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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1892.

Will not some of our readers write to this paper telling us what they see in the tendency of the times, and suggest some remedies. Why are our people dissatisfied.

Every county in Oregon should call a convention and appoint delegates to meet at Salem during the coming legislature and discuss the present defective road laws and prepare a bill for submission to the legislature.

The matter of better assessment laws will receive the attention of the coming legislature. It seems to us such an evident fact that our present law is a farce and works great injustice, that argument seems almost unnecessary to convince any one.

In the total vote of the United States for President Cleveland has received, 5,567,900; Harrison, 5,176,621; Weaver, 1,025,000; Bidwell, 258,347. Cleveland's plurality is 391,379. The total vote cast was 12,088,008. A majority of all votes cast would have been, 6,044,005.

The pressure being brought to bear on the democratic party to carry out its pledges to the people comes from every party alike, democratic, republican, peoples and prohibition. The people of this nation are not going to be duped. They said tariff for revenue and tariff for revenue must be tried.

The "landslide" of November 8th was not a verdict against the protective tariff but against monopolists. Free trade countries have monopolies as well as we. The superior intelligence, the in-born spirit of freedom is what has aroused the people. When monopolies are crushed by law then protection by legislation will return. The party of the future is the one that seeks to give equal rights to all. The republican party was a party of principles not of spoils, and before 1896 it will have confidence restored and will arise to the demands of the people. If not, then goodbye dear old party, another will rule in your stead.

THE WEST SIDE has been severely censured by some for the stand it has taken on politics. We are, they say, becoming an "alarmist" and predicting disaster when there is no danger. We are said to lean towards the Peoples party, which, they say, is composed of discontented democrats and republicans. We notice that that party of "discontents" is assuming very large proportions. The tendency of the times favors a great addition to its ranks. Labor should, and must, be better rewarded. Protection was not a panacea for all our ills; much less tariff for revenue. Our people are thinking deeply. They will act as they think is right. The party of the future is the one that will protect labor, not against capital, but against monopoly. The people make the government and the government must protect the people.

THE present uncertainty as to what Cleveland (for it appears Cleveland is the democratic party) is going to do, will shortly be known, for that magnetic personage is preparing a tariff measure which he will present to congress, and it is to be passed by the members without material amendment or abridgement. Even in politics the one man, or trust system, is getting to be the rule. We have generally believed that our representatives made the laws, but hereafter Cleveland will make them and congress will pass them. All the brains of the democratic party are in the head of Grover Cleveland. He dare not trust his own party, for it is honest enough to try and carry out its promises, which he is not.

What better present or moment of reflection and regard can be given to relatives and friends living here or in the Eastern states than the West Side? A year's subscription to it would be a small sum in comparison to the gratification those friends would experience from gathering news and information from this to them—far off land. Bound as many of them are in the icy fetters of an inclement winter, they could be made aware of the fact that here in Oregon the "Frost King" has no terrors for the denizens of this blessed land.

Send your friends in the East the West Side, it may cause them to come to this favored land and renew with you the happy associations of the past. Send them the West Side.

# ABOUT POSTAL REPAIRS.

What the Postmaster General Reports as the Needs of the People.

I have endeavored to lay before you fairly an account of the work done and in progress, not merely in performance of my duty, but that the public, so closely identified with this department, may be more interested to give to my successor its confidence and help in his efforts to promote the business and social welfare of the country. This is not a partisan work, and whatever I have learned in four years, I shall always be glad to contribute to the success of the department and its chief.

However distinguished or scholarly the man who takes up this work, the best results will come only by standing over it patiently and persistently. Post office business is like any other. It will not run itself; it calls for a man who is man enough to master and push and popularize that which concerns, more or less intimately, sixty-five millions of people. I regret, for your sake, too, that I could not do more in this place, but perhaps it is enough that I should have done the best I could with all the limitations.

It would have pleased me much to have seen under way a compacted system, with the country districted and under supervision. The expense would have been lessened and the revenues increased, and some of the disagreeable features of politics removed. I wanted to see in operation the postal telegraph and telephone, postal depots for small savings, free delivery in all towns of 5,000 persons, and carrier delivery in the villages and rural communities, and the commencement of covering the whole country with a daily mail delivered at the door, or close by on the main roads, in roadside boxes, or at schoolhouses, in regions sparsely settled. These things will be accomplished. But few thought that the lotteries could be excluded from the mails, but such is the fact; and those who have labored for postal reforms may well keep up courage.

