

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Attend the picnic at the Leisy school house Saturday, June 20th, in Jackson's grove. Binding twice at rock-bottom prices at Cave's. The Baptist association held sessions in Hillsboro this week.

A copy of "The Resources of the State of Oregon" has been received at this office. It is published in magazine form and contains 100 pages of closely printed matter.

The need of merit for promoting personal comeliness, is due to J. C. Ayer & Co., whose Hair Vigor is a universal beautifier of the hair. Harmless, effective, and agreeable, it ranks among the indispensable toilet articles.

Mr. Jake Gibson has placed upon our table a limb from a Royal Ann (not Mary Ann) cherry tree, heavily laden with fruit of large size and delicious flavor.

The contract for constructing the new school building at McMinnville has been let to H. Shank for \$9486. The other bids were: S. Post \$10,625; Simpson & Daniels \$9900; Cook & Son \$9650; G. W. Price \$9250.

We have just received a letter from Mr. R. H. Greer, formerly of this county but now located at Centerville, in Yamhill county. Mr. Greer writes that he is doing a flourishing business, and sends the following industry-registry item: "Born, in North Yakima, Wednesday, June 13th, to the wife of R. H. Greer, a 9-pound boy."

Henry E. McGinn, Portland's pugilistic prosecuting attorney, was fined \$10 this week for assault upon Rev. Ezra Haskell.

The Walter A. Wood is unquestionably the most popular machine sold in Washington county. On exhibition at R. Cave's, Hillsboro.

Mt. Hood is to be illuminated on the night of July 4th. The following gentlemen comprise the illuminating party: W. G. Steel, J. M. Beck, Jr., Lieutenant O'Neil, O. C. Yokum, C. H. Gove, Dr. J. M. Keene, Will H. Walker and Prof. W. A. Wetzell.

The Northern Pacific railroad company offer a reward of \$10,000 for the capture of the Montana train robbers. In addition to this, large rewards are offered by the authorities of Montana. The number of persons engaged in the robbery is estimated at from eight to twelve. Armed men are in pursuit.

The glory of Oregon and California has departed. The O. & C. R. R. has lost its identity in the "Southern Pacific Company's Lines."

James Smith, of West Union, and Wm. Hay, of Hillsboro, are members of the new U. S. grand jury at Portland.

Big Grange hall at East Battle hall on the evening of July 31. Proceeds will go towards the purchase of an organ.

Some of our correspondence is carried over on account of want of space, induced by a lengthy report of commencement exercises in Tualatin Academy and Pacific University.

The Seranton board of trade recently wrote to some of the leading New York newspapers asking their terms for an advertisement setting forth Seranton's facilities for manufacturing purposes, and the following astounding figures came in reply to the inquiry. Naturally it took the breath away from some members of the board. The facts ought to serve as a trite lesson to those who are continually grumbling about the excessive rates charged for advertising by the local papers.

The New York World wanted \$30 for a half page one time. The Tribune \$70, the Times \$70, in its Sunday issue, the Herald 90 cents for every sixteen words, agate type.—Hain Speaker.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES. Of Pacific University, Forest Grove, Oregon.

[By our Regular Correspondent.] THE PHILOMATEAN SOCIETY Finds its membership among the young lady students of the school, and has been in a particularly prosperous condition during the past year.

The conservatory of music. Under the direction of Mrs. M. H. Edwards, is an important department in the school; both vocal and instrumental instruction is given by thorough instructors, and a three-year course in instrumental music has been laid down for those desiring to become efficient.

Mr. "Mel" Parrish returned from Spokane Falls one day last week. He will locate in future either in Portland or Astoria.

Mr. T. W. Pittenger, Albina, was in Hillsboro last Sunday. Mr. Pittenger was elected a member of the Alliance council at the municipal election on Monday of this week.

For chronic catarrh, induced by a cerebrofugal, Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the true remedy. It stops catarrhal discharges, removes the scaling odor, and never fails to thoroughly eradicate every trace of the disease from the blood.

All the late novelties in job type at THE INDEPENDENT office.

DAIRY CREEK ITEMS.

