in Ashland, recently. His wife had been here for a short time, visiting the family of Mr. Chisholm.

Frank Beach, formerly of Lakeview, and more recently a resident of Portland, accompanied by his wife, was on yesterday morning's train. He has leased the Wilbur mineral springs property in Colusa county, Cal., 14 miles from Bartlett Springs.

Hubert Donegan, of Jacksonville, after spending a year on his father's ranch on Rogue river, has gone to work at railroad surveying again with an S. P. party down in California. He was at Portland last week, and went to San Francisco last Tuesday.

Mrs. J. H. Skidmore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hill, has been visiting her parents for some two weeks past, and is now at the home of her sister, Mrs. Terwilliger, in Little Shasta, Cal. Rev. J. H. Skidmore is now pastor of the M. E. Church at Boise, Idaho.

Mrs. H. C. Faber started yesterday morning for Tulare, Cal., where Mr. Faber is superintendent of the public schools, and has a pleasant position. The Tulare schools employ ten teachers besides the superintendent, and have about the same number of pupils as the Ashland schools.

A Washington dispatch: Senator Mitchell left Washington to-day in very poor health, and will not go direct to Portland, but will devote a week to recuperation in Pennsylvania. Mrs. Mitchell and daughter, Miss Annie, returned from Lenox yesterday. Mrs. Mitchell is quite ill, and has been confined to her bed under the care of a physician.

Stamped doylies, splashers and pillow shams, all new designs, at D. R. & E. V. Mills. *

Fair Notes.

A pathetic incident of the late fair was the handsome art exhibit of little Vintie Bell, of Central Point. Last winter he was prostrated for weeks with an attack of spinal meningitis, and his life was despaired of. He recovered, but was left totally deaf and partially dumb. As his health improved he realized with great acuteness for one of his years the awful calamity that had befallen him and refused to be comforted, knowing that he must forever be shut out from the companionship of childhood and henceforth in a world of silence where even the endearing tenderness of his parents and sister could not penetrate with audible sound its agonizing depths. In their efforts to palliate his affliction his parents sent him to Mrs. West, at Medford, to study art, and his beautiful and praiseworthy collection at the fair are wonderful exhibitions of his taste and skill. Every one who saw it was glad that a new world of effort and beauty is now spread out before the little boy and his sorrow is turned to perpetual joy in its illimitable fields. It is needless to say that the brightest blue ribbon adorns his work.

Cloth and stockinet jackets just opened at D. R. & E. V. Mills. Seal plushes and newmarkets next week. *

The Railroad Commission War.

Papers are in the hands of Sheriff Croisan of Salem, to commence suit between Oregon's two sets of railroad commissioners, one set being appointed by the governor and the other elected by the legislature. The suit is brought by W. H. Beggs, of the governor's commission, and is against J. P. Faull, G. W. Colvig and Robert Clow, of the legislative board. In his complaint, Beggs, as relator for the state of Oregon, recites the fact that he was appointed to the office of railroad commissioner and took the oath, and had been disproved; that defendants, on or about March 1, 1889, usurped and intruded into said board, and ever since have unlawfully held and exercised the functions of said office; wherefore plaintiff demands judgment as follows: First, that the defendants are not entitled to the said office of railroad commissioners, and that they be ousted therefrom; second, that the relator and said Knight are entitled to the said office and that they be let into the same; third, for judgment against said defendants for the costs and disbursements of this action. The case comes up for trial in the circuit court for Marion county at this month's term.

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

HERE AND THERE.

Black corsets at D. R. & E. V. Mills.

The next meeting of the Oregon Press Association will be held at Astoria on August 27, 28 and 29, 1891.

The district agricultural association will distribute about $8000 in warrants as the result of their recent successful fair.

Both the Rogue river bridge at Grant's Pass and the lower Applegate bridge were opened for travel last week.

Josephine county's indebtedness is $21,759.11. Its delinquent tax list amounts to $4000 and over, which will reduce the debt somewhat.

A. W. Gowan, the census mortgage investigator, reports 231 mortgages of record in Josephine county, representing an indebtedness by private individuals of upwards of $47,000.

