

THE WATER QUESTION

We again would refer to the advantage to be derived from bringing a supply of fresh water into the city for fire and other purposes to the citizens of Roseburg. It is true that the reputation of an old song by singer first those who hear it; but in this matter the same song should be sung until in self-defense against the singer, the property-holders built the water works in order to have peace and quietness on the subject of the water.

As before stated the cost of the water-works will not be over \$1,700, to bring the water into the heart of the city, and what is this amount in comparison to the consequent decrease in insurance rates and the risks now run by our business men? The truth is, a fire started today in the afternoon, when the usual sun breeze is blowing, would destroy the town, and nearly every house in it. We have no hooks and ladders, there is but one well in town to each dozen or half dozen houses; and fifty buckets could be had at the starting point to prevent the first fire from spreading, and the result would be an end to Roseburg. The question, under such circumstances, is whether it is best to expend \$1,700 or lose more than a million. Common sense would argue, it is better to give toward the enterprise mentioned the \$1,700 in question than to even sleep with the dream that overhangs all of us without a moment's warning utterance. Because Roseburg has never suffered from a conflagration is no argument there will not be one. Because the city trustees have passed certain ordinances to prevent fire, it is not to believe there will be no fire. All cities are subject to their disaster, conflagration, and at no time is any city safe, it comes sooner or later. Remember the great fire of London, the great fire of New York, the great fire of San Francisco. They have all occurred. There have been as disastrous fires in proportion in as many cities and towns in Oregon, and the important fact in this argument remains proven, that had the facilities for extinguishing such fire, been less the destruction would have been greater. The two great fires of Portland, though insignificant with those of London, New York and San Francisco, as far as the ruin caused, beggared hundreds of people and caused a certain period general hard times. To the people of Roseburg a general fire in this city, comparing the difference in population and buildings, would be far more ruinous to us than was all to the great cities named; for here all would suffer, and there but a small portion of the population here all would be blotted out, and there much was left. With the city fire they occurred with appliances with all modern improvements attached to prevent them from occurring. If with all that wealth can do, a fire in a city does run so far at certain times and to the length that many are ruined and all are proportionally affected, then what is there to be expected here where we have nothing to retard the progress of a fire and everything to help it on?

RESOLUTION OF ENDORSEMENT.

WHEREAS, THE DOUGLAS INDEPENDENT, a newspaper published in Roseburg, has been published in this county for the period of three years; and WHEREAS, said newspaper is now well established, and has during a three year trial been faithful to the interests of the people; and WHEREAS, the members of the Independent are of unequalled endurance, and would recommend it as a newspaper worthy the patronage of every farmer and tax-payer in Southern Oregon.

Resolved, That we, the undersigned, do hereby endorse the Independent, and will support it as long as it continues to be published in Roseburg, Oregon.

Wm. J. Jones, Secretary.

SHOULD BRIGHTEN UP.

The Jacksonville Times must have a dull editor, or he would not send out the public such bouzoungs as the following, to return to the injury of the writer and his party distasteful:

Just about this time a few journals, confined entirely to local news, have begun to say about political independence, "especially in our times." It is hardly necessary to add that they are all the same, and are published in the same places, "especially in our times."

How rich when there are two Democratic and four Independent newspapers in Southern Oregon! How funny when for a number of years, not even the efforts of the editor of the Times have prevented the people of Jackson county from placing independent in office, commencing long before an independent newspaper was known in that county and when the people first learned the political managers of either the Democratic or Republican parties were not to be trusted, "especially in our times!"

The Times man assumes for himself the wisdom which was accredited to the owl on account of his sight in the time of darkness, and like the bird of night he fails to recognize that which can and does best successfully the closest scrutiny with eyes wide open in the broadest day when he intimates that independent begins with any party in a secret for the party's success, and he knows that the Independent of his county have more than one man at the helm of the journal. In this way the people should have taught the editor what true democracy is, but it seems he is too blind and dull to appreciate a principle in government now that he should have learned when a school-boy. In carrying out this principle he has shown his true democracy as well as true republicanism, as they are the people democratic in education and republican in thought to the extent which admits of that conservatism of opinion that judges carefully and discriminates always in favor of the people.

