The Independent

SATURDAY.....JAN, 17. 1880

BRIEF MENTION

Judge Watson has returned home.

Dr. Callender is once more at his post of duty.

Mr. Sol. Abraham has got back from Salem.

Bishop Morris will again visit Roseburg February 1st.

The Thrasher family have gone to the Spokane country.

Aron Arrington has about recovered from his late illness.

Perkins & Carll lost a $90 mirror by the discharge of a pistol Tuesday morning.

W. B. Singleton's son William, after four weeks' serious illness, is recovering.

John Boggs, a fine young man, died Friday morning of heart disease; aged 24 years.

Mr. T. P. Maupin called upon us during the week in company with Mr. Dimick. Come again, gentlemen.

The residence of Mrs. Dr. Palmer came near being destroyed the other day by fire from a heating stove. No damage.

A church bell weighing over 500 pounds purchased by contributions of the citizens of Canyonville, is now at the depot.

Married, on the 7th inst., at the residence of John Hogan, by E. A. Chase, notary public, Mr. Russell R. Rice and Miss Jennie Hogan.

Senator Slater has introduced bills appropriating $60,000 for improvement of Coos Bay harbor, and $50,000 for the mouth of Coquille river.

Capt. John. L. Adams, a noted army officer and an agreeable gentleman, was in the city Thursday last. The Captain has many friends in Roseburg.

T. S. Roadman has been admitted to the practice of law by the supreme court, and hangs his shingle out in Roseburg, ditto W. S. Humphrey. We wish both gentlemen many paying clients and an extensive law practice.

The Star accuses us of stealing its locals. That is the first news item we have seen in that papers' columns, and its reader's will be sorry to learn that the Star editor thinks he is running a newspaper.

While John Moore, W. B. Singleton, Enoch and Wiley Anderson were on a two days' hunt last week they succeeded in killing 12 deer. John got but one shot; that was at a pine tree—and John missed the tree.

The mail carrier between Oakland and Elkton—a Mr. Lamb—came near loosing his life while crossing Elk creek and did lose the mail sack. The boat capsized, but fortunately Mr Lamb swam to the bank of the creek.

The Star calls us "Sol's organ," and asks us to pitch in in favor of the Fink ring and against those who oppose Boss Tweed. No wonder Mr. James F. Guzzler calls us names. When we pitched into Fink's ring we hurt James F. also.

The earnings of the Oregon and California railroad company in 1878 were $398,105 46; in 1879, $336,138 81; balance in favor of 1878 and against last year, $61,966 65. In other words, the company's profits were $61,966 65 greater in 1878 than in 1879.

Following are the officers elected at the last meeting of the Philallathean literary society: J. W. Strange, president; G. A. Brodie, vice-president; H. H. Hendricks secretary; G. O. Holman, marshal. The exercises next Tuesday evening will be of unusual interest.

Following officers were recently installed in Aurora Lodge No. 59, A. F. & A. M. Gardener, for the ensuing year: W. D. McGee, W. M.; J. C. Mocine, S. W.; J. B. Leeds, J. W.; F. H. Barchard, Treasurer; C. F. Walker, Secretary; P. Nelson, S. D.; B. F. Dare, J. D.; W. Wade and Jas. Graham, Stewards: W. M. Richards, Tyler.

A Deserved Testimonial.

The East Portland Vindicator has the following: "Good old 'Auntie' Frush, who is a mother to every one in East Portland who needs the care and attention which that name implies, was the recipient of a handsome silver water pitcher and castor on New Year's from her boarders, who took this method of proving their friendship and expressing their high appreciation of one who so carefully and well administers to the inner man. This testimonial of kindness moved the recipient to tears." The Vindicator is right in saying "good old Auntie Frush," with the one exception when it calls Auntie "old;" for good angels never grew old, and those who know Auntie know her to be so good that if she is not an angel on earth she will certainly be a bright one in Heaven. She has lived nearly the time alloted, but it is evident, and as her good works have more than once proven, that the good and the noble are left for a long time often with us that we may enjoy the benefits to be gained from a pure example. With the rest who were present at the time of the presentation (though now late in the day), we, too, wish our good, old Auntie, a Happy New Year and a thousand happy returns.

