

Imperial Items

From our Regular Correspondent
Ike Schlatter has returned.

Mr. Pool shipped a carload of hogs Wednesday.

Mrs. Jim Moore left Friday morning for the coast.

Mrs. J. I. Shepherd was visiting Mrs. Britte this week.

Judge Farr returned from Los Angeles Sunday night.

Jake Meadows has been kept busy taking prisoners to and from San Diego.

Mr. Bradshaw is assisting in the postoffice during Miss Allatt's absence.

Imperial is no longer in darkness, the juice being turned on Tuesday night.

Mrs. Morse and Mrs. Allison Peck and baby left Wednesday afternoon for Iowa.

Mr. Berry now runs the wagon of the Imperial Ice and Cold Storage company.

Miss Eupha Young entertained a party of friends at her home last Tuesday evening.

Arthur Edgar, John Morton and Mr. Howell have left for Los Angeles on a business trip.

Rev. Right occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church Sunday morning and evening.

Miss Hilda Howell, with her brothers, Harold and Walter, have returned to the Valley.

Adolph, the butcher, has returned from a prospecting trip of several months' duration.

Ike Schlatter moved a house for Robert Hall up to the residence corner on Sixth street.

Mr. W. D. Conser, wife and little daughter left Sunday for Arizona, Kansas and other points.

We have never made poor ice cream and this year it's better than ever. Imperial Drug Co.

Miss Helen Allatt left this week on her vacation. She will visit homefolks at Riverside and coast points.

Mr. and Mrs. Schlatter and little daughter, Hazel, went to San Diego with a view to locating there.

Mrs. S. C. Mack, with daughters, Eleanor and Isabelle, left Friday morning to visit friends at Corona and coast points.

Varney Bros. are ceiling overhead the frame part of their store, Mr. Rice doing the carpentering and Mr. Grayson the painting.

Mr. Witter, of the Brawley News, was an Imperial visitor, Wednesday. He was somewhat bewildered by seeing so many people on the streets and the heavy street traffic.

O. K. Thomas spent last Sunday with Roger Webster out at the ranch. On crossing the ditch on their way back the seat gave way and both were immersed with mud and water.

Mr. and Mrs. Thayer left to visit the old home in the middle east. Mr. Thayer came to the Valley four years ago and this is his first trip out. He says he thinks he has earned his vacation.

Officially Confirmed.
The Washington correspondent hastily called up the cabinet officer by telephone.

"Pardon me for disturbing you, Mr. Blank," he said, "but will you please tell me whether or not the rumor that is in circulation as to your retirement is true?"

"Yes, sir," answered the cabinet officer. "It is. I was just about to retire when you called me. Good night."
—Chicago Tribune.

A Shortened Courtship.
"Sir, I understand there is a sort of a courtship on between you and my daughter?"

"Yes, sir; I"—
"Well, I don't approve of it; cut it short!"

And that night the young man eloped with the object of his affections.—
Houston Post.

The Osprey.
Allusion is often made, especially in fashion journals, to "osprey" feathers. Few words have been more loosely bandied about than this bird name. The Roman author Pliny's "ossifraga" (bone breaker) has been identified with the lammergeyer, a vulture that is reputed to break up bones too big for it to devour whole by dropping them from a height upon rocks. But both "ossifraga" and "osprey," a newer form, came to be applied to quite another bird, the fish hawk, which is now the true "osprey." Yet the "osprey" feathers—more properly egret feathers, or aigrettes—do not come from this bird, but from the egret, or lesser white heron.

The Sea Otter.
The sea otter combines the habits of a seal with the intelligence and amusing character of the otter. When met in herds far out at sea, which is but seldom now, they are commonly seen swimming on their backs. They even eat their food lying in this position on the water and nurse their young ones on their chests between their paws, exactly as a south sea island mother swims with her baby in the water. When swimming in this attitude they even shade their eyes with their paws when the sun dazzles them.

One of His Inferiors.
"He says he always tries to be polite to his inferiors and— Hey, where are you going?"
"Going to find him and give him a licking."
"What for?"
"I met him this morning, and he was as polite as a dancing master."—Houston Post.

The Other Way.
The teacher had been talking about a hen sitting on eggs, says English Country Life, and, with the incubator in mind, asked if eggs could be hatched in any other way.
"Yes, sir," said an experienced person of nine. "Put 'em under a duck."

The Remedy.
"You're not in love, Robble. You only think you are."
"Well, how the dickens am I to find out my mistake if I am mistaken?"
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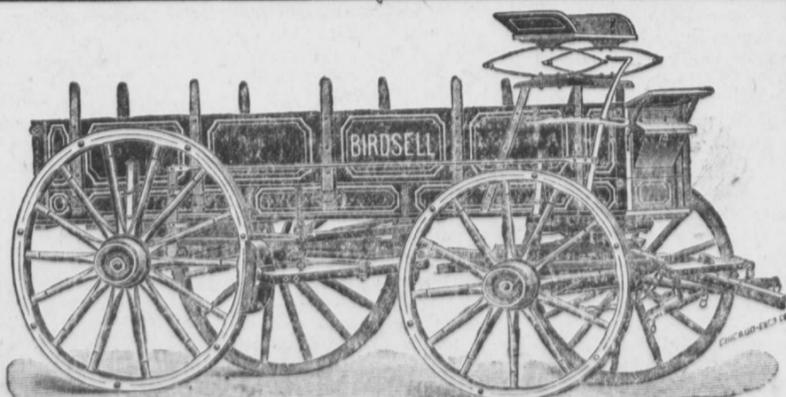
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