

THE INDEPENDENT.

FOREST GROVE, JANUARY 16, 1874.

Local News.

IMPROVEMENTS MADE IN FOREST GROVE.
—The following are the principal improvements made in this city during the past year: Benj. Cornelius, house and barn; Powers, house; Mrs. Wick, barn; J. B. Matthews, barn; J. N. Campbell, five houses; Brown, house; Montgomery, house; Buford, house; Leabo, stable; Hoxter, barn; Levi Walker, house; Ros, barn; Blank, house; A. Hinman, store; S. Porter, house; Wright, house; Wagner, house; Kane, barn; Ward, house; Kane, Smith & Co., carpenter-shop. Amounting in all to thirty buildings besides which there were several additions to houses such as sheds and kitchens. There were twenty-five wells dug. Considerable improvements were made on the College buildings, the Baptist church and the M. E. church. And more than a mile of sidewalk was laid. We doubt very much if any town of equal population in this State has made as much improvement during the year just ending, as Forest Grove. The additions to our population are all excellent industrials and studious characters, men who come here to live in good society and who where there are good schools to educate their children. Real estate bears a good price in town and adjoining country and transactions in real estate are not by any means inactive. There are two or three excellent properties for sale here now, and those who intend to come here to educate their sons and daughters would do well to make a purchase. Prof. Anderson has a house and land for sale finely located.

SELLING SEA SHELLS.—The sea shell man was around last week and disposed of the last of his shells at this place. The Grovians come down with their cash and carried off the lot. Shells sold at prices ranging from 25 cents to \$2 a pair. The auctioneer offered a valuable shell with the Lord's Prayer inscribed thereon to the man who would repeat it correctly. An old gentleman of considerable Biblical lore took the task and indignantly fulfilled and great was the laugh thereof. He then went out and whispered the same over to himself and next time succeeded but he could not get the shell. The post office was crowded, the Postmaster in his best humor, and every man was jolly as jolly could be. Several of our citizens secured some very fine specimens for their wives of course. Our townsmen invested about \$10 in shells.

A MR. TALLMAN while on his way to meeting with his wife and three small children, came near having a serious accident, while crossing the ford of Gales Creek near the school house, with his team and wagon. The current was very swift and the horses being unaccustomed to running water started down stream and got into deep water, near the opposite shore. Mr. T. immediately called for assistance, and was heard, by four men who were working near by, and who entered the stream nearly as cold as it was, and either by swimming or wading in water up to their chests, succeeded in freeing the horses, the family in the month time escaping from the wagon on some rafts placed between it and the shore. The horses were then led out and hitched to the hind end of the wagon, directing it up the stream far enough so as to enable them to hitch to the forward end and draw it out.

The protracted meeting held under the auspices of the M. E. Church at Hillsboro, is still continued during this week. The meetings were attended with very satisfactory results, the audience very large, and conversely deeply interested. Rev. Mr. Williams, pastor in charge, reports a general awakening all over the circuit. A general revival is looked for by the few who do not slumber. Did not Isaac—A life insurance agent has been around lately. Two or three men were on the point of taking out policies, but observing a great interest which their wives took in the matter, they concluded in the better policy to not insure and they didn't.

Gales Creek last Monday, six persons were received into the United Brethren Church, by Revs. Palmer and Enos, at a meeting held at the house of Mr. Crabb near the first school house, at which place the rite of baptism was administered by sprinkling.

SURPRISE PARTY.—A large surprise party occurred at Beard's place Saturday evening. The party found Mr. Beard and family in the cow and the surprise was complete and overpowering for the gentleman. The party had a very pleasant time.

HOSE BREKEN.—The dwelling house of Mr. Meridian, distant about four miles south of this town, burned to the ground Thursday night of last week. Mr. Meridian was at a party at the time and his household effects were all consumed.

NEWSMANS.—There are two or three small dogs in this city that ought to be shot. They bark and run at women on the streets and nip horses' heels as travelers pass by causing not a little vexation and may at some time do injury.

ENTERTAINMENT.—The Gnomes Sigma Society will give a public entertainment at the Congregational church next Friday evening, January 16. Exercises to begin at half past six o'clock. Public cordially invited.

SEE FRANK McMILLAN'S new advertisement, you can buy all kinds of fruit trees, vines, shrubbery and house plants, the best assortment in this country.

There has been a series of meetings held at the Congregational church this week and considerable interest manifested.

Thanks to Frank McMillan for a jar of excellent raspberry, which took the first premium at our last County Fair.