Hanged Himself.

George Bragg, aged 15 years, and a half-breed Indian, hanged himself at the house of his foster parents on Thursday last. There are two stories told in connection with the lamentable affair. One is to the effect that the hanging was the result of accident, wherein it is stated that the boy slipped off a meal-chest with a rope around his neck and was strangled to death; the other is that death came to him while experimenting upon himself. The boy was not altogether in his right mind, and it is said that for some time he had been afflicted with a mania for playing the hangman for dogs and cats. On the day named his foster parents left him in the house playing with a rope, and though gone but a short time, when they returned they found him hanging to a rafter, the rope drawn tightly round the neck in the form of a running-noose, and the boy was dead. It is supposed the boy fastened the rope about his neck and then jumped off the meal chest.

Meterological Summary for 1879.

Mean barometer for the year 30.081 inches; highest barometer for the year 30.822; lowest barometer for the year 29.388; barometer range for the year 1.434; mean temperature for the year 52°.0; highest temperature for the year 98°.°, in July; Lowest temperature for the year 7°.0, in Dec.; range of temperature 89°.0; mean relative humidity for the year 75.1; total number miles of wind 26.617, greatest velocity of wind for the year 28 miles per hour; total rainfall for the year 4.03 inches; total number days rain fell 173; number of halos observed 8; number of lunar halos observed 5.

Dr. Hamilton has a great number of best-class novels in his drug-store, including Dickens' and Scott's popular works, all of whom are standard authors.

DIED IN THE CANYON.

Sad Death of Lieut. E. H. Shelton on the Stage.

Died—on Monday night, on the northern bound stage, within 10 miles of Canyonville, Lieutenant E. H. Shelton, company I, First Cavalry, U. S. A., of congestive chills; aged about 33 years.

The deceased was en route for Walla Walla, there to look after and care for his wife (daughter of Rev. Mr. Egan, of that place) who is seriously ill When at the point in the canyon above stated he complained to the driver of being cold. The stage was stopped, and Lieut. Shelton changed places with Dr. Callender, who was inside the stage with Mesdames Bitger and Critzer. The stage then drove on, and had continued but a short distance when the cries of the ladies inside caused a second stoppage of the stage, and upon inquiry it was found that the Lieutenant had become seriously ill, and was thought by the ladies to be dying. Their opinion was correctly formed, and when the lights were taken from the stage lamps and shown upon the gasping form of Lieutenant Shelton, a glance was all that was necessary for the practiced eye of Dr. Callender to convince him that death was near at hand; and being without proper restoratives, he was powerless to arrest the flight of life. A closer examination showed conclusively that the ailing man had but a few minutes to live, and when this became a certainty, nothing was left but to see that the man died in peace. The stage did not move. The heavens were dark and there hung around and about an almost impenetrable gloom which seemed to try and shroud in sable hue the faint, flickering lights of the stage candles. The ladies wept, and the doctor and driver stood by their countenances appearing as though they had caught the infection from the surroundings, so sad and mournful were their expression. Thus surrounded, and no other sounds save those of the weeping of the ladies and the sighing of the wind among the trees lining the canyon, Lieutenant Skelton died—so quietly, however, there will remain a doubt, perhaps with both both body and soul, when soul and body severed their connection. The death occurred about 3 o'clock in the morning. The body was placed properly in the coach and then conveyed to Canyonville, where it was properly shrouded and enclosed in a neat coffin. The ladies and Dr. Callender continued on their way to this city. Arrived here the doctor telegraphed to the Commander of the Department, General Howard, as follows:

Lieutenant Shelton died on stage this morning. Telegraph concerning the same instantly. J. A. CALLENDER.

In response, General Howard telegraphed back:

Hire conveyance and bring body to Roseburg, where Captain Adams will meet it to-morrow. HOWARD,
Commanding Department.

