THE INDEPENDENT.

FOREST GROVE, September 17, 1874.

Local News.

The Harvest.

Since our last issue the weather has been quite good for harvesting. Considerable spring grain in this county was at that time either standing in the shock or still uncut. The rain did no material damage to the crops only delaying work. With sunshine and drying winds, the grain was soon in good condition for harvesting and this week will see the wheat crop in the granary. Washington county, according to all accounts, is ahead of the rest of the Valley in the gathering of her crops. Mr. Scott, who has been up the Valley informs us that the rain had been much heavier above than here, Marion, Linn, and other counties having suffered heavy rains, while in Polk, Yamhill and Washington counties the rain was quite light. Mr. Scott says that in Linn county half the grain is still unharvested. And the same may be said of Marion and Benton counties. In Polk county the harvest is farther advanced than in Yamhill. In the last named county our informant says that a considerable part of the crops is still in the field. The prospect now is that the whole harvest will be saved in good order.

Henry Buxton who has raised a large crop this year and who has been running a thresher in this county states that the average yield per acre in this county will be fully up to that of last year. T. G. Todd finished threshing last Saturday. From twenty acres of wheat in the Tualatin river bottom he threshed 700 bushels. John Gleason it is said, will finish this week. We have examined his wheat and we should judge that a good deal of it would yield 50 bushels per acre. The harvest has been bountiful and the farmers are in good spirits.

TAKE IT IF YOU DARE.—The Hillsboro croquet players challenge Forest Grove to play a match game of croquet on the following conditions: That Forest Grove may choose two out of six of Hillsboro's best players and these two will play against all Forest Grove. Now then throw up the sponge or face the music.

MATCH GAME.—The Rustic B. B. Club of Hillsboro has challenged the Comet Club of this town to play a match game at the former town on Saturday of this week and the latter Club has accepted the challenge. D. M. C. Gault President of the Rustic Club will act as umpire.

THAT Forest Grove "average" croquet player who beat Thos. Tongue at this place a week or two ago got effectually cleaned out by Mr. Tongue in several games at Hillsboro lately and now the last named gentleman carries the white straw in his hat-band.

THE doom of the pesky house flies begins to draw near. The ides of Novem ber will shake frost over their hated carcasses. Blarst—but we have stood them patiently the whole summer with but few parenthical observations and we ought to be patient for a few weeks more.

W. L. WORTHINGTON, well known at the Grove, has been elected to the office of Alderman of the city of Astoria. Mr. Worthington has the Aldermanic proportions and we are persuaded that he will fill that seat exactly.

A cow in this town has learned the trick of opening our gate and making nightly raids on our garden. A long time ago we learned to throw brickbats to the mark and we discover that we have not forgotten the art yet.

MR. A. J. LANGWORTHY, Wells Fargo & Co's. express agent at Cornelius has moved his store to Turners Station in Marion county. The express office in Cornelius is now located at Mr. Spencer's store.

OFFICERS.—The Hillsboro Base-Ball club had an election of officers last Saturday with the following result: D. M. C. Gault, President; Harrison Humphreys, Treasurer; and F. L. Stott Captain.

A PARTY of young men and women of this neighborhood have been talking of making an excursion to Tillamook. If they should start now they might have a week or two of fair weather.

A PROMINENT Granger here says that he would rather sell his wheat for 75 cts now than to hold it and get 90 next year, and we remark that his head is level.

MISS GEORGIA BROWN a graduate of the Institution here and lately teacher of music in the Albany College, is visiting her friends here this week.

