

The Independent

THE INDEPENDENT: The best newspaper ever published in Douglas county.

Society Meetings. UMPQUA CHURCH... PHILETA IAN... LAUREL LODGE A. F. and A. M...

PROCLAMATION. By the Governor of the State of Oregon. Through a sense of gratitude for the many benefits and advantages enjoyed by the people of this State during the last year...

LOCAL NOTES. Capt. H. Kelley, of Jacksonville, was in the city this week.

A Lucky Strike. Several weeks ago, Mr. John Clark, of this city, invested a couple of hundred dollars in Consolidated Virginia mining stock...

Bodies Arrived. The remains of Dr. D. O. and Hickerson, were delivered to this city by Mr. Geo. W. Short last Saturday...

Started Again. The oldest son of Judge Bonham, of Salem, was burned in a fearful manner by the explosion of a can of powder which he had in his hand...

More Marriages. At Oakland, Nov. 15th, J. C. Krey and Miss Maria Eccles; at Wilbur, 19th, H. Raper and Miss Etta Post...

A Savage's War Club. Mr. A. Marks has a war club, sent to him by Mr. H. L. Price, of Victoria. It is made of wood, measuring four feet in length, weighs four pounds, and is knotted at one end...

Whitney Convicted. The trial of John D. Whitney at Salem, for the killing of Hilbert, on the Silverton road last September resulted in the jury finding the accused guilty of murder in the first degree...

Running Steadily. "Pap" Comstock was in the city during the week, and in general appearance looked better than ever...

In Town. Lowry Watson, one of the ablest lawyers in Coos county, is to be married, having returned from Jacksonville, where he has been in attendance upon court in the first district...

Our Mining Interests. The mining interests of this portion of Oregon have become more extensive than ever. The amount of capital invested in improvements of this character in Southern Oregon is astonishing...

The Singers' Agent. W. R. Davis, agent for the Singer sewing machine, is in the city once more. He reports many sales of that style of sewing machines...

Public Documents. Senator Grover has our thanks for valuable public documents received by his Eastern mail.

SAD CALAMITY. The Portland Standard, of November the 17th, gives an account of a heart-rending accident, which occurred in Portland on the 15th. It says: A year ago last May, Mitchell Higgs and family arrived in this State from Halifax, Vermont, and securing a farm near Phoenix, in Southern Oregon, they went on to their home and caused bitter feelings to the husband against the wife...

Word Twice the Sum. We have just received a copy of The Chicago Ledger, the leading family paper of the west, which is now entering upon its seventh volume. The Ledger is a forty-eight column weekly, printed in bold, plain type, easily to be read by young and old...

A Scarcity. It would be but retrospective justice if those who grumble at the small amount of news in home papers just now, were put upon the treadmill, and compelled to furnish "copy"...

Roseburg's Visitors. Judge Grim, of Dover, Oregon, and Hon. F. X. Matthews, representative of Marion county, gave us a pleasant call Thursday...

Steam Beer Mine. Thos. Crizer left Tuesday morning for the S. Cam Beer Mine, in Jackson county. Reports received from these mines are to the effect that there is already plenty of water running through the creek to enable work to proceed...

Entertainment Postponed. The entertainment announced last week to be given on Thanksgiving day by the Presbyterian Sunday School, has been postponed until one week later, in order to allow those who will take part an opportunity to more thoroughly fit themselves for the occasion...

Prof. Powell. This gentleman was in the city during the week, looking after the interests of the public schools. Professor Powell is a man of fine attainments, and under his direction the public school system of Oregon is being improved and generally popular.

Changed Time. The stages of the Oregon and California Stage Company are now running on long time, and hereafter passengers arriving from the north and bound south will lay over one night at Roseburg.

Returned to His Post. Professor J. Bro-ne, principal of the Roseburg Academy, has returned from an extended visit to San Francisco. He is in enjoyment of good health, and his many friends gladly hail his return.

Expected Home. The wife and mother-in-law of Mr. J. C. Fullerton are expected to arrive at Roseburg, and from the latter port will proceed immediately to this city.

Thank for Assistance. We received a letter from Zet Van Orman, in which he requests us to return thanks to his friends for the aid they gave him during his late trouble.

Married. Last Sunday, by Rev. John Howard, in Flournoy's valley, Mr. Jas. Duncan and Miss Lucy Hibbard, all of this county.

MINING NEWS. From the Capt. H. Kelly and other sources we gather the following information of the mines of Southern Oregon: Miners are awaiting the winter rains. Work is progressing steadily at French Flat, Josephine county. The Grave Creek Company has made arrangements to start a second hydraulic in a day or two.

The Sterling and Blue gravel mines on Gales creek are a ready-made, continuous operation, and are simply waiting for water. The Gravel Company, on French creek, will put up the hydraulic machinery used at Uniontown and carry on operations there exclusively for some months.

The Cretaceous Company has commenced operations on its property, on the Gales creek. The prospect in this claim is highly encouraging. Gail Hamilton says: "Reform has been made a screen behind the distribution of the spoils has been going on not only about the mountain, but also in the valley..."

Two more wagons, heavily laden with hydraulic pipe from Middle creek, went to Abraham & Williams' mines on Applegate last Friday. All the mining apparatus from that deserted camp, being brought over the mountain this week, and will be conveyed to the Applegate mines in a few weeks, where it will probably be used to good purpose.

