

LEGISLATURE ORGANIZATION.

Both houses of the state legislature met Jan. 14th, with a full attendance of members, and was well supported by an outside delegation, many of whom went for the purpose of looking after local legislation.

The Republican caucus settled the matter of officers in a prompt and harmonious manner. In the house, Hon. E. L. Smith, of Wasco county, received the vote of 51 Republicans for Speaker, and Mr. Miller, of Jackson, the 9 Democratic votes. Mr. Smith gives promise of making a fine presiding officer. J. T. Gregg is chief clerk of the house, assisted by J. P. Miller. In the senate, the organization was effected by the election of Hon. L. T. Barin, of Oregon City, as temporary chairman, which was followed in the afternoon session by the election of Hon. Joseph Simon, senator from Multnomah county, as president. Senator Cauthren, of Benton county, received the complimentary support of the Democrats. J. H. Shupe, of Ashland, is clerk of the senate, assisted by E. G. Hirsh, of Baker City, and C. W. Watts, of Albany. J. B. Eddy, of Pendleton, acts as reading clerk, and Hon. Wm. Pomeroy, of Rainier, as sergeant-at-arms. The prompt organization gives good promise of an active business session. The desire is to effect the election of a U. S. Senator in a speedy manner, and then give the entire time to the consideration of local legislation, of which there is a large amount. At present writing there is no doubt but that Senator Dolph will secure a deserved recognition by way of an easy election.

IN MEMORIAM.—Emma Percival died at her home in Monmouth Wednesday Jan. 9, '89, and was buried in the cemetery south of town Friday 11th. She had been sick but two weeks with typhoid fever, and her death fell like a shock upon the community that has known her long and well. She was the daughter of our old and esteemed citizen Wm. Percival, who has lived in Monmouth for a number of years. Emma was born April 9, 1863, being in her 25th year at her death. She had been a student of the Normal for four years past, until a few weeks before Christmas when she went to the Yaquina Bay to attend the bedside of a brother who was sick with the fever and while there contracted the disease which has proven fatal and the youngest member of the family, (which consists of four daughters, and three sons) has been taken to that home beyond. The family circle has been deprived of a loving daughter, a kind sister, and only beyond the beautiful river may her footsteps be heard. The sympathy of the entire community is extended to the aged father and mother, and family in their sad bereavement. In childhood's hours, we pluck the flowers, we know no care or sorrow, we drift along with joy and song, Unmindful of the morrow.

But soon the years grow dim with tears, The joy with sorrow blended, And of a cloud, our path's enshroud, 'Till life's brief dream is ended.

ATHLETIC ENTERTAINMENT.—The new hall in Mr. Barzee's new building is being rapidly completed for the use of the Athletic Association in their concert next Saturday night. The floor has been strengthened by two additional heavy beams placed under it, and now will undoubtedly bear up all the weight that can be placed upon it. The painting of the curtain and stage scenery is being pushed to completion by Richard Benniewitz, the scenic artist.

Card of Thanks.—We wish to return our thanks to the good citizens of Monmouth and the students attending school here, for their great attention in our sickness and loss of the dear one; and in our lonely and cheerless home, we will not forget that we are surrounded by friends.—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Percival.

Notice of Final Settlement.—In the matter of the estate of—of—M. D. Hubbard, Chas. Hubbard, deceased, Adm. NOTICE is hereby given to all whom it may concern that said administrator has filed his final account with said estate in the County Court of Polk County, Oregon, and asked for a final settlement of the same, and said Court has set the hearing of said account for Tuesday, March 5, 1889, at 10 o'clock, at which time any objections thereto should be made.

M. D. HUBBARD, Administrator. WALTER TRUITT, Attorney. Dated Jan. 9, 1889.

Commendable.—All claims not consistent with the high character of Syrup of Figs are purposely avoided by the Cal. Fig Syrup Company. It acts gently on the kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the system effectually, but it is not a cure-all and makes no pretensions that every bottle will not substantiate.

Vases, cups, saucers, ornaments, almost given away at Mrs. La-Rausier's Bazaar, Independ'ce.

