

THE INDEPENDENT.

HILLSBORO : : : : THURSDAY

How the West Side R. R. Was Ruined.

When we look at the facts in the case it is easy to see how it was that the West side road was ruined. Holladay and Halsey, in order to build up their town site at Cornelius, refused business at Forest Grove and Hillsboro and McMinnville, where where most of the business of the counties had been done. Now we do not blame the gentlemen who located at Cornelius for wanting the monopoly of the business of the railroad, when Holladay and Halsey were so blind to the best interests of the road as to give it to them. It is the foolishness of the policy that we object to. The attempt to concentrate the business at any one point and refusal to accommodate every point was madness. Had the road been 1,000 or 2,000 miles long instead of 50, then a railway center in each county would perhaps have been all that was necessary, but on such a short line it was necessary that the road should have short switches at every town on its line, leave a car or cars for the use of shippers, and take on passengers and small freight at intermediate points, and get all the business possible. Instead the road refused to do this and in consequence one-half of the products, and a large part of the imports, of the county were transported to Portland in wagons.

They voted themselves salaries to suit themselves and so eat up the profits of the road, robbing the actual stockholders and swindling the bondholders. It was in plain language, stealing for the Company so-called (the Company of watered stock and whisky straight!) to vote their president \$5,000 a year, the vice-president \$3,000, their attorney \$500, superintendent, secretary, chief engineer and general agent each \$2,000 a year, with a road 48 miles long, and which with economical management could not hope to more than pay interest on the bonds and the necessary expenses of the road. Stealing is a mild name for it.

They have robbed the Company, by selling land to it worth only two or three thousand dollars, for \$130,000, grabbing the money which was borrowed from the bondholders and robbing not only the people along the line but also the confiding bondholders to whose interests they pretend to be so devoted.

They have also worn out the rolling stock of the road hauling earth to Portland to fill up their swamp blocks in Couch's addition which were donated to the road and which they stole.

They have let the road get out of repair, jeopardizing passengers and property, causing the business that should go to the road to find other means of transportation.

Their policy has been so ruinous financially for the stockholders and bondholders, and so corrupt in its influence on the politics of the State, that the Holladay and Halsey crowd should be kicked out and the road put into the hands of men who have an interest in the country.

HORRIBLE PORTENTS.—We learn from the INDEPENDENT that a parhelion circle, together with an actual parhelion, was lately seen at Hillsboro! A pious lady also found a hypodermic in her smoke house, and an excavated conic section under her bed; and now the terrified inhabitants are talking of leaving the place.—*Statesman.*

Now Bro Mack, have you not made a mistake? Wasn't it you that found that "excavated conic section" under your bed?

In these days of contracted skirts it is astonishing to see how little there is of some women; and it is absolutely amazing to see how much there is of others.

Ben Holladay the "Grabber."

We stated in another place that Ben Holladay & Co. had grabbed certain property donated to the West side road and had sold it back to the Company at an enormous price. There is the best record evidence to prove that Ben Holladay procured a deed to himself, under the name of the Oregon Real Estate Co., of the ten blocks of land in the city of Portland, donated to the R. R. Company by Couch & Flanders, without paying one cent therefor; and that afterward he sold one of said blocks back to the Company for \$10,000 gold coin, which property is of no use to the Company and never will be. There is the same incontestible proof also that he sold another piece of land, which was mortgaged for all it was worth, and if unincumbered, would not have been worth to the Company more than \$5,000 or \$6,000, to the Company for \$120,000 in gold coin. And the money thus grabbed was a part of the funds borrowed from the bondholders.

This is the way that Holladay and Halsey protect the interests of the bondholders.

The "Hoppers" Doomed.

Governor Hardin of Missouri proclaimed a fast to mitigate the grasshopper plague in that State, and Archbishop Clarkson of Nebraska published a prayer that would scare anything but a grasshopper, but the people of Kansas ate their regular corn ponies and fought the "hoppers" instead of praying. And now comes relief for the Kansas sepiets. A certain fly which is an enemy of the grasshopper drops down on the latter and deposits an egg under his wings. This egg, is transformed into an ugly grub which takes an inside passage in the grasshopper and the latter dies very soon, when the grub breaks out of the "hopper's" shell and becomes a fly and goes forth to victimize the first "hopper" that comes in its way. It is said that the grasshopper which could not be stopped by trenches or fire, now halts in his march wherever this mysterious fly looks him in the eye.

In her "Introduction" to her story of "Captain's Gray's Company" Danniway says, "Being possessed of fertile imagination, imperfect education, affectionate nature, feeble strength, and romantic disposition"—etc. And she ought to have added to her perfections, gentleness, modesty and beauty. We suppose, that her modesty forbade her to do this, and, out of pure gallantry and innate goodness of heart, we supply what she left out. We don't ask any thanks for saying this because we think it is a duty which we owe to our country and our sex, and our well known generosity and humility would suffer should any acknowledgements be tendered.

ELECTION.—At the Portland city election last Monday the Republicans elected the Mayor, Dr. Chapman, and one Councilman. The People's ticket was elected with the exception of mayor and one councilman, which is a substantial victory for the Independents.

McDONALD of the *Statesman* says that Mart Brown of the Democrat delivered the *Bacchanalian* address at the annual Commencement of the State Agricultural College at Corvallis on the 12th inst.

Wayside Notes.

From a gentleman just in from the South we learn the following general notes.

While there is nothing of importance doing in the mining districts of Southern Oregon yet the prospects seem so favorable that those holding interests in mining claims hold them at high figure.

The purchases and shipment of grain along the line of the railroad, and the river, show that considerably more grain was reserved last year than was at first supposed.

