

# THE INDEPENDENT.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1884.

LABUEL LODGE A. F. M. WILL HOLD regular meetings on Wednesday at 7 o'clock each full moon. J. C. FULBERTSON, W. M. I. CARR, Secretary.

PHILETIAN LODGE, No. 2, I. O. O. F., meets on Thursday evening of each week at 7 o'clock, in their hall at Roseburg. Members of the order in good standing are invited to attend. By order of the N. G. L. BURGESS, C. P.

UNION ENCAMPMENT, No. 9, I. O. O. F., meets at Odd Fellows' Hall on the first and third Fridays of every month. Visiting brethren are invited to attend. A. C. MARKE, Sec.

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## S. HAMILTON Dealer in Drugs and Stationery.

Offers for sale in Kegs or Tin: 4900 pounds of Pioneer White Lead; 500 Galons Salem Boiled Linseed Oil; 250 gals. Turpentine; A complete stock of Paints, Brushes, Varnishes, and Can Color. (If you are going to do any painting call and get prices before purchasing Elsewhere.) A complete assortment of School Books, School Stationery, Writing Paper, Envelopes, etc., which I will sell very Cheap. Garden Seeds, Patent Medicines, and everything that is kept in a first-class Drugstore. Orders by mail and Express promptly attended to.

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TAKE PLEASURE IN ANNOUNCING TO THE public that he has recently opened in the building two doors north of the Douglas County Bank, a complete and assorted stock of Ladies

## FANCY DRY GOODS!

Consisting in part of the following: DRESS GOODS, RIBBONS, LACES, EMBROIDERIES, HOSIERY, GLOVES, UNDERWEAR, SILKS, ATTARS, ETC., ETC. Also a fine stock of

## Gent's Furnishing Goods,

Of finest styles and quality. This is THE place to get what you want. BAZAAR OF FASHION, CREEED FLOED, Prop'r.

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## MILLINERY

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Next door to the New Bakery.

Prices Moderate!



## FOR SALE.

I OFFER FOR SALE A FINE LOT OF

## SPANISH MERINO BUCKS

At my farm 6 miles from Roseburg on the Cole's Valley Road. y21n3 H. CONN, Sr.

## OAKLAND ACADEMY!

Oakland, Douglas Co., Or.

School Year Begins Monday, September 3, 1883.

## TUITION PER SESSION OF TWELVE WEEKS:

|                           |                   |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Primary                   | \$4.00            |
| First Grade Junior Class  | 5.00              |
| Second Grade Junior Class | 6.00              |
| First Grade Middle Class  | 7.50              |
| Second Grade Middle Class | 9.00              |
| Senior Class              | 10.00             |
| Twenty-four Lessons       | \$12.00           |
| Use of Instrument         | 2.50              |
| DRAWING AND PAINTING      |                   |
| Twenty-four Lessons       | \$4.00 to \$12.00 |

Geo. T. Russell, Principal.

At Hamilton's drug store, quicksilver, Sulphur, lime and a cheap grade of coal oil for doctoring sheep.

## LOCAL ITEMS.

Cloudy Monday. Cold wind Tuesday.

The coldest day of the season Wednesday. Sunshine Thursday.

How is it Friday? A shooting gallery is in full blast. Wendell Phillips is dead.

St. Valentine's day will soon be here. Robert Newcomb is in Los Angeles for his health.

Senator Blaine is out of politics; he is writing a book.

The Coner d'Alene gold excitement will prove many an "April fool."

There has been a scarcity of water for mining purposes in southern Oregon this winter.

Capt. Alex. Ankeny was in Roseburg Tuesday night.

Snow fell to the depth of over three feet in northeastern Ohio, during the month of January.

We were promised some temperance articles, which failed to make their appearance this week.

A masquerade ball at the skating rink on the night of the 14th. The supper will be given at the Metropolitan hotel.

We are at a loss to know why the young proprietor of the Plaindealer is so anxious for a leap year party in Roseburg.

The United States has purchased the English whale ship Thetis, to be used for the relief of the Greely expedition.

