

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Col. Ingersoll will winter in California about Pomona.

Ivan Applegate, of Klamath county, is at Salem on business.

S. B. Gayle returned from a trip to San Francisco Sunday.

A. W. Scott, the contractor, went to Portland yesterday evening.

Johnny Enbanks and Frank Sutton are clerking at Paulsen & Curry's.

Chas. Cottrell lost a child from scarlet fever over on Antelope last week.

Miss Genevieve Moore and Martha Carlwell were in town Christmas.

Sergt. E. J. Glass was on Sunday morning on the train en route for Linkville.

Miss Mary Anderson is spending the holidays at her home near Hornbrook.

Joe Hughes, of Little Shasta, was spending several days in Ashland this week.

Enoch Walker, of Salem, is in town purchasing some Jersey cattle from W. C. Myer.

Dr. J. B. Waite, who came here recently from Nelly, Neb., will locate at Medford soon.

Homer Barron is at San Francisco with his brother George and Mr. G. S. Butler.

J. A. Bagley, Abe Burns and Mr. Fell were over on Antelope Saturday on a holidaying trip.

Charley Slade, now driver on the stage line between Linkville and Ager, is in town this week.

R. H. Gardner and wife, the photographers, and John Faulkenburg are operating at Medford now.

Miss Emma Judge, who is attending the Sisters' Academy at Jacksonville, is at home for the holidays.

Thos. Ross, Chas. Prim, Ed. Hanley and Geo. Neuber were up doing the town Saturday and Sunday.

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In a private letter from Portland to a friend in Ashland, Al. Sears says he is working at his trade and studying law.

Carlos Goddard, of the Pioneer real estate firm of Medford, will leave for southern California next week to spend the winter.

Miss Ella Skipworth, sister of Rev. W. L. Skipworth, formerly of Ashland, was married at Corvallis last week to M. Lonsberry.

Mrs. Jerry Butler and her little grandson, of Willow creek, were in town this week visiting the latter's father, Peter Henderson.

Jo. Baine, the barber near the depot, has closed his shop and gone north to take the shops at present in Ashland to three.

THE MASQUERADE BALL.

Given by Prof. C. W. Ganiard on Christmas night was a grand success, and besides was probably the most largely attended of any given in Ashland since 1885.

Ladies dancing tickets were sold, besides 120 spectators tickets. Excellent music was furnished by Prof. Ganiard's orchestra, composed of Prof. and Mrs. Ganiard, Dr. Van Dyke, Otis Helman, W. Hall, R. T. Elvige did the grand in a becoming manner as master of ceremonies on the floor of the hall.

Below we give a list of the masquers, costumes, etc., as far as our memory and note book can recall:

MALE.
Mollie Ober, Drummer Girl.
Fanny Edwards, Beauty.
Sadie Anderson, Fuschia.
Lottie Stephenson, Maid of Perth.
Emma Stephenson, Havana cigar girl.

Female.
Lola Harrison, Japanese Costume.
Nette Stevens, Comfourt.
Fanny Edwards, Beauty.
Kate Fenton, Fancy Suit.

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W. Wesley Ganiard, Duster.
Monroe Bonnichason, Uncle Sam.
Geo. Youle, the Devil's Breakfast.

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THE LAST LEAP.
The ladies of Ashland will give the last year party of the season at Granite Hall next Saturday night.

At the Christmas shoot of the Ashland Gun Club the following were the winners of the purses.

WOODVILLE WHITSPRINGERS.
The health of this section is good. Most of our miners are happy over plenty of water.

Close & Sons' brick kiln band furnished the bricks for the Christmases tree festival. A ball was also given at U. M. L. Hall.

An eclipse of the sun will take place on New Year's day to commence about noon, lasting until 2:50 p. m. It will be only partial in this section.

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

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THE RAILROAD SURVEYS.

San Francisco, Dec. 25.—Chief Engineer Hood of the S. P. says he has no information on the subject of the surveys now being made in the mountains of Plumas and Lassen counties.

He thought he had read in the coast papers. A dispatch which stated that fifty men had left Redding to engage in work was not discredited, nor another report that an engineering corps of thirty-five men was driving stakes near Big Meadows, but Hood thought that if such work were being done, the company ordering it must consider their time of the greatest importance.

It was a very unusual thing for surveys being made in two or four feet of snow. The S. P. people had worked in snow in the winter, but it was at a time of pressing need, when the C. & O. road had to be pushed over the mountains.

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The order for the renewal of your paper or magazine to Burckhalter & Hasty will be promptly forwarded without further trouble to you.

Geo. H. Williams, "old Flaxbrake" or "Laudell," has been "convicted" of his sinful life and was converted at the meetings in Portland conducted by the Evangelist Moody.

Harmon's pure rubber finger shields for penholders and pencils. Strengthens the grip on the penholders and eases the fingers from cramp and fatigue. For sale at Burckhalter & Hasty's.

BEHAVY BASKET.

Skating rink closes Saturday night. Take a look at those \$1.50 shoes at O. H. Bount's.

Leap year party at Granite Hall Saturday night. Ball pointed pens for sale at Burckhalter & Hasty's.

The Carleton Opera Co. passed down the road Monday. Go to the European restaurant for your meals—first-class for 25cts.

The longest night has passed, Dec. 22d, and the days will soon be longer. The Wright post-office above Uniontown will be discontinued after the 31st inst.