LECTURE.—Monday evening Rev. Mr. Bradford of the First Congregational church in Portland delivered his celebrated lecture on John Howard the great philanthropist, at the Congregational church at this place to a large and appreciative audience. The speaker introduced his subject remarking the great value of the study of the lives of heroes and great men, quoting remarkable sayings of Carlyle and Ralph Waldo Emerson on this subject. He said that every class had its hero, some admire the warrior, some the statesman, and some the philanthropist. The lecturer would, to-night, treat of the latter character. He then defined the term philanthropist and announced John Howard as the subject of his discourse. And we would like to follow the speaker through the whole of his interesting lecture but our space will not permit. He began with the birth of John Howard and related the whole history of his remarkable, eventful and useful life. How from the son of an upholsterer he became the most celebrated man of his time. Although a man of little intellectual acumen and very illiterate and who would not be considered wealthy at this day he revolutionized the world in the matter of prison discipline and reform and in the treatment of persons pronounced not guilty who were confined in prisons for years at the connivance of the harpies of the law. He even visited pest houses and when not permitted he would enter disguised as a physician to learn how they were kept. When the plague spread over Asia and Europe he went to it and remained with it in order to see if he could not learn its dreadful secret and thus risked his life for the sole benefit of humanity. And at last he caught his death from a fever which he took at a pest house when attending a sick woman from the effect of which he died. He would allow no monument to be erected over his remains and wished to be forgotten by his race. But John Howard lives, and lives in the hearts of all the nobility of earth and even the tongues of children are voiced with his fame. But we cannot even give an outline of this excellent discourse.

COUNTY COURTS.

IN PROBATE—ARCHIBOLD, J.

Estate of James A. Mills; confirmation of sale of personal property.

Estate of C. E. Estes; final account filed and the first Monday of November set for final hearing.

Estate of J. Boyce; sale of personal property confirmed.

IN LAW—ARCHIBOLD, J.

T. J. Butler vs. Alex McCready; judgment for plaintiff as prayed for in complaint and for costs and disbursments.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT.

John Carpenter appointed Constable for South Tualatin precinct.

In the matter of the support of N. Noland; ordered that he should be allowvd $15 per month.

In the matter of support of I. Z. Shuck; ordered that he be allowed $30 per month.

In the matter of the petition for roads the following roads were ordered changed; one on the petition of W. Whitmore and others; one on the petition of David Campbell et al; one on the petition M. S. Dailey et al; one on the petition of James Forestell et al.

The Commissioners court finished up the work of correcting and equalizing county assessment roll and A. W. Luelling Deputy County Clerk is at work preparing a copy thereof for the State Board of Equalization.

IT is reported that the heads of families in the Nehalem country ordered the Forest Grove young men, who went over there last week on a tour of exploration, out of the country. They said they did not want any bachelors to locate in their region—had enough of that kind already—they were a pest and source of trouble to the inhabitants—were a greasy, lazy, ragged, unprofitable set—poking their noses into other people's business—and bringing no increase to the material resources and general prosperity of the community—that if these young men would go and get them lawfully weded wives that they might come there and take up their lot with them and welcome. The boys have returned, and now we warn the Faculty of Pacific University and the people of Forest Grove to keep their weather eye skinned, *as to the safer sex*, for these boys mean business. We will not vouch for the truth of the above but give it for what it is worth.

BIG WORK.—W. Jackson last week near Hillsboro headed and threshed 25 acres of wheat in 7 hours.

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A FINE GUN. There is a chance for the sportsman or any man who wants a gun of Parker Bros. manufacture, West Merided Connecticut, to purchase one at liberal rates by calling at this office.

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A NEW Florence Sewing Machine for sale at ten per cent. discount. Purchaser can have choice from machines at prices ranging from $70 to $150. For particulars inquire at this office.

MESSRS. Jackson, Buford, Roe and Partlow our honorable Representatives have gone to Salem to work for the interests of the people of Washington county.

THE high wind that we had a fortnight ago blew down the flag staff in the Court-yard at Hillsboro. It was quite rotten at the ground and broke short off.

MEMBERS of Comet B. B. Club, and all other base ball players, are requested to meet at the ball grounds this (Thursday) afternoon, at 3 o'clock P. M.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Dr. Saylors' Drug Store had a big run of custom last month.