The issue of standard silver dollars for the week ending Feb. 2d, was \$35,996; for the corresponding period last year, \$193,000.

Buy Iowa barbed wire for fencing. It is cheaper and better than lumber. For sale by Sheridan Brothers.

The remains of Lieutenant DeLong and comrades of the Jeannette exploring expedition, are on their way home, on board the German steamer Frisia.

Joseph Wickham, passenger conductor on the southern division, who, it was reported, had got the g. b., is still running his train.

From the renovation going on in front of some of the business houses in the city, one might infer there had been some deadly epidemic in the neighborhood.

Mr. Martindale, postmaster at Camas valley, went down to Portland on Monday's train. He was subpoenaed as a witness before the U. S. grand jury in the case against Stillwell and Hill for robbing the mail.

The regular meeting of the Roseburg W. C. T. U. will be held at the M. E. church to-day, February 9, at 3 o'clock P. M. Ladies who are interested in the temperance cause are cordially invited to attend.

The farmers are making it lively for the coyotes this week. G. W. Jones caught one at A. S. Strang's, and J. A. Duncan shot three full grown catamounts, which had been preying on the lambs.

Sheriff Purdon was called to Portland to tell what he knows about Stillwell's confessing that he robbed the mail sack while carrying the mail between Camas valley and the Coquille.

Wm. Faber, proprietor of the Star brewery in Albany, made Roseburg a hasty visit on Tuesday last on pleasure and business combined. We found Mr. Faber a pleasant gentleman who will make friends wherever he goes.

The man who reported that Captain Holt deserted his vessel between Coos Bay and Rogue river, was in town this week. From the cloud around his optics we would imagine that the Captain had interviewed him and made all the necessary explanations.

Rev. J. W. Craig will preach a funeral discourse in memory of the late Mr. Parson, at Wilbur, at 11 o'clock A. M., Sunday next. He will also preach at his church in this city at the usual hour in the evening of the same day.

Baker Pasha, with the allied English forces, has again been defeated by the False Prophet, near Tokar. He reports his loss at 2000 men, four Krupp cannon and two Gatling guns.

The committees in charge of the teacher's institute to be held here during the first week in March, are actively at work and all things bid fair that this session of the institute will far surpass previous ones. It will commence on Tuesday evening, March 4.

The Ohio legislature has passed a civil rights bill, similar to the law of congress which was deemed unconstitutional by the Supreme court of the United States, on the ground that it was a matter which belonged to the States.

Charles L. Mosher, a Douglas county boy who has been engaged in the newspaper business in Arizona for several years, is now at Phoenix, but we hear that he is making preparations to remove to the Quijotas mines, lately purchased by the bonanza firm, Flood & Mackey, where a second Virginia City is expected to be built during the next year.

E. F. Walsh will canvass Douglas county for a new book, written by Sweet and Knox, editors of the Texas Siftings, entitled, "Across Texas on a Mustang." From the prospectus, we are satisfied that the book is instructive as well as humorous. We learn that the Major has had very good success, so far, and certainly he deserves it.

John Sheridan, of the firm of Sheridan Brothers, returned last Saturday from a trip to San Francisco, where he has been for some time in the interest of the firm. John is looking well, and is in fine spirits, the salt sea air has added color to his pale cheeks and vivacity to his conversational powers. It will do the boys good to hear him spin the new stories which he has picked up on the trip, but look out for the dam-sells.

Since the passage of the dog ordinance by the city council of Roseburg, the Marshal has having difficulty to enforce the law. The various poundmasters appointed resigned their position, until young Mr. Farquar accepted the office, when it was determined to enforce the law to the letter. The Marshal entered L. McGregor's meat shop and informed him that he would have to take out a license for his dog or he would have to send the poundmaster to shut him up. The dog, which was lying in the shop, got up and made a straight shoot for Mr. C. Mackey's residence, which is some distance north of the town, and cannot be induced to come within the city limits. At least our devil says so.

## A Blaze!

About half-past six o'clock Monday evening the cry of fire caused a breeze of excitement on Jackson street. The smoke and flame led to Morty Sullivan's marble shop, which was on fire.

