

THE INDEPENDENT.

HILLSBORO : : : THURSDAY.

Local News.

Financial.

Gold in New York, 111%. Legal tenders in Portland—buying 80; selling 90.

Silver—Trade dollars, 90¢; other coins, 95¢.

Portland Produce Market.

WHEAT—\$1.40 per cental.

FLOUR—For extra standard brands, \$5.00; extra country, \$4.50 & 75.

OATS—Sacked, per bushel, 65 cents.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples 11½¢ per pound; plums, pitless, 100, with pits 4 to 5¢; plums, pitless, with pits 4 to 5¢.

HIDES—Best selected 10¢ per lb.; cattle, 14¢ off.

MEATS—Hams, 12 to 17¢; sides 13¢; shoulders 9¢; dressed hogs 6 to 6½¢; mutton sheep \$2.50 to \$3 per head.

LARD—New lard in tins, 17¢; in bulk 16¢.

HAY—Timothy baled, \$15¢ to 16¢; loose, \$13 to \$14.

DAIRY PRODUCE—Butter, choice, 30¢ to 35¢; fat, 15¢ to 20¢; in bread, 20¢ to 25¢; Cheese 17¢ to 18¢ per lb.

FEED—from first hands, bran, \$20 to 25¢; shorts, \$25 to 30¢; middlings, \$27.50 to 40¢; oil meal, \$37.50.

EGGS—30¢ per dozen.

WOOL—Choice Willamette, 15¢ to 16¢; 3¢; Eastern Oregon and Walla Walla, 11¢ to 13¢.

POTATOES—60 to 75¢ per bushel.

Artificial Stone.

Last week we noticed this subject of stone-making and promised to refer to it again. Last Monday, Mr. Leathers, patentee, came from Portland with material, and he and Mr. J. C. Jamison made a sink for our photographe, also a small stand-top for Dr. Boyce, and two stones measuring 7x14 inches each, which are now hard and good for service.

The material used to make this stone is first, sand, four parts, and cement one part. Then a solution composed of alum, lard and common lye is added to the mixture, and the whole is mixed together and moistened with water until it has the consistency of snow when good for making snow-balls. It is then put into the mold and tamped down and taken out and left to cure. It is cured by wetting with water occasionally for four days, and in four days more it is ready for use. It is unquestionably a great invention, as it will take the place of stone, and brick largely in the cities, but it will not substitute wood for building in the country. It is estimated that it will cost at least 50 cents per cubic foot. At this rate the stone for the walls of a building 20 feet long, 16 feet high and 8 inches thick would cost \$864 alone, which would be the entire cost of a wooden building of like dimensions.

Mr. Jamison offered the right of manufacturing stone in this county for \$500, and certain parties had about concluded to buy it when a telegram came stating that the State had been sold. And now the price for this county has been raised to \$800, a sum that no one in this country will give. Perhaps some one outside may be induced to buy in the excitement now at fever heat at Portland about the invention. The material for manufacturing this stone would have to be shipped here, there being no sand in the county, and wooden material is so cheap that stone could not compete with it. For hearth-stones, fire-jams, chimney tops, etc., this stone would be valuable. Mr. G. A. Steel of Portland and Mr. J. C. Jamison have bought the right for Washington Territory. Mr. Steel transferring a large amount of land near Forest Grove in consideration therefor.

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Married.

Hon. Raleigh Stott Prosecuting Attorney for the judicial district, was united in marriage with Miss Susan B. Stott on the morning of the 28th, and started south on a bridal tour, says the Standard.

We wish Raleigh and his happy bride a prosperous and pleasant voyage on the sun-swept seas.

Death and Burial.

Last Monday morning, August 28th, Geo. Morrow died of disease of the liver, aged 38 years. On Tuesday he was buried at the Union school house with appropriate religious services conducted by Mr. W. E. Smith, and the rites of the Masonic order. Mr. Morrow was an enterprising and valuable citizen, being a leading man in his neighborhood and his loss will be deeply felt by his family, relatives and friends. He was the Independent nominee for Sheriff in this county at the last election. Stricken down in his prime, strikes the sorrow deeper into the hearts of those whom he loved. Peace to his ashes.

State Teachers' Institute.

The 1876 session of the State Teachers' Institute met at Salem on the 23 inst. under very favorable circumstances. The body was called together by D. M. C. Gault, president; Prof. J. S. Gregg was called to the secretary's chair; Mr. Randall conducted the devotional exercises; State Superintendent Rowland made remarks and suggestions for the welfare of the meeting. The officers for the ensuing year are: A. J. Anderson of Portland, president; Miss Ella Watt, of Forest Grove, vice president; J. T. Gregg, of Salem, assistant secretary; and Miss M. F. D'Arcy of Salem, assistant secretary.

Small-Pox in Portland.

Another case of small-pox is reported in East Portland. Jacob Anderson (not our Jacob) is the victim, having been employed to wait on Nicoll who died of that disease in that city recently. We learn thro' private information that a Chinaman living in one of the small Chinese houses near the Chinese vegetable garden in the western part of town was found broken out with the disease last week. The city papers are much about this case because it happens not to be in East Portland.

Laudable Enterprise.

L. Samuel, proprietor of the West Shore, offers \$80 in prizes for best compositions by persons under 18 and 13 years of age; also for best articles by residents, on the resources of Oregon, and Washington Territory. The design is laudable, but the time for a full notice was short, the first of October being the limit, and the names of the judges should have been given to engage the attention of real talent.

Look Sharp For Burglars.

We learn that the stores of Bingsassar & Deilschneider and W. H. Boyd were burglarized at McMinnville on Friday night, last and the safe belonging to both were blown open and the contents taken therefrom. We have no particulars other than the former lost \$1,100 in gold coin; W. H. Boyd, \$150; and Wells, Fargo & Co., \$100. No clue to the burglars has been discovered.

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The Hillboro Cornet band is practicing for the fair and will undoubtedly make a good display for the time they have practiced. We understand that the W. C. A. S. has engaged their services which will fill a deficiency long felt at its previous meetings.

A gang of Chinamen are engaged at cutting cord wood for Judge Humphreys on his land north-east of town. He proposes to cut 1,000 cords.

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George Ireland has moved into the Jailor's house, recently vacated by Frank Rice.

Cornelius Items:

August, 28th, 1876.
The City Rifles came and went; but before leaving a little knock-down transpired, in which their Captain came out No. 1, all of which happened while two other boys were milking an old cow in the fence corner.

Miss Mollie DeLetts is quite ill of fever.

The many friends of Mr. Spencer will be pleased to learn that he has abandoned his notion of moving away, and has concluded to make this his home.

Between 15,000 and 20,000 bushels of wheat are stored in the warehouse at this place, but farmers will not sell for 65 cents.

All the way from the cradle to the grave men are not only shaping their own destinies, but are also helping to shape the destinies of their fellow man. There is no one so ignorant or degraded who has no friend over whom he can wield an influence. Almost every child has his circle of friends with whom he plays, and talks of after life. These youthful companions mutually influence each other to a very great extent, and perhaps any one of them could lead the into or out of mischief as the case might be. This power of influencing is very likely to go with them all their lives. Man's initiative propensity or his desire to do something like that which he has just seen his fellow do, affords a vast field for influencing the