HERE AND HEREBABOUTS.

The sick is all better, and weather good. Pres. Stanley is in Salem this week.

A regular shower of bills are being prepared. New side-walks about town are being put down.

Chas. Lanktree and brother went to Theoma Tuesday.

Henry Keyt of Perrydale was here Sunday and Monday.

Lee Fenton, the merchant of Dallas and wife spent Sunday in our town.

Many emigrants are in our county. Let us all try and get them to locate among us.

Hon. P. W. Haley is talking of buying property in Washington Territory.

Senator Hatch has introduced a bill in the Senate, to prevent betting on election.

Ed. Ford and Robt. Percival of the O. P. R. R., spent Saturday and Sunday here.

E. G. Heath of Buena Vista has gone to Portland, as an employe of the Oregon Pottery Co.

Hon. E. S. Powell took the Salem stage Saturday to be on hand at the opening of the legislature.

Mrs. James Bond (nee Etta Davidson) of Irving Lane county, is here this week visiting her friends.

Mr. and Mrs. William Percival went to Yaquina City Tuesday. They will stop there a few weeks.

Wood has been a scarce article in Monmouth this winter and in consequence a heavy price is charged for it.

Mr. D. J. Cooper of The Dalles, was visiting his brothers J. S. and E. W. Cooper of Independence, this week.

Sheriff Smith will finish up visiting the precincts of the county this week for the purpose of collecting taxes.

Our Polk county representatives are all in their places doing their part of the arduous duties of legislation.

Both of the National banks of Independence will soon be ready to do business under the reign of the new regime.

Born to the wife of Chas. Roberts of Independence, on Jan. 9th, '89, a girl. Also to the wife of John Fluke a girl on Jan 10th, '89.

Jerman & Zumwalt have purchased the Lanktree shop and have moved their tools there. They are preparing to do a large business the coming summer.

The Heroic Dutchman of '76, a thrilling and humorous presentation of the stirring events of colonial times will be presented at the New Opera House in the near future.

Dr. Butler of Independence; and J. B. V. Butler of this place, went to Dallas Monday on a narrow gauge bicycle. Judging from their looks they well earned their way.

We are under obligations to Mr. Nathan Yocum and John Sparks, for help in getting out this weeks issue of the OBSERVER. The Editor has been suffering with the tooth-ache.

H. Ruppin proprietor of the Portland cigar factory, favored Monmouth with a short business call on Tuesday last. He remembered the OBSERVER very kindly with an "ad" and subscription.

Misses Sarah Wimberly and Inez Hamilton of Roseburg, are succeeding splendidly as teachers in the public school of that place, says the Review. They are both graduates of the Normal School of this place.

J. S. Cooper has purchased the building and corner lot of the Gem Saloon Independence. The corner is the most desirable location in town and it is rumored that Mr. Cooper will erect a large brick building there.

R. F. Wells left for his home in Seattle last Saturday. He has persuaded the following persons to go with him. P. Cook, who will engage in the insurance business at Vancouver, W. T. R. R. Parrish, will go to LaConner on Puget Sound. E. C. Hall, to Moscow, Idaho. J. P. Minch of Kings Valley to Pomeroy W. T. They work in the interest of the Seattle Insurance Co.

T. J. Peak the genial proprietor of the Enterprise Hotel at Dallas paid our town a flying visit last Saturday. He was viewing out the prospects for building the much needed hotel at Monmouth. Mr. Peak was well pleased with our town and school and was well impressed by his brief personal interview with Pres. Stanley. Mr. Barzee and other citizens whom he met. He seems to be inclined to give our project a favorable consideration and we commend Mr. Peak to our citizens as a good man for the position.

Mrs. Ira Smith visited here last Saturday.

Editor Pentland and wife were calling on friends here last Saturday.

Remember the Athletic Association will give their entertainment at the new hall Saturday evening.

Several of our young people attended the plays of the Boston Comedy Co. at Independence, Friday and Saturday night.