It is a mistake to think that the Independent is a party organ, and it is a mistake to think that the Independent is a party organ, and it is a mistake to think that the Independent is a party organ.

After waiting for years for both political parties to take the lead in this matter, it was the Independent of California who took the decided stand in opposition to Chinese immigration, and in this they were applauded by the Independent of the entire Pacific coast. This expression decided the course to be pursued by the two political parties, and each is now claiming honor as the first to stand a single word against the incoming of the tow-thinking optimism, selfish Asiatic hordes. The party leaders of either party are not honest enough to give the people credit, though the people, through the new Constitution of California, give the politician the lie whenever they write, "we did it," and whoever opposes the adoption of that constitution is doing so in their own interest. In doing so they even hoped to defeat the anti-Chinese provision contained, since to defeat any part of the instrument was to defeat the whole. The people favor the constitution and defeated both parties as Independents. Could anything be more plain?

Sitting Bull has sent to the United States authorities a letter asking permission to return from British Columbia and protection from the United States government. Sitting Bull's check is equal to that of the average political newspaper editor who independently proposes to return into the arms of the nation, and then after the holding of a convention implies that he has a right to abuse the government. The government may listen to Sitting Bull's appeal in a manner favorable to the wishes of the bloody Batcher, but the independent press is not so easily won. Independent described has a right to abuse the government. The government may listen to Sitting Bull's appeal in a manner favorable to the wishes of the bloody Batcher, but the independent press is not so easily won.

On June 22d, I took the train for Roseburg where the stage was in readiness, and with several fellow passengers I went to Scottsburg. We stopped over night with that old veteran, D. J. Lyons and the next morning at 4 o'clock we went by Gardner by steamer. As we journeyed down the Umpqua river many pleasing scenes presented themselves to our view. A few miles below Scottsburg the mountains, covered with evergreen and deadened in present a sublime appearance. The passenger, as he floats down the stream at the base of the rock-ribbed mountains is made to realize that many centuries are looking down upon him. The volcanic powers of many ages past, doubtless shaped the course of the beautiful Umpqua. At 10 o'clock we arrived at Gardner, which is located immediately on the banks of the Umpqua river below the mouth of Smith river. I stopped with that splendid gentleman, Wm. McGee, who prepared a lunch for me to take up Smith river. Mr. Fisher, a good oarsman, offered his services as pilot, and we reached the mouth of the river at 11 o'clock.

What is the water coming to? The Fourteenth Judicial District of Kentucky, composed of six counties, has elected a Republican Judge.

We hear it stated that Sidney Dell's name is mentioned in connection with the next Democratic nomination for Congress in the State of Oregon.

On June 22d, I took the train for Roseburg where the stage was in readiness, and with several fellow passengers I went to Scottsburg. We stopped over night with that old veteran, D. J. Lyons and the next morning at 4 o'clock we went by Gardner by steamer. As we journeyed down the Umpqua river many pleasing scenes presented themselves to our view. A few miles below Scottsburg the mountains, covered with evergreen and deadened in present a sublime appearance. The passenger, as he floats down the stream at the base of the rock-ribbed mountains is made to realize that many centuries are looking down upon him. The volcanic powers of many ages past, doubtless shaped the course of the beautiful Umpqua. At 10 o'clock we arrived at Gardner, which is located immediately on the banks of the Umpqua river below the mouth of Smith river. I stopped with that splendid gentleman, Wm. McGee, who prepared a lunch for me to take up Smith river. Mr. Fisher, a good oarsman, offered his services as pilot, and we reached the mouth of the river at 11 o'clock.

The proprietors of this line would announce to the public that they have made the above reduction in rates of travel, and with fine horses and best of stages, are prepared, better than any one else, to furnish accommodations to travelers who patronize them. The time of transit is short, the road good, and there is no doubt on the route. The drivers employed are experienced and polite, and will all show every positive attention.

The time of arrival and departure of passengers may be learned upon inquiry at the Metropolitan Hotel. For further particulars, inquire of PEKINER & HENRICH, Agents, Metropolitan Hotel, F. SCHEITEL, Agent, Empire City.

Chinese Labor Furnished DONG, CONTRACTOR FOR LABOR, ROSEBURG.