The partition wall, composed of rough boards, had caught about four feet from the floor and burned a hole large enough to throw a dog through, and was getting pretty well under headway when the door was forced open and by the aid of buckets and water the flames were readily extinguished.

During the excitement the officers of the various fire companies donned their uniforms and got out their engines, but were too late to exhibit their skill.

While the Hose company were first to get their engine on the ground, it was a member of the Hook and Ladder company who put the first water on the fire and extinguished the flame.

Some minutes after the fire had been put out the chief of the department was seen to issue from his quarters in full uniform, trumpet in hand, hair curled and moustache waxed in the height of fashion. With a martial tread he made his way toward the scene of the excitement.

He was met by a citizen who asked where he was going. He said: "To extinguish the fire!" He was informed that the fire had been put out some time ago. He replied, in measured tones: "I have a duty to perform!" One of the boys became so excited that he got into a neighbor's hen roost. So ends the first blaze since the organization of the fire department in Roseburg.

A Dutchman Lost.

One day last week John Vanorder discovered a bed and bedding in the brush on the bank of the river, on Sheridan's place, south of Roseburg.

The bed had the appearance of having been recently slept in. Failing to see any one he looked around and discovered where some one had went down the bank toward the water, where he found lying close to the water's edge, a Dutch pipe and some articles of clothing, consisting of a cap, a pair of shoes, and other wearing apparel. The pipe and cap are now in the sheriff's office.

The tracks led to the water. Whether the owner of these articles now sleeps in a watery grave, may remain a mystery until "the sea gives up its dead."

## The Star of Bethlehem in 1887.

Mr. Frank Gilbert, in his new "World's Historical and Actual," quotes the learned Professor Goumouier as follows: In 1887 the "Star of Bethlehem" will be seen once more in "Cleopatra's Chair," and will be accompanied by a total eclipse of the sun and moon.

The star only makes its appearance every 315 years. It will appear and illuminate the heavens, and exceed in brilliancy even Jupiter when in opposition to the sun, and therefore nearest to the sun and brightest. The marvelous brilliancy of the "Star of Bethlehem" in 1887 will surpass any of its previous visitations. It will be seen even by moonlight, shining with a quick flashing light the entire year, after which it will gradually decrease in brightness and finally disappear, not to return to our heavens until 2202, or 315 years after 1887. The star first attracted the attention of modern astronomers in the year 1575. It was then called a new star. It was no new star, however, for this was the star which shone so brightly 4 b. c., and was the star that illuminated the heavens at the nativity of Christ.

## Working the Show.

While Langrishe's troupe was in Roseburg last week, the new devil who had been engaged but a short time at one of the printing offices, presented himself at the theater door, rule in hand, and announced that he was connected with the press and requested to be admitted to the show. The ticket agent told him to bring the proprietor of the paper to vouch for his statement or a note to the effect that he belonged to the office, and he would give him a free pass. The youngster, with a satanic smile, turned around and seeing one of the boys who hands the ardent over the board at one of the saloons, said: "Don't I work on your paper?" The party addressed stepped forward and said, "Certainly; he works for me." The agent immediately handed both parties a ticket, and they entered and climbed the golden stairway together.

## Another Homicide!

It is reported that a man by the name of Butterfield, living at Loon lake, shot and killed one of his neighbors named Kelly, in the early part of this week. The men had been bad friends and Butterfield, in order to get out by his supplies, was compelled to pass over Kelly's land. He attempted to go to Scottsburg, when he was met by Kelly, who attacked him with a knife. Butterfield drew a derringer and shot, hitting Kelly in the groin. Kelly ran to his house for his gun, which was not loaded, and before he could load he fell and Butterfield made his escape. It is reported that Kelly has since died.

## Coos Bay Railroad.

There was filed yesterday with G. W. Kimball, county clerk, for record, two deeds, one from William H. Beese and Harriet C. Beese, his wife, of New Bedford, Massachusetts, to Russell Sage of Boston, for the consideration of ten dollars, and other good and valuable considerations, 33,783.15 acres of land in Coos and Douglas counties.

The other is from Russell Grey of Boston, for the same consideration, the same land to the Oregon Southern Improvement Company.