The village free delivery has been begun, sea post offices are in operation, ocean mails are under the American flag, pneumatic tubes are now under actual experiment, house letter-boxes for the collection and delivery of mail are introduced, a merit system of promotions from the lower grades up through the railway post offices to the highest places in post offices and in the department is firmly established. Surely these things may inspire the hope that efforts in the future will show result.

I have had a definite plan in conducting the post office department. It was exactly the opposite of a narrow, pinching process, because a broad and generous policy was due to the people and certain to produce the largest revenue. In this I was not disappointed, as there was never a four years' period that produced so large an increase of revenue. But I could not get from any congress the money or discretion asked for to make the service adequate to the needs of the country. The postmaster-general has nothing but the disposal of specific sums voted by congress for specific purposes, and no discretion beyond the old-time annual appropriation of \$1,500 for miscellaneous items, reduced by the present congress to \$1,000.

It is true that in my last report, and in this also, I advert to the gradual disappearance of the deficit, but this is only for an argument for more generous appropriations, and not because there is the slightest trace of justice in making the department self-supporting, while there are sections of great cities with only one mail delivery daily, and large stretches of country with mails only one, two, or three times per week. My policy has been to supply needed facilities at whatever proper cost, and where I have failed it is because appropriations failed, and I was bound by oath not to create deficiencies. It is a great injustice to hold any executive responsible for shortcomings when he is without discretion and not even get a hearing before congress, except through a committee, which, however courteous and kindly disposed to him personally, may feel obliged to treat even questions of appropriations in a partisan way.

The post office department is today much more a business department than before. The institution of advances for merit only and improvements in the divisiveness system as experience may teach, will put the department upon a still higher business footing. The department should be as much a business office as a great bank or trust company, reserving the deposits of money for the issue of money orders and postal notes and the payment of them, receiving the deposits of mail matter and protecting, forwarding, and distributing it. Its work should be performed upon the most exact business principles, and with very special excellence of method, as the government insists on exclusive control.

THE IDEAL POSTAL SYSTEM. My ideal for the American postal service is a system modified upon a district plan, with fewer offices, and those grouped around central offices and under thorough supervision. By this means at least twenty thousand offices could be abandoned that produce no revenue to the Department. In the place of every abolished non-revenue and non-productive office might be put an automatic stamp-selling machine and a letter box to receive mail. With the money saved should be instituted a system of collection and delivery by mounted carriers, bicycles, and star-route and messenger contractors, and the free delivery spread all over the country. The classes of postage should be reduced to three, and the rate of postage the world over to one cent for each half ounce, for the average weight of a letter is now three-eighths of an ounce. I would indemnify, to the extent of \$10, for every lost registered letter.

The organization of the Department should be permanent, except in the case of the Postmaster-General and the Fourth Assistant, and I would add three new offices—a deputy postmaster-general to be stationed at New York, a deputy postmaster-general, to be stationed at San Francisco, and a comptroller, to be stationed at the Department in Washington. All postmasters, Presidential and fourth-class,

# THE WOMEN MAY VOTE.

The West Side Offers Equal Suffrage to All.

**ELECTION COMES OFF IN JANUARY.**  
The Most Popular Lady in Independence to Receive a Very Handsome Premium From the West Side.

Commencing with the first week in January this paper will print coupons, which are to all intents and purposes, election tickets.

Every subscriber to the West Side is entitled to a vote; provided his subscription is paid to April 1893.

You can vote just as many times as you get coupons.

No vote will be counted when deposited by anyone not a subscriber, being paid three months in advance. Any lady living in Independence or vicinity, may be a candidate.

The list of all ladies receiving votes will be published in each issue of the paper.

The lady receiving the most votes will be declared elected. An elegant premium will be given to the successful candidate, which will be announced later.

It costs you nothing to vote.

Every vote will be preserved in the West Side office and recounted February 1st.

Remember that only those paid in advance can vote. Pay your subscription now and be ready to vote with the first issue in January. Examine the date on your paper and see whether you are entitled to a vote.

The most popular lady in Independence will be the fortunate winner of the prize.

The votes of the readers of this paper will decide the contest.

Send, or leave, your coupons at this office beginning with the first week in January.

You cut out the ballot, write the name of the lady of your choice, and sign your name and send it to this office.

Every coupon sent in by a paid subscriber counts.

Every issue in January will contain a coupon.

This is a fair contest and is open to all.

A three months subscription entitles you to a vote.

Vote early and often as this contest lasts but one month.

All voting must be done on coupons taken from the West Side.