See the Estey notice of Mr. Wagner's in another column.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

At the Congregational church, Rev. E. Walker preaches every Sabbath at 11 A. M. At the Methodist church, Rev. Mr. Wolfe preaches on the first and third Sundays of each month.

At the Baptist church, Rev. Mr. Chandler preaches on the second and fourth Sundays of each month.

PROF. CONDON'S LECTURE.

The Professor said that his last lecture will be remembered to have treated of Life. That the most natural construction of the phrase, "after his kind," is in the line of its being, that he had presented as he could through the strata, the four great classes of animals, but he perceived by the questions asked that one link had been left out of that chain. He would supply it now. It was the ANTIQUITY OF MAN.

Adapted man is the highest in that series. We deal with him today. The Professor spoke of our understanding of different scriptural texts, and the theories and beliefs entertained in consequence. He stated that the Bible never was intended to teach the sciences of medicine, astronomy, &c., but it was merely written in man's language and style of thought, not the word was imported from heaven. However it showed the Creator to be one God—not many. The lecturer brought up four separate lines of record. The ruins, changes of land, profane history, and Hebrew scriptures. He showed by means of a map, that Abraham's residence—Ur of the Chaldees—was in the land of Cush in southern Arabia. Ur was then a seaport; now it is 150 miles from the sea. Abraham found settled around him, Melchizedek, Pharaoh and others. In profane history we learn that Calisthenes in 341, B.C., obtained of Berossus in the temple of Babel, a copy of an astronomical chart made up during a period of 1903 years. From this, he dates to 223, B.C. within 150 years of our date of the flood. Rivers of various sizes make certain deposits of sediment yearly. Calculating by this, that delta of 10 miles was 15,510 years in settling. Herodotus, even, speaks of the antiquity of the Egyptians. In stelaic caves in Europe, by the skeleton found at Gualdope, or the one dug up at Natchez, we find hints of the actual origin of man. Data of this kind are accumulating. In conclusion, suppose you do prove that man has lived 15,000, 20,000 or more years on the earth, what of it? Only this, our chronology must undergo a change. No two ancient nations had the same system of chronology, and the Bible does not give us any dates. We are to satisfy ourselves from the information given on this point.

The time of the deluge is 3,600 clock, P. M. Thursday. The antediluvian is usually good, but let us kindly remark that the late arrival of any of the antediluvian is a disturbance to the lecturers, as it is to any interesting entertainments. Be prompt.

NASBY'S HEAD CHOPPED OFF!
The Fat Postmaster's Office Gone Where The Woodbine Twaneth.

LETTER INDEPENDENT.—The *Bulletin* never lies. In the issue of January 23 I read the following:

POSTMASTER APPOINTED.—W. D. Hoxter, Esq., has been appointed Postmaster at Forest Grove. The appointment is a good one and will give satisfaction.

O my exercise! How shall I express what's passin in mine! How shall I survive mi purburbed stait uv mind! I daiz an nites hev persed and I am still a wanderin around wonderin how long I can endure with mi hed cut off clean down to mi shoulders. Had it not bin fur the feedin an lovin manner in which mi friends broke the distressin noise to me mi proud sorrow hev bowed under the stroke and like a vexed spirit bin winderin its way to that world "whar moths don't corrupt nor polydians breed, throo an stoat (Scriptur)." I suppose I should hev died to woe but I say that the only man in town couldn't hev done better for the occasion waz I am, not I thought I should put off the important event until mi moor soustainable system.

In the expasmation ov mi husenid feeling I brot forth the followin, mi Oil-shad will: I, Petroleum V. Nasby, P. M., at the Seat ov Larnin, in view ov mi polluted deth, believev inself to be sound mind, doo bestow, bequeath and dispise of mi official effects in the followin manner: Firstly, to mi suckessor in office, and the exzier latin plezura I hev experienced in waitin on the deer people a sellin stamps an handin letters. Secondly, I bequeath to him the plezura ov havin a Gentleman ov assate proportion a tellin on him how he should vote, what he should say and what he should think. Firldly, I bequeath to him and his oners, purpuzists and emolments arizin from said office, together with the percentage ov ex-cusin an apologizin fur sich fitte youthfull indiserelus ez bigamy, seduction an ruinin away with other peoplz momey, especially if said bigamist and theef happez to be in his places. And 6thly an lastly to theiv one and avl, individoouly an collectively, I bequeeth mi blessing and may the Lord hav mussy on their souls.