This is the same land conveyed to John Miller by the Coos Bay Wagon Road company, and is a part of the Coos Bay Wagon road grant.

The report of a sale of property at Port Orford to Gould, was premature. Negotiations have been going on with eastern capitalists for the sale to them of a large water frontage and other property, but it is not yet consummated. The object is to connect Port Orford, which has a good summer harbor, by rail with the Oregon & California railroad.

## The Tariff Bill.

Representative Morrison of Illinois, chairman of the ways and means committee, on Monday introduced in the house of representatives the long looked for tariff bill. The bill makes a reduction of at least 20 per cent. on all manufactured articles and fixes the rates on an ad valorem basis. It provides that "no duty or rate of duty shall after the said first day of July, 1884, be levied collected, or paid in, except 40 per cent. ad valorem or its equivalent, on cotton and cotton goods, 50 per cent. ad valorem, or its equivalent on metals, and 60 per cent. ad valorem on wool and woolen goods."

Many articles used as food and for medical and mechanical purposes are placed upon the free list. It will be observed that the same rate is established upon wool and woolen goods. This makes a material reduction of from 40 to 125 per cent. on manufactured woolen goods and increases the rate of duty on wool equal to or greater than it was before reduced by the last Republican congress. This is manifestly just. The wool growers of America have had greater competition from the large herds and cheap pastures of Australia and South America, than any other industry, and have never had the same amount of protection that will be thus afforded them by this equal ad valorem tax for revenue purposes. It is right and just that the industrious farmer should have an equal share in the incidental protection afforded by a tariff duty.

## From Coos Valley.

More rain. Times are lively.

B. W. Sprague gave the ducks of Coos valley a call last week.

George Hawkins has returned from the front with his pockets full of twenties.

Hon. Tim. Barnard's sons are attending school at this place.

Mr. John Cameron of Victoria, is again in the country buying fine horses and sheep.

John Emmet has gone to Portland as a jurymen.

A grand surprise party was given at J. L. Churchill's not long since. Joseph says if it occurs again it will be a surprise sure enough.

There is a family in the neighborhood that wastes coal oil setting up to play cards.

S. D. Evans is having necessary improvements made on his farm, in the way of a plank fence. G. N. Dougherty is superintending. George says as soon as the last hole is dug he is going to get him a wife and quit bacheling.

## PEANUT.

DIED.—At his residence in Mt. Scott precinct, Douglas county, Oregon, February 4, 1884, James S. Borge, aged 51 years, 9 months and one day. Mr. Borge was born in Howard county, Missouri, was married to his faithful companion in Dekalb county, Missouri. He emigrated with his family to Oregon in 1878. The malady which caused his death was Bright's disease of the kidneys. He died a firm believer in the Christian faith, surrounded by his entire family, and will long be remembered as an honest, hard-working farmer. His good standing is thoroughly proven by the kind attentions shown him by the entire community during his eight months of severe affliction. An honest man is the noblest work of God. May he rest in peace.

An exchange says: "We hope that Senator Dolph will not disarm his friends by taking a stand with Oregon George on the side of railroad usurpation and against the rights of the people. If a Republican in to succeed Mr. George, something must be done to counteract the mistake which has been made by the Oregon representative in the House. Thousands of earnest citizens of Oregon are anxiously watching Senator Dolph's opinions and intentions, on the great and absorbing question, so directly important to the people and prosperity of this State."

Some of the Republican leaders, advocate pooling campaign money with the Democrats. If Democrats agree, they might as well shut up shop. The money they'd get wouldn't buy a shingle on an Indian smoke-house.

## The Umpqua Valley.

We publish the follow extract from a letter written by a gentleman in this city to a friend in Ohio, in answer to inquiries concerning this county, as the information contained will answer many inquiries of a similar nature addressed to this office:

ROSEBURG, Feb. 6, 1884.