The returns of votes up to Thursday noon of each week will be published.

Get your subscription account in shape so that you may vote.

The printed tag on your paper tells you whether you are a legal voter.

See that you are paid to April 1893, at least.

**A Pleasant Success.**

On Tuesday evening the local talent of Independence favored us with the drama "Josh Whitcomb." The city hall was not quite as well filled as it should have been, to hear this laughable play by the amateurs from our neighbor city. They all handled their parts well and pleased everybody present. The principal character "Josh Whitcomb," was especially well done, and we would not suggest any criticism to any, for all were good. Independence can boast of a good looking, clever set of young people, and the Observer is warranted in saying that they will meet with a hearty welcome at any time they may find it in their way to visit Dallas. The clever presentation of "Uncle Josh Whitcomb" by our neighbor city amateurs, will be pleasantly remembered by all who attended this entertainment.—Observer.

**PROGRAMME.**

**Y. P. S. C. E. Convention at Dallas Saturday, January 6.**

For one is your Master even Christ and all ye are brethren.—MAT. 23.

**MORNING SESSION.**

9:30, a. m. Devotional exercises.

10:00, a. m. Address by the Rev. J. F. Mulky, 10:35 Response, Christian Society, Independence.

10:45 Appointment of committees.

10:50 How to further the work of the Christian Endeavor, Christian Society, Perrydale, followed by discussion.

10:55 Reception of delegates.

11:30 Convention sermon by Rev. Gillespie, Presbyterian church, Dallas.

12:00 Adjournment.

**AFTERNOON SESSION.**

"I will sing praises unto my God"—Ps. 148:2.

1:30 Song service, led by Rev. Pullings, Cong'l. church Independence.

1:50 Report of committee on credentials.

1:55 Roll call and report of societies.

2:05 Paper on local unions, P. S. Fulton, Presbyterian church Dallas, discussion.

2:15 The model lookout committee, Christian society, Independence. Discussion.

2:30 The duties of the social committee First Congregational church Independence. Discussion.

2:45 The "Iron Clad Pledge" Christian society Monmouth. Discussion.

3:00 Question box conducted by the President.

3:15 Reports of committees.

3:25 Election of officers.

3:40 Conservation service led by member Christian society, Monmouth.

4:00 Adjournment.

"The Lord watch between me and thee when we are absent one from another." Gen. 31:49

**Mrs. May.**

Strayed from my place, last May a black steer, three years old, marked crop and sit in ear, no brands. Person knowing of the whereabouts please return to H. Madison, Lewisville, and receive suitable reward. 84¢

**Real-Estate Transfers.**

The following are the late real-estate transfers. The total amounts to \$7,021.

W L Lady to N L Butler, interest in A D Babcock 11¢ \$1.

H Christian to J D Harris, 10 acres in 19 s r 4 w; \$1.

L E Lee to C N Zumalt, 107 acres in 18 s r 6 w; \$500.

Prescott & Veness to W P Bevens, 5 acres in 19 s r 4 w; \$100.

W H Kuykendall to N L Butler, 650 acres near Grand Ronde; \$1.

Chas Lee to L E & Mary Lee, 107 acres in 18 s r 6 w; \$1.

A J Gibson to Wm Savage, 21 acres

# THE WOMEN MAY VOTE.

in 10 s r 7 w; \$217.

Independence K of P to I Vanduy, lot in cemetery; \$15.

Mrs. E Shipley to E C Koyt, 11 acres in 15 s r 5 w; \$100.

W T Shurtlett to E E Gilliam, lot in Falls city; \$20.

Frank Youm to Wm Savage, 40 acres in 19 s r 6 w; \$150.

F M Collins to N Tarter, 68 acres in 19 s r 6 w; \$600.

Chas M Graves to C B Graves, lot in McCoy; \$50.

S McCoy to Sarah St John, lot in McCoy; \$50.

John Query to H B St John, lot in McCoy; \$1.

G B Graves to Sarah E St John, lot in McCoy; \$50.

Elizabeth McQuestion to Cyrus Jones, lot in Monmouth; \$500.

E A Thurston to D E Gilliam, 230 acres in 19 s r 5 w; \$5,000.

W J Mulkey to Mary Arnold, lot in Monmouth; \$125.

W T Shurtlett to J R Moyer, lot in Falls City; \$50.

Eliza V Craven to Luella J Worth, 10 acres in 17 s r 8 w; \$500.

D L & I Co to Luella J Worth, 5 acres in 17 & 8 s r 5 w; \$500.

