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FREE PASSES. The Salem Independent pretends to be a free lance in journalism, and assumes the role of a knight-errant in freeing the people from corporation control, corrupt officials and other evils now extant; but in the following we believe it is incorrect in its conclusions.

There is very little hope that the senate will repeal the silver purchase clause of the Sherman act. They have talked considerably, but have done nothing, and the silver men appear to be content to pass a free-coinage bill.

Perkins addressed the senate in opposition to repeal, after which Stewart took the floor. He read certain paper articles on the president's alleged rebuke to the senate.

Mr. Gladstone is as firm as ever in his expectations that home-rule for Ireland will be triumphant. His address at Albert hall, Edinburgh, showed that he was unflinching in his convictions, and it will be the means of infusing new life in the ranks of the liberals.

President Cleveland has great faith in the patriotism of the Republican Congressmen. He believes that they will still lend him one hand to pull him out of the hole he is in while they are the other hand to defend themselves against the vicious assaults.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—The two weeks' debate on the bill to repeal the federal election laws opened in the house this morning. The galleries were well filled.

SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 26.—Operations have been resumed at the Bonker Hill and Sullivan mines, in the Coeur d'Alene region.

ROSBURG, Or., Sept. 26.—George Grills, who was struck by a stray bullet Friday evening, died from the wound at 10 o'clock last night.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 26.—Governor Pennington today commuted the term of imprisonment of Wm. Bloxam, sentenced from Multnomah county, March 10, 1884, for life on conviction of murder in the second degree.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 26.—The sensational Gilmore murder case took a new turn today when a marriage contract between Dr. E. F. West and Annie Staley, who the police say was West's accomplice in the murder of Miss Gilmore, was recorded.

TELEGRAPHIC. Anything to Gain Time. WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—When the senate met this morning the repeal men were caught napping by Stewart, who observed that there was no quorum, and questioned the propriety of the senate proceeding.

LATER. Both the wounded men will die. The silver men have been the victims of a very few minutes before the tragedy.

DAMAGED BY RAIN. JACKSONVILLE, Or., Sept. 26.—The heavy rain which has been so long continuing in this section, has done much to ruin the crops.

EDINBURGH, Sept. 27.—Gladstone left here at 4:30 p. m., and was met at the railway station by a reception committee and was escorted to Albert hall.

THE GILMORE HORROR. SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 27.—The remains of Addie Gilmore, the girl who is supposed to have been murdered and cut up by Dr. West, is being found piecemeal.

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