The body was, as per order of General Howard, brought to Roseburg, and placed in room No. 3 of the Metropolitan hotel. The coffin was made with a folding top admitting an inspection of the face of the corpse, and during the day, many friends of the deceased visited the remains and looked for the last time upon the face of one whom they had loved for his many, many noble qualities. The body was conveyed to Portland under charge of Captain Adams Friday morning.

Lieut. E H. Shelton graduated at West Point with distinction in the military class of 1870, and thereafter served continuously with his company and regiment. He proved himself to be a brave and gallant soldier in the campaigns against the hostile Nez Perces and Bannock Indians, and during his service in the army he was loved by his soldiers, and regarded by his brother-officers as a thorough gentleman and strictly a man of honor. He leaves a wife and two children to weep for his early departure for the home of the blest beyond the stars. Those left behind have not only the sympathy of strangers for them, but the consolation that he who was both a loving husband and kind father did what all should strive to do, and left a good name behind earned by honest effort and upright conduct. Peace! to the warrior. His battles are ended. While he is sleeping let the thoughts of his friends, as should be, be his lasting monument.

THE COURTS.

SUPREME COURT.

State of Oregon ex rel J. H. Mahoney resp. vs J. D. McKinnon, Alva Pike defts. E. J. Page, J. H. Shupe and George R. Sacra apps. Two cases of same name. Motion to dismiss appeal allowed. Opinion by Boise, J. Syllabus.—1. A motion to perfect an appeal by filing a new undertaking must be filed before a motion to dismiss the appeal is brought in for hearing. 2. Affidavits showing the qualifications of sureties to an undertaking must be filed contemporaneously with the undertaking. 3 An undertaking on appeal must not be limited in amount.

James Miller, appellant, vs. John Freyer, respondent; appeal from Douglas county. Motion to dismiss appeal allowed.

COMMISSIONER'S COURT.

In addition to road supervisors published as appointed last week, the following additional appointments were made: District No. 1 Peter Blake; 37. S, K Hunsaker; 34. H. A. Brown; 31. J. M. Dillard; 16. J. B. Goffin; 13. H. S. Marsh.

It appearing to the court that road district No. 8 is too large to be worked to advantage, it is therefore ordered that a new district be organized to be numbered 48, and its boundaries as follows: "All that portion of road district No. 8, in township No. 29, south of range 4 west."

It is now, at this time ordered by the court that an additional appropriation be and is hereby made, appropriating the sum of $40 to pay damages incurred in opening a road through Alex. Brown's farm, and the order was drawn in favor of Geo. R. Sacry.

The change of road as prayed for by Thos. Smith and C. S. Dakyns was allowed.

John Carson was allowed $25 for his maintenance heretofore, and also orpered that $2 per week be paid him hereafter for the same purpose.

The sum of $50 was appropriated to build a bridge across Mike Creek in addition to the amount appropriated, making in all $275.

The sum of $5 was allowed to D. S. K. Buick for conveying an insane person to Roseburg, and the amount of $8 to W. B. Drake, for taking care of said insane person.

Winningham was allowed the sum of $3 per week for the care and maintenance of his father, David Winningham.

K. B Martindale failing to file the necessary bond for keeping the county paupers, the contract for the same was awarded to W. B. Clarke, who gave as his bondsmen, A. Marks, O. C. Perkins, A. A Fink and H. C. Slocum.

Road districts Nos. 32 and 26 were consolidated, and Mr. Plinn Cooper appointed road supervisor.

Court ajourned till the next regular term.

The New Idrian.

A letter from Mr. J. P. Gill states that the furnace of the New Idrian quicksilver mining company is just receiving its finishing touches, and everything is pretty nearly ready for the starting of the fires. Mr. Gill concludes thus: "We hope soon to be able to announce to the world the result of our long and arduous efforts to make a success of our enterprise."

UMPQUA FERRY.

There is some talk of a Leap Year party soon.

