

# The Independent

THE INDEPENDENT—The best newspaper ever published in Douglas county.

## Society Meetings.

**UMPUQA CHA-TER NO. 11, K. A. M.** hold regular communications every first and third Tuesday in each month. All members in good standing will take due and timely notice and govern themselves accordingly. Visiting companions are invited to meet with the Chapter when convenient.

R. HERMANN, H. P. W. I. FREIDLANDER, Sec'y.

**LAUREL LODGE A. F. and A. M.** holds regular meetings on or before each full moon.

A. JONES, W. M. A. F. CAMPBELL, Sec'y.

**PHILETIAN Lodge, No. 8, I. O. F.** meets on Saturday evening, of each week at 7 o'clock, in their hall at Roseburg. Members of other lodges in good standing are invited to attend. By order of the N. G.

## PROCLAMATION.

By the Governor of the State of Oregon.

Through a sense of gratitude for the many benefits and blessings enjoyed by the people of this State during the past year, and in compliance with a venerated custom, I hereby appoint Thursday, the 13th day of the present month, as a day of thanksgiving.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed.

Done at the city of Salem, this 6th day of November, A. D. 1878.

W. W. HAYES, Governor of Oregon.

By the Governor: R. P. EMBART, Secretary of State.

## Hitched.

Married, by Rev. J. R. N. Bell, at the residence of Washington Hodges, on South Deer Creek, Sunday, Jan. 10, 1878, Miss Mary E. Hoyle.

## His Reverency.

Although friend Bogart has not yet been assigned ministerial duties he now signs himself Rev. Bogart. We are sorry to lose you, but we know the church needs your services.

## Gone to San Francisco.

Mr. Sol. Abraham has gone to San Francisco on business, there to remain for several weeks. We hope success may crown his efforts, and that he will return home in the full enjoyment of health.

## Reorganized.

The Philhellenic Literary Society was reorganized last Saturday evening. A new set of officers were chosen, duties assigned and a question for discussion was selected. The society meets every Friday night of each week. We wish the members success in the matter.

## Fine Bacon.

Many of our readers who last winter purchased fine bacon of Mr. Jacob Bitter, will be pleased to hear that he is now putting up a large supply. He will pickle and smoke in his usual good style, the sides, shoulders and hams of over one hundred fine hogs this year.

## Singular Coincidence.

On the 6th of the present month Mrs. Louis Bell gave birth to a bouncing boy, and of course Belles pere is very happy. The boy is the ninth child born to Mr. Bell, and first saw Heaven's pure light on Tuesday of the week. The remaining eight children were born on a Monday.

## Thanksgiving Day.

As will be seen the Governor has set apart the 28th day of this month as a day of general thanksgiving. Oregon this year has much to be thankful for. Her crops have been abundant and unailing. The people generally healthy and otherwise in the enjoyment of prosperity. Let the fatted turkey be brought in and let every one be happy.

## Tin Wedding.

There was a happy gathering of warm hearted friends on Tuesday evening. The day named was the tenth anniversary of the wedding of the Rev. J. R. N. Bell and his charming lady. The call was a complete surprise to the happy couple, and, as usual, the presents various. Of course, Mr. Bell and lady feel grateful to those who so kindly remembered them.

## Fine Run of Salmon.

Any one at the dam, south of town, on Monday evening last, might have witnessed, in a single hour, at least two hundred salmon jumping over the dam into the pond above. The salmon making the leap were immediately followed a trout or two, as robbers in quest of salmon spawn. The run of salmon in the South Umpqua, this season, is considered unusually fine.

## Will Contest It—Is It Legal?

Parties interested propose contesting the late city election held at Oakland. There are doubts as to the legality of the election held, and as to whether the provisions of the incorporating Act has been complied with. Judge Willis has been employed on the side of the contestants, and Hon. Lafayette Lane on the side of the defendants. If the matter is pushed there will be some interesting arguments made, as two of our ablest lawyers are engaged in the controversy.

