

POSTPONED.—The next meeting of the Musical and Literary Society of Independence has been indefinitely postponed.

HISTORICAL.—As soon as our reporter has fully recovered his usual health, we expect him to visit different sections of the county, and report what is taking place therein; and also to give a life sketch of such old settlers as he may meet with. We have one controlling desire in publishing the West Side, and that desire is, to make it a most welcome weekly visitor to every fronside in the county.

THE LEAP-YEAR BALL.—The leap-year ball given in the opera house last Friday night was quite tony in its nature. There were present about seventy-five couples, and the gentlemen in their conventional black with swallow-tailed coats, and the ladies in delectable costumes, made it exhibit quite a Washingtonian air. A fine supper was served at the Little Palace hotel, and, take it all in all, it was a very successful affair.

COUNTY MEETING.—Alliance men, Grangers, and all other persons interested in the reform questions of the day, will hold a two-days' meeting at Dallas, on March 1st and 2nd, to discuss railroad, tax, silver, bank, land loan, and subtreasury questions. Men of all shades of opinion are invited to participate in the discussion of each topic, each of which will be led by some one of the ablest speakers of the state. Programme next week.

A MAN KILLED.—I. B. Gentry, familiarly called "Bo," and who lived for many years at Pryorville, was shot and killed at Willamina last Saturday morning about 8 o'clock, by a man named Green. Gentry had been cutting and abusing Green's boy, and ran the boy into Green's yard, and Green went into the house, procured a revolver, and shot Gentry four times, killing him. Gentry leaves a wife and three children, and has been notorious in several county fringes.

THE FAIR.—Vancouver is not the only place that needs to get a move on itself. Of the newly-chosen places in the local circuit, Independence is probably the most active. It has been stirring itself actively and successfully to secure a district fair this fall. It has been accorded a pretty choice week in the circuit, the one after the state fair. It will undoubtedly have a large attendance, and, if the local association figures its purses just right, plenty of horses.—Sunday Oregonian.

SPRINGTIME IS HERE.—"Springtime has come, gentle Annie," and the flowers are blooming. Now if all our property owners would prune their fruit and shade trees, and clean the streets in front and about their premises, our city would be the most beautiful anywhere in the valley. We have a good supply of water for lawn purposes, and this entire town, if properly cared for, could be made to blossom as the rose. A little pride about one's home is never lost, either in value or moral tone. Now is a good time to fix up your sidewalks, and repair your fences, and do much in the way of useful improvements. We hope to see much of this kind of work done this spring.

RETURNED.—Mrs. E. Winbush and daughter, Miss Aggie, returned from their visit to Ohio last Tuesday. They were absent five months and had a most enjoyable trip throughout, meeting with no accident either way. While in Chicago they heard the great prima donna, Patti, and said her singing was simply beyond description. They also stated that when they left Ohio, seven days previous to their arrival in Independence, there were two feet of snow on the ground and the weather very cold, and although they enjoyed the sleighing, they were glad to get back to the sunny and genial clime of old Oregon where the trees are budding and the flowers almost ready to bloom. The West Side welcomes them home again.

LOVE YOUR WIVES.—"There is one thing that I like about the Jews—that is, their devotion to their wives," says "Bab," a writer on things in general, and fashions and manners in particular. "No men in the world are as considerate to women for whom they care, and no men give and create so much love in the hearts of their wives as do those men. I was talking to a Jewish about happy marriages, and I put to her the question, 'Are you happy in your marriage?' and she answered, 'I am so happy the days are not long enough for me to be glad in.' Now, this was not a young girl who had been married two weeks, a year, or five years, but a woman who had grown-up sons, and who still loved the husband of her youth with greater ardor than she did the first year of her marriage. I do not know whose fault it is, but I should like to know how many Gentiles could say that?"—Slaying.