George W. Stephens and S. Starr were in this section recently, looking after their interests. Come again.

Frank Martindale is to be seen once more among us, he having recovered wholly from the accident of cutting his foot.

George W. Prior was at this place during the week representing the Plaindealer and working for the interest, of said journal.

E. P. Ames, who has been confined to his house far the past three weeks by a foot which he accidently cut with an ax, is once more among us with his many smiles.

Davidson Bros., shingle machine has arrived at Oakland, and as soon as the roads improve a little they will move it in on Hubbard creek where they will soon put it into operation. This will make tgo shingle machines in this neighborhood.

Typhoid fever has made its appearance in this vicinity. Antoine McKay, Jr., is at present lying very low, and it is doubtful as to whether he will ever recover. His father and sister have been complaining for the past day or two of a very high fever.

Rev. Paul A. Smith, who, since he delived his sermon at the school house, has been waiting for the river to run down. He was set across last Sunday and started for his home at Zena, Polk Co., Oregon. Rev. Smith enlisted many warm friend during his stay here, which, though short, was altogether agreeable.

Prof. E. C. Clayton, the "knight of the quill," took his departure on the 12th for Fair Oaks, where he has a writing class. He has been sojourning with us for the past two weeks and we are indeed getting to be jealous of the gentleman, for from indications it seems as if he were about to enter the holy bonds of wedlock.

Our school teacher, Mr. Thomas, has quite a number of scholars and all appear to like him first-rate as a teacher. The article concerning him in last week's Plaindealer, we think was somewhat out of place. If the author is hunting for news we advise him to write about something which will not reflect on the character of any one who is entrenched in the good opinion of the community.

There is a vast amount of talk and some excitement over a wagon road from here to Coos Bay, commencing about 11 miles down the Umpqua from here, better known as Wolf, and running up Wolf creek, and striking over to the head of navigation on the Coos river. Persons who have been over that country say that a good road can be made with but little expense compared to the road from Roseburg to the Bay, and that when it is made immense sums will not have to be laid out for repairs to make it passable at all times. There is a party organized for the purpose of going through and looking out a route and to make a trail, so that all who wish may see the utility of the route. We are of the opinion that a good route exists and only wants time to make it a success as a wagon road.

The elite of western Calapooia gathered together at an understood place last Friday evening for the purpose of having a surprise party. They then proceeded to the residence of Mr. Nifong, that being the place selected, and indeed it was a surprise for Mr. N. informed them that he would not allow any dancing in his house that night. Not fancying the idea of returning home after anticipating such a good time they made another trial on a near neighbor, but were unsuccessful. The entire party started for the Tyee Dancing Academy, a distance of about one mile up the mountain. The team that was haulding the precious part of the party after going about four hundred yards, refused to go any farther, and the result was, the whole party went the rest of the way in the snow on foot. After they had arrived the room was lighted, and being always decorated with evergreens, presented a fine appearance. The "trip of the light fantastic" was kept up till a late hour, when it was turned into a play. All who attended were well-pleased, and returned home with the impression that they had attended the "boss" surprise of the season.

UMPQUA GEORGE.

Plenty of snow and stock is suffering considerably.

Considerable damage was done by the wind Friday.

Thanks to the energy and perseverance of the school board the winter session is now opened, and if our teacher does possess a slight eastern accent it does not detract from his instructing capacity.

The opposition to the Umpqua Ferry is completed, and the large and commodious flat-boat, "Firefly," from Garden valley, was launched on Sunday last at twelve o'clock M., under the efficient management of L. Thompson, assisted by a number of people.

The Plaindealer correspondent seems troubled about our school teacher's attraction to this valley. We think we can tell him this much—there is a certain maneuvering mamma in this vicinity who has had several cooing doves to dispose of. She came very near getting rid of one, but the young victim to the wiles of sweet sixteen thought discretion the better part of valor and left in great haste for Portland.