And now, mistar editor, I cannot cloze this epistle until I hev paid mi respects to that august Christian, whoze sele bez him travelin and bouzle hev him a yearnin fur this change fur a hole year, avatin' entirely alone without a helpur or usinetour in this hole communitie, with hoove extratic joi an exuberant feeling must he hev read the above an 'afor sed artecal in hiz favor-site nooze paper uv hiz assotun sum, may he go down to hiz end on peace, and to hiz marker a tellin uv him up this the last and crownin' act uv hiz lif. 'No! I ma be spard to writ yu moor cheerfull epizel in foatur, i remane yours trooly,

PETROLEUM V. NASBY,
[whiz iz Postmaster at the seat uv Larnin].

In passing through a dark tunnel on a Pennsylvania railroad, a woman's voice was heard exclaiming, "Don't you fool around! I carry a pistol in my panier!"

Letter from Southern Oregon.

PHOENIX, Dec. 30th, 1873.
EDITOR INDEPENDENT:—Although it is perhaps rather too late to congratulate yourself and the people of the Grove, on the change which has taken place in the Editorship of the INDEPENDENT—a change which I do not doubt has already resulted in mutual satisfaction—you will perhaps allow me to do so. I will remark also on the general and special advantages of the Grove, which a season of absence was necessary to make me fully appreciate. I have not seen a very great majority nor even a large proportion of the towns in our State since my departure from the Grove, but still I am quite confident in asserting, that the citizens of the Grove need not be in any great hurry to leave it.

The trip from Portland to Roseburg is a delightful one; although at the time in which I made it the smoke veiling the snow-peaks, and soiling the delicacy of the more remote landscapes, left something still to be desired.

The wooded heights of the Calapooias, rigging the southern horizon long before reaching them, having been passed, I was entertained with a style of scenery picturesque and beautiful in the extreme; but in comparison with the upper Willamette, which we had just left, it seemed somewhat cramped, broken as it was into hills and dales, while not less beautiful and perhaps even more so. Here valleys of great apparent fertility but very narrow, run among the hills and are lost to view. The hills, white with the dry grass of autumn, and studded here and there with oaks, chiefly of the variety called black oak, were covered with flocks and herds, as to grazing rather than agriculture is the country naturally adapted.

The scenery of the Umpqua valley is an exaggerated combination of Chehalis Valley and North Yamhill. Oakland and Wilbur are the only places of any note in this valley, preceeding Roseburg. At the latter of the two places first named is located an academy. This under Methodist control, is well attended, and is the only institution of the kind in the valley.

Roseburg is possessed of a surpassingly beautiful situation; also of a somewhat business-like and intelligent population, yet not much exceeding in number that of the Grove. It is however more concentrated, and hence more city-like in appearance. But Roseburg on the other hand has one great drawback in the form of five or six well attended saloons—liquor saloons I mean. Here terminates the O. K. C. R. R. Henceforward traveler's lives and property are entrusted to the keeping of the stage Co., which judging by the exorbitant fare extorted from long-suffering way-farers, puts an immensely low estimate either on their own services, or on the lives and property of said way-farers, probably the former. The stage ride is not a substantially delightful.

When, however, I first bade adieu to Roseburg and started southward, on the first moon showering light on the dimly visible peaks of the Coast Range, and descending into the waters of the shining Umpqua, seemed prophetic of an enjoyable ride. The light-freighted coach-never, went bounding on over the stones in a way which was a caution to anything not composed of India rubber. Just as we of the coach were about to fall into innocent slumber some peculiarly violent thump, almost cranking from their spinal connections, our nodding heads, would effectually drive from us the drowsy god, to our huge disgust.

Having crossed the intervening ridge, and having traversed for some distance the narrow uninvited valley of the Rogue River in its lower portion, the main valley of the river suddenly, as we reached an elevated position, burst upon us like a revelation of the mountains, or like a dream of the surrounding cliffs, as if they had been longing for some unknown pet, and longing thus, had been thus visited in their sleep.

Rogue River Valley is like a spacious amphitheater, encircled on all sides by mountains of all grades of grandeur and beauty, with the solitary white Mt. Pitt looking over the intervening lesser heights, like a sentinel from some other clime.

The agricultural resources of Jackson county are great, but with our market all industries are cramped and discouraged. For fruit raising our knock-headed "Web Foot" must "knock under" to the boundlessly supplied Tar-heads, as the people of this country are poetically designated. Peaches, plums and melons of all kinds are incomparably superior to the same in the Willamette Valley. Although religion and temperance and intellectual cultivation are in general at a discount in Southern Oregon, there are some people to be found here of unusual intelligence, who would be an ornament to any place; even to the somewhat self-complacent little city whence your correspondent comes.