W W Conkey to Clara B Barson, lot in Dallas; \$75.

Martha E Stiles to John Hammock, lot in West Salem; \$100.

**ANOTHER PIONEER WOMAN.**

**Mrs MARGARETTE HOWELL.**

The subject of this sketch came to Oregon in 1844. She was born in Quincy Illinois, December 28th 1833 and was married to Wesley Howell in 1848. In early life she went with her father from Illinois to Andrew, county Missouri, and from thence across the plains to Oregon. Her father, Wesley Howell, with wife, six sons and one daughter first settled in Howell prairie Marion county, and that name was given to that locality in consequence of that settlement. Mrs. Howell's father, mother and husband, he buried in Howell prairie, one of the richest and most beautiful spots in Oregon. Mrs. Howell's mother was a cousin to Cary Embree of Dallas, and he is one of the two male surviving emigrants of 1844, the other one being David Johnson of Independence. Mrs. Howell has passed through all the changing scenes and vicissitudes of early life in Oregon, and today is living in comparative comfort in Oregon. She can now attend church, and listen to the expounding of the Gospel without carrying her shoes in her hands to the church door, as she has in pioneer years, to save wear and tear of the shoes, uncertain as to where the next pair was coming from. The early pioneers of Oregon, separated from the abodes of civilization by thousands of miles, seemed hopeless of ever being in a condition to obtain those comforts and necessities of life to which they had been accustomed in their far Eastern homes. Yet in the same way changed. Today we live in a land most highly favored by Providence, and enjoy a high state of civilization and prosperity, brought about by the hardihood and venturesome spirit of the early pioneers. We can now by observation realize what has been brought about during the last fifty years, but where is the man who can picture to his imagination what Oregon will be fifty years hence.

**Locksmate.**

Peter Kurze went to Portland Tuesday to spend the holidays with his friends.

Last Tuesday evening Mr. G. B. Saver nearly severed his foot with a sharp ax.

J. W. Hillbrand has added a new veranda to the east side of his dwelling house.

Grandma Smith, mother of B. F. and Marion Smith is reported dangerously ill.

James Elliott and wife of Dallas, were visiting Robert Steele Wednesday.

James tetherow and daughter Lena returned from Waterville Wash., Friday evening where they have been for several months for the benefit of Lena's health.

Henry Staats contemplates putting out a hedge fence around his farm. Mr. McKelowne has made arrangements for planting a mile or two on his farm.

Miss Lena Hillbrand of the Sacred Heart Academy is home for a weeks vacation.

Many times have we spoken about the condition of our roads. The roads leading from here to Independence, in many places, are almost impassible. We will never have good roads until we revise our system of road work. What work was done on the roads this season was more detriment than good, for instance where culverts should have been placed, they have graded the road bed full of dirt and, consequently the water has no place to escape, and runs over the grade.

That is right. Speak out correspondents. We need better road laws [Ed.]

**Make No Mistake**

If you decide from what you have heard of its cures or read of its merits, that you will take Hood's Sarsaparilla, do not be induced to buy something else which may be claimed to be "about the same" or "just as good." Remember that the sole reason for efforts to get you to purchase some substitute is that more profit may be made. Firmly resist all inducements and insist upon having just what you called for, Hood's Sarsaparilla. Then you will not be experimenting with a new article, for Hood's Sarsaparilla is

**Triod and True.**

In one store the clerk tried to induce me to buy their own instead of Hood's Sarsaparilla. But he could not prevail on me to change. I told him I knew what Hood's Sarsaparilla was, I had taken it, was perfectly satisfied with it, and did not want any other." Mrs. ELA A. GORR, 61 Terrace Street, Boston, Mass.

**We Are All Taking It.**

"We could not be without Hood's Sarsaparilla. It is the best medicine we ever kept in the house. My family are all taking it." Mrs. J. M. BARBER, Son Joaquina and Fremont Streets, Stockton, Cal.

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# Dirt!

Your watch needs oiling and cleaning once every eighteen months, if you would preserve its time-keeping qualities. Consider: In that time the balance wheel turns on its delicate axis 13,996,800 times; it does not "rest" at night, like ordinary machines, but keeps at its work unceasingly. You oil an engine, or a sewing machine, or any other mechanical contrivance, daily or weekly; but that delicate instrument of precision—your watch—is allowed to go uncareed for until it is clogged with dirt, and stops. The best of oil becomes thick and dirty in time; in this condition it wears the pivots, and destroys that exactness of their fit in the jewel-holes, which is necessary to a correct performance. Let me look at your watch—I will give you a conscientious opinion as to whether it needs attention.