The ignoramus who favored the Plaindealer with a special correspondence last week, reminds us of the boy who fooled with a jack-knife until he got his fingers cut simply because he did not know how to use it. His sarcasm is the lowest order and his humor would cause a country calf to blush with shame. It is a self-evident fact that he is out of his usual occupation. His uncalled for attack on the Umpqua ferry was the result of a bigoted and narrow mind The correspondent of the INDEPENDENT does not contemplate putting in a billard table, nor has he ever thought of such a thing. This alone is sufficient to show that the reliability of the Plaindealer special correspondent is very thin. As for those two heart-smashers they done all that was possible to do under the circumstances, and for the vehicle being wrecked it is false as it was returned in good condition.

Reminiscence of General Grant.

When General Grant was in Portland last Fall, he met an old friend whom he knew in 1854. Together they talked of old times, and the General asked his friend how he was getting on. "I'm doing first-rate now," he said, "but for years I suffered so much with pain in my back and kiuneys, that life was a burden; but a single package of the Oregon Kidney Tea cured me up sound and well, and I'm good for another twenty years." Sold everywhere.

CALAPOOIA.

John Porter has been making improvements about his already handsome residence.

The sociable given at the residence of Lawrence Plowman on the 9th instant was a complete success. The most popular play of the evening was fishing for love.

The disagreeable weather continues and farmers are looking somewhat melancholy, and if there is not a change shortly there will be a larger acreage of late grain sown than was anticipated.

A gentleman by the name of Paul has been employed to teach the district school at the lower Calapooia school house. We hope this school will prosper under the management of Mr. Paul, and students be benefitted at the expiration of the term.

Considerable sickness is prevailing in this community. The following are reported as being on the sick list. Mrs. H. Davis is confined to her room with a severe cold; Mrs. Charles Garrel is complaining and physicians have been called in; Thomas Winniford's little son is very low with typhoid fever; no hopes of his recovery entertained.

Last Friday, the 9th instant, a heavy wind storm passed over this section, after which followed a severe snow storm which fell to the depth of six inches in the valley, but at this writing has all about disappear. Stock of different kinds are looking poorly from the effects of the cold weather, and the general supposition, is if the cold weather continues much longer stock raisers will suffer great loss, as in many cases feed is somewhat scarce.

The INDEPENDENT continues to gain in popularity and we make the assertion without uttering a falsehood that the INDEPENDENT has more friends, and also a large circulation in Calapooia precinct than any other paper published in the State. Farmers realize that this paper is their friend and is ever willing to labor to these interests and will not betray them as the Star has the democracy by entering into a partnership with a republican journal. The Star will without a doubt play the hypocrite until after the coming election is over in order to buildose different ones out of sufficient funds to make first payment on company press.

The following notice was posted up near the Umpqua Ferry: Notice is hereby given that the citizens of this place will meet at the Umpqua Ferry, January 11th, for the purpose of making necessary arrangements for purchasing Joe Daniels a suit of clothes (he has made himself very conspicuous getting up parties) so that he may appear decently; and also take up a collection that he may have a little pocket change to pay his bills." What motive the person had in view that posted this notice we are unable to say, but think that Mr. Daniels appears fully as respectable as the one that posted the above notice. Mr. Daniels is a young man and a gentleman that stands high in the estimation of the people of Calapooia, which is more than the fop, who posted the above notice, can boast of.

CALAPOOIA GEORGE.

Arthur, you are all right now; Chabean has gone.

Mr. James Brown discovered a gold mine near his residence.

One of Dr. Smith's horses, a two year old colt, died recently. It is quite a loss.

B. L., don't you wish it was time to again pick blackberries? Remember the sport.

Mr. James Brown's thoroughbred Canadian stallion died last week. It must have been sudden.

The debating society still goes on, and the boys are all quieted down. No wonder, when they go to reading law.

The runaway Tom. had a few weeks ago proved that to be fatal to him. He is now suffering with the ringbone.

The weather has been cold and blustering, and probably we shall have more rain this winter than ever heretofore.

The dance at Abe Bank's on New Year's evening was largely attended, and the young people had a splendid time. Even some of the church members shook their heels pretty lively.

