

## LOCAL JOSH BILLINGS

she is crazy and haint got good sense she is a woman 24 years she claims. She orto be in the slem for she is a regular strete waker and she orto Bea taken car of. Hear she cant steal Ever thing she take up 4 or 5 dollars worth of things while she wear hear sow I got leaft. The longer we cep her the worz we wear of sow we had a racket and she stayed a while and leaft now be sure and have her looked up she will stay in your town for some time if she aint run out she aint a deasant woman yours truly  
O. F. SLOPER

Upon reading, or rather trying to read, the foregoing the chivalrous breast of M. C. Russell was filled with honest wrath and indignation. Mr. Russell states that he is well acquainted with the slandered lady and expresses his views on the subject as follows:

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The lady spoken of by Josh Billings of this place is a fine, trust-worthy honorable lady; she took good care of this Billings mother—who is also my mother-in-law—a helpless old lady. This Billings hired the above lady spoken of whose married name is Smith, to cook, take care of his mama, and to be clever and good to him. Soon after her arrival, during the holidays, he told her he had no fine present to give her, but he, Billings, pulling out a big three dollars from his pocket said, "Accept this, and think of yours truly."

The lady knew what it meant, she took it, thanked him kindly and kept an eye open. Now I have known the lady from her arrival at this man Billings until her departure. She, the lady spoken of by Billings in the Oregonian came over to my house and asked me if she could stop with us until Monday that being on Thursday. I told her she could; she then went to Salem. She is a good house keeper, a pleasant, graceful lady. I knew her only during the winter and the lady is all right; give the lady her just dues, and don't let Billings harm her.

M. C. RUSSELL.

This is about all that can be done for the poor wronged woman. If there is anything further to be said her friends will find the RECORD willing to help them in any way in its power.

## IS A TRUE BLUE DEMOCRAT

## One of the Faithful From Baker City Expresses Himself.

W. F. Butcher, a Well Known Bunch Grass Politician Balls at Backsliders From the Democracy.

PORTLAND, Or., May 11.—W. F. Butcher, the well known politician of Baker City, passed through the city today. When asked what he thought of democracy in Oregon he said: "Well, I am not thinking at all about democratic politics in Oregon; there is mighty little democracy left in Oregon. It makes me weary to hear these demopops call themselves democrats. They are populist, not democrats. Let them call themselves by their real names. I am a democrat, but I'm out of politics, because I can't find very much democracy here."

"If a man wants to be a democrat let him be one and not flirt around the fringes of the skirt which the populist goddess wears. Let him stand up in the tracks of Andrew Jackson and not the tracks of the wisp that lead to dischase will-o-the-wisps that lead to disorganization. For one, I do not believe in flirtation, either moral or political. In speaking of the resources of Baker county, he said: "Baker's chief resource is gold mining, so that the more discouraging times the more valuable is the gold. At least so say my enemies, the populists, and in this they seem to be eminently correct. The numerous mines tributary to Baker City are turning out \$100 to \$150,000 per month."

## THE PACIFIC COAST MEN WIN

## Californians Win Many Events From Princeton Athletes.

## SIXTY-ONE TO FIFTY-ONE POINTS

Pacific Coast Athletes Acquit Themselves Remarkably Well at Princeton.—A Number of Races Won in Very Fast Time.

PRINCETON, N. J., May 11.—The first of the dual track athletic games between the teams representing the University of California and Princeton college began here this afternoon. The first event, a 100 yard dash, was won by F. W. Allen, of Princeton, time, 19 2-5 seconds. In the half mile run, Philip Bradley, of the California team, came in first; time 16 1-5 seconds. Putting the 16-pound shot, F. W. Koch, another of the U. C. boys won first, throwing the shot a distance of 306 feet and 10 inches. In the 9-mile walk E. Q. McVilly, of Princeton, was awarded first place making the distance in the time of 7:45 2-5. Ralph Deer, of Princeton was first in 220 yard dash, time, 22 2-5 seconds. In the second 220-yard race the first heat was won E. J. Dyer, of California, in the time of 26:35 seconds; The second heat was captured by H. B. Terry, also of California, whose time was 26 3 5 seconds. The winners tossed up, and Terry won taking first place.

The total point scored by California was 61, to Princeton's 51. Firsts count five points, and seconds count three. The result is highly encouraging to the California team and still better results are expected in future contests.

## GRESHAM WILL STAY.

## Should His Health Fail Don M. Dickinson Will be Appointed.

WASHINGTON D. C. May 11.—It can be stated on the authority of one of the parties directly concerned, that the reports of any change in the head of the state department, in which Secretary Gresham will be succeeded by Don M. Dickinson, are not within the range of possibility, provided Mr. Gresham's health improves, as is expected.