STEVE HARRIS has just built himself a wood house.

JUDGE J. Q. A. Bowlby of Astoria is in the Grove on a visit.

J. B. MATTHEWS is having his dwelling house plastered.

MR. L. C. WALKER is surveying in the Cornelius neighborhood.

THE County court of Washington county sat all last week—a rush of business.

ALFRED SAYLOR Esq. of Sheridan, paid the Grove a flying visit Monday.

Students are still coming in, and the Academy and College are filling up.

LESTER RAY has been appointed Postmaster of the Gales creek Post-office.

PROF. W. MARSH who was lately lying dangerously sick in San Francisco is said to be getting well.

MISS LULU DONNELL has been chosen assistant teacher in the Dalles City public school.

B. F. MCMILLEN of this place is manufacturing the handiest and best wagon jack ever invented.

J. B. MATTHEWS has just such goods and groceries as the people want and he sells as cheap as the cheapest in town if not cheaper.

Religious.

At the Methodist church, Rev. J. W. Miller preaches on the first and third Sundays each month.

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

Pres. Marsh will preach every Sunday evening at the Congregational church at Forest Grove: at Hillsboro the 2nd Sabbath in each month at 11 A. M.; at Gaston the 3d Sabbath in each month at 11 A. M.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's parents, Sept. 11, 1874, by R. P. Wilmot, J. P., Mr. J. J. Bush and Miss Sarah D. Lenox, all of Washington county.

DIED.

Sept. 14th, at Russell and Manning's mill on Dairy Creek, Mrs. Russell, daughter of Wm. Mr. Wilson, of erysipelas.

OREGON.

The county Court of Jackson county, at its session last week, made the following levy; State tax 5½ mills; school tax, 3 mills; county 8 mills; building fund, 1½ mills. State poll tax, $1; county poll, $1; hospital tax, $2.

The Assessor of Jackson county has made his returns for the current year. The property of the county was assessed at $1,994,353, and the indebtedness found to be $385,597, leaving the taxable property at $1,361,496, which is quite a decrease, owing mainly to the loss sustained by stock raisers last winter. Number of polls, 897. Acres of land 157,881; value thereof, $556,515; horses and mules, 6,036; cattle, 22,593; sheep, 17,968; swine, 7,015.

Dr. Smith has returned to Albany from Washington, where he went to introduce several important inventions of his. He sold the right for the United States of his denal apparatus, and has the most promising hopes of realizing a handsome sum from the royalties which the purchasers, Johnson & Co., of New York, are to pay him.

Wasco county has but one individual or firm that pays taxes on over $36,200. Thirty, each pays on sums ranging from $5,000 to the sum named above. One company pays on $273,500.

An exhibit of the financial affairs of Douglas county shows that there are in the county 399,725 acres of land valued at $1,799,949; 949 lots at $64,078; improvements, $115,285; merchandise and implements, $294,879; money, notes and accounts $550364; household goods, $120,505; 4,237 horses at $148,671; 14,169 cattle at $147,527; 107,228 sheep, $251,261; 7,741 hogs at $16,540; O. & C. R. R., $301,660; W. U. Telegraph, $8,000; Douglas county wagon road, $1,800. Total, 33,829,803; indebtedness, $665,553: exempt, $243,680; 802 polls.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

Sheriff's Sale.

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION AND order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County on the 1st day of September 1874 in favor of W. H. Williams and against Samuel R. Remick and to me directed and delivered commanding me to make sale of the property herein described to satisfy the sum of $2,126 62-100 with interest at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum from the 26th day of May 1874, together with costs and accruing costs. Therefore by virtue of said execution and order of sale I have levied on the following described Real Estate being the property therein described to wit: Being the Donation land claim of the said plaintiff, W. H. Williams, No. 50, situated in the said County of Washington State of Oregon, being parts of Sects. seventeen (17) and twenty (20), Township one (1), South Range one (1), West, bounded as follows to wit: Beginning at a point 17 chs. north of the south west corner of said section seventeen, running thence east 54.40 chs. thence south 29.75 chs. thence east 3.64 chs. thence south 27.25 chs., thence west 38.04 chs., thence north 56.90 chs., to the place of beginning, containing 319 71-100 acres, and on SATURDAY the 3d day of October, 1874, at the hour of one o'clock P. M. of said day, at the Court House door in Hillsboro, County and State aforesaid, I will sell the above described tract of land at Public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand to satisfy said execution and accruing costs.

