## ；THE INDEPENDENT．

Reports of Onr Connty School
We have published Superintend－ ent Gault＇s reports on public schools attention of our readers．
We agree with Mr．Gault that the salnry of our county school Supeni tendent should be large，enough to visiting and perfectingour school We will have to do this in time as most of our sister States have done and the sooner the better for a concerned．
But we are not disposed to coin－
cide with the Superintendent cide with the Superintendent that a compulsory system of education
would be impolitic in this State．It is both impolitic and ra．lically wrong is both impolitic and ra．ically wron midst to grow up in utter ign rance of books，which is the certain result of our present voluntary system of education．
But there are good arguments on both sides of this question，nnd we
would be happy to publish Mr would bo happy to publish Mr． in him．We intend to discuss the matter at length when we get time，
and will also publish valuable arti－ cles on the question from other sources．Free of Postage．

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in your names for the INDEPEND－
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## Explanatory．

In a previous number we nxpatia－
ted on the subject of hog raising as a useful art，and we hope that our friends will not infer from what we
gaid that we have＂gone back＂on our old antipathy to hogs．We claim that we were consistent．We only
advocated the raising of a bcier breed of hogs thereby to mitigate the evil．
Want it understood that we have n． compromise with logs as hogs nor
the devil．We believe，as an inci－ the devil．We believe，as an inci－
dental remark，that the devils that dental remark，that the
entered the swine in Palestine have never left them．We were pointeg
in childhood to the holes under hogs jaws as the place where the Old Fel－ low had gone in，and we believe
We are lell to make these miscelln－ noous remarks on account of an old
sow that has rooted up our door sard，smashed our fences，broken generally for ：fortnight．It is ？ a good thing we have no shotgun or it might get busted．

Rowell \＆C̄hesman． Rowell \＆Chesman have estab－
lished an office at St．Louis where lished an office at St．Louis where
they will solicit advertising for pul）－ lishers moie especial＇y in the North－ west．Mr．Rowell，the well known partner of the firm of Geo．P．Row－
ell \＆Co．，of New York，is known to publishers and advertisers all over the Union，but to editors more es－
pecinlly as the editor and
publisher pecinlly as the editor and publisher
of the American Newspaper Reporter． He is a man trusted by all．Mr．
Chesman was formerly editor of the Reporter．St．Louis is partiularly
blessed by the advent of this＇new advertising agency in her midst and publishers will hail the event as
new era in newspaper prosperity． new era in newspaper prosperity． predicting that if the Democracy should get into power that they would pay the South for her slaves
and other impossible claims，make null the three amendments to the constitution，etc．etc．The truth
the matter is that these＂organs＂ fear that the Democivey would pur－ sue a wise and lawful course and win
the confidence and support of the the confi

## Important Notice．

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the county needs the INDEPEND－ Lhe county needs the INDEPEN
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scribe for it．

 Nono can do is to issue his encyclic－ al letters，count his beads and mum－ is about as mueh dinger of a relig－ ious war in Protestant England as
there is of the English people re－ urning to the barbarism and cruel－ ties of the Plantagenets and Tudor
when women were public：y whip－ ped in the streets of London and
men and women were burued at the stake for opinion＇s sake．

> To Working Men

The Inderespest $2 s$ orened by a la
boring man and ws the working man＇ riond，opposed to laziness，drunken－
uess，oullavery，rested and corporaie rights when oppressive，and opposed 1
whatecer tries to usurp，the righis \＆ Whe people．Subscribe for it．
Will Somebody Explain．
There is one thing that we would
like to have explained：Why that a certain class of men de－
nounce the Grangers for buying in the cheapest market and engagin 3 they choose，and who at the same merchants and manufactue＇s to do
 We were shown a letter this week
written by Mr．Wm．Watson o
Reedville to the State Borrl of Im－ meedvilie to the State Boer．of
migration of thisState which is to be
sent to Australis for an essay on the resources of ourstate and \＆W．T．We have not heard it Oregon and Washngton as a gic： and trathful manner．Mr $W$ ．＇s sia．
of witing is very interesting．W， hope for the good of this coast that all persons when writing about it
will show the same regard for truth is in the case of Mr．Watson．
Rev．Geo．Crasdlea，we are glad
o learn，can now walk a little and is regaining the use of his limbs．It is to be devoutly hoped that he will
regain his wonted health．We can－ not well afford to lose such usefu
men as Mr Chandler．His many virtues，almire his talents and love him for the great sacrifices he has
made liere in early days for the goor made here in early days for the goou
of man and the glory of God will be blad to learn of bis convalescence． Tue Asiozica，says that the vessel ast Portland now take their cargoe
mostly from steamboats instead oading from the warf，and that i
will not be long until our wheat will be all floated down the river in barg－ es to the vessels waiting at Astoria． The Republicans have carried the
nunicipal elections in Salem and Al－ bany lately，

Householders．

## Send in your names，and if you cre unable to pay in adrance we will send

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Our part of the world has during he ast ten days been visited with
remarkable

Matrimonial Tidal Wave．
It began out north of us on the 291 th
ult．Bent WHson was the happy ult．Bent WHson was the happy man
and Mattie Crow the favored lady． The boys thought they would ＂Shiveree＂
Him，so arming themselves after the iness they rallie．l and went forth



Business ${ }_{o p}$ Directory more successful than before．
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was traveling south and by Thurs－ was traveling south and by Thurs－
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twok place about 2 o＇clock $p$ ． m ．Tb same day the wave crossed the prai－
rie north of the Grove and Don Davis a young man of about 30，became husband and father all in a few min－
utes and there was one utes and there was one less wido
in the land．But the wave olthoug an the land．But the wave althoug
apparently stayed did not stop but Monday it managed to gel to the
Grove．Miss Grove．Miss Emma Blank had to
succumb under its powerful shock succumb under ita powerful shock
and Mr．Allen of Benton county no more mourns as a widower．Whe
will it stop！K．W．Y．Z．is alarmed will it stop！K．W．Y．Z．is alarmed
（We fear it will catch K．W．Y．Z Next．－E Et．）
Kit
K．W．Y．Z．has to travel the roads much intely and his soul
much vexed at their condition and a thought has come into his head．H will give it to the charitable publi．
asking them not to ridicule it too se verely．A large part of the people o
this precinct expect to remain the rest of their lives and expect tha their childten will do the same．I
this is so is it not making some permanent roads？What
is the sense in thispate patching roads eternally and neve getting them good or making them
permanent？In Forest Grove Road Distriet there are about four miles of
road，and over 300 days＇work to road，and over 300 days work to put
on them．About a half mile abov
Mcheod G Georges mill is McLeod Georges mill is a gravel
bed．Let one－half the labor of thi District be put to hauling gravel．Al
lowing that two hands
can haul two cubic yards of grave）
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100 cu yds on the

 deep．By i ersisting in this yeir n
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part of our district would poads in the winter．
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