

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Blount are at Siskiyou.

J. W. O. Gregory leaves to-night for Canada.

Jacob Thompson is in from Klamath county.

Geo. H. Currey left yesterday for a visit at La Grande.

Drs. Taylor and Unger are in Siskiyou county this week.

W. W. Davis loaded with freight for Ft. Klamath this week.

Sergt. C. E. Butler returned from his eastern visit Saturday.

Henry Lowe returned from Sisson yesterday to remain all winter.

M. R. Satchell, recently of Minnesota, is over at Butte creek, Cal.

Geo. Casey was taken down with the spinal meningitis Tuesday night.

Robt. Westrop, the popular Central Point liveryman, was up Sunday.

M. H. Abbey, of Newport, Yaquina bay, has been visiting in the city.

Mrs. O. Coolidge and Miss Minnie returned from Sacramento Tuesday.

Mrs. C. W. Freeman is up from Medford visiting her daughter, Mrs. N. A. Jacobs.

General Manager Holcomb, of the O. R. & N. at Portland, passed down the road to San Francisco in a private car Saturday.

Col. Jas. Norris is the censor, and E. E. White, musical director of the Eutonion society.

Conductor J. B. Anstey, of the south division who has been off on a vacation has resumed his run.

Mrs. Betsey Gale, of Gold Hill, is visiting her niece, Mrs. J. Hockersmith, during the past week.

Miss Della Wells, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. W. Erb, returned to Grant's Pass Sunday.

Mrs. Tyler, mother of Geo. H., is visiting her daughter at Scott river, Siskiyou county, Mrs. Job Garretson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Warder, of Talent returned to Yolo county, Cal., Saturday to remain for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Roberts will soon leave for Forbestown, Cal., where Mr. Roberts will spend the winter in mining.

Charley Stanley, who has been in the Santa Barbara, Cal., country for some years, returned Saturday, to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Saxonian, of Pennsylvania, who purchased property in Ashland of Max Pracht this summer, arrived yesterday to remain here.

Richard Beswick returned from his San Francisco visit Friday, but Mrs. B. stopped off to visit her folks on the Klamath river.

Will Schock, of Yreka and formerly engaged in butchering at Ashland, was on Monday's train on a business trip to Grant's Pass.

J. M. Buckley, general manager of the N. P. road, who has been in California for a month or so for his health, passed north Friday.

Ed. Miner, formerly of Ashland and son of E. E. Miner of this place, came up from San Francisco Sunday for a visit with old friends.

Chas. S. Graves, of Linkville, who has been in Portland, was on Sunday's north-bound train for a business trip to San Francisco.

H. B. Reed, the fence man of Roseburg, was on Saturday's north bound train, having been down in California visiting his family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Grieve, who have been on a trip to San Francisco, have returned and went out to their place on Jenny creek Tuesday.

Prof. J. N. Hall, the well known pedagogue, who has been back east for some months past, returned to Central Point from Ohio last Friday.

J. W. Minto, Staver & Walker's representative, was collecting up accounts in this section this week. He is the executive of Marion county.

W. L. Nichols, the pussy old sinner well known in these parts, now of Southern California, was in the county on a business trip last week.

Col. Wm. A. Grow, of California, a painter, sign writer, etc., is in town to remain and follow his profession, his family expecting to join him soon.

Ned Black, agent for the Lillian Drew Co., was registered at the Ashland Saturday. They did not play here. They play at Jacksonville to-night.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Fraser returned from their wedding trip to San Francisco Monday, and Mr. Fraser has since joined his force of railroad carpenters.

Mannuel Penaire, a well known Portuguese farmer of Scott valley, was in town this week making arrangements to ship some of his excellent cheese to the Ashland market.

Geo. M. Beeler, general agent of the state insurance company, called Monday being in the valley adjusting some losses by fire. He has appointed Feltz & Johnson the company's local agents.

David Allen, who now has a 100 acre tract of railroad land in fruit trees at Toho has been visiting his sister, Mrs. C. B. Kingsbury, near Ashland, and made the Record a pleasant call Monday.

Geo. Bloomer, Jas. Cronmiller and Harry Hull, Jacksonville young men, spent Sunday in Ashland. A number of young people from the county seat will attend the mask ball at Granite Hall, Christmas night.