The varmints are becoming ferocious and destroy a good many sheep. The coons are roaming in large bands. The proprietor of the Liverpool saw mill treed seven on one of his hunting expeditions. To his horror they turned out to be possum. The next time hide your tracks better.

A STORM IN THE MOUNTAINS.

The Coos Bay mail carriers on last Friday witnessed an awful freak of nature. When within about eight miles of Laird's station, in the canyon, they noticed a peculiar stillness of the atmosphere. Not a leaf nor a twig moved. The death-like stillness was broken by the distant roar of the ocean waves, furiously lashing the beach full thirty miles distant. Every few steps birds would flit across the path of the mail carriers, chirping frightened tones of warning. Mr. Eugene Jones, on looking towards the tops of the mountains, discovered the cause of such sigular warning, and not a bit too soon. A rush to the friendly protection of a large, projecting rock and the witnesses of this grand and fearful sight had ample leisure to view a scene never to be forgotten. Rolling down the mountain side in chaotic confusion came a tornado of wind, carrying with it trees, rocks and debris of every description. The path of the hurricane was plainly visible, and as the mighty, rushing torent of wind and debris struck the unbroken front of the forest, a mighty crash, a terific rumbling and the noble forest yielded to unknown power Trees, limbs splinters, rock and other matter filling the air making the atmosphere, almost dark! Noble old gigantic heroes of forests which had stood the tempests of hundreds of years, were twisted from their stumps or roots, and sent flying through the air like whisps of straw.

For three long hours the storm lasted with now and then a resting spell as if to prepare for more increased fury.

The mail carriers were all this time imprisoned behind a friendly rock with no living thing to share their terror save a panic stricken deer, which had sought shelter behind the same rock, fearless of the close proximity of human beings; in fact it seemed rather to court their protection, and came so close that the men could lay their hands upon it. The result of the storm has been the filling of the road with fallen timber to such an extent as to make it almost impossible for the mail carriers to get the mail through.

Such a storm was never known in this district before, and it is the earnest hope of all who witnessed it it will never see its like again.

Caro Bro. have on hand a large and well selected stock of gents oil cloth suits ulsters & dress over coats which they are offering the public at reduced rates call and see them.

CORRESPONDENCE.

DOUBTS EXPRESSED

CANYONVILLE, Ogn., Jan. 11, 1880.

EDITOR INDEPENDENT:—Since writing you last, I hear some doubt expressed by the people here as to getting the benefits I have promised them when I get the railroad. They say that Funk & Guzzler promised us all free travel on the canyon road if we would help them get it; and now they charge us the same as any one else. Well, now, to prove that I am honest, and don't care who knows it I will admit that the decision of the court in the canyon road case, so far as the road is concerned, is a *complete failure*. But so far as the "principle of law" is concerned, for the first time it is a grand success. I have also heard some doubts as to electing judges who will follow the decision in the canyon road case; but I am satisfied there will be no trouble on that point, for I have heard that there is in Roseburg a candidate for judge of the supreme court who has announced that he will "crop the ears right off" of any man who says a word against him. Now, this assertion alone, I consider as sufficient to insure his election, for the number of voters who would like to have their ears croped off are so small they would not make a respectable minority, much less a majority, at an election. And further, as this "ear cropper" appears to be the very man we want in our business, and as I always like to help a man who is willing to help himself, as he appears to be, I and my friends will support him, which will insure his election beyond a doubt. And this will fix the supreme court in our favor; for there is but one judge of the supreme court to be elected next June. Peter Simple, having held that office for more than twenty years, will hold it now by prescription; and Patrick, C. J. will hold his office by "dedication" from the State by its agent Governor Thayer. (You see I have been reading road law on dedication and prescription.) Judge Boise cannot claim his office by dedication, for he was elected by the people, and his old-fogy ideas of "mine and thine" of protecting litigants in their rights, and of "vested rights" entirely disqualify him for the office and entitle him to no such "construction of law" as will give him the office. So he must go out. We must have judges that will advance with the times. This is the "third cycle of time" All that is now necessary is to elect "ear cropper" (I don't know his other name), and induce my friends to work for his election. I will say to all those in the vicinity of Portland and Salem who are to have passes on the road, that I am satisfied there will be business enough of "that kind" to justify us in putting on an accommodation train between Portland and Salem to make three trips each way per day (at breakfast, dinner and supper) so that business men may reside in the country and attend business in the city. So just "stand in" with us and elect him. And then with Patrick, C. J., Peter Simple and "Ear Cropper" on the bench there will be no more dissenting opinions, when me and the court (I am a friend of the court) wish to appropriate any property to my use to "encourage competition." Then let Junius Brutus write articles about the court, if he likes. The judges have lived here too long, and have a reputation that cannot be affected by such "scribbling." When I get the railroad, the Dutch who now own it will probably complain; but what does the court care? We expect them to complain, but we will meet them at the door with the fact that "they have lost their suit in court." This is sufficient answer to anything they may say, and will just knock the "stuffing right out" of any argument they may make in the case. With all these points in favor of my railroad enterprise, and so little against it, I get mad, when people doubt its success. Who is going to oppose it? Show me the man. Whoop! Take hold of the tail of me coat!

