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The correspondent of the Yaquina Post of the 19th inst. from this section, who signs himself "Reformer," ought to reform himself before trying to reform others. If he had ever reformed any he must have been bad indeed, to try to get someone the homes of our worthy citizens that have come in here when it was a wilderness and made all these roads and other advantages he speaks of, to turn them out of their homes they have worked so hard to make because times are so hard they cannot raise the money to file or make final proof. If he had reformed he would have tried to get the government to give them their homes rather than try to get someone to take them from them.

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MEDDLER.

Drift Creek, Dec. 29, 1896.

The Election of Judges.

Ex-President Harrison writes of "The Judicial Department of the Government" in the January Ladies' Home Journal, and says with reference to the general mode of selecting judges in the majority of states: "There has been much discussion as to the proper tenure for the judicial office, and the tendency, as expressed in the later state constitutions, has been in favor of limited terms. The earlier state constitutions gave the appointment of the judges to the governor or the legislature, but along with the demand for limited terms for the judges came another for their election by the people, and in a majority of the states they are now nominated in the party conventions and elected by popular vote, just as a governor or sheriff is chosen. I do not think that either of these changes is a reform. Limited terms, of they are long, may be supported by many considerations; but short terms, combined with popular elections, have not, in my opinion, secured as high a judicial standard as prevailed before. A judge who must go a short intervals before a political convention for a nomination, and before the people for an election, cannot have the same sense of independence and security that he would have if his term were long or during good behavior. The judicial office should be so organized that men of the best abilities and attainments would enter it as a career, and give their lives and ambitions wholly to it."

Reports of a suspicious disappearance of a Salmon river settler has reached this place. Some two or three weeks ago this settler, whose name we did not learn, started from Charley Reed's place near Devil's lake, with one of Reed's horses to take some goods up to his ranch on the north side of Salmon river. He was seen to start on his return with the horse by white settlers, and to get as far as Saginaw Bill's, an Indian living on Salmon river. This was the last seen of him, but five days after his horse was found by Saginaw Bill tied to a willow on the bank of Salmon river and standing in water about belly deep. Word was passed around among the settlers and search was made for him in the river, the supposition being that he had drowned. After a thorough of the river without success, the house of Saginaw Bill was searched, and hidden in the bed were some clothes which the missing man had carried on the trip in his saddle bags. Some other things were also found that had been missed by settlers at various times. There is a strong feeling that the man has been foully dealt with, and suspicion rests very strongly on the Indian referred to.