W. W. Williams and his family, and also Mrs. Thos. Estes and family arrived yesterday from Independence, to make Ashland their home, the gentlemen having gone in the truck and transfer business in Ashland.

Jim Lotan, the county Republican boss of Portland, and physiognomically the fac simile of President Cleveland, was on Sunday's train for California, accompanied by David Monnaste, owner of the Monnaste block, Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Harris returned home yesterday evening from their trip to Santa Rosa, Cal. Mrs. F. Newman, of San Carlos, Arizona, returned with them to remain till spring. Mr. Harris says it has been raining a great portion of the time during his absence.

A. R. Martin, and Miss Hattie Dollahide, daughter of John Dollahide, were married in the presence of numerous friends and relatives at the residence of the bride's parents, on Siskiyou mountain, Sunday evening. Squire Milton, Sunday evening. Mr. Martin is an industrious and worthy young man, and the numerous friends of both parties extend their congratulations and best wishes for their future happiness.

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT.

F. Roper and H. B. Carter, of the Ashland Electric Power and Light Co., returned from California Tuesday. They purchased a combination arc and incandescent machine from the Watson Co. at San Francisco. They engaged 20 arc lamps with 1200 candle power and 15 incandescent with 25 candle power, with privilege of procuring more of either kind as they are needed. The machine and lamps cost \$3,150—the Ashland company furnishing the poles, wire, etc. The machine is to be put up and run 30 days at the expense of the company, at the end of which time it can be accepted or rejected. The plant will be here in 30 days, and is considered the best and cheapest plant ever purchased on the Pacific coast.

Power to transmit to motors within a prescribed distance can be done by this plant. But it has been discovered that to fill storage batteries to run street railways practically it will require another kind of machine and while at Sacramento they found the expense of the scheme, that city's electric street railway costing \$32,000 for four miles of track on the street pavement, and the machine costing \$5,000 delivered on the cars at Philadelphia. Of course a line could be built in Ashland for a much less sum than that; but the outlay of capital will be so much that it will not be undertaken at the present time, although not given up.

The total cost of the electric light plant, with water power, etc., will be between \$12,500 and \$13,000. They also engaged 2,000 ft. of pipe, wrought iron, No. 14 double riveted, asphaltum covered, which runs from 13 inches to 28 inches, the first car load to be shipped within two weeks.

KENO KEINELS.

The snow on Bear valley mountain is streaked with deer tracks.

Mr. Legate, the blacksmith, is making his horse look rather nice.

D. J. Ferree has already picked some of the first fruit of his hog-ranch enterprise, having sold 500 porkers for \$100.

The folks on our sick list, Mrs. Zevely, Mrs. Sny and Mrs. Oliver, are under the treatment of Dr. Lee, and convalescent.

Frosty mornings, days of alternate clouds and sunshine and evenings that glow and quench like childhood's best-time fancies.

Before many moon several loads of nice fresh Klamath trout will roll down to Ashland, as Messrs. Oatman & Spencer have opened a fish-trap on the rapids.

Linkville has a witty young lady whose lover is loud-voiced. Meeting her one day when she was out for a walk, she said to him: "You ain't sold for, are you?" "No, you ain't sold for, and it took his breath.

The area of government timber land stretching west from Keno is very fast selling up. It has open glades and riverside proximities, and now is the time to preempt. Subsistence is an easy problem, as ducks, geese and fine Klamath trout are always in season. The land is rich in soil, grass and timber. "The Desert" is a wide wilderness of fine land stretching south from Keno. It is government land, and the alluvial Klamath basin, thinly covered with light silt, which, the parties inform me, can be easily plowed under. The deposits are of the same nature as the first strata. The tract is going fast into the possession of pre-emptors and home-steaders, and the time is rapidly rolling on when the evening sun will throw a too-late gleam on it for the home-seeker.

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There are several cases of measles in Mound district—all getting along well.

Elder M. Peterson had a meeting at Woodville last Lord's day and expects to have a meeting here next Lord's day.

W. F. Maicy is engaged plating Mrs. Cooke's addition to Central Point, preparatory to having it recorded.

Onward march to J. C. Sheridan's hardware store the PLACE to get good bargains. Stoves—heaters and ranges—tinware and hardware of all kinds at bottom prices.