ANOTHER FACTORY.—W. A. Wengert, proprietor of the Independence fence works, and G. Griffith, recently of Kansas City, Mo., are fitting up the machinery for an axle factory in the building opposite Mitchell & Bohannon's planing mill, on Main street. They will be in full operation about the last of next week. It will be run by steam power, and the machine they are setting up at present is of sufficient capacity to turn out a handle about every two minutes; and as fast as the market is opened and requires it they will increase their machinery in proportion to the demands. Mr. Griffith says that one of the principal reasons he located here was the large amount of oak timber in this vicinity, which he thinks makes better handles than hickory as it will, after thorough seasoning, spring to some extent, and hickory will not. This will be the only axle-handle factory on this coast; in fact, the only one this side of Kansas City. Now if our oak timber makes as good handles as imported material, we do not see why this should not be made a paying enterprise. We wish it unbounded success.

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LOCALS.

A cannery. A boulevard. A district lot. A hoop factory. A harness line. A steam laundry. A bicycle tournament. An ax-handle factory. Bicycle riding has commenced. Roads are dusty in Independence. A large number of residence buildings. Subscribe for the West Side, the peoples' paper. This promises to be another building year for Independence. Several of our industrious citizens are improving their premises. Dr. O. D. Butler is arranging for several new cottages this spring. The ladies should wait until the new goods at the "White House," arrive. We are glad to chronicle that Thomas Scudder is again able to be around. Work on the steam laundry is being pushed right along, and the machinery is expected in a few days. There will be a leap-year party given in the opera house on the evening of Washington's birthday. Mr. E. T. Henkle is making his home one of the most beautiful in the city. Let others go and do likewise. Mrs. St. Clair has a lot of canned fruits for sale. All persons desiring to purchase will inquire of Mrs. S. J. Helfmann. 14 27. The boys should reorganize the baseball line before long in order to get sufficient practice to carry off the prize in a series of games with any nine in the valley, outside of Portland. That boulevard between Independence and Monmouth must be begun and completed. You can scarcely realize what an attraction such a thing will be to citizens and travelers. Mr. Flockinger, from Soap Creek, was in town Tuesday. He has but just recovered from a severe attack of la grippe. He says he is not disposed to agitate what it follows in his tracks. We understand that Hon. B. F. Bureh, recently despatched by the Harrison administration, will build a fine home residence in Monmouth. Come on, all ye in search of a peaceful home, and do likewise. Don't waste time, money, and health, trying every new medicine you may see advertised in the papers. If the cause of your trouble is in the blood, liver, stomach, or kidneys, take Ayer's Sarsaparilla at once, and be sure of a cure. No other. To the question, Which is your favorite poem? There may be a great variety of answers; but when asked, Which is your favorite blood-purifier? there can be only one reply—Ayer's Sarsaparilla, because it is the purest, safest, and most economical.

S. D. Fulton, of Polk county, is very enthusiastic over prune culture in the Willamette Valley. He goes so far as to say that Italian prunes grown in the valley are superior to those grown in Italy. The climate is compared to that of Asia Minor, where prunes, olives and similar fruit can be found. The little five-year-old son of Selby Ireland, who had his leg broken last Saturday, was attended upon by Dr. Crowley, of Monmouth, who reset the broken limb and left him in comparative ease. The probabilities are that in a few weeks a full restoration to soundness of the broken limb will have taken place. If you are troubled with cold in the head, the following, from the London Lancet, is very highly recommended: "Trinitrate of bismuth, six grains; pulverized gum arabic, two grains; hydrochlorate of morphia, two grains." This is used as a snuff, creates no pain, and causes, the Lancet asserts, the entire disappearance of the symptoms in a few hours. On Saturday, the 13th, the little son of Selby Ireland (about five years old) fell from the hay loft in Wm. P. Ireland's barn, to the floor, breaking his leg near the thigh. We are now looking anxiously for the physician's attendance. Selby Ireland was down from Sodaville to be present at his father's funeral when the sad accident occurred. Truly we know not what an hour may bring forth.