PICKHANDLE DICK.

P. S.—Don't forget the accommodation train. P. D.

School Matters.

EDITOR INDEPENDENT:—Please allow me space in your columns to call the attention of teachers to the rules of the State Board of Education, by which county superintendents are governed in issuing certificates. Rule 4 is as follows:

"At the public quarterly examination of teachers, provided by law, the county superintendent shall use the uniform questions furnished by the State Superintendent, and the signatures of all assistant examiners shall appear on all certificates issued at these examinations."

By the above it appears that all certificates issued at public examinations, must have the signatures of all the assistant examiners.

The county board of examiners of Douglas county consists of Supt. J. M. Heard, Prof. J. M. Brown and J. W. Strange. How many certificates are there in the county endorsed with the names of these assistants? I do not know of a single one.

Rule 7 provides that to obtain a first grade certificate the applicant must answer 80 per cent. of all questions asked him, and no first grade certificate shall be issued when the answer. of the applicant fall below 40 per cents in any one branch. To obtain a second grade certificate the applicant must answer correctly 60 per cent. of all the questions asked him, and no certificate shall be issued to a candidate who fails to answer 40 per cent. of the questions in any two branches of study. The most important, however, is rule 12, as follows:

"In no case shall a county superintendent grant a certificate to teach without first examining the applicant as to his qualifications in the manner provided by law and by these rules except that the holder of a valid first grade county certificate in any county in this state, may, within the time for which the same was issued, upon presentation thereof to the county superintendent of the same or any other county, and upon payment of the usual fee, have another certificate of the same grade granted to him, without undergoing any examination at the discretion of the county superintendent, Provided, such original certificate has been issued in accordance with rule 4, and shall also have been endorsed by the assistant examiner. Each renewal must be endorsed "Renewal" on its face with the original standing, endorsements etc., on the back; provided, that no second grade certificate shall ever be renewed."

No teacher should be satisfied with a poor certificate. His aim should be to become more proficient in his profession. To do this he must study to master thoroughly the fundamental principles of all studies required to be taught in the public schools. It is the duty of the county superintendent or his assistants to see that this law is fulfilled strictly. If they do, and by their oath of office they cannot do otherwise, many who have second grade certificates, and expect to have them renewed, will find themselves disappointed This is as it should be. There are also many first grade certificates which should not have been issued, and now, with more strict examinations, some will find it hard work to obtain even second grade certificates. I hope to see this law strictly fulfilled, and would urge those who design teaching during the coming summer to prepare for a strict examination.

TEACHER.

The Consolidation.

ROSEBURG, Jan. 12, 1880.