A PAINLESS DEATH. Fred Austin, a carpenter, was found dead in a chair at the Cosmopolitan hotel Saturday morning by J. B. Smith and L. C. Caro. A few minutes before he came into the hotel, placed his lantern under a coat and sat down, and then the death of life left him so quietly he knew when the soul of the man winged his way to heaven.

UMPUQA FERRY. Good growing weather. There will be a grand shooting match at this place Christmas. A ball will be given at the residence of D. H. McRae, Friday night. A good time is anticipated.

The Col. the valley boy, with the red necktie, as spoken of by the California correspondent, was so intimate with the young ladies that one of the boys got his "red" raised. This occurred at the social. Hi Germond and Pat O. Murphy have taken the contract of digging the tunnel, the Hubbard creek saw mill, and think of bringing to a focus by the first of February, 1878.

Will Visit Roseburg. Dr. B. F. Swick, of Salem, at the request of many friends, will visit this city next Monday, on professional business. He will remain only a few days. Those having dental work to be done, will do well to give the Doctor a call.

A ROUGH TRIP. George W. Short has returned home, and reports rough experience. When he reached the place of burial of Dixon and Hickerson's bodies, he found no one willing to let him in conveying the remains from the grave to which they had been buried, but he was not deterred by this. He had been prepared for this, he had \$25 for the assistance of one man, and even a higher sum, but for no purpose, he had to perform the duty alone. Owing to the fact that the body of Dixon, and also that of Hickerson, had been exposed to the sun's rays for at least a month, the first had become so stiff that the second had to be cut up with a knife, and the second was so stiff that he had to be cut up with a knife. Dixon appeared as though he had quickly once more, and there was not a grimace on his face as he lay in the coffin. The savages, however, saw the bodies, and the flying part of the day in the city, and the stockings of the bodies, which were placed upon his person, probably after death had relieved the poor old man from his sufferings. Mr. Short made the journey to Roseburg almost alone, and with rough and hard conditions, and a very rough trip.

The financial suffering in France last year, in consequence of political agitation and stagnation of trade is indicated by the fact that the French exports in Paris amounted to nearly \$5,000,000 of tons or almost 2,000,000 of feet—a greater amount than in any year before.

Canadian and British show the means of their rivalry in developing American water power. Captains and crews of vessels coming to relieve vessels in distress and towing them to a place of safety.

A BUSHELWEIR. PRACTICAL GUNSMITH. HAS PERMANENTLY LOCATED IN ROSEBURG, OPPOSITE COSMOPOLITAN HOTEL.

Work Done by Me as Good Superior to any performed in Oregon.

LYON'S PATENT METALLIC STIFFENERS, FOR Ladies and Shoes. Prevents running over and wearing off the heels.

Work Done by Me as Good Superior to any performed in Oregon.

EMBRROIDERIES. Fifteen varieties of Ladies Cloaks just received. ALSO LADIE'S AND MISSES' JACKETS—LATEST STYLES & PATTERNS.

GUARANTEE ALL WORK. T. C. SMITH & CO. DRUGGISTS, CHEMIST, Pharmacist.

NOTICE. Of Final Settlement in the Matter of the Estate of Loren Davis Deceased.

MAHONY'S SALOON. Nearest to the Railroad Depot, C. K. H. JAS. MAHONEY, Proprietor.

BILLIARD TABLE IN THE STATE. Kept in proper repair.

NOTICE. HAVING DISPOSED OF OUR MERCHANDISE at Canoville to Messrs. Tobias Baden & Co., of San Francisco, we would respectfully call the attention of those individuals to us and ask them to make immediate settlement.

MARKS, SIDEMAN & Co. Remember I will occupy Dr. Hamilton's brick opposite the Metropolitan hotel where I shall sell goods cheaper for cash than ever before.

1877! 1878! GRAND FALL OPENING! AT THE NEW YORK STORE. NEW GOODS! NEW PRICES.

M. JOSEPHSON, Dealer in the Finest Assortment of Ladies' Dress Goods, LACES, TRIMMINGS, EMBROIDERIES. Fifteen varieties of Ladies Cloaks just received. ALSO LADIE'S AND MISSES' JACKETS—LATEST STYLES & PATTERNS. Which will be sold at Prices to suit all purchasers.

Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods. GENTLEMEN'S CLOTHING, HATS, SHOES, Boots, ETS., GROCERIES, CROCKERY, WILLOW-WARE & CUTLERY.

Wheeler Bros. DRY GOODS, WOOL AND COUNTRY PRODUCE. Pay the Highest Price FOR WOOL. ALL WOOL FREE OF CHARGE.

SALEM FOUNDRY MACHINE SHOP. B. F. DRAKE, PROPRIETOR. STEAM ENGINES, SAW MILLS, GRIST MILLS, PUMPS, and all kinds of Machinery made to order.

WILLAMETTE STOVE WORKS. RICHARDS & ROGERS, Proprietors. Manufactures of the famous DEXTER COOK STOVES, PARLOR STOVES, BOX STOVES, ROUND MONITOR, BLOWN WARE, ETC., ETC.

Stoves and Tinware. H. B. SMITH, Proprietor. Stoves and Tinware. HARDWARE, AND FARMING IMPLEMENTS.