Mr. C. W. Reed, proprietor of the Hotel Dellone, Omaha, one of the finest and modern hotels in the west, says of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy: "We have used it in our family for years with the most satisfactory results, especially for our children for colds and croup. It can be depended upon; besides, it is pleasant to take, and seems to be free from chloroform and the oily substances put into many cough mixtures." Fifty-cent and one-dollar bottles for sale by all medicine dealers. The kicker is a developer; the croaker is an incubator. The kicker incites to improvement; the croaker to indignation and resentment. The kicker is only heard when he is given \$1 accommodations at \$3 rates; the croaker would be just as noisy if he were getting \$3 accommodations and paying nothing. The kicker is a lively, jovial, progressive fellow; the croaker is a dismal nuisance who lags superfluous on the stage. "Bah for the kicker; a bas for the croaker."

The editor of the Harney Times has the following to say concerning himself: "We are married. Miss Carrie Lauce Crawford, daughter of D. L. Crawford, of Enterprise, consented to become Mrs. Editor, and share the gladness and sadness, the glory and defeat, the happiness and sorrow, the vicissitudes and complimentary tickets, of a sanctum dweller. So on the 20th ult., about noon, as near as we can remember, we were married, with the assistance of Rev. T. V. B. Embree. Exchanges please be lenient. A. B. Cherry, Silvertown's popular jeweler, starts Monday for Independence, Oregon, to engage in the jewelry business at that place. During his stay in Silvertown he has made a host of friends, who regret to see him leave.—Silvertown Appeal. Mr. Cherry is located with Patterson Bros., and will have full charge of the jewelry department. He will carry a large stock of all kinds of jewelry, and is quite an experienced optician. We extend to him a cordial welcome to our midst, and predict for him a liberal patronage.

THE RICKLEW. W. C. T. U. takes this means to thank all who so kindly donated, and others who assisted in their "Temperance Fair" a financial success. The ladies of McCoy will give a fair and Blue Jay sociable on Monday evening, February 22d. Everybody cordially invited. There will be a song service at the Presbyterian church next Sunday evening. All are cordially invited to attend. The order is now in and the lumber is being sawed for the cannery building. Let the good work go on. Dell Ireland returned from Salem Monday, where he had been on a visit to his in-laws. In less than two years there will be twenty-five hundred people living in Independence. Hon. B. P. McLench, ex-county commissioner, died in Salem last week. Fresh milk now wanted. Address, A. J. Wolcott, Independence. 15-21. Read Mr. Cherry's new jewelry ad. in this week's issue. The farmers are doing well, and everything prospers. William Kirkland, of Dixie, was in town last Saturday. Most beautiful weather. \$100 Reward, \$100. The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer one hundred dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists, 75c.