Prepared to furnish all kinds of Chinese labor on the best of terms. Contractors and others will do well to give him a call. Inquire at Wa Gee Washburn, or John Lee, at Cosmopolitan Hotel.

VERY SELECT STOCK!

HARDWARE, TINWARE AND STOVES! Sheridan Bros., Roseburg, Or.

The firm would announce that they have just received and now have on hand one of the Largest Stocks of Hardware

SELLING CHEAPER THAN ANY ONE

WE ARE ALSO AGENTS FOR THE WHITE, PERICLES AND NEW HOME SEWING MACHINES, WHICH WE SELL AT LOWEST RATES AND WARRANT AS COMPLETE IN EVERY RESPECT.

WE CAN ALSO SUPPLY—Averyll and Rubber Paints, The best in the market, at the lowest rates.

BRAINS VS. MUSCLE.

A Desperate Race for Life for Over One Hundred Years. BRAINS AVE WON! And Come in Ahead Triumphantly With THE LITTLE JOKER!

To make a machine that would wash, one that would not wear the clothing, or break off buttons; a machine that was Light, Simple, Cheap and Durable; a machine that could be used in all parts of a washing; a machine that women could use, no matter if they were weak and sickly; in fact to make a successful clothes washer has been the study of inventors all over the world for centuries past. Thousands of experiments have been tried, and thousands of dollars spent in this heretofore unsuccessful effort to make a washer that would stand the test of actual trial. Nearly every family have purchased, tried and condemned from one to a dozen of those experiments until, at last, discouraged with so many failures, and so much expense, it has been almost a conviction that to the most disagreeable, unhealthy and tiresome work of the household the ever returning weekly washing there was no help but—

MOTHERS, WIVES, DAUGHTERS. And all the great army of Washers, take courage. There is a NEW washer made, and it will wash CLEAN. It will wash QUICK. It will wash EASY. It is CHEAP, SIMPLE, DURABLE. TRY IT. A trial will convince the most skeptical. It is called THE LITTLE JOKER.

WHAT IT SAVES: IT SAVES you a note to three hours every week on wash day, of the hardest kind of labor. IT SAVES your money by saving the wear of rubbing clothes, which is quite as much as their wear in use, or half the cash you pay for your clothing.

IT SAVES labor, doctor's bills, soap, fuel, cross labors, blue Mondays, cold winters, cross women, sour men, weary, aching limbs, sickness, suffering, and death caused by overwork, exposure and colds.

TESTIMONIALS:

Roseburg, Oregon, April 20, 1879.—I have tried the Little JOKER and am well pleased with it. It saves clothes and washes them nicely with very little labor, therefore we recommend it to the public. Signed, Mrs. J. W. Wright, Alice, Frankie, Lizzie and Annie Howard.

Roseburg, Oregon, April 22, 1879.—We have tried the Little JOKER and think it excels anything we have ever tried. It is a great saving of labor and saves the clothes, therefore we recommend it to the public. Mrs. J. D. Mollie E. Bowen.

Roseburg, April 24.—We freely say that the Little JOKER washer is far superior to all washers for speed, clean washing and saving of clothes and recomends it to all as the best washer in use, and really is a Little JOKER as it does the washing so well and without any trouble. Messdames Whitney and Williams.

Roseburg, April 25, 1879.—We have tested the Little JOKER and find it to be the best washer. It saves time and labor. Mrs. N. Bowen, Mrs. L. E. Minard, H. C. Slocock.

Roseburg, April 26, 1879.—We freely say that the Little JOKER washer is one of the best washers for speed, clean washing and saving of clothes and recomends it to the public. Mrs. J. W. Wright, Alice, Frankie, Lizzie and Annie Howard.

Roseburg, April 27.—We have tried the Little JOKER a fair trial and we really think it is one of the best, if not the BEST washer we have ever seen, and far better more than that that any one that tries them will buy them. J. W. Moore and wife, Mrs. Mary Singleton.

Indeed, we are very much pleased with the Little JOKER, and think it will do all agents say it will do, and every body who will be pleased with it. Messdames Field and G. W. Jones.

Looking Glass, January 4.—Having tried the Little JOKER I can say that it is a good washer. It saves clothes and labor as well as time. Mrs. Mary C. Sullivan.

