

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

'HON. PATRICK DUNN.

One of the earliest settlers of Jackson county and one of its most substantial citizens was born in the county Wexford, Ireland, in 1824. The Dunn family emigrated to Philadelphia when Patrick was very young, and remaining in that city only a few years before removing west to Illinois, and leaving "Pat" behind in the position of a clerk. After some years Patrick joined his father's family in the west and learned milling, a business which he continued until his departure for the Pacific Coast. In 1850 Mr. Dunn came across the plains to California arriving in Sacramento on August 9th. Like many others Pat thought his fortune was in the mines and struck out on foot for the American River, working on Kelly's bar, trying his fortune at Ophir, and

subsequently at Searn. Then he signed that his "stake" was farther north and he struck out by way of San Fran and Trinidad for the North Fork of Salmon, remaining there till fall, and enjoying saleratus flap-jacks when flour was worth three dollars per pound, and mule sirloin at the most fabulous rates. Then Mr. Dunn went to Groenhorn in Siskiyou county, where he mined but a short time when he came to Rogue River valley and took up a donation claim in 1852 and which is his present magnificent home. In 1853 Mr. Dunn, in company with other settlers, made a stand against the Indians near the place owned by W. F. Songer, and during the battle Pat was shot through the shoulder and severely wounded. Patrick seems, like his countrymen, to have been at home either in love or in war, for in 1854 he captured Miss Mary M. Hill, daughter of Isaac Hill, and he has held her prisoner ever since. The union has been blessed with an interesting family of one boy and four girls. Mr. Dunn was one of the first Board of Commissioners in this county. In 1854 he was elected to the Legislative Council of the Territory and was distinguished for sound and conservative judgment. In 1856 he was re-elected commissioner, and in 1865 was appointed County Assessor to fill a vacancy made by the resignation of Captain Sprague. In 1870 Mr. Dunn was

"CONCEIVED IN MENDACITY."

Last week we published a blatant, defiant and revolutionary paragraph from a Mississippi paper which has been very extensively copied. The paragraph declares that "secession" is not dead, but sleeping, and that when their man walks up the steps of the White House in 1880 the amendments will be torn from the constitution. We requested democratic papers to express their views on this extraordinary manner of amending the constitution, and the "Times," our neighbor, whose eminent opinion will not be questioned by his peculiar kind of democrats pronounces the whole thing an "absurd fabrication." It is a well known democratic argument, and to fix the lie most conclusively the "Times" remarks:

"Unfortunately for the veracity acity of this piece of balderdash it happens there is no place bearing the name of 'Okloona', neither is there a paper called the 'Okloona Statesman'."

Nobody said there was. But it does happen that there is a place in Mississippi called "Okalona," and it happens also that in that place there is published a weekly democratic paper called the "Southern States," and it happens moreover that the exact name, both of the locality and the newspaper, were telegraphed by the Associated Press, and the "Times" either wilfully distorts the record to deceive its readers or makes an inexcusable blunder in order to fortify its position. Strange things happen sometimes, and it is barely possible that it was left to the keen discrimination of an obscure country journal to discover that this paragraph is a fabrication; a discovery not yet announced by any other paper in the United States. Unfortunately the paragraph is too true, and from similar half stifled utterances in Congress it is only too plain that at no distant day the sentiment will find an echo in the "solid South," and those who love their country's flag will perhaps learn too late that "secession is not dead but sleeping," and we heartily wish that all such sentiments were really fabrications.

POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE.

Some of the pure Democratic papers of Oregon are distressed at the many independence of the voters in Jackson county who for many years have refused to brook interference with their local politics. Not long since a Democratic paper decried the grievances

Let the People Look to Their Interests.

Mr. Editor.—It is the duty of every citizen to assist in guarding the interests of the whole people of the county and State of which he is a resident. Nor need he be untrue to himself in doing so, for that which inures to the interest of one is an advantage to all in a public point of view. These thoughts are suggested by an effort now being made by certain parties interested in business at Rock Point to induce the county to pay from four to five thousand dollars to aid in the construction of a free bridge across Rogue River at that point. A petition is being circulated over the county at this time and citizens are being importuned to sign the same asking the County Commissioners to appropriate the amount of money above named for the purpose stated.

Be it known that Thos. Chavner has now a splendid new bridge across the river, one and a-half miles above Rock Point, where the stages carrying the U. S. mails and all other travel cross at the most reasonable rates. And this bridge is situated on the most direct route from all parts of this valley South of Rock Point leading to the North. The road is better in every respect than that leading from Dardanelles to the old bridge, and it has been rendered so by the individual enterprise of Mr. Chavner. Every one who has ever travelled the road knows that near the old bridge, on the South side of the river, it is rough and dangerous because of its rocky condition. There have been enough wagons broken on that almost impassable portion of the road in the last five years to pay for the construction of a bridge better than the old one. The road on the South side of the river, leading to the new bridge, is gravelled and passable for all manner of vehicles at all times of the year. Mr. Chavner has spared neither time nor expense in making it so without asking the county or any one else for a single cent. Then why this effort to add to the heavy burden of taxation already borne by the property owners of the county in the construction of a free bridge. Rock Point makes nothing in the operation, as the road leading from Chavner's bridge North passes directly through that village.

So far as the people of Foot's creek are concerned they constitute but a small portion of the population of the county, numbering only thirty or forty voters, and while their interest are to be guarded with those of other citizens they are too magnanimous to expect all to become subordinate to their special and exclusive wants. If it is inconvenient for them to receive their mails at Rock Point they can apply for and

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