AN EXPOSURE.—The most comical, curious, side-splittingly funny event witnessed in Independence will be presented by local talent next Friday evening at the opera house. The secret work of the A. O. U. Y. will be thoroughly exposed. Look out for posters. LOCAL AGENTS.—All persons desiring to subscribe for the daily, weekly, or Sunday Oregonian, will find it to their advantage to do so through the WEST SIDE office. Also come and inquire about Oregonian's sectional map given to the Oregonian to each yearly subscriber for the low price of \$3.00. The paper for one year and the map for the above price. HOTEL ARRIVALS. LITTLE PALACE. THURSDAY, February 11.—D. W. Woodbury, San Jose, Cal.; J. M. Harrison, Dallas, E. C. Merrill, Payson, Wash.; Mrs. White, Salem. FRIDAY, February 12.—J. Handie, D. W. Sears, McCoy; Dr. H. B. Henley, Dallas; Theo. Collier, Portland; C. W. Benson, Portland; C. E. Porter, Portland; Dan. W. Kopp, Portland; M. V. York, Salem. SATURDAY, February 13.—D. W. Sears, McCoy; C. H. Porter, Portland; Jas. Tatom, Monmouth. SUNDAY, February 14.—G. W. Shinn, city; W. A. Scott, Oklawaha, Ariz.; W. E. King, Portland. MONDAY, February 15.—J. J. Dallas, Dan? W. Kemp, Portland; G. A. Henderson, Portland; R. A. Konke, city; L. L. White and wife, Portland; B. Woorno, San Francisco; L. C. Parker, Portland; A. P. Bradbury, Portland; A. B. Solomon, San Francisco; Theo. Baker, McMinnville; F. P. Post, McCoy; Joe Martin, New York; February 16.—C. F. Helman, Portland; Leo R. Long, San Francisco; Joe Meyerstein, San Francisco; E. B. Pritchard, Albany; E. J. Thompson, Corvallis; Mrs. Taylor & Company, Portland; Jas. McCoy, McMinnville. WEDNESDAY, February 17.—W. J. Culligan, San Francisco; Henry Van Meter, Portland; G. C. Linton, Oreg.; J. H. Smith, Portland; S. C. Ford, Portland; A. M. Smith, Portland; A. Hamberger, Portland; J. A. Veness, Bismarck, N. D.; H. Dixon, Philomath; S. H. Robbins, Lang; Thos. Lohr, W. Mackay, Corvallis; H. Wing, Lewistown.

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The steamer Hoag landed fifty tons of freight here Monday evening. This is a little above the daily average, but will not compare with what will be landed here when the spring business season fairly opens. If any doubt the business activity of Independence, make a visit of a few days here and you will be convinced that we have a business center of no mean pretensions. Bro. Bell was seen wending his way through the streets Tuesday with a fine, fat chicken dangling from the ends of his fingers. He came near being arrested by the marshal. Now, if Bro. Bell came by that chicken legitimately, all is right, but if he has been playing the Southern darkey, we will see to it that our chickens roost a little higher. Quite a happy typographical error was discovered in our district-fair report last week. We had the total subscription raised to date, (last Friday), \$60.00, over which all felt, according to the article, quite elated and much encouraged, which made it appear rather amusing. The amount should have been \$65.00. We visited the hardware store of Mr. O'Donnell this week. On our entrance we were astonished at its large dimensions. He is doing a thriving business. This is indicative of business activity in Independence, as well as an indication of an increasing demand on the part of farmers for agricultural machinery. Rev. D. V. Poling will conduct Evangelical services in the Christian church on this coming Sunday morning only, instead of morning and evening. Services will commence at eleven o'clock. The choir will meet for practice at Mrs. Williams's this evening. J. E. Hubbard has bought the interest of Van Meer in the truck and feed stables. He is now sole proprietor. He expects to make a life business of it. Jo is the boss, and he executes all orders with care and dispatch. Rev. C. C. Poling will hold his last quarterly meeting of the Lewisville mission at Buena Vista, Saturday, February 27th, at 2:30 p. m. Preaching at night and Sunday morning and evening. All invited. We are grieved to chronicle the news that M. A. C. Robertson is still quite low, but we hope when the bright warm days of spring come, he will improve and be able soon to be around home, and do likewise. The Ricklew W. C. T. U. takes this means to thank all who so kindly donated, and others who assisted in their "Temperance Fair" a financial success. The ladies of McCoy will give a fair and Blue Jay sociable on Monday evening, February 22d. Everybody cordially invited. There will be a song service at the Presbyterian church next Sunday evening. All are cordially invited to attend. The order is now in and the lumber is being sawed for the cannery building. Let the good work go on. Dell Ireland returned from Salem Monday, where he had been on a visit to his in-laws. In less than two years there will be twenty-five hundred people living in Independence. Hon. B. P. McLench, ex-county commissioner, died in Salem last week. Fresh milk now wanted. Address, A. J. Wolcott, Independence. 15-21. Read Mr. Cherry's new jewelry ad. in this week's issue. The farmers are doing well, and everything prospers. William Kirkland, of Dixie, was in town last Saturday. Most beautiful weather. \$100 Reward, \$100. The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer one hundred dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists, 75c.