E. Hayter at Dallas removed his stock to the corner brick occupied by Nies & Smith.

Willie Olmes remains very sick despite the care of his parents and the skill of Drs. Lee & Butler.

Miss Ida Murghy of our town was married last week to a Mr. McCall in Linn county. We wish the couple much happiness.

S. D. Powell of Hillsboro, in company with his brother Representative F. S. Powell, called at the OBSERVER office Friday.

County surveyor Frank Butler, is kept busy these days running lines in different parts of the county. He was at Buena Vista Monday.

Mr. Chamberlin's little girl so dangerously ill at Mat Smith's has recovered.

Judge Warren Truitt is spending a few days in Salem. W. P. Wright is also at Salem.

Prof. H. B. Somerville will be at the Elkins school house on Friday Jan. 18th, at one o'clock p. m. with a view of organizing a class in vocal music. A good attendance is desired.

Oak Grove grange had a public installation of its officers for the ensuing year on last Saturday. A large crowd was present and a splendid time was had, such as the grangers well know how to have.

A convention of Marion and Polk county citizens is to be held in Salem on Friday, Jan. 18th, for the purpose of uniting upon some plan for amending the road laws of Oregon so as to make them more effective toward good highways, and asking the legislature to act thereon.

Quite a mishap and accident happened to Mr. Harvey of Buena Vista last week. He was leading potatoes at the river bank on to the boat, and in carrying a sack he became over balanced and fell over the bank, a distance of at least 15 feet. He was considerably bruised and rolled into the river and would have drowned had not assistance been promptly given. Dr. Lock was called to attend him.

We hear our sheep men saying that the lambing season has opened and that so far the lambs are doing nicely. But little trouble is being had with coyotes in our section near Dallas; we learn sheep owners are not so fortunate in other places.

Luther Martin has sold his farm of 47 acres in Cooper Hollow to Joshua Brown; consideration \$5,270. This a fine stock farm and Mr. Brown expects to fence it in shape to get all the good from it. Mr. Brown has also, taken a young man and his wife recently arrived from Missouri to live with him in his home, near Monmouth.

J. N. Vokes of Independence, has been appointed agent for the East Portland and Oregon City marble works, and parties about to purchase monuments, head stones or iron rail-ings, would do well to consult him before buying elsewhere. He has an extensive assortment of beautiful designs, which will be furnished upon application. Give him a call.

Dallas. Hon. J. D. Lee went over to Salem Monday.

Dave Sears came up from McCoy one day last week.

J. B. V. Butler, of Monmouth, and Dr. O. D. Butler, of Independence, were in town the first of the week.

Judge Truitt and W. G. Wright are in Salem this week attending the legislature.

Miss Anna Hallock has gone to Forest Grove, where she will enter the Tuolatin Academy.

Wm. Grant has added wonderfully to the appearance of our city hall, by building a portico on the north end.

Kirkpatrick Bros. inform us that they are getting lots of orders for their combination fence. This shows that our people are imbued with the spirit of improvement.

Airline. There is a great deal of sickness in this vicinity. Miss Mollie Newcomb went to Portland last Monday returning on Thursday.

There seems to be a great deal of "kicking" about the narrow gauge among some in this neighborhood. 'Tis strange how some people will kick when they never patronize it.

Our young friend Winfield Wilson, who has been attending school at Portland for the last three months is calling on his lady friends this week.

T. B. Williams' areman on the narrow gauge has been compelled to lay off again on account of sickness.

P. G. Bush, of near this place, has been quite low for the past few days, but at present writing is reported as some better. Dr. Wilson is attending on him.

The dance last Friday night was a grand affair, everything passed off very quietly, owing to so much sickness around there wasn't but about twenty couples present, but every body seemed to enjoy themselves as well as if there were twice that number.

Quite a crowd of young folks from Lewisville attended the debate and spelling here Saturday night, owing to some of our best spellers not being present they carried off the laurels.

Independence. J. B. Teal of Syracuse was here Friday making arrangements to supply this market with the product of his carp and trout ponds. We are glad to see that John is about to reap some reward for his enterprise in establishing this industry.