DEAR SIR: I received your letter last evening and was pleased to hear from an old acquaintance. We have, perhaps, one of the most even climates to be found anywhere in the United States. It is divided into the wet and dry seasons, the same as California, with the exception that the dry season is of short duration, lasting from six weeks to three months of midsummer, without rain. The winters are long and vary as to the amount of rain and are usually mild. There has been no snow in the valley this season and it has not froze ice to exceed one-half inch in thickness in tubs or vessels, although we had a severe winter last year, with considerable snow and freezing weather. This winter has been mild and open, the fields have been green all winter, beef in good order, stock cattle and sheep shift for themselves all winter. The only hay and feed put up by farmers is for the work stock.

Land varies in price, from government figures to forty or fifty dollars per acre. Fair, average farm of from a section of land or less, with from 150 to 250 acres under cultivation, can be bought at from \$8 to \$10 per acre, at the present time, although there is not much land changing hands in this county. The best farming land is owned in large tracts and let out to croppers. All kinds of vegetables and grains grow well here. Corn is not extensively cultivated, the nights not being hot enough, although I have seen some very good fields of corn along the river bottoms, equal to that raised along the Ohio river.

Sleep-raising is one of the principal branches of farming in this county. There is no dirt or burr to get in the wool here, and the Umpqua wool, which is embraced in this county, commands a better price than any other. There is a prospect of a railroad building from here to the coast, which if consummated, will cause a rapid advance in real estate in this county. The most of this county is rough and rugged, there being a good deal of waste land that is suitable only for grazing purposes. There are many partially improved farms that a person could get and put into a high state of cultivation and double their money in a short time.

This is a delightful climate to live in. The summers never get very hot and always cool nights and mornings. The soil is unusually rich and with proper cultivation all kinds of vegetables do well, while it is unsurpassed for apples, plums, prunes, cherries and the various kinds of fruits.

One of the great drawbacks to grain-raising is the freight on the railroad from here to Portland, and when there the market is about from three to five cents less than San Francisco, on account of the towage and lighterage on the Columbia and Willamette rivers.

The dairy business would be a source of profit here, if properly managed. Butter sells the year around from 25 to 50 cents a pound, and it is not unusual for farmers with large bands of cattle to be without cream or butter on their tables a good part of the time. You can easily guess the reason why. This is surely a good country to live in. People exist with as little exertion as any place on the globe. I have given you a fair statement as far as your inquiries go. I will offer no advice as to your coming here. Some who come are pleased with our country, while others are disgusted and go away disappointed. Those who remain any considerable length of time and go away usually come back. There is plenty of room for more. An industrious person like yourself can do well here, or almost anywhere else.

On last Saturday W. G. Hill, while scuffling in a saloon with Thomas Critser and L. McGregor, had the misfortune to get his leg broke between the knee and ankle. The bone was immediately set and Mr. Hill taken to Mr. Zigler's hotel, where he is confined to his bed, waiting for nature and good treatment to repair the fractured bone. It is to be hoped that he may soon recover.

Frank Settle, who was arrested by ex-Sheriff Hogan on suspicion of having been implicated in the robbery of Wells, Fargo & Co.'s express, was discharged. His arrest was caused by his making the remark that on the evening of the robbery a stranger had proposed to him to take in the stage. The other parties arrested by Hogan and the sheriff of Jackson county, were all discharged, there not being sufficient evidence to hold them.

Don't rush off to Coeur d'Alene. The latest market report from that point marks flour at \$85 per barrel, and single meals \$2.50. This, with a fresh fall of about four feet of snow, making a depth of 13 feet forms rather forbidding picture.

## FROM OAKLAND.

Cool nights. Times are exceedingly quiet.

L. C. Wheeler of Roseburg made us a pleasant call on Wednesday.

The drummers are becoming very numerous in this section.

Uncle Alex Brown, an old and substantial citizen of this place is seriously ill, and it is hoped by all that he will soon recover.

Our butcher business is moving on in good style and the proprietor has at last discovered how to make the business profitable to himself and very unpleasant to his many patrons. The best beef is always shipped to Portland and the inferior beef is kept on hand for home consumption.

The Oakland academy is in a prosperous condition and has a larger attendance than ever before. Prof. Russell takes great pains in instructing those who are seeking after knowledge and will make this school second to none in the State.