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Plant and family left yesterday for St. Louis, Missouri, where they will make their future home. They go on account of his health, which has been quite poor for some time. We wish them a pleasant journey and a safe arrival at their new home. Little girl (reading): "Nature unadorned is adorned the most." What does that mean? "I guess it means a rooster chicken is nicer than a chicken with its feathers on."—Good News. Bookies' Arnie's Sale. The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, netter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price, 25 cents per box. For sale by any druggist. DAVID IRELAND. A short sketch of the lives of our early settlers who have passed to the great beyond should always be a matter of interest to those who survive them. Friend after friend departs, severed by the icy hand of death from connection with all earthly friends, and while we are still subjected to the tolls and cares of life, may be previously stricken with sorrow at their departure, yet, full of years and ripe for immortality when the summons comes, yields up his life with joyous anticipations of an eternity of bliss with Him in whom he had always put his trust for the salvation promised to the faithful. Such was the case of David Ireland, who a few days ago was summoned into the presence of his Maker. On the 10th of February, with a sudden stroke of paralysis, he yielded up his breath, and while his immortal spirit took its flight, the tolls, the cares, the pains attendant upon mortal life, ceased forever. Though children, relatives, and friends, may be stricken with sorrow at the sudden separation, yet that all triumph in the consciousness that all is well with him; that now, instead of being subjected to the pangs of mortality, he is clothed in robes of immortality, and rests securely happy, bliss with a Redeemer's love. About five days before his death, Mr. Ireland called upon the writer of this article, who at the time was most severely afflicted with that distressing disease, la grippe. He spoke of our advanced ages, talked of the past, of the present, and the future. He "was ready," he said, whenever God called him. His only thought was separation from his children, whom he dearly loved, and which love was fully reciprocated between parent and child. We can truly say, from long personal observation, that we have seldom seen such a strong mutual attachment exist between parent and children as existed between the departed one and his offspring. David Ireland was born in Ohio, in 1819. He removed from thence to Illinois, and from thence to Iowa, where he lived in 1864 for Oregon. A short time after his arrival in Oregon, he purchased the donation land claim