Should his failing health compel his withdrawal from the cabinet later, Don Dickinson doubtless might be asked to accept the office. The present reports, however, are based on the fact that Tuesday last Dickinson attended the cabinet meeting in an informal capacity, as his personal relations with the president are such he frequently joins the cabinet circle.

## CONCERNING CHURCHGOERS.

## Services at the Different Churches of Independence and Monmouth.

This morning is Rev. J. B. Lister's Sunday here. In the morning at 11 o'clock he will preach on "The Sealing of the Holy Spirit; or the Distinguishing Mark of a Christian." The subject at the night service will be "The Foundation Doctrine of the Christian Church." A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Tonight at the Congregational church Rev. O. B. Whitmore will give his second talk on "Spiritism With an If," when he will comment on the scriptural account of "King Saul and the witch of Endor" and the "Appearance of Moses and Elias on the Mount of Transfiguration." Other services at this church will be held as usual.

Rev. A. R. Crawford will not preach in the Presbyterian church at 11 a. m. as there is to be communion services, but in the evening will preach at 7:30 o'clock. Sunday school will be held at the regular hour and the Christian Endeavor society will meet at 6:45 p. m.

There will be services at the regular hours for services at the Methodist church, Rev. J. S. Smith officiating for

the last time, as he leaves this week for his new home in California. Young People's meeting at 7:30.

At the Baptist church Rev. J. Fred Jenkins will fill the pulpit and will deliver a discourse both at the morning and in the evening services. The Sunday school begins at 12 m., and the Young People's union meets at 7 p. m.

There will be preaching at the Monmouth Christian church both morning and evening at the usual hours. Endeavor society at 6 p. to be led by the pastor, Elder Sumpter. Sunday school at 10 a. m. the public generally is invited to these services.

The Y. M. C. A. will meet at the Christian church at Monmouth at 9 o'clock a. m. the young men of the college are cordially invited to attend these meetings.

The Monmouth Baptist Sunday school will meet at the Baptist church at 10 a. m.

Remember that Force, the barber, closes his shop today at 12 o'clock. Don't wait till the last minute.

Suspenders, hose supporters and elastic, at the Raket Stor.

## MONMOUTH.

Mrs. Dr. Poole is on the sick list.

Mrs. A. E. Campbell returned from Portland last Thursday.

Mill Eidleman is still very low with consumption.

The commencement exercises of the public school will be held in the college chapel May 16. There will be nine graduates.

Mrs. J. D. Ellis was visiting Dr. D. M. Doty last week.

Miss Clara Hall, who has been one of the teachers at Independence, will begin a summer school near the Grand Ronde next Monday. It is adjoining the district where she taught for two years.

Mrs. H. A. Adkins is visiting her sons in Linn county this week.

Jess Lewis is rushing work on his hop yard west of Monmouth this week.

Bicycles are getting to be quite a nuisance on the side walks.

Mrs. Dollan returned from a visit to her mother, on the Luckiamute the first of the week.

The Young Womens Christian Association at Monmouth will meet at the Baptist church at 9 a. m.

## MET DEATH ON THE RAIL

## A Frightful Cloudburst in Ohio Causes a Train Wreck.

Terrible Death of a Trainmaster—A Wrecking Train and its Crew Plunged Into the River.

MASSILLON, Or., May 11.—A cloudburst in this section late last night washed out a number of bridges on the Cleveland, Lorraine & Wheeling, and on the Wheeling & Lake Erie railways, swelling rivulets to rivers and inundating a large extent of lowland. People on Erie and Summit streets were removed from their houses in boats.

A Wheeling & Lake Erie wrecking train left here to go to Dalton to repair some trestles one mile and half west of that town. A bridge had been washed away, leaving only the unsupported track and ties, and the train plunged into the water below with all on board. George R. Gibson, the train master, is missing, and it is supposed that he is buried beneath the wreck. Five others on the train were more or less injured. A relief party was immediately sent to the scene of disaster and the injured train men were properly cared for. Scenes at the wreck were very affecting.

That new line of Furitan Ruby colored glassware we spoke of has arrived and is about the prettiest lot of goods you ever saw for the prices asked; J. P. Irvine.

## INCOME TAX LAW WILL STAND

## Reason to Believe This Conclusion has Been Reached

## MAJORITY OF JUSTICES IN FAVOR

A Favorable Decision Confidently Expected When the Supreme Court Resembles on the 20th.—Justice Jackson Said to Approve.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.—Nine justices of the supreme court held a consultation at the capitol today from 11 to 12 o'clock and there is every reason to believe that a conclusion on the income tax question was reached.

It is presumed that the usual custom of the supreme court will be followed, and that to one of the justices in the minority has been assigned the work of preparing the opinion of the court. The justices in the minority may each write a separate dissent or not, as each individually prefers.