The prospects are that the crops both in the Umpqua and Willamette Valleys will be fully equal to, if not, in excess of the usual average.

Evidences of improvement are visible all along the road through the west side counties. The farmers are putting up new buildings and fences and the little towns and villages give evidence of permanent as well as rapid growth. Two new churches, a

Grangers' warehouse and flouring mill in Independence; a new church edifice in Monmouth; a Fruit Drying establishment in McMinnville, and many minor improvements show a steady advancement in our young and thrifty State.

Immigrants are rapidly scattering throughout the State, and generally, meet with a kind greeting and hospitable welcome.

The people of the West side, tired of the (mis) management of the old officials, are anxiously awaiting to welcome the new board. Feeling that their condition cannot be any worse for the change—they think there is strong hopes of a change for the better.

OCCASIONAL.

REFUSED TO PAY.—It is reported that one man who had subscribed \$1 reward for the scalp of a coyote refused to pay it to Mr. Constable who killed a coyote a few weeks ago.

Mr. E. H. WARREN heard this place has a part of the timber already on the ground for the new dwelling house which he proposes to build this summer.

MARRIED.—Miss Irene Clark a graduate of Pacific University was married to a man by the name of Davis at Vancouver recently.

LODGERS.—Some very tall winter wheat on Mr. Hawthorn's place is lodged in spots by late rains with wind.

Dr. F. A. BAILEY and wife started to Monday to deliver his address to the graduating class of the Medical college at the Commencement exercises which occurred Tuesday.

A. LUELLING has moved into Mr. R. Balda's house which he bought lately.

Mr. SIMMONS of Forest Grove died Tuesday evening, June 23d.

DIED.

At his residence in Washington county, June 20, Col. Joseph L. Mack, aged 65 years, 4 months and 11 days.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

1776. 1875.

GRANGERS' CELEBRATION!

Saturday, July 3.

The Grangers of Washington, Yamhill and Multnomah Counties will celebrate the day by a Grand Picnic on the beautiful grounds of the

Hillsboro Park,

Where the day will be spent in Speech Making, Wheelbarrow Races, Climbing greased Pole, Blind-Man's Buff, Sack Races, Base Ball, Croquet, Foot Races, &c., &c., &c.

These grounds are situated in a beautiful grove where seats, tables, and Speaker's stand have been put up. There are four good springs of ice-cold water on the grounds. Refreshments served on the grounds. EVERYBODY INVITED TO ATTEND.

Bridge Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned until WEDNESDAY the 19th day of July next at 1 o'clock P. M. for the erection of the proposed New Bridge across Rock Creek known as the Steeples Bridge. Plan and specifications may be seen at my office in the New Court House. I reserve the right to reject all bids.

THOS. D. HUMPHREYS, Superintendent. HILLSBORO, June 21, 1875. jun24-3t

BRIGGS & BUTLER

Wish to inform the public in general that they have bought J. J. Briggs' saw mill which they have thoroughly refitted, and are now prepared to do all kinds of work pertaining to a saw mill. Come Boys and try us. Taste and try us. If you don't like us don't buy us. m27-1m BRIGGS & BUTLER.

\$5 to \$20 Per Day at home. Terms free. Address G. STRINGS & CO., Portland, Maine.

NOTICE!!!

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE School Fund for Interest, are hereby notified to pay up immediately, or the same will be put in the hands of an Attorney, for collection. By order of the Board, W. SIMMONS, Co. Treas.

Tualatin Hotel.

MAIN STREET - - - HILLSBORO, D. L. TURPIN, PROPRIETOR mar24-1t

NOTICE.

THE undersigned will redeem all County Orders endorsed previous to the 10th day of May 1875. W. SIMMONS, (Sealed) jun24-1t

WOOL CARDING

FOR 1875.

The undersigned having located his Carding Machine at Glenwood seven miles north of Hillsboro in Washington county will be prepared by the middle of May to do Carding for the present season at reasonable rates. Work warranted. Give us a call. J. DIX.

Sheriff's Sale.

BY VIRTUE OF TWO EXECUTIONS issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon to and for the use of C. A. Pickett for the sum of \$435.90 r. s. coin and one in favor of Corbett and MacLeary against C. A. Pickett for the sum of \$238 r. s. coin, and to and for the use of C. A. Pickett in and for the use of C. A. Pickett for the sum of \$100 in the town of Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon. And on Saturday the 14th of July, 1875, at 1 o'clock P. M. of said day at the Court House door in Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, I will sell all the right, title and interest of C. A. Pickett in and to the above described property at Public Auction to the highest bidder for cash, and to and for the use of C. A. Pickett to be applied in satisfaction of said execution and accruing costs. Said property will be sold subject to three (3) mortgages in favor of N. Westfall, 1st dated August 30th, 1873 for the sum of \$263 00 coin, with interest at 12 per cent per annum, 2nd dated Jan. 23d, 1875, for the sum of \$185 coin with interest at 12 per cent per annum, 3rd dated Apr. 20th, 1875, for the sum of \$230 50 coin with interest at 12 per cent per annum.

CHAS. T. TOZIER, Sheriff of Washington County, Oregon. Hillsboro, June 23, 1875. jun23-1t

Sheriff's Sale.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF EXECUTION and order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon to and for the use of A. Natrop and against J. D. Whitman and F. Y. Arnold, et al. for the sum of \$5,211.45 T. S. coin, to me directed and delivered on the 6th day of June, 1875, commanding me to make sale of the following described real estate, to-wit: Situate and being in Washington County, Oregon, and consisting of all of donation claim No. 45 as shown upon the maps in the Surveyor General's office for the State of Oregon being part of sections 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 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