of William Mason, about one and one-half miles south of Monmouth, upon which he continued to reside until the demise of his wife, which occurred in 1881, since which time he has made his home amongst his children, having sold his previous home residence. He was a man of inflexible integrity, of indomitable will, but above all he lived in obedience to the commands of Him who "spoke as never man spoke." At the burial of David Ireland, Bro. B. F. Bonnell made some of the most practical and impressive remarks that it has ever been our lot to have listened to. While pointing out wherein death was the enemy of mankind, and by whose appointment death was the doom of all mortality, yet he presented in such glowing words the final rest of the truly faithful, that the afflicted ones left behind, must, although sorrowful, have been rejoiced to know that the spirit which had just taken its flight was at peace, was at rest, was happy in the realms of the New Jerusalem. Dear parent and friend, farewell till we meet again. THE DISTRICT FAIR. A district fair and the extension of the circuit of the "Oregon Stock Breeders' Association" to Independence will prove immense advantage to Independence, as well as to the entire county. It will give prominence to Independence, it will increase its business relations, and above all, it will give advantages to the increase of friendly and social intercourse among the people. Polk county is the banner county in the state, and now let the people of the county take advantage of present opportunities by thoroughly organizing a district fair association, and proving by the results of the same, to citizen and to stranger, that we are entitled to the highest honors for our zeal in behalf of agricultural industries and the improvement of stock and herds. We feel fully confident that the people of the county are earnestly anxious for the complete consummation of such a movement, and it only requires the efforts of active, energetic men to have an exhibition this coming fall that will place old Polk far in the van of all of our sister counties in all that tends to promote the best interests and welfare of its citizens. Let the work go on, let there be no hesitation in speedily completing a full organization, and the future will prove that your efforts in that direction will have brought about results most gratifying to the sense of the people. Success to the fair, and all honor to the active movers its organization. "In buying a cough medicine for children," says H. A. Walker, a prominent druggist of Ogden, Utah, "never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it, and relief is always sure to follow. I particularly recommend Chamberlain's because I have found it to be safe and reliable. Fifty-cent bottles for sale by all medicine dealers. A Card of Thanks. To those friends and neighbors who so kindly administered to our necessities in the last dying hours and burial of our father, David Ireland, we tender our kind acknowledgments, and extend our warmest thanks. We wish you all a prolonged life of health and happiness. Again we thank you. THE CHILDREN. Happy Showers. Wm. Timmons, postmaster of Idaville, Ind., writes: "Electric Bitters has done more for me than all other medicines combined, for that bad feeling arising from kidney and liver trouble." John Leslie, farmer and stockman, of the same place, says: "Find Electric Bitters to be the best kidney and liver medicine; made me feel like a new man." J. W. Gardner, hardware merchant, same town, says: "Electric Bitters is just the thing for a man who is all run down and don't care whether he lives or dies; he found new strength, good appetite, and felt just like he had a new lease on life. Only 50 cents a bottle, at any drug store. Our Correspondent. We have now passed through four weeks of the various phases and symptoms of that most formidable disease, la grippe, and during that time our thoughts occasionally wander to the "sanctum" of the West Side. We have regretted our inability to keep up a continuation of our reports to its columns, but we now hope that ere many days we may contribute our humble efforts in promoting the still further advancement of the West Side to popular favor and patronage. Under its present management the West Side is receiving the high commendation of the people, and it is regarded as the equal to if not the superior of any local paper in the state. The patronage now given the West Side affords renewed evidence that it will not wait to be driven along the path of progress by sharp competition, but will keep so far in the lead that competition will be an impossibility. REPORTER. THE CRADLE. CAMPBELL.