Looking Glass, June 4.—Having tested the Little JOKER we can freely say that it is the best washer in use. It saves clothes, time and labor, and works easy. Messdames H. M. Allen, O. C. Canfield, H. Morgan, Mary H. Cochran, Catherine Newland.

Have used the Little JOKER and done a large washing with it in one hour. Think it is the best washing machine in use and recomends it to all. Mrs. B. Campbell.

GREAT REPUBLIC LOST.

CARO BROS! Did not Lose any of the Large Stock of Spring Merchandise.

THEY PURCHASED IN SAN FRANCISCO For the Spring Trade.

IN FACT THEY HAVE A LARGER AND BETTER STOCK GOODS.

THEY HAVE FULL LINES IN DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, GENTS, and Children's Fur and the best manufactured Bracelets, Toys, Rings, GROCERIES.

Together with Hardware, Tobacco, Etc.

These goods have all been selected with especial care, and buyers may easily test their quality and cheapness by giving us a call. We will stick to the old motto: "Quick sales and small profits."

MR. C. COHEN, Announces that he has an immense stock of THE SEASON'S NOVELTIES & MERCHANDISE

Also a full line of FURNISHING GOODS, ASSORTED MERCHANDISE! COOKERY AND HARDWARE.

Mr. Cohen announces that he occupies S. W. Crane's store and is prepared to receive his customers at his new store.

THE BEST FRUIT DRYER IN THE WORLD!

Having purchased the Exclusive Right of the Patent to Manufacture and Sell the Justly Celebrated PRIMER FRUIT DRYER.

The firm would call the attention of Farmers and Fruit Growers to the Dryer. From the time it was first introduced, it has been the FAVORITE OF ALL.

It was awarded the Grand Gold Medal at the Great Paris Exposition; it took the World's Medal and Diploma at Philadelphia, and against the Albin and all other competitors, it received two Gold Medals from the Oregon State Agricultural Society. Above all other recommendations, it is the fruit cured by it. Different from that prepared by other dryers, cured by the Primer process remains not only its natural flavor when green, but also the color given it by Nature.

Practically Cured by its Commands from 15 to 30 cts. per pound More than that dried. In every way its cheapness, simplicity and worth is commended from 15 to 30 cts. per pound More than that dried. In every way its cheapness, simplicity and worth is commended from 15 to 30 cts. per pound More than that dried.

Having ample means for the manufacture of Fruit Dryers, we are prepared to furnish them at the following low rates: Roseburg, Oregon, with capacity of from 60 to 100 per day. \$200 00

Portland, Oregon, with capacity of from 60 to 100 per day. \$250 00

San Francisco, California, with capacity of from 60 to 100 per day. \$300 00

Orders promptly filled and money will not be asked of purchaser until dryers are in perfect running order. Address GEORGE, ANGLE & CO., Roseburg, Oregon.

Remember this, FARMERS! FULL STOCK! LOW PRICES! BEST OF FRUIT!

ROSEBURG MILLS, JONES & GATES, PROPRIETORS. E BEST FLOUR IN THE MARKET

The Flour of these mills has gained in popularity until it has come to be known by purchasers as the best in the market. Orders from home and abroad filled promptly. Address JONES & GATES, Roseburg.

THE CELEBRATED MORGAN STALION, DIXIE. Will close the Spring Season July 1st, 1879. Dixie is one of the finest Morgan horses ever brought to Douglas county. He is thoroughbred, and in action, size and speed, shows the result of the careful breeding of which he is a sample. Stock-raising desires service in this fine stallion must bring their mares to Oakland, and will find Dixie at Ambrose-Young's stable. Terms: Single leap, \$25; Season, \$75; Insurance, \$10. H. McAB, Proprietor.

Chinese Labor Furnished DONG, CONTRACTOR FOR LABOR, ROSEBURG.

Prepared to furnish all kinds of Chinese labor on the best of terms. Contractors and others will do well to give him a call. Inquire at Wa Gee Washburn, or John Lee, at Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Chinese Labor Furnished DONG, CONTRACTOR FOR LABOR, ROSEBURG.

Prepared to furnish all kinds of Chinese labor on the best of terms. Contractors and others will do well to give him a call. Inquire at Wa Gee Washburn, or John Lee, at Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Chinese Labor Furnished DONG, CONTRACTOR FOR LABOR, ROSEBURG.