**A. B. CHERRY,**  
Competent Watch Repairer,  
With Paterson Bros.

**DISSOLUTION NOTICE.**

The partnership heretofore existing between J. F. O'Donnell and J. D. Irvine under the firm name of O'Donnell & Irvine has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. J. D. Irvine retiring from the firm. All notes and accounts due the firm will be collected by J. D. Irvine at the Independence National Bank and all bills against said firm will be paid by O'Donnell & Irvine.

J. F. O'DONNELL.  
J. D. IRVINE.  
INDEPENDENCE, OR. Dec. 21st, 1892.

The business will be continued by J. F. O'Donnell and we take this opportunity of thanking the public for the liberal patronage given us during the past year, and solicit a continuance of the same to our successors.

J. F. O'DONNELL & IRVINE.

**STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.**

There will be a meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Independence, Polk county, Oregon, on Tuesday, January 10, 1893, at the parlors of the bank, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. of said day, for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and transacting any other business that may come before them.

Dated this 8th day of December, A. D. 1892.

W. H. HAWLEY,  
Cashier.

**NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.**

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the Independence and Monmouth Railway Company, that the regular annual meeting for the election of officers of said company, and transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting will be held at rooms of the Independence National Bank, on Saturday, December 31st, 1892, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the house.

W. P. CONNAWAY,  
Sec'y.  
Independence, Or. Dec. 7, 1892.

**NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.**

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the Polk County Land Company, that the regular annual meeting for the election of officers of said company, and transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting will be held at rooms of the Independence National Bank, on Saturday, December 31st, 1892.

D. W. SEARS,  
Sec'y.  
Independence, Or. Dec. 7, 1892.

**NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.**

The annual meeting of the Independence Water and Electric Light Company, will be held at the Independence National Bank, on January 30th 1893, at 7 p. m. for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, and such other business as may come before the meeting.

H. H. JARPERSON,  
Secretary.

**NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.**

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Independence National Bank for the election of a board of directors will be held at the parlors of said bank on Tuesday, January 10th 1893, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m.

W. P. CONNAWAY,  
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Bleat or Head aching? One of these pills relieves distress in the stomach and cures headache in each night for a week restores the stomach and purifies the blood. They insure perfect digestion, regulate the bowels and cure constipation. They act promptly, are perfectly safe and agreeable. Sold by all Druggists and Retail Grocers, Philadelphia, Pa.

For sale by J. H. PUGH.

**Administrator's Notice.**

Notice is hereby given, that by order of the County Court of the state of Oregon for Polk county, made and entered of record at the November term thereof A. D. 1892, the undersigned was appointed administrator of the estate of S. A. Craven deceased, and that letters of administration have been duly issued to him therein. All persons having claims against said estate, are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned at Independence, Polk county Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

T. W. WANN,  
Administrator.  
Butler & Townsend,  
Att'y for Administrator.

Dated this Nov. 29, 1892.

**TIME TABLE.**

Leaves Independence.	Leaves Monmouth.
7:00	7:30
8:30	8:20
9:30	10:00
11:15	12:00
1:30	2:15
2:45	4:00
4:00	4:15
6:15	6:30

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# DISSOLUTION SALE

Shelley & Vanduy are still giving Bargains and will continue to run their

**SLAUGHTER SALE UNTIL JANUARY 1st, 1893.**

Don't Delay but avail yourselves of this Rare Opportunity.

# Shelley & Vanduy

Make this as their last appeal to the

**BARGAIN HUNTERS.**

# SHOOTING MATCH AT Independence, ON Saturday, December 31, 1892

Glass Balls, Clay Pigeons, and Rifle Shooting. TURKEYS AND CHICKENS

**HILL'S PASTURE.**  
A. D. SLOPER.

# STOP and LOOK!

In Our Window when you go by between now and Xmas. See the New Goods; Step inside and ask the Price. Store open until 9 p. m. We have in stock

A large assortment of both Gents' and Ladies' Gold Filled, Silver and Silverware. We make a specialty of watches.

TEN DOLLARS will buy a very neat diamond ring. We have them from Ten Dollars upwards.

A New Line of Late Styles at Right Prices.

We handle the Seth Thomas Clocks. We are closing out a few old clocks of different makes at low prices. None will be left after Xmas.

What haven't we in stock that you want? We have bought heavily so as to give you an assortment to select from.

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Druggists and Jewelers, INDEPENDENCE, OREGON.