Consultations are held in secret and no announcement of conclusions reached is ever made prior to the official promulgation from the bench, but some circumstances connected with the session rather point to the vote of Justice Jackson having been cast in favor of the constitutionality of the law.

The principal reason given for this statement is the fact that after consultation of all the members of the court, a private conference was had between Justice White, Harlan and Brown, all in favor of the law at its previous hearing, and Justice Jackson, Chief Justice Fuller who favored upholding law in part was not present. The manner of Justice Harlan and White, the most strenuous supporters the law in previous conferences, also lead to the inference that they felt they were in the majority. It is regarded almost certain that a decision will be announced when court is reassembled by the 20th.

## IN SOLITARY CONFINEMENT.

## Theo. Durrant Now Has a Cell All to Himself.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 11.—Theodore Durant is now the sole occupant of his cell at the county jail. The burglar who was his cell mate was removed at the request of Durant's attorneys, who feared that Durant might tell his companion some of the intentions of the defense, and thus make it public.

## Tribby Denied to Denver.

DENVER, Col., May 11.—Judge Hallett, in United States district court today, issued an order on the application of Harper & Bros., of New York, for an injunction restraining management of the Lyceum theater of this city from playing Tribby. The managers have made a hard fight and have had the play on the boards for several days.

## THE SPRING RACES.

## Polk County District Fair Association Select Their Dates.

The directors of the Polk County District Fair Association held a meeting Saturday evening and decided to hold the spring races on the 13th, 14th and 15th of June, inclusive.

It was decided to give at least three races each day, and the purses offered by the society will amount to \$1600. The secretary has heard from most of the leading horsemen in the valley, and they are all anxious to attend the meeting, and from present indications the number of horses and the attendance will exceed that of any previous year.

Fresh French candies, fruits, and cigars, at the Bon Bon, next to post office, C street, Independence.

Best in the market, well cooked by white women, at the City restaurant.

POLK COUNTY IS ALIVE  
And the people must have their news every morning. Sunday included. The Sunday Record is the only paper in the county which has Associated Press dispatches.

English As She is Wrote by An Independence Citizen.

RUSSELL EXPRESSES HIMSELF  
Independence Received Considerable Free Advertising in the Oregonian—The Attack Made Upon the Fair Unknown.

Last Wednesday's Oregonian contained a communication from a person in this city that was so complete and such a grand success in its way that it is deemed worth reprinting. The letter speaks for itself and needs no comment beyond that furnished in the reply thereto and the additional statement that inquiry on the part of the RECORD man discloses the fact that the letter does Mr. Sloper great credit and was fully up to the expectations of the people who know him. As to the merits of the woman so energetically and ungrammatically "hauled over the coals" a number of people spoken to, who knew her while in this city, appear to think she was greatly wronged both by her former employer's personal treatment and still more so by his exceedingly bitter and bewildering tirade of abuse. The letter to the Portland paper was as follows:

JOSH BILLINGS OUTDONE.  
A MARVELOUS LETTER ABOUT A LADY, ALL THE WAY FROM INDEPENDENCE.

The following letter is so remarkable, says the daily Oregonian, in several ways that it is deemed worthy of publication. The writer may be inspired by the most worthy virtues, but doubtless some will imagine otherwise. Some prejudiced persons may even imagine mentally he is somewhat in the condition of the lady he writes about. He has evidently been at considerable pains in preparing his letter, and it is therefore entitled to respectful consideration. Moreover, as a type of the class to which he belongs, it has few equals and no superiors:

"INDEPENDENCE May 6.  
"Mr Editor Dear Sir I concluded to drop you a few lines in regards to A lady in your town and that I now to be an regular bum when she grows she worked for me 8 or 10 weeks and I gave her wages rite along till she got into my debt 15 teen dollars, and then kicked up a fuss and leaft the town went to Salem and beat the stage driver Out of her fair and he never seen her any more till a weeke ago last tuesday I met her on the streets at Oregon city I says to her hello she said the same and Did not care for to walk to me but I twalked to her and asked her how the new close went. she did not have any thing to say to that she new she stole them and I told her if had the advantage of her, I would of senched her befor she leaft the town and also she stoad a five dollar gold ring from me I views an such woman to have her taken cair of Becose she travels a long threv ever town the same and bilkes everybody the same way she went from Oregon city to portland someday I met her thear I think after she found I wear hear she wear a fraid I would have hear arrested got out of the way she I suppose is roving your town if you will Bea so kind look after or have the police arrest her she will Bea roving your town she has a child 18 month old with her she has in Orphans home at Salem and while she wear hear she took it out and brought it up hear ther foalks lives in forist grove and in Inaembil (McMinnville) Oregon her maiden name is — ther married name is — she leaft her husband last summer and has Bin runing a round ever since.