Prepared to furnish all kinds of Chinese labor on the best of terms. Contractors and others will do well to give him a call. Inquire at Wa Gee Washburn, or John Lee, at Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Chinese Labor Furnished DONG, CONTRACTOR FOR LABOR, ROSEBURG.

Prepared to furnish all kinds of Chinese labor on the best of terms. Contractors and others will do well to give him a call. Inquire at Wa Gee Washburn, or John Lee, at Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Chinese Labor Furnished DONG, CONTRACTOR FOR LABOR, ROSEBURG.

Prepared to furnish all kinds of Chinese labor on the best of terms. Contractors and others will do well to give him a call. Inquire at Wa Gee Washburn, or John Lee, at Cosmopolitan Hotel.

NEW STORE!

NEW GOODS! LOW PRICES! S. MARKS & CO.

Would inform their patrons that they have moved to their new brick store, and are in receipt of the LARGEST STOCK OF GENERAL MERCHANDISE EVER BROUGHT TO ROSEBURG.

This Stock was selected by one of the members of the firm in the San Francisco market, and embraces all styles and LATEST PATTERNS IN LADIES' FANCY and PLAIN DRESS GOODS, LACES, EMBROIDERIES, SCARFS, COLLARS, LINEN SUITS, NECKTIES, PARASOLS, KID GLOVES

With us there is also to be found a full assortment of GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING GOODS! Under this heading there is everything to please the tastes of all. Every Latest Style Introduced. And all Goods of the best material and improved finish. —EMBRACING— Gentlemen's Underwear, EVERY STYLE YOUTH'S CLOTHING, DRESS & BUSINESS SUITS, HATS, CAPS, ETC.

Also a FULL AND COMPLETE STOCK OF Groceries, Crockery, Glassware, HARDWARE, PAINTS, OILS, VARNISHES AND OF LIQUORS.

Grain, Wool and Produce of Every Description Bought and Highest Cash Price Paid for Them.

Patrons will take notice that as our stock was purchased after the decline in prices in San Francisco we are prepared to sell goods cheaper than any other house in the city. ROSEBURG, Oregon. S. MARKS & CO.

FRANK BROS.' AGENCY!

FARM MACHINERY & AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS. Are offered to the Farmers of Southern Oregon, for the harvest of 1879. A full line of harvesting machinery, consisting of WALTER A. WOOD'S WELL-KNOWN IRON MOWER, IRON MOWERS NEW MODEL, CHAIN RAKE REAPERS, SWEEP RAKE REAPERS, WITH OR WITHOUT MOWING ATTACHMENTS.

WOOD'S SELF-BINDING HARVESTER! With new and valuable improvements for 1879, has passed the stage of experiment and stands unrivaled to-day as the best Self-Binder in the world. It was awarded the first premium and gold medal by the Oregon State Fair for 1878 over all other binders.

Walter A. Wood's Header, Victor Self-Dump Hay Rakes, Chicago Pitts Threshers and Horse Power.

For 1879, leads all other Separators and Horse Power in improvements of real merit and value; in fact it is the BOSS THRESHER OF AMERICA.

LA BELLE WAGONS AND HACKS, COOPER'S PORTABLE TRACTION FARM ENGINES, STATIONARY ENGINES, AND SAW MILL MACHINERY, Turbine Water Wheels, etc., and A FULL LINE OF EXTRAS FOR ALL MA CHINERY ALWAYS KEPT ON HAND.

ALFRED SLOCUM, Manager. Office with SHERIDAN BROS., Roseburg, Oregon. Send for Circular and Price List.

THE NEW DRUG STORE.

NEW DRUG STORE! A New Man at the Helm. BUSINESS IS BUSINESS

But it don't take as much money to buy Drugs as it USE TO WAS. COZ WHY—LIVE AND LET LIVE.

Having had 14 years active experience in the business can please all customers on only by having their prescriptions filled correctly and nothing but pure drugs and chemicals used. Give me a call. S. B. HOLLEY.

BLACKSMITHING Stone Fireplaces! WAGON-MAKING. Particular Attention Paid to Horse-Shoeing. G. MARKWICH Proprietor.