Crops are looking well and prospects are bright for the largest yield of oats ever known in this part of the county.

A pleasant social dance was given at the residence of Mr. A. Pfanner last week.

Mr. Manning's carpenter has quit work on his new house on account of the rains.

Our school will close next Saturday. Mr. Gilkey has taught a good school. The directors would do well to employ him again.

P. S. Beard has been sick for several days, but is improving at this writing.

Mrs. Yates has not been well this summer, and intends visiting the coast soon for her health.

W. Benfield returned from Portland last week, where he has been taking care of the seminary.

J. Wilkes went to the coast last week. We wish him a pleasant trip, but think it is too rainy to have a good time.

THE SCHOOL OF ART.

Mr. Clyde Cook, instructor, gave an exhibit last Saturday afternoon at the conservatory in the Ladies hall. Mr. Cook is one of the best artists in the state, having spent a number of years in the best German schools, completing his education, and his work shows the touch of a master hand.

On Sunday evening Rev. Ezra Haskell, of Portland, delivered the sermon before the society of Christian Endeavor. The speaker reviewed, in a very able manner, the history and work of this society, founded only seven years ago, beginning with a membership of sixty; it now numbers over 1000 different societies and 350,000 members.

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ORATIONS AND ESSAYS.

Essay—"Night Brings Out the Stars." Florence Merges. The light of day slowly fades, the gathering shadows of softening twilight gently creeps around and fill the earth with a feeling of sadness. The flowers are sweetest at eventide. Trials, temptations and sorrows are the dark even-tides of every life.

Oration—"The Power of an Idea." B. H. Moore. Archimedes was unable to move the world, because he had no place on which to rest his lever. But the world of intelligence may be stirred to its very depths by the proper enforcement of an idea.

Oration—"Motors." Belle Sedgwick. Beneath the tree are the roots, beneath every effect there is a cause; but as the stately tree attracts more attention than its roots, so the effect is more prominent than the cause.

Oration—"The English Constitution." S. E. Marsh. The English constitution is not a written and fixed set of rules like that of the U. S. but is distinguished by being unwritten, and so constantly changing and growing.

This society is regularly incorporated under the laws of Oregon as a debating society for the gentlemen students of the institution, and is a valuable factor in the school work.

Oration—"Russia's Builder."—Wm. A. Bates. In the history of almost every great nation there is found the work of some great builder, who took the parts and disjoined members and united them into one perfect body.

Oration—"Higher Education in Practical Life."—Frank W. Hinman. Education embraces all human relations and obligations, all the possibilities of human action. Let simply one part of man's mental nature be developed and it will be developed at the expense of all others.

Oration—"The Meaning of Life."—Lucy E. McKune. Life has varied meanings to people in different stations. To those who would be successful in the world it is a period in which to cultivate and use all the powers they possess, making life pleasant for themselves and others.

Oration—"A weak Link."—Fem. Paton. A monarchy is like an iron ball; it will not bend to circumstances, and if forced, breaks. A republic, like a chain, yields to accommodate every link and still is not weakened.

Oration—"Success."—Rev. F. L. Post. How shall I succeed? Men do not find success—they achieve it. At the very threshold of life we must carefully lay our plans and work toward an ultimate result.

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HILLSBORO CREAMERY. Shipping Butter to China. From the day of its organization and experimental operations, the Hillsboro creamery has grown in favor among farmers and hurried forward to commercial importance.

The state teacher's association will be held at Salem, July 5, 6 and 7, 1888. The association will convene in the legislative hall, capitol building, at 10 A. M. on Thursday, July 5.

The department of superintendence will be organized by the several county and city superintendents, and will meet in the office of the superintendent of public instruction at 4 o'clock P. M. on Thursday, July 5.

At 11 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, the terms of Sale.—One half cash, remainder on one year's time with ten per cent interest.

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Administrators Notice. BY VIRTUE OF A DEGREE OF THE Hon. County Court of Washington County, State of Oregon, duly rendered on the 25th day of May 1888, in the matter of the Estate of E. A. Tucker, deceased, directing the sale of the following Real Property of the said estate, to-wit:

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