Mr. Freeze has his nice two story residence about ready for enclosure. Wm. Gates is shoving his line across ahead as fast as possible. Our merchants are receiving and selling many goods.

The county court ordered the air line road from Central Point to Jacksonville, and the one from Little Bear creek, near Mr. Leever's to be viewed out and surveyed on the 21st and 22d inst.

Peter Applegate of your city was here this week surveying a ten acre tract of land Amy and Harbough sold to Mr. Wardlaw, and a 15 acre tract they sold to Elder M. Peterson, also 23 acres Mr. Peterson bought of Mrs. Geo. Cooke. Mr. Wardlaw's consideration was \$150 per acre and Mr. Peterson's \$100.

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EAGLE POINT NOTES.

The farmers are busy.

Grass is getting good, and stock is looking well.

The members of the Eagle Point Sunday school decided to have a Christmas tree for the benefit of the little folks.

Wilbert Ashpole, one of our merchant's son, met with a serious accident a few days ago while working with a cow. By some means she struck him in the eye with her horn and inflicted a severe wound.

Hogs are in demand; Ezekiel Lewis, the Central Point butcher, was here a few days ago wanting to buy five hundred head for the San Francisco market, and another man is here buying hogs for the Medford market, paying five cents gross.

I learned from Mr. Hermann Meyer the other day, that a company had been formed for the purpose of taking water out of Little Bear creek, near the Knigleford, and bring it onto the desert and Big Sticky, and that work had already commenced.

While returning from the funeral of Mr. Mauey's little boy on the 20th of last month Mrs. Robinson came near meeting with a serious accident. Her son was driving a span of horses hitched to a spring wagon, and in passing through a fence a rail caught in one of the hind wheels of the wagon tipping it to Mr. Wardlaw, and a 15 acre tract they sold to Elder M. Peterson, also 23 acres Mr. Peterson bought of Mrs. Geo. Cooke. Mr. Wardlaw's consideration was \$150 per acre and Mr. Peterson's \$100.

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BREVITY BASKET.

Buildings still continue going up in Ashland.

Some vaccinated arms are interrupting somewhat with the work of the public schools.

The new frame stores of Ayers and Kyle on Main street and Hargadine avenue are enclosed.

The pay car and its officials went north on yesterday's passenger, and will be here about Friday.

W. H. James, a carpenter on the new hotel building, is laid up having cut his knee with a draw knife.

J. C. Whipp has completed the Wright creek bridge and commenced on the foundation for H. B. Carter's residence.

Just the thing for a Xmas present, one of those Clocks or Wraps at Dawson's assignee sale. Buy them at half price now.

E. P. Riddout has purchased a roadster and Wells, Fargo & Co. will soon have a delivery express wagon running in Ashland.

J. P. Marker has under erection a building for himself on railroad addition. The front part will be completed in the spring.

A first class line of gold rolled plate, silver and amber jewelry. Ladies gold watches with diamonds settings at Chitwood Bros., Plaza corner. †

B. Beach, the contractor, has the fine new Congregational church building about completed, and it will probably be dedicated about Christmas.

The building occupied by J. D. Fountain is rented for an exclusive biz in one line. I. R. Dawson, assignee, will close out the stock at once. †

It is rumored that C. H. Ludeman, of Albany, will open a boot and shoe store in the I. O. O. F. building as soon as the stock of J. D. Fountain is sold out.

The grubbing season has set in and during the coming winter and spring the hills around Ashland will be bare considerably more than during any previous season.

The city council has taken up the cow question and will give the people a chance to vote on the subject one week from next Saturday. The council will act according to the wishes of the people.

The new lumber syndicate on Rogue river are attempting to gobble up the timber of that section in a hurry, as they are offering \$2000 for land claims or \$1600 over the cost of the land from the government.

Through a technicality L. W. Moore will have to prove up again on his homestead near Ashland, which he is getting ready to do a large amount of that 160 acres has been sold to various different parties, and been improved.

Arthur Langell brought in a band of horses from Klamath county which he will drive to Portland for the market. Mr. Langell, whose wife died recently, intends selling his ranch and stock in Langell valley, and moving into west end Oregon.

Clark Taylor, a well known old resident and farmer of Eden precinct, died at his home Monday night. The cause of his death was a dropsical condition of the lungs, which smothered him to death. The burial was at Medford yesterday.