Would inform the public that he is prepared to do all kinds of Blacksmithing and Wagon-Making in a workmanlike manner. He has also blacksmithing—for sale. Call and see him at his shop on Oak Street, near Aurnham's Switch. 46

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS. Having decided on discontinuing the forwarding business, we desire to give notice, that from and after the 1st of February next we will not receive any more freight into our warehouse. All persons in arrears for freight charges are requested to make immediate payment. For the accommodation of those who live in and about Jacksonville, by kind consent, Mr. Max Muller will receive and receipt for us. S. MARKS & CO. Roseburg, January 9th, 1879.

HOUSE SIGN & FRESCO PAINTING. The undersigned announces that he is prepared to do all kinds of painting, including House Signs and Fresco, with neatness and dispatch. All work warranted. Shop north of Garrison's hotel. C. W. JONES.

KEEP YOUR MONEY AT HOME!

BUYING GOODS MADE AT HOME! OF THE BEST MANUFACTURE AND OF THE Finest Leather In the State.

G. VOLHARD, Oakland, Cal. Will supply Boots and Shoes to customers, latest styles and of best leather, at price lower than at any other place in the State. My prices are as follows:

Gent's Shoes \$3 50 Pegged Boots, to Order 5 00 Sewed Boots, best quality French calf skin 7 00 Half Shoes and Heels 1 00

Credit given on purchases made by responsible parties for one year. Address all orders to GEORGE VOLHARD, OAKLAND, OGN.

Remember this, FARMERS! FULL STOCK! LOW PRICES! BEST OF FRUIT!

ROSEBURG MILLS, JONES & GATES, PROPRIETORS. E BEST FLOUR IN THE MARKET

The Flour of these mills has gained in popularity until it has come to be known by purchasers as the best in the market. Orders from home and abroad filled promptly. Address JONES & GATES, Roseburg.

THE CELEBRATED MORGAN STALION, DIXIE. Will close the Spring Season July 1st, 1879. Dixie is one of the finest Morgan horses ever brought to Douglas county. He is thoroughbred, and in action, size and speed, shows the result of the careful breeding of which he is a sample. Stock-raising desires service in this fine stallion must bring their mares to Oakland, and will find Dixie at Ambrose-Young's stable. Terms: Single leap, \$25; Season, \$75; Insurance, \$10. H. McAB, Proprietor.

Chinese Labor Furnished DONG, CONTRACTOR FOR LABOR, ROSEBURG.

Prepared to furnish all kinds of Chinese labor on the best of terms. Contractors and others will do well to give him a call. Inquire at Wa Gee Washburn, or John Lee, at Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Chinese Labor Furnished DONG, CONTRACTOR FOR LABOR, ROSEBURG.

Prepared to furnish all kinds of Chinese labor on the best of terms. Contractors and others will do well to give him a call. Inquire at Wa Gee Washburn, or John Lee, at Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Chinese Labor Furnished DONG, CONTRACTOR FOR LABOR, ROSEBURG.

Prepared to furnish all kinds of Chinese labor on the best of terms. Contractors and others will do well to give him a call. Inquire at Wa Gee Washburn, or John Lee, at Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Chinese Labor Furnished DONG, CONTRACTOR FOR LABOR, ROSEBURG.

Prepared to furnish all kinds of Chinese labor on the best of terms. Contractors and others will do well to give him a call. Inquire at Wa Gee Washburn, or John Lee, at Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Chinese Labor Furnished DONG, CONTRACTOR FOR LABOR, ROSEBURG.

Prepared to furnish all kinds of Chinese labor on the best of terms. Contractors and others will do well to give him a call. Inquire at Wa Gee Washburn, or John Lee, at Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Chinese Labor Furnished DONG, CONTRACTOR FOR LABOR, ROSEBURG.

Prepared to furnish all kinds of Chinese labor on the best of terms. Contractors and others will do well to give him a call. Inquire at Wa Gee Washburn, or John Lee, at Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Chinese Labor Furnished DONG, CONTRACTOR FOR LABOR, ROSEBURG.

Prepared to furnish all kinds of Chinese labor on the best of terms. Contractors and others will do well to give him a call. Inquire at Wa Gee Washburn, or John Lee, at Cosmopolitan Hotel.