## Went by Drain's.

Monday morning eight sacks of mail matter for Coos county, left this place for its destination via Drain's station. It had accumulated in the Roseburg office, through the failure of the mail contractor on the other route—Huntley—to fulfill his contract, and pay his engaged in his services. We suppose the mail will thus be carried until a new contract is made; in the meantime the people of Douglas and Coos counties will be sufferers, into whose hands it would not be safe for Huntley to trust himself.

## Question of Construction.

"Umpqua Ferry" asks a question—If a man living in one district and owning property in another district pays all his road taxes in the district in which he lives? The question is one of construction of law, but able lawyers express the opinion that road taxes should be paid in the district in which the property is located. The benefits of protection are afforded all the property in a district, and its value is enhanced by improvements made by the taxation of other property. It is plain that all property should pay road taxes in the district in which it is located. There has been considerable litigation on this subject, but good lawyers hold the above is just.

## VIOLATING THE LAW.

Several days ago a complaint was filed against certain parties, for cutting timber for milling purposes on Government lands, with the United States District Attorney, Hon. Rufus Mallory. The parties thus violating the law were engaged in cutting timber near Patterson's mill, on the North Umpqua. If we have the story right, the District Attorney at once notified the parties of the offense they were committing by sending an officer, deputized for the purpose, to the scene of action; and the result was, there was a general scuffling of logcutters, teams and woodchoppers. Now, there is the question presenting itself to many of those engaged in the work, who will be called to Portland first to answer. The trees felled and logs cut were not for Patterson's mill, but for a mill lower down the river; and the informant is a resident in the neighborhood of the parties accused. If we remember rightly, the highest punishment for such a crime is a fine of from one hundred to one thousand dollars, and the highest, both fine and imprisonment. Whether there will be anything further done by the authorities than what has already been accomplished we are unable to say.

P. S.—Since the above was put in type we learn a couple more have been elected by the loggers depositing at the land office in this city the amount necessary for the purchase of the section of land on which they were at work, by virtue of this act that it was not their intention to wrong the Government.

## Worth Twice the Sum.

We have just received a copy of The Chicago Ledger, the leading family paper of the west, which is now entering upon its seventh volume. The Ledger is a forty-eight column weekly, printed in bold, plain type, easily to be read by young and old, and is filled with choice stories, and reading matter of interest to every household. This excellent journal is supplied to subscribers by express, and for the low price of \$1.50 per year. In order to increase its present large list of readers, the publishers of the Ledger have made a new contract for several thousand fine Nickel-plated English Steel-barrel and Cylinder Seven-Shot Revolvers—22 caliber—which they propose to distribute to their subscribers at cost, and a third thereof for one of these elegant weapons of defense and The Ledger for one year for \$3.00. The revolver will be sent by mail, postage paid, on receipt of the price. They have already distributed 3,000 revolvers and are mailing hundreds daily. Now is the best time to get first-class revolver and the best paper in the country for less than half the actual cost. The price is \$1.50. Copies will be sent to any address for ten cents. Address The Ledger, Chicago, Ill.

## "A Sure Sign."

Two fat bears were killed on Middle creek, the other day. They were unusually large, and were roaming through the timber at the time the dogs employed by the hunter found them. There is nothing in the incident worthy of notice, further than the "oldest inhabitant" emphatically declares that so long as the bear does not "hole up," there is no danger of bad weather, and that when they are traveling about so late in the Fall there is nothing to fear so far as a hard Winter is concerned. A bear roaming the woods in November, is a sure sign with old hunters, we are told, that there is to be a cold weather, during the month of December, January and February.

## Tellurium Mine.

As the work on the tunnel of the Tellurium mine advances, the interest increases among the shareholders of the mine. The work is being performed by a set of good miners as has been brought together where in this country, consequently the progress is rapid. They expect to reach the ledge soon. The directors have decided to put up a crushing mill on the mine immediately. The suit of the mine has negotiated for a mill. The election of officers passed off quietly; all of the old officers were re-elected. Harmony prevails among the members of the company, and full confidence of soon realizing a reward for their toil.