Harry Gilbaugh of Los Angeles, Cal., a cousin of J. W. Gilbaugh, carpenter and builder of this city, arrived here last week. He is a plasterer by trade and will locate among us and follow that calling.

The Evangelical Association is about to have erected a neat parsonage. The contract has been awarded to parties in the city.

Miss Alice Mccaully, head clerk of Miss A. S. Jorgensen's famous millinery establishment of Portland, is home visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. Wright, the rustling real estate agent of Dallas, was in town Saturday. Was accompanied by several Kansas emigrants, who are in quest of land. He informed us they wanted none but fat land and felt certain he could locate them in Polk county.

Theodore Cooper of Ellensburg, W. T., is here for a few days visiting his brother Curtis and family. Theo. has some fine samples of concol coal from a mine discovered by his father near that place and which they will open up in the spring.

Mrs. Becca Williams and daughter of Chelalis, W. T., are guests of Mrs. B. Estes this week.

Howard Johnson and John Lake are engaged in cutting 200 cords of wood on the Dove farm. It is to be used in burning brick the coming summer.

Rob Roy McGregor Parrish, author of "Echoes of the Valley" has sold his property and departed for the sound country last Saturday. Mr. Parrish intends to engage in land speculation in that section.

Our quiet and unpretentious fellow citizen, Eli Henkle, when not busy with his tonorial duties has been devoting his spare moments to the study of mechanics and has discovered a method of raising the water to the tank of the water works and dispensing with the wind mill and the steam power. The principle evolved by him is simple and not very expensive being somewhat after the principle of perpetual motion. He has submitted his invention to the managers of the water works company and they were favorably impressed as to its utility, and will no doubt, attach it to their works. We understand a patent has been applied for.

Isaac Vanduyn of Salem spent Saturday and Sunday in the city.

Willard Bressler of Cooper Hollow who went to California one year ago, returned last Friday resolved to never leave Webfoot again.

J. H. Stine and Robert Miller, late of the West Side, went to Salem Monday to work in the state printing office.

Property is changing hands at a lively rate here. Transactions as far as heard from this week has been as follows: Zen Rosendorf purchased the brick store from R. R. Parrish and will resume business next summer. The house occupied by the Kays family and the China property was purchased by J. S. Cooper for Mr. Post of McCoy. The photograph gallery was sold to Ben Whiteaker. Harry Christian of Suver, has bought the McKallip place on Monmouth street. Kirkland & Cressley sold the Deaman property to Sam Irvine. Peter Faha sold his place to J. H. Collins for 30 per acre. J. S. Cooper has purchased the Gem Saloon of Van Schyner & Co. Portland.

Business Mention. M. Hayter dentist, Dallas. Go to Henry Patterson for perfume. Gene Hayter for cheap goods.

Read our new advertisements this week. The F. M. A. store has new goods. A fresh supply of groceries at J. D. Irvine's.

Spectacles properly focused and accurately fitted at Henry Patterson's. Every pair warranted. No fit, no sale.

The F. M. A. store has as cheap line of general merchandise as can be found any where.

Paints, oils, varnishes, etc., at Waterhouses. Henry Patterson has just received a new stock of all the latest novelties in the jewelry line. No old goods in his stock. Drop in and examine them.

No trouble to show you our goods—Shelly & Vanduyn.

The straight up-and-up store-keepers—Shelly and Vanduyn, Independence.

We name for you way down prices on all our general merchandise. Give us a call. Shelly & Vanduyn, Independence.

A lady who was afflicted with Sale Rheum for many years, says that Dr. Parke's Kidney and Bladder Regulator, entirely cured her of the terrible complaint. Sold by J. J. Burke, Druggist.

County Court, PROBATE.

In the matter of estate of Hugh Harris; final account filed on Tuesday, March 5th set for hearing.

In matter of estate of E. C. Dice; final account filed on Tuesday March 5th set for hearing.

In the matter of Vanhorn estate, sale confirmed.

In matter of guardianship of A. Crossley; report filed and accepted and amounts charged and credited as shown.