Witness my hand this 2nd day of September 1874.

CHAS. T. TOZIER
Sheriff Washington County Oregon.
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Administrator's Sale

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT in pursuance of an order of the County Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County made at the August term 1874 thereof, in the matter of the estate of John D. Richardson deceased, and to me as administrator thereof directed, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder at the Court House door in Hillsboro Washington County Oregon, on SATURDAY the 3d day of October A. D. 1874, at the hour of one o'clock P. M. all the right, title, interest, and estate of John D. Richardson, at the time of his death or since acquired by his estate, in and to those tracts of land lying, being and situate in Washington County Oregon and being the N. E. ¼ of the N. W. ¼ of Sect. 26. The S. W. ¼ of the N. W. ¼ of Sect. 25, and the S. E. ¼ of the N. E. ¼ of Sect. 26, all in Town, 1. South Range, 1, West, containing in all 120 acres, upon the following

TERMS OF SALE.

One half of the purchase price U. S. coin in hand, one half to be paid in U. S. coin within six months from the day of sale, with interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum, and to be secured by mortgage on the premises.

HENRY WEHRING,
Administrator of the estate of John D. Richardson.
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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of a writ of Execution, Decree of foreclosure and order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County in favor of Joseph Boyce and against Hulda Sherman and C. M. Sherman et. al. to me directed and delivered, attested by the Clerk of said Court on the 20th day of July 1874, commanding me to make sale of the following described Real Estate to wit: commencing at a point 27.55 chains west, and 24.31 chains south of the N. W. corner of Sect. 27, T. 1. N. R. 2. W. thence south 11½ chains thence east 3 chains, thence south 23.183 chains, thence west 9.87 chains, thence north 15.09 chains, thence west 23.38 chains, thence north 20.26 chs., thence east 10 chs. thence north 2.25 chs. thence east 13.25 chs. to place of begining, containing 79¼ acres more or less, situated in Washington County Oregon, to satisfy the sum of $2248 21. Therefore by virtue of said execution and decree of foreclosure I have levied upon said tract of land, and on Saturday the 26th day of September 1874, at the hour of one o'clock P. M. of said day, in front of the Court House door in Hillsboro, County and State aforesaid, I will sell the above described tract of land at Public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand to satisfy said execution any accruing costs.

CHAS. T. TOZIER,
Sheriff of Washington County Oregon.
Hillsboro July 29th 1874.
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Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County

James W. Gibson vs Hannah Gibson.

To Hannah Gibson the above named Defendant.

Whereas on the 7th day of August A. D. 1874, Hon. W. W. Upton Judge of the above named Court, made an order directing that service of the summons in this suit be had upon you by publication of the name in the Forest Grove INDEPENDENT for six consecutive weeks; Therefore, in the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby notified to appear and answer the complaint of pliff. herein filed against you, by the first day of the term of said Court, next following the expiration of the publication of this summons, which said term will commence at Hillsboro, County and State aforesaid on Monday the 5th day of October, A. D. 1874, and you are further notified, that if you fail so to answer, the pliff. will apply to the Court for the relief therein demanded, to wit: that the marriage contract now existing between pliff. and deft. be dissolved, and that the care, custody, and control of Melinda J. Gibson, and Mary E. Gibson, minor children, of pliff. and deft. be awarded to pliff.

THOS. H. TONGUE
Atty. for Pliff.
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