## Sunday School Concert.

A concert will be given by the members of the Presbyterian Sunday School on the evening of Thanksgiving Day; and if the concert shall prove satisfactory to those who attend it, it will be repeated on the evening following Thanksgiving. Mr. Levison will have charge of the instrumental music; Mr. J. W. Strange of the vocal music; Mr. Hurlst of the literary, and Mr. Deacon of the dramatic figures. The principal instrumental and vocal musicians in the city have kindly volunteered their services, and it is expected the concert will be all that is asked for it. We hope it will be a grand success in every particular.

## Church Revival.

The revival which has been in progress a couple of weeks at Rev. Bill's church, was transferred to Rev. Starr's church on Thursday evening, where it will be continued so long as it is thought the interests of religion may be promoted thereby. The ministers in charge have worked zealously for the cause from the beginning, and as a result, rallying to themselves and the church, have made thirty conversions since conference closed.

## Lively Times.

The railroad company is crowding with business, and its hands full in moving the present year's grain crop. The Standard is authority for the statement that there are now 177 box cars employed on the Oregon and California line also. These cars move 1,770 tons of wheat each trip, and half of the amount reaches East Portland daily, and is consigned to the company's warehouse at that place. To accomplish this great task trains run day and night.

## Delicate Surgical Operation.

Dr. Aiken, of Jacksonville, one day last week performed a hair-lip incision in the case of Miss Alice Jordan of Williams creek, Jackson county. The upper lip and roof of the mouth were entirely cleft from her birth. The Doctor succeeded in stitching the parts together after receding the contiguous surfaces, and last Wednesday the stitches were cut and the wound found completely healed. The operation was perfectly successful.

## The New Mill.

Any one who visits the new mill on the Umpqua south of this city, will be surprised at the great amount of permanent work being done, and the extent of the operations so far. There is good work showing all along the line, and the mill proprietors give evidence of their capacity as thorough business men in everything they do. Success to them.

## Gone to Jackson County.

Judge Willis has gone to Jackson county to look after business connected with his place mines. He will remain there several days.

## INTERESTING DECISION.

The Portland Standard of November 12th has the following item:—Some time since a disturbance occurred in the famous Houston Rock settlement between a man named Wm. H. Allison and Charles Littlepage. The former assaulted the latter with a rifle and came near sending him across the river in due time the matter was brought before the grand jury, and an indictment of assault with a dangerous weapon found against Allison, but the assaulted was written Charles Littlepage. Yesterday the case was called before Judge Bellinger, and nearly 40 witnesses had been summoned. The defense engaged Mr. Edward Mendenhall as counsel, who took the indictment, read it over, and discovered the mis take at once. The jury was in their seats and the first witness called, who swore that the person assaulted was Charles Littlepage, instead of that found in the indictment. The attorney at once moved for a dismissal of the case, which was granted, the judge instructing the jury to remain in their seats and render a verdict of acquittal, as the error made by the grand jury was fatal in the character and the defendant must be set at liberty, which was done. This is the first instance of the kind that has ever occurred in Oregon and is one of interest to the legal fraternity. The grand jury will have another trial at the same Littlepage in all probability this season.

## UMPUQA FERRY.

Everybody is busy. The farmers are all going to plow all of their old land twice. Look out for large crops here next season.

The sociable given by Miss Mollie Lehman was a complete success. Mr. John Churchill is erecting a residence at this place, where he intends to reside the rest of his days.

They are having a time about the school and school teacher down here. It will make somebody laugh when the school teacher walks away with his wages for three months, having taught only one.

Some of the citizens of this place had quite an argument the other day, and I mean to know your opinion. The question is this: A resident in road district No. 9 and also in road district No. 10. Has the road supervisor in district No. 9 the power to make him work the tax out on his property in district No. 10 in district No. 9?

## LETTERS FROM ABROAD.

Mr. J. Rosenstein has received a couple of letters this week from two former residents of this county—one from Mr. Nevee, one of the first school teachers in Umpqua valley, and the other from Laddor Walker. Mr. Nevee now resides at Penitence. In his letter he says: "The Indian raid inflicted considerable loss on this county. Many feel very uneasy about the prospects for next season. A few Indian could use 200,000 sheep to be turned loose in the Blue Mountains again next summer. We hope for the best." Laddor writes that he is enjoying good health, doing a good business, and wishes to be remembered to his many friends.