—To the wife of O. L. Campbell, in this city, Thursday, February 11, 1892, an eleven-pound boy. All doing well. CARPENTER.—Born to the wife of J. H. Carpenter, February 18, 1892, an eight-pound girl. All doing well. NOTICE. All those indebted to me will find my books with H. M. Lites for settlement. Please call and settle at once. All accounts not settled on or before the first of March, 1892, will be placed in the hands of my attorney. When I was sick, I gave her Castoria. When she became ill, she gave to Castoria. When she had children, she gave them Castoria. W. W. PERCYVAL. NOTICE. This is positively the last notice that we shall give to those owing us to come forward and settle by the 22d of March, 1892; and those failing to do this will have to settle with our attorney. The books can be found at Buster & Shelly's drug store. J. W. BUCKER. A. S. LOCKE. Independence, Feb. 18, 1892. 15-17. NOTICE. When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she became ill, she gave to Castoria. 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Plant and family left yesterday for St. Louis, Missouri, where they will make their future home. They go on account of his health, which has been quite poor for some time. We wish them a pleasant journey and a safe arrival at their new home. Little girl (reading): "Nature unadorned is adorned the most." What does that mean? "I guess it means a rooster chicken is nicer than a chicken with its feathers on."—Good News. Bookies' Arnie's Sale. The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, netter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price, 25 cents per box. For sale by any druggist. DAVID IRELAND. A short sketch of the lives of our early settlers who have passed to the great beyond should always be a matter of interest to those who survive them. Friend after friend departs, severed by the icy hand of death from connection with all earthly friends, and while we are still subjected to the tolls and cares of life, may be previously stricken with sorrow at their departure, yet, full of years and ripe for immortality when the summons comes, yields up his life with joyous anticipations of an eternity of bliss with Him in whom he had always put his trust for the salvation promised to the faithful. Such was the case of David Ireland, who a few days ago was summoned into the presence of his Maker. On the 10th of February, with a sudden stroke of paralysis, he yielded up his breath, and while his immortal spirit took its flight, the tolls, the cares, the pains attendant upon mortal life, ceased forever. Though children, relatives, and friends, may be stricken with sorrow at the sudden separation, yet that all triumph in the consciousness that all is well with him; that now, instead of being subjected to the pangs of mortality, he is clothed in robes of immortality, and rests securely happy, bliss with a Redeemer's love. About five days before his death, Mr. Ireland called upon the writer of this article, who at the time was most severely afflicted with that distressing disease, la grippe. He spoke of our advanced ages, talked of the past, of the present, and the future. He "was ready," he said, whenever God called him. His only thought was separation from his children, whom he dearly loved, and which love was fully reciprocated between parent and child. We can truly say, from long personal observation, that we have seldom seen such a strong mutual attachment exist between parent and children as existed between the departed one and his offspring. David Ireland was born in Ohio, in 1819. He removed from thence to Illinois, and from thence to Iowa, where he lived in 1864 for Oregon. A short time after his arrival in Oregon, he purchased the donation land claim

