The other day our reporter took stroll around among our business men,

and gleaned the following expression of opinion in regard to the status of trade and future outlook of the city. MR. GEO. SKINNER. Proprietor of the new flouring mills,

was the first person accosted. Mr. S. with the business outlook generally expressed himself well pleased with and was especially pleased with al the business prospects, and predicted a in his line. Considered it a nobby town bright future for Independence.

WESSES MITTHEET, & BOHANNON, Manufactures of sash, doors, etc., said felt confident as to the future.

E. E. KRENGEL,

Blacksmith and manufacturer of wagons, carriages, etc., said his trade was Pres. First National bank, felt very greatly increasing; trade from abroad had almost doubled within the past

GEO, W. SHINN, Fashionable house and sign painter, had this to say: "When I first came to Independence some four years ago, I could find employment only for myself and possibly one employee; but this year I have kept from six to eight men at work almost continually. You can judge whether my business is prosper ing or not."

ELI JOHNSON, Our genial livery stable man, express himself as satisfied with the business outlook of Independence. This season was an unusually prosperous one.

JUDGE A. M. HURLEY, Attorney at law, said that business was picking up with him right along. Felt confident as to the future of Indepen-

GOODMAN & DOUTY. Hardware merchants, were enthu astic in their appreciation of the lively times this season. Said their trade was very satisfactory indeed. Felt confi-

dent as to the future. W. P. CONNAWAY. Cashier of Independence National

J. D. IRVINE. Grocer, was confident that Indepen

Had lived in Oregon all his life and Independence was more prosperous knew whereof he spoke. Said business this season than ever before. never had been so good as it is this

Of Henkle & Walker's grocery store said that he was not feeling well and could not talk much, but would say this: Independence is getting there,

Dealer in general merchandise, was well pleased with the business outlook, and said in substance: My business has gradually increased in volume since I have been here. I came to Independence in the spring of 1887, and engaged in the grocery and shoe business in a small way; by strict attention to business I have been able to build up a fine trade in my present line of business. This is a good country to tie to, and Independence is in the lead. Busi-

ness has never been so good as now. W. H. WHEELER, Dealer in stationary, confectionaries, books, tobacco, etc., said: "My trade is on the pick up right along. I came here only a few years ago with small means, and am doing a good business to-day. This has been a prosperous

year for Independence. I am satisfied with my share of the trade. HYDE & DALTON, Groceries, said they were new come here; had been in business only a few Merchant taylors, are well pleased with months, but were well pleased with the Independence, and pronounce business prospects, and considered Indepen-

dence good enough for them. H. B. PATTERSON. Druggist, said he had been in business in Independence for a number of years; satisfied with the business outlook. had witnessed the growth of the town from its infancy almost, and could Of the Mazeppa, considers Indepe truly say that, in his opinion, it was on dence a live town. the high way to prosperity. Business was good this year, the best in the his- Jeweller, etc., said the town was tory of Independence.

L. C. GILMORE. Manager Independence Water Works, dence a first-class town; had lately come from Texas, and not was fully the city; was well satisfied here. acquainted with the wants of this country.

Confectionary and cigar dealer, was well pleased with this seasons trade, and felt confident at to the future. BUSTER & LOCKE,

Druggists, said business had never been better; the outlook was very encouraging, and, in their opinion, Indepenrapid rate. H. D. WALLER.

Boot and shoe dealer, was enthusiastic

MISSES MACAULAY & ROBERTSON, Artistic milliners, expressed themselves well pleased with their share of Wagon maker, etc., is quite well satis

trade; liked Independence, and were fied and is going to remain with us. here to stay. Dealers in general merchandise, felt proud of Independence and were sanguine as to the future; had been in

business here for a number of years, but never in the history of this community had trade been so prosperous as it is to-day. ZED ROSENDORF

Dealer in general merchandise, was bubbling all over with enthysiasm. Yes, business is good, and our town is marching right ahead; we will get there and "don't you forget it."