## Gone to Sandwich Islands.

E. Buick, Esq., son of D. S. K. Buick left this city Thursday for Portland, where he will take passage on the Mattie Macleay for Honolulu. His health has been failing for some time, and his trip is to be made with the hope that he will soon find permanent cure in the mild climate of the Sandwich Islands. He has our best wishes.

## Visiting Portland.

County Clerk Sheridan has been on a visit to Salem and Portland. We should not feel very much surprised that on one of these fine days "Tom" will bring some body home with him; and a little while after he will be hunting for a baby wagon. Now, we don't mean to be telling tales out of school.

## Remains of Thos. Dixon.

The remains of poor Thomas Dixon, so cruelly killed by the Indians near Steins mountain, last summer, will reach this city today in charge of George W. Short who had them exhumed, and has brought them overland in a wagon from the spot where they were so hastily buried.

## Sold Out and Going Below.

Mr. George Mickle has sold his blacksmith shop and other property in this city to Mr. Alexander Gibson, of Oakland. Mr. Gibson will take possession on the 1st of next month. George will soon after that time leave for Salem, where he proposes permanently remaining.

## Change of Proprietors.

M. L. Button has sold his interest in the Metropolitan hotel to E. C. Hendrick. We are sorry to part with Mr. Button, and wish him well wherever he may go. To his successor we extend the best wishes, and believe he will make one of the most obliging landlords.

## Will Soon Start Again.

We hear it rumored that C. C. Huntley has sent on means sufficient to pay all the debts due by him in carrying the Coos Bay mail, and that services will be resumed on the route between this city and Marshfield in a day or two.

## Improving.

From Dr. Cozad we learn that the health of Miss Saddle Moore has considerably improved since our last report, and the indications are favorable for her recovery. Her father's opinion, we are sorry to hear, has not changed for the better.

## New Wagons.

The Yreka "Journal" says the new contractor of the Roseburg and Reading road has shipped half a dozen eight-passenger wagons to Reading, which looks as though he intends to running the line, but how soon is not yet known.

## Lively Fracas.

A row occurred near the depot last Sunday, and one of the combatants sustained a pull of the nose and two black eyes. The matter came up before Justice Heath, and the defendant was discharged from custody without fine.

## Fire at Hillsboro.

A large warehouse belonging to Mr. L. Williams, at Hillsboro, was destroyed by fire last Sunday night. There were stored in the building between 7,000 to 8,000 bushels of grain belonging to the farmers living in the vicinity.

## \$2,000 Damages.

At the present term of the Multnomah county Circuit Court, Miss Mollie Leahy obtained \$2,000 damages in a suit for breach of promise against Joe Knott. Oh, you naughty, naughty man, uncle Joe!

## Located.

Dr. V. Gesner has located permanently in Roseburg. He will be found at the Metropolitan hotel.

## MINING NEWS.

We gather the following mining news from the Jacksonville Times of recent date:—

The miners are busy making preparations for the winter.

Work has been suspended for the present on the climatic mines.

Kahler, Robb & Co. are building a reservoir at the Palmer creek diggings.

We hear that Abrahams & Levens have put up a store near the Grand Applegate mines.

Dodge & Kellogg, of Sam's valley, have completed a ditch taking water from Grave Creek to the claims.

Captain H. Kelly has been at Portland endeavoring to enlist the interests of capitalists in the Grave Creek mines.

The English Company at Gail creek intend a force of men at work on their ditching.

The Grave Creek Ditch Company has now but first employed on its ditch at present; but will increase this force to twenty soon.

The Fort Lane Mining Company the other day completed the raising of 1,500 pounds of silver ore in its assays, realizing \$216 therefor.

A. McKenzie, a practical miner of extensive experience, has been employed by J. Brandt, of the O. & K., to open and work his mine near Willow Springs.

One mile on the "Grand Applegate Mining Company," has been completed, and it is expected that everything can be got in readiness by the commencement of winter.