Geo. B. Landers shipped a lot of flour, etc., over to Siskiyou county this week. A. L. Willey has about completed J. C. Durkee's residence on Helman street.

Sabbath school at the Presbyterian church next Sabbath at 9:30 a. m. but no other service. A fine line of carpet samples for making rugs cheap, at Dodge, Smith & Co's furniture store.

H. J. Clark, the brick mason, is putting a fire-proof brick vault in the Butler & Thompson block. Christmas tree entertainments were given at the Baptist and Methodist churches Monday night.

The Exchange gave the crowd a free Tim and Jerry treat Christmas day—and did a thriving business. New line of stamped doilies, ties, splashes, bureau scarfs, etc., just opened at D. R. & E. V. Mills'.

12 doz. Swiss Conde underwear received at H. H. Blount's this week. The first ever exhibited in Ashland.

The best cakes and cookies ever offered in Jackson county at the U. S. Bakery opposite Odd Fellows Hall. H. S. Emery has shales that he will sell in any quantity from 1000 down. Call and see them and get prices.

Imperial egg-food—something to make the hens lay golden eggs—for sale at C. A. Nutley's fruit and commission store. J. A. Anderson, of Eden precinct, informs us that he will not commence the erection of his fine farm residence until next spring.

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Every style of men's hats at O. H. Blount's; prices 50cts to \$5. Geo. W. Stephenson is breaking some fine roadsters for the market.

J. K. Van Saut has made an addition of another room to his grocery. P. W. Paulsen was the coffee raffled off by John Lauder Saturday night.

Go to Nutley's for choice eastern oysters done up in any style wanted. Notice the ad. of C. D. Van Dyke, the broom manufacturer, in another column.

Handsome stationery in the latest styles for society use at Burckhalter & Hasty's. To make your hens lay, go to Nutley's and procure some of the Imperial egg-food.

W. T. Beagle has rented the Giles Wells farm and has it already well sowed in grain. H. F. Swanson is finishing part of a rustic dwelling on B street, the balance to be completed in the spring.

B. F. Snyder has put up an attractive lamp-light sign in front of the European restaurant and oyster house. The S. P. Co. offer a reward of \$500 for the party that placed an obstruction on the road down in California recently.

Now that it has been decided to keep the cows up, a good reliable party could do a thriving business herding them. Sunday's south bound train was over four hours late caused by a land slide on north fork of Cow creek—the first of the season.

Jas. Helms and H. Amerman have just put in 17 acres of the Wildshire plant in fruit trees from A. H. Carson & Son's nurseries.

Chas. Heverer, recently of Dakota, will commence to build on the lots he purchased at L. D. Fuller just beyond A. F. Schultz's place.

A. H. Carson & Son, of the Redland nurseries, have sold over 30,000 fruit trees already this fall, 18,000 of which were sent to Jackson county.

A. P. Talent and Lon Drake expect to commence the erection of a steam planing mill at Talent soon. A. J. Wilcox has been engaged to build it. J. C. Atkins has erected a barn on his lots in railroad addition and will soon commence the erection of a dwelling along side of Mrs. Porter's residence.

The immigrants have commenced arriving pretty rapidly within the last few weeks, a couple dozen or more families having got off at the Ashland depot alone. The road question from Ashland to the Antelope across the place of B. F. Myer and others is up again and will be presented at the February meeting of county court.

MAX PRACHT, ASHLAND, OREGON. OFFERS FOR SALE OR LEAS THAT MOST DESIRABLE BUSINESS PROPERTY FRONTING ON MAIN Street and HARGADINE Avenue. THE MOST CENTRAL Location in Ashland. THREE LOTS EACH 32 FT. FRONT BY 120 FT. 4 INCHES DEEP. These Lots are Located Diagonally Opposite the new HOTEL SISKIYOU, on the South Side of Main St., Corner of Hargadine Avenue, and for a first-class Business Investment have no equal in the City. Call on or address MAX PRACHT, ASHLAND OREGON. Look out For SAXMAN'S PENNSYLVANIA ADDITION TO THE City of Ashland. The Choicest Lots, The Finest View, The Lowest Price. Every Lot is Covered with the Very Best grades of Budded Peach Apple, Pear, Plum and Plum Trees. MAX PRACHT, SOLE AGENT. ASHLAND, OREGON. THE PLACE! To Buy Your Fall Supplies. We have received Our Entire Fall Stock of Clothing, Gents Furnishing Goods, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, &c., &c., and are prepared to show you a Larger and Better Line than we have ever before exhibited. We have Men's Suits from \$5 up. MEN'S Cassimere Suits for \$10. Scotch suits for \$12. Men's double cut coats \$1.50. Men's rubber coats \$2.50 up. Men's fine shoes \$1.50 per pair. Men's Heavy Shoes \$1.50 per pair. Men's Extra fine shoes from \$2.50 to \$5.00. Men's heavy boots \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$4.50 per pair. Boy's shoes \$1.50 per pair. Boy's boots \$2.50 per pair. Men's gray knit underwear .50 and .75c. Men's white knit underwear .50 etc. .75c and \$1. We Always Keep on Hand a good assortment of White and Colored Shirts, Fancy Neckwear, Gloves, Suspenders, silk handkerchiefs, Cotton and Woolen socks, Mens and Boys Hats, Etc., Etc. A Pleasure to Show Goods and No One Urged to Buy. YOURS TRULY, O. H. BLOUNT, The Clothier and Hatter of Southern Oregon Ashland, Or.

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