LEWIS KELSO, General merchandise store, said he had been in business here a number of years; had seen the town grow from a Said while there was no "boom" here small village to its present dimensions, yet the town had a healthy growth and could truthfully say that this is and was doing well. the most prosperous business season in the history of Independence. Was Fashlonable dressmaker, is pleased well pleased with the business outlook, with the city and its business prospects.

W. H. WHITEAKER

W. O. COOK. Dealer in furniture, carpets, etc., re-ported business lively in his line of trade, and felt confident as to the

Hardware merchant, felt quite flattere

JASPERSON & PARKER. Sash and door manufacturers, etc. said that business was unusually that business was good with them, and brisk with them this year, and con sidered the general business outloo very encouraging.

> J. B. COOPER. much encouraged with the general prosperity of the country; considered Independence a live town, fully abrenal with the times, and bound to go ahead. The volume of business in his particus lar line was almost doubling every

BEAMER & CRAVENS Harness and saddle manufactures, con sidered business much livelier this year than last, and were well satisfied.

MRS. E. WINNULL, Fashionable milliner, said trade in her line was quite good, and feit confider

A. B. GRIGGS. Pioneer meat market, was well satisfled with the trade in his line, and considered Independence a good town.

J. N. JONES, the vicinity of Independence all his life, but never saw business so prosperous as now; in his line it was especially lively this year. ally lively this year,

I. A. MILLER Proprietor marble works, said he was a new arrival in town, but was quite live town of the valley. favorably impressed with the signs of the times round about Independence Considered this a first-class town.

A. W. HOWELL. bank, said that Independence was Of the City hotel, said his hotel had moving up to the front at a rapid rate. accommodated more guests this season Business was on the increase right than usual. Travel was evidently

setting this way, and the future was even brighter than the present. W. W. WILLIAMS. Prop. Hack & Dray Co., was jubilan towns of 1500 inhabitants in the valley, over the unusually good times. Said

> Hop grower and brick manufacturer, is proud of Independence's business re- rangements with that wide awake, illuscord this year. Never brighter than now, and the future is full of promise.

KIRLAND & BOWMAN. Blacksmith and wagon manufacturers, and business was never so good as it is expressed themselves as satisfied with the business outlook, and thought the any of our subscribers who come in and future quite promising.

Undertaker, etc., was confident that been.

GIBSON & KIRKLAND, Real estate dealers, considered Independence was climbing up towards the top; business was quite good this year, and all the signs of the times pointed to a livelier business era next season. MRS, M. K. LARANSIEUR,

Of the City Bazaar, considered that the general business of the town was on the culture through the higher and broader increase; said the Bazaar was doing a

Of the firm of Judson & Williams, reports business first-class in the millinery line, and is more than satisfied with Independence as a place of busi-

SHARMAN BROS. DURHAM BROS.

City Meat Market, say that business ! quite brisk in their line, and are well F. T. MORRIS.

moving right along, and pronoun business good.

MRS. A. M. HUBLEY liked Oregon, and considered Indepen- Fashionable millinery store, was well pleased with the business outlook of O. A. KRAMER,

Jeweller, etc., said business was good, and considered the future very flattering indeed.

MESSRS, JACKSON & HUTCHINS, Of Salem, Oregon, contractors on the new public school building and the Independence National bank, have this to say of our city: Independence is an energetic and thriving young dence was rushing to the front at a city of more than usual promise, and we are pleased to say that she is represeated by a very [gentlemanly and wideawake class of business men. All the conditions necessary to the buildas to the future of Independence. Busi- ing up of a city are within easy reach ness was quite lively this year-never of your door. It is a safe prediction to

W. A. WENGENBOTH.

J. A. WHEELER Manager of Prescott & Veness saw mill, said the demand for lumber was continually on the increase; much greater than any previous year. DRS, LEE & BUTLER,

Feel enthusiastic over the business prospects. One of the brightest year's in the city's history.

J, B, JOHNSON was sanguine as to the future and said this had been an unusually

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