The hydraulic pipe on the Squaw Lake Ditch Company's diggings, will be extended 600 feet when the winter season has opened, and several hundred more when necessary.

J. H. Penn is now engaged in getting out a considerable amount of hydraulic pipe for H. Donoff, of Ferniers' Flat, who will carry on mining operations more extensively than ever before.

Henry Papp and Charles Schultz went over to their mines opposite Palmer creek, where they have quite a force of hands digging a ditch leading from Beaver creek that will not be less than three miles in length. They report matters prosperous.

## CALAPOOIA.

The farmers speed the plow from morning till night.

C. T. Plinkham has taken his departure for California.

Mr. Stephens & Co. are fetching one hundred and fifty ewes.

Farmers are making their seed wheat perfectly clean before sowing.

J. H. Mires gathered and put away for winter six hundred bushels of apples.

Miss Lilly Barnard is making preparations to attend school at Oakland this winter.

The sociable given by Miss Mollie Lehman was not so largely attended as was anticipated.

Mr. A. E. McEne, who has been visiting the scenes of his childhood in Missouri, is expected home next week.

The Baptists, during their late meetings, added four to their number by conversion and two by letter.

Mr. J. T. Daniel, who has been afflicted with the inflammatory rheumatism for several years, is not able to be out of doors.

H. Davis has received the sad news that his daughter, who recently left here to attend school at McMinnville, is quite sick.

Mr. T. Barnard's team, while harrowing a few days since, became frightened and ran away; no serious damage was done.

Some of Cole's valley's noble young men attended the sociable given by Miss Lehman. The one that wore the red necktie seemed quite popular with the young ladies.

Wm. C. Burk is erecting a fine dwelling house on his mountain farm, and also Mr. Brunner is constructing a nice one on the farm he recently purchased of the Starr boys.

Farming don't pay! This has been the cry all over the civilized world for ages, and yet the same opinion, which is so often derided as unprofitable, has made the world what it is, and is the foundation of civilization. Farming does not pay the indolent and slothful; nor does any occupation.

## THAT CITY BUSINESS.

OAKLAND, Nov. 13, 1878.

EDITOR INDEPENDENT: Many of our citizens admire your attitude upon the organization of our city government last week; but some would have been better pleased had you dealt with the facts in the matter in your usual caustic style. To those who are acquainted with the truth in the premises, the meaning of your article was very clear, and there is no doubt its publication has made you many warm friends in this precinct.

Had you stated that the city was incorporated with the sole idea that the price of town lots might be increased to the extent that one large owner of them might raise the money wherewith to pay off a man whom he lately bought out in business, and to whom he is deeply indebted, you would have struck the nail square on the head. If you had stated that some of the railroad men (not Little Mac and his friends) voted to put an additional burden on the railroad company, from which they obtain their road and outfit, they would not have been wrong in one single particular.

Better Keep Quiet.

There is a poor, half-witted fellow who lives over at Oakland, who every now and then bowls at this paper as the cur cures the moon. He had better keep quiet, and yelp no more through the columns of the Plaindealer, for we might inform Dr. Hawthorne that one of his escaped patients is to be found at Oakland, simply to rid that community of a nuisance.

Ben Butler will not be the next Democratic candidate for President, the Republicans of Massachusetts having settled that question.

Sent to the Insane Asylum.

Mrs. Richards was adjudged insane by the County Judge, and sent to the Insane Asylum this week. She was violent in her madness.

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NOTICE

Of Final Settlement in the Matter of the Estate of Loren Davis Deceased.

Frank Davis, administrator of Estate of Loren Davis deceased, having filed his final accounts showing all his proceedings in the premises, it is, therefore, ordered that, Wednesday, December 4th, 1878, be and is hereby set apart for the hearing of objections thereto, and the final settlement thereof, and that notice to the same be published in the DOUGLAS INDEPENDENT for four consecutive weeks.

By order of Hon. C. Gaddis, County Judge.

T. R. SHERIDAN, County Clerk. ROSEBURG, O., Oct. 12, 1878.

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