EDITOR INDEPENDENT: I have noticed your article on the joining of the two papers in town. I would grumble at you for not finding out the secret before; but must give in that with you in this case (for the first time) your excuse in the matter is alright, since you can say, "Better late than never." The work you speak of has been going on for sometime, and the new press is but a small affair in the ring's work. Wait until the members of the ring join hands for the election of both democrats and republicans, as was done before the campaign when the democrats and republicans united to beat the people There is a movement on foot now by which the Fink ring hopes to sandwhich their friends on both the the tickets for the next June fight, and they'll win if the independents allow themselves to be fooled. "A hint to the wise might be sufficient," but if you don't take the hint I'll have to come out with the whole programme. AN INSIDER

Make them Build.

ROSEBURG, Jan. 10, 1880.

EDITOR INDEPENDENT: The board of trustees hardly does its duty when it does not compel every owner in the city to build sidewalks in front of their property. A man who rents a house in town is compelled to foot it through the mud so long as the city shields the man from whom he rents the house; and yet the board compels other men owning property to build and repair sidewalks. Certainly, when a man connects his property with the city proper by means of a sidewalk to other sidewalks the property does not lose in value, and those who are blind in this particular, should be made to see the light.

A TENANT.

Is Guzzler Editor?

CANYONVILLE, Jan. 11, 1880.

MR. INDEPENDENT: Is it really true that James F. Gazley is the editor of the Star? Are the two papers gone together? Gazley has been asked about it, but all that can be got out of him is that the Star and Plaindealer will show the INDEPENDENT a trick or two this time, and run a mixed ticket against that of the INDEPENDENT'S. Let the people know if this is true.

F. J.

[Our corespondent knows what Gazley has said. He also knows that the two papers are in buildings owned by one man. He also knows that the Star and Plaindealer have purchased a power press in partnership, and it is true that in the time of a campaign when two papers use but one press that the secrets of both papers must be known to both publishers. our corespondent can form his own opinion]

The Oakland Case.

OAKLAND, Jan. 15, 1880.

EDITOR INDEPENDENT: I notice in yesterday's Oregonian that the Oakland corporation's appeal to the supreme court at its present term resulted rather unsuccessful to the corporation, and its corporators, J. D. McKinnon, John Shupe, Dr. Page, George Sacry, and several other silent friends. The appeal might have been successful if they had an able attorney to attend thereto, with a little less Ball and a brains. But his self-essmed ability fooled him. The California lawyer will now understand that our Oregon court cinches attorneys of his kind. Bro. Ball will now study his cases before going into court. R. T.

A Dog Tax.

ROSEBURG, Jan. 15 1880.

EDITOR INDEPENDENT. I would suggest that at their next meeting the members of the city board of trustees pass an ordinance taxing dog, $5 for a dog and $10 for a slut. More than once have the slumbers of an entire neighborhood been disturbed by the dogs, and it is a shame that they should be allowed to roam about of a night making night hideous with their howlings. The tax would serve in this way: The worthless dogs would be killed, and the valuable ones looked after by their masters. CITIZEN.

PATTERSON'S MILL.

Fremont Barker's leg is improving.

Snow is about six inches deep and it is still falling.

The Tipton boys are making some splendid lumber.

The oyster supper at Mr. Brit's, recently given, was a success.

Jacob Davis says no poor children shall go hungry while he is about.

Jean Strader is liable to walk off with a pair of lady's shoes any day.

The goods sold at Tipton's auction the other night went for all they were worth.

Rum Barker has purchased a new suit of black clothes, and we are looking for something to turn up.

James Kennedy thinks there is just as much profit in driving bulls as there is in going to Portland.

The auction narrowly escaped being broken up in a general disturbance, the marshal not being present.

Services are held at the church three times a week. The spire came near burning off the other night.

People are afraid that United States' troops will have to be called in before all trouble is settled in this locality.

Ford Tipton is learning the blacksmithing trade. He says he can stick hot iron together as well as anybody.

Wm. Lively hired out to work in the woods and says he won't blacksmith unless they raise his wages. He took a walk.

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