of William Mason, about one and one-half miles south of Monmouth, upon which he continued to reside until the demise of his wife, which occurred in 1881, since which time he has made his home amongst his children, having sold his previous home residence. He was a man of inflexible integrity, of indomitable will, but above all he lived in obedience to the commands of Him who "spoke as never man spoke." At the burial of David Ireland, Bro. B. F. Bonnell made some of the most practical and impressive remarks that it has ever been our lot to have listened to. While pointing out wherein death was the enemy of mankind, and by whose appointment death was the doom of all mortality, yet he presented in such glowing words the final rest of the truly faithful, that the afflicted ones left behind, must, although sorrowful, have been rejoiced to know that the spirit which had just taken its flight was at peace, was at rest, was happy in the realms of the New Jerusalem. Dear parent and friend, farewell till we meet again. THE DISTRICT FAIR. A district fair and the extension of the circuit of the "Oregon Stock Breeders' Association" to Independence will prove immense advantage to Independence, as well as to the entire county. It will give prominence to Independence, it will increase its business relations, and above all, it will give advantages to the increase of friendly and social intercourse among the people. Polk county is the banner county in the state, and now let the people of the county take advantage of present opportunities by thoroughly organizing a district fair association, and proving by the results of the same, to citizen and to stranger, that we are entitled to the highest honors for our zeal in behalf of agricultural industries and the improvement of stock and herds. We feel fully confident that the people of the county are earnestly anxious for the complete consummation of such a movement, and it only requires the efforts of active, energetic men to have an exhibition this coming fall that will place old Polk far in the van of all of our sister counties in all that tends to promote the best interests and welfare of its citizens. Let the work go on, let there be no hesitation in speedily completing a full organization, and the future will prove that your efforts in that direction will have brought about results most gratifying to the sense of the people. Success to the fair, and all honor to the active movers its organization. "In buying a cough medicine for children," says H. A. Walker, a prominent druggist of Ogden, Utah, "never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it, and relief is always sure to follow. I particularly recommend Chamberlain's because I have found it to be safe and reliable. Fifty-cent bottles for sale by all medicine dealers. A Card of Thanks. To those friends and neighbors who so kindly administered to our necessities in the last dying hours and burial of our father, David Ireland, we tender our kind acknowledgments, and extend our warmest thanks. We wish you all a prolonged life of health and happiness. Again we thank you. THE CHILDREN. Happy Showers. Wm. Timmons, postmaster of Idaville, Ind., writes: "Electric Bitters has done more for me than all other medicines combined, for that bad feeling arising from kidney and liver trouble." John Leslie, farmer and stockman, of the same place, says: "Find Electric Bitters to be the best kidney and liver medicine; made me feel like a new man." J. W. Gardner, hardware merchant, same town, says: "Electric Bitters is just the thing for a man who is all run down and don't care whether he lives or dies; he found new strength, good appetite, and felt just like he had a new lease on life. Only 50 cents a bottle, at any drug store. Our Correspondent. We have now passed through four weeks of the various phases and symptoms of that most formidable disease, la grippe, and during that time our thoughts occasionally wander to the "sanctum" of the West Side. We have regretted our inability to keep up a continuation of our reports to its columns, but we now hope that ere many days we may contribute our humble efforts in promoting the still further advancement of the West Side to popular favor and patronage. Under its present management the West Side is receiving the high commendation of the people, and it is regarded as the equal to if not the superior of any local paper in the state. The patronage now given the West Side affords renewed evidence that it will not wait to be driven along the path of progress by sharp competition, but will keep so far in the lead that competition will be an impossibility. REPORTER. THE CRADLE. CAMPBELL.—To the wife of O. L. 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He knows that all so-called money that has depreciated, such as certain greenbacks and the trade dollar, were not money, for they lacked the law making them legal tender. He knows that a dollar needs no dollar back of it to redeem it. He knows that Venice made paper money, and that it was not redeemable and had no gold or silver back of it, and that for 400 years it stood twenty per cent above gold and did the banking of the civilized world. He knows that France a few years since put out money—paper money—and let the farmer have it on farm security without interest, and that only five farms in one hundred are mortgaged, while there are 9,000,000 mortgages on American farms, or about \$4,500,000,000. He knows that the United States, public and private, are paying England interest on \$5,000,000,000 of her bank debt, called money, or about \$300,000,000 annual interest, while our gold out put is \$32,000,000. Now the farmer also knows that "gold is cornered," and is forcing all prices below the cost of production and making it impossible to pay debts; that the United States is soon, like Turkey, Greece, Italy, Argentina, and a score of others, to live only to pay interest to the moneycrats. So he proposes that the government shall make money and loan it on good security at a per cent not larger than can be made by farming, say two per cent. This two per cent will go direct to the government, and stop all tax. The laborer can get work and pay his debts. Now we pay two per cent tax: ten per cent on the banks' debt which he loans as national bank bills, seven per cent on the bonds, and sixty-one per cent on McKinley; i. e., two plus ten plus seven plus sixty-one equals eighty per cent loss. The farmer proposes to kill the McKinley bill, and if he can't live at free trade, protect himself by simply refusing to trade with old England, and so do away with a system of "protection" which was devised only to skin the producer and to fatten the rich. That is, the farmer proposes to do away with making one set of men pay interest to another set of men. He will no longer uphold a banking system which enables the banker or any sounder to dodge his taxes, making the farmers who own only twenty-two per cent of the property pay eighty per cent of the taxes. The government might make money and pay it into circulation by building railroads, at the rate of one million dollars per day, for fifty years, and then we would not have enough money to do business on a cash basis. Then we would not have to pay the railroads \$207,000,000 net, as we did this year. Instead of only improving little puddles tributary to the Pacific, we might have "internal improvements" by constructing railroads and operating at cost. I have two barrels of flour, one for use; the rats are eating the other, and I will give ten cents to a man who will store and return safe next year. Now, Bro. Bell, will you kindly tell me, if I sell that barrel of flour, why I am entitled to ten per cent interest? Anon I may tell my friends further what we propose to do. M. V. BORK. Our Correspondent. We have now passed through four weeks of the various phases and symptoms of that most formidable disease, la grippe, and during that time our thoughts occasionally wander to the "sanctum" of the West Side. We have regretted our inability to keep up a continuation of our reports to its columns, but we now hope that ere many days we may contribute our humble efforts in promoting the still further advancement of the West Side to popular favor and patronage. 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