Night depredations are becoming very frequent here of late and some of our people have suffered great inconvenience from these nocturnal stampedes. Some of these aggressors were accidentally discovered in their nefarious work but our prominent gossips have not succeeded in obtaining the particulars.

We are sorry that the items furnished by us do not receive the approbation of some of our leading citizens. One individual who resides in this town has been heard to remark that the items are of a silly nature and that the correspondent is of small calibre. The complainant is certainly a man of monstrous mind and is constantly engaged in wrestling with questions of a scientific nature, and should be allotted a position where his scientific researches might benefit the rising generation.

Mrs. Haines, of Pendleton, arrived in Roseburg on Monday evening's train, in search of a truant husband who had deserted her and married another woman in Portland. From the description given he had stopped at one of the hotels in this city for some time, but had gone south toward the California line before the arrival of the injured and deserted wife. The lady, after consulting some of the legal authorities, left on the next train for Portland, where, in all probability, proceedings will be taken to have the guilty husband returned to the bosom of his family or punished for bigamy.

SOCIAL DANCE.—There will be a social dance given at the residence of W. B. Clarke on the evening of Feb. 14, 1884, and a general invitation is extended to all who may wish to attend. There will be no pains or expense spared on the part of the management to make it one of the most enjoyable affairs of the season.

TREASURER'S NOTICE.—All persons holding county warrants, endorsed prior to March 1, 1883, are hereby notified to present them at the County Treasurer's office, in the court house in Roseburg, on or before February 2, 1884, as interest will cease from that date. W. N. MOORE, County Treasurer.

NOTICE.—All parties knowing themselves indebted to the estate of the late W. E. Palmer, of Drain, will please come and settle at once, by cash or note, with the undersigned. E. C. PALMER.

Drain, Or., January 10, 1882.

FOR SALE.—Three yoke of work cattle belonging to J. O. Booth. The cattle may be seen at Wm. Vinson's pasture, near Roseburg. For further information see or address J. B. Wright, Roseburg, who is authorized to sell the cattle.

## MARRIED.

ARRINGTON—McCONNELL.—At the residence of John McBee in Civil Bend, Douglas county, Oregon, by Rev. J. R. Roberts, Tuesday the 5th day of February, 1884, V. L. Arrington to Miss Julia McConnell.

ALEXANDER—WALKER.—At the Comopolitan hotel in Roseburg, on Friday, the 8th day of February 1884, by J. S. Fitzhugh, county judge, T. J. Alexander to Miss Susan L. Walker. All residents of Douglas county.

## Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT ROSEBURG, OREGON. February 5, 1884.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at Roseburg, Oregon, on Thursday, March 13, 1884, viz: Chas. A. Massey, pre-emption D. S. No. 4326, for the lots 1, 2, 3, Section 31, and lots 2, 3 and 4, Section 32, township 21, south range 11 west Willamette meridian.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Thomas Fisher, Joe Butler, Charlie Marks, T. C. Mackey, all of Gardiner, Oregon.

W. M. F. BENJAMIN, Register.

## T. C. MACKAY, PHYSICIAN & SURGEON GARDINER, OREGON.

## Guardian's Sale.

Notice is hereby given that under and in pursuance of an order of the County Court of Douglas county, Oregon, made and entered therein on the 18th day of January, 1884, authorizing and empowering the undersigned, guardian of the estate of Minnie May Smith and Martha Alice Smith, minor heirs of James B. Smith, deceased, to sell the hereinafter described real estate, belonging to the estate of said minors, that I will on Friday, the 29th day of February, 1884, at 1 o'clock P. M. of said day, sell at public auction, on the premises, to the highest bidder for cash, all the following real estate to-wit: Lots No. 2, 3 and 4, and the south half of lot 7, in block No. 3 of the old town of Oakland, Douglas county, Oregon. J. L. SMITH, Guardian of the estate of Minnie May Smith and Martha Alice Smith. Dated January 29, 1884.

## RE-ENTERED

## THE FIELD!

THE OLD RELIABLE HOUSE OF

## Floed & Co.

Will be thoroughly restocked for the

## Spring Trade