

## ODDS AND ENDS.

A blunderbuss-Kissing the wrong girl.

Jonah was a stranger among whales, and they took him in.

A Minnesota man makes the winter seem short by giving his note payable in the spring.

A father at Dubuque makes his children address him as follows, for instance:—"Most respected and revered father, I'll take another tater."

"What would you be, dearest, if I should press the stamp of love upon those sealing wax lips?" "I," responded the fairy-like creature, "should be—stationery!"

A wag, in "what he knows about farming," gives a very good plan to remove widow's seed. He says a good looking man has only to say "will thou" and they will.

Texas would have been a splendid place for Micawber. When he sat down, waiting for something to turn up, the playful nibbler of a tarantula would have turned up what he sat down on in a very lively manner.

A Harrisburg paper informs its readers that "when a gentleman and lady are walking upon the street, the lady should walk inside of the gentleman. How the lady is to do it is not stated.

A man in Springfield, Massachusetts, concluded to have a bath the other evening, and in the dark got hold of a chunk of stove-black for the soap. He came out a polished gentleman, but not in language.

This comes from Oregon: There is a Postmaster from Salem, who resembles the best rode by Balaam; He pays for his hash.

With the Government cash.

That he stole when he sailed out of Salem.

The hood is beagish brightly, love; The stars are shidig too; While I am gazing dreamily, Add thingkig, love, oh you; You cadet, oh, you cadet know, My darling, how I bias you— (Oh, what a fearful cold I've got— Ok-tish-u! Ch-ch-tish-u!)

## GEMS.

There's no cement that will mend a broken promise.

A happy home is Heaven's in miniature.

No wrong so great that anger is a virtue.

Grief is something more than a wet cheek.

Deresive no censure though thou win no praise.

A busy tongue betrays a shallow mind, As under babbling brooks no depth we find; The bully's oath may fright a maid to tears; Mere paper petals which no brave man fears.

A singularly uneventful life Is oft the portion of a noble wife; Yet is she blest all other wives above, Who reareth little monuments to Love. Her whole ambition in her babes to shine, To ponder triumphs she doth she ne'er decline. ON THE SUDDEN CLOSE OF A BEAUTIFUL LIFE. E'en as a thoughtless child breaks off a flower

She long hath loved and tended, from the stem, And thinking of its splendor as it grew, Would fain restore it to the parent stalk, Mourning the while, she contemplates the leaves Droop slowly till it dieth in her hand. Her eager haste which robbed it of its life, So now may Death weep at his own sad work, And feel the fruitless impulse to such That he hath done.

## GRANT AS A REFORMER.

From the Nation.

Those people who are still infatuated with a belief in Gen. Grant's consistency of purpose as a reformer must have some difficulty in reconciling with this theory of his character such acts of his as inviting Harrington to a private reception and appointing his brother, Orvil Grant, to the fastest Indian trading post in the West. We pointed out last week that Grant's Indian policy is a humbug; but such appointments as this look like something worse. We have never accused Gen. Grant of corruption in office, and shall not do so now; but we are compelled to say that when an Indian reform movement, which for five years has been implicitly confided to Gen. Grant's charge, ends in the resignation of all the President's chosen Commissioners on the ground that they are not supported by him in their efforts for reform; and when we are informed that this Indian post is handed over

to Orvil Grant, people cannot be expected to judge the head and front of the whole very leniently. Indeed, if Gen. Grant were not Gen. Grant, and had not saved the Union, it would probably now be difficult to convince people that he was entitled to anything short of impeachment for "mal and corrupt" administration. He is evidently made of such coarse material as to be impervious to public opinion, and incapable of discrimination between a popular demand for pure government and what his friend Shepherd calls "the howl and clamor of the mob."

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## Executor's Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned has filed his final account as Executor of the last will and testament of H. B. Bones, Dec'd in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County, and that THURSDAY after the first Monday in January, A. D. 1875, at 10 o'clock a. m. has been set for the final hearing of said matter.

S. A. HOLCOMB.

## Notice of Administrator.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING BEEN appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County Administrator of the estate of T. M. Raymond, deceased, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned at the office of Thomas W. Saine, in Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, with the proper vouchers within six months from the date hereof.

THOMAS W. SAINE, Hillsboro, Dec. 3d, 1874.

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## Forest Grove Retail Market.

|                             |               |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Wheat, p bushel             | 63            |
| Flour, p bushel             | 4 50          |
| Corn Meal, p b              | 1 1/2 @ 5     |
| Potatoes, p bushel          | 37 1/2 @ 50   |
| Eggs, fresh p doz           | 25 1/2 @ 30   |
| Butter, good fresh role p b | 30            |
| Chickens, p doz             | 15 1/2 @ 16   |
| Bacon, sliced p b           | 20 1/2 @ 25   |
| Cheese, p b                 | 12 1/2 @ 15   |
| Dried Apples, p b           | 4 1/2 @ 5     |
| Syrup, p keg (reel)         | 4 50          |
| Coffee, retail p b          | 27 1/2 @ 30   |
| Tea, Japan (retail) p b     | 5 1/2 @ 7 1/2 |
| Tea, Green, (retail) p b    | 1 25          |
| Salmon, best p 1/2 barrel   | 5 50          |
| Sugar, by the keg p b       | 10 1/2 @ 12   |
| Lard, p b                   | 18 1/2 @ 20   |
| Mutton, p b                 | 8 1/2 @ 8     |
| Beef, p b                   | 6 1/2 @ 8     |
| Pork, p b                   | 8 1/2 @ 10    |
| Veal, p b                   | 8 1/2 @ 10    |
| Fish (fresh) p b            | 7 1/2 @ 8     |
| Fish (salt) p b             | 7 1/2 @ 8     |
| Dressed Hogs                | 6 1/2 @ 7     |
| White Beans                 | 4 1/2 @ 5     |

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