This climate is vastly superior to the rainy, sloppy season in Northern Oregon. The most disagreeable thing in this climate is the violent winds, which render hats public property, and even eyebrows somewhat uncertain.

Commercially very little is being done here this winter. The money pressure, which you of the Willamette press have, as I suppose been delivered from to a great extent, has not "let up" here in the least.

The holidays are passing with brilliant soirees whose essential feature in many cases is whiskey, and whose finale is a drunken squabble. From this last statement you will not be surprised nor sorry to hear, probably, of an effort being made in this vicinity to establish a Good Templars' Lodge, which it is to be hoped will be a success, ending at some early day in complete victory over opposing elements, though I always shall be not only pitted for the extent of its variety, but for the

L. MARRIAGE LICENSES.

There were thirty-eight marriage licenses issued by the County Clerk of Washington county, as follows:

JANUARY.
23. N. C. Richardson and Mrs. C. L. Cox.

FEBRUARY.
7. S. D. Hodges and Mary A. Hall.

15. J. J. Morgan and Emma E. Humphreys.

25. W. C. Thomas and J. M. Davis.

MARCH.
31. Martin Knutson and Mary M. Edwards.

APRIL.
14. C. C. Newhall and Jane R. Meek.

21. Charles C. Caffee and Eliza Barrett.

22. Frank Cote and Mrs. Lucia Henry.

26. James Keeth and Mary E. Noland.

MAY.
31. Herman Tickous and Barbara Brugger.

JUNE.
4. F. M. Robinson and Jane Han-

non.
10. A. Carpenter and Mary A. Jackson.

14. L. L. Williams and Mrs. Sarah J. Quick.

24. S. L. Masters and E. F. Stott.

JULY.
26. Benton Killin and H. B. Hoover.

30. F. M. Litchenthaler and Martha R. Jolly.

AUGUST.
28. M. T. Eddy and Emma Speake.

SEPTEMBER.
25. Jesse C. Wilkes and Medora E. Kelso.

27. D. P. Trullinger and Emily Wood.

OCTOBER.
4. Thomas Francis and Laura Tennyson. John Mills and Mary E. Fowler.

6. Madison Elliott and L. Martin.

15. H. G. Davis and Sarah E. Telft.

29. William Wilson and R. J. Louisgmont.

25. R. F. Rice and S. C. Gibson.

27. Patrick Fowler and Mrs. C. Harrison.

NOVEMBER.
11. P. A. Stanton and Lizzie M. Imbrie.

12. Norman Martin and Mrs. Emily McLin.

14. John R. Feaster and Ida May Miller.

20. Erastus Savage and Francis E. Whitmore.

24. J. F. Lafferty and Mrs. C. F. Loving.

26. W. R. Carter and M. A. Lyon.

DECEMBER.
1. Calvin Jack and E. A. Masters.

2. Theodore Pointer and E. A. Corning.

18. H. G. Parsons and Alma Wavley.

23. David Campbell and Agnes Flemming.

30. William Kerson and C. Chalmer.

31. John B. Everson and H. Rosa Brownson.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.



BEE HIVE STORE.
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J. B. MATTHEWS,
Forest Grove, Or., Nov. 4th, 1873.



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Call and see me before purchasing elsewhere. Everything warranted. n42 1st

Sherriff's Sale.
BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF EXECUTION and order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Washington county dated Dec. 22nd, 1873, in favor of D. H. Ford and against James and Sarah Carries, and to me directed and delivered, commanding me to satisfy the sum of one hundred and thirty dollars, U. S. gold coin, now due on judgment with interest at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum from the 26th day of May, 1873, and the further sum of twenty-two dollars and eighty-five cents costs, out of the following described real estate, to wit: The undivided one-half of the N. W. quarter of Sec. thirty-one (31), T. one (1), S. north of range three (3), West Willamette Meridian, Washington county, Oregon. Therefore, by virtue of said execution and order of sale, I did on the 23rd day of Dec. A. D. 1873 levy upon the above described tract of land and on Saturday the 31st day of Jan. A. D. 1874, at the hour of one o'clock, P. M. of said day, at the Court House door in the town of Hillsboro, Washington county, Oregon, I will sell the above described premises at public auction to the highest bidder, for U. S. gold coin, cash in hand, to satisfy said execution and accruing costs.

Witness my hand this 26th day of Dec. 1873.
CLAS. T. TOFFER,
n42 1st Sherriff of Washington Co., Ogn.

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