Coeur d'Alene City, Idaho, had a $25,000 fire last Friday morning, destroying a large portion of the business part of the town. The insurance amounted to about one-third of the loss.

The Oregon supreme court began its October term last Monday. One of the first cases to come before it was that of Beekman vs. Hamlin, on a motion for rehearing. The motion was granted.

In Seattle last Monday R. E. Johnson, hack driver, drove his team over a live electric cable which had been knocked down from the electric railway poles by a flying awning, and both horses were instantly killed.

The Protection Hose Company, of Medford, has filed articles of incorporation, with G. F. Davis, H. F. Wood, H. G. Nicholson, J. W. Curry and D. T. Lawton as incorporators. Twenty years is the term designated for the company to exist. $1000 is the capital stock, divided into 500 shares.

Mrs. Hainey, living a few miles from Drain, shot and killed F. F. Templeton last Sunday night. Her husband was away from home building a house for Templeton, and the latter, it is alleged, was attempting to force an entrance when Mrs. Hainey killed him. Templeton was about 55 years of age. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict of justifiable killing.

The Northwestern Baseball League has not been a paying business venture during the past year, all the clubs having lost money, it is said, owing to the lack of paying patronage from spectators. The clubs will all start out again next season, however, and probably there will be six clubs in the league next year—Salem being one of the places that may be represented.

Salem, Oct. 2.—Miss Mary E. Seal, a patient in the Oregon State Insane asylum here, jumped to her death yesterday evening from a four-story window at the asylum, dying at 10 o'clock last night. She had been in the asylum six months, and on various occasions made attempts at suicide. The patient was from Eugene, Lane county.

The lawyers of Oregon have never organized a state bar association yet, but preliminary steps were taken at Portland last Friday. Judge Deady was chairman and J. A. Carson, of Salem, secretary of the temporary organization. Messrs. Snow, Mallory, Burnett, Wood and Thompson were appointed a committee to prepare a constitution and by-laws, whereupon the meeting adjourned to meet at the same place October 17th to effect a permanent organization.

A great curiosity can be seen at the residence of George Witherill, on Oregon street. Mr. Witherill has a female of the canine family and also a felme of the feminine gender. Some weeks ago the cat gave birth to kittens, and in about ten days thereafter an increase was announced in the canine family. On finding this out the cat, in a very unmotherly manner, killed her own "baby cats," and began to lay claims on the canine family, which, up to this time, she has suckled and fondled with an affection which is truly strange.—[Yreka Telegram.

A Portland dispatch says: The Southern Pacific Company has purchased the Whatcom coal fields in Washington county. The expert who examined the fields deposited $10,000, to be used in prospecting, and contracted to purchase 8000 acres if pro-pecting resulted favorably. The purchase is regarded as a preliminary step toward the extension of the Southern Pacific system to Astoria, probably by the purchase of the Astoria and South Coast road, for which a bid has been made. If the deal is not consummated it is said the company will build its own road.

There is a fair prospect that in the near future the nickle mines near Riddle will be again in active operation, says the Roseburg *Plaindealer*. A party of capitalists, Baron Fallon, and Dr. Bouckardt of Austria, B. Eichhoff of Germany and T. Prosser of New York, have been at Riddle for the past fortnight investigating the merits of these mines. They were pleased with the quality and quanity of the deposits and are now negotiating with the owner with reference to purchasing or working them. It is hoped that satisfactory arrrangements will be made and that these mines may soon be running at high pressure.

Says the *Statesman* of Tuesday: "At the regular monthly meeting of the Salem Building and Loan association last night $2000 was loaned. It went in two purses of $1000 each, and for each interest was paid in advance for periods of seventy-five months. This shows in what a prosperous condition the association really is. When the directors met yesterday evening they had on hand subject to loan $1051.25, and when they adjourned they had loaned $2000. This shows clearly where the profits are and why stock in it is so desirable. The borrowers of the $2000 having paid in their seventy-five months' interest permitted the loans to be so large."

Says the Lakeview *Examiner*: T. E. Hunt, of San Francisco, traveling agent of the freight department of the Southern Pacific R. R. Co., was here last week, looking after the interests of his company, and gathering the figures as to the amount of freight shipped by the people of this county.