In matter of estate of E. S. Adkins; will admitted to probate, I. F. M. Butler, J. B. V. Butler and H. M. Waller appraisers.

In the matter of Chas. Hubbard estate; final account filed and March 5th set for hearing.

In matter of Wm. Tatam estate; report filed and ordered that administrator pay 50 per cent on unprejudiced claims.

In the matter of guardianship of John Holman heirs; annual account filed and ordered that when a receipt in full from Wm. Holman is filed, he shall be discharged from further liability.

In matter of estate of C. Hubbard; petition to set off dower for widow allowed.

In matter of Vanhorn estate; petition filed and March 5th set for hearing, citation to issue to heirs.

In matter of guardianship of Lasey heirs; account filed and order discharging guardian as to one of the heirs.

In the matter of the estate of E. L. Delashmutter; M. M. Ellis was appointed administrator, with T. J. Hayter, J. T. Savory and J. J. Williams as appraisers. An inventory was filed and approved, and administrator charged with amount. A petition to set off widow's dower was granted, as well as a petition to sell personal property and improve the farm.

COMMISSIONERS COURT. Present—Judge Stouffer, Commissioners McEee and McLaneh, Clerk Coad and Deputy Sheriff M. D. Ellis. In matter of the J. Howe road; the report of the appraisers was accepted the county to pay \$25, and the petitioners the balance.

ROAD SUPERVISORS APPOINTED.

Table with 4 columns: Name, No. Dist., Name, No. Dist. Lists names like Wm. Bayne, R. A. Gilson, S. D. Gilson, etc.

BILLS ALLOWED.

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. Lists bills for repairs, hauling, etc.

Record of Deeds.

The following deeds have been recorded by county clerk C. G. Coal this week: R. R. Parrish to Zen Rosendorf, parts of two lots in Independence, \$2800; S. B. Irvine to W. L. Ferguson, lots 1, 2, 7 and 8, block 28 in Independence, \$550; W. A. Wells to Emily Robbins, 20 acres in T 7 S R 3 W, \$1800; Henry Crow to David Duvall, lots 5, 6 and 7, block 7 of Henry's addition to Independence, \$190; John Edwards to D. M. Duvall, lots in Independence, \$25; S. C. and J. Downing to Ira Townsend and D. W. Sears, 450 acres of land near McCoy, \$800; E. G. and V. G. Heath to P. W. Haley, 109 acres in T 9 S R 4 W, \$280; H. C. Sterling to Henry Howe, 20 acres in T 1 of H. Sterling, \$850; A. O. Kruse to John Hubbard, lot in Dallas, \$60; F. A. Patterson to A. S. Locke, 4 lots in Independence, \$500; L. B. Martin to Joshua Brown, 4 1/2 acres in T 8 S R 8 W, \$270; J. H. Byerly to Mary Palmer, 100 acres in d. l. c. of Casey Emme, \$3500; W. J. Dougherty to J. W. McKee, 200 acres in S. C. Mathews 4 1/2 c, \$4200.

If holders studied their best interests they would find that Dr. Hony's Dandelion Tonic is the best household remedy. Sold by S. H. Miller, Druggist.

Many of the pioneers of Oregon and Washington Territory have affectionately referred to the wonderful curative properties of the famous Kidney Tea, sold by S. H. Miller, Druggist.

O. S. S. COLUMBIA. W. R. HAWLEY, EDITOR.

DEATH OF A STUDENT.—Last Wednesday night, death again entered our portals and I took away our sister student, Emma Percival, who was just entering upon her 26th year of life. She will long be remembered as a loving, kind and diligent student. She leaves an aged father and mother, many relatives and friends to mourn her loss. The bereaved have the sympathy of the entire school. Interment took place Friday afternoon at the cemetery south of town. To show due respect the school was adjourned, and the students attended the funeral services which were held at her home.

Don't forget the Athletic entertainment Saturday Jan 19th in the new hall.

The Vesperine entertain the other societies next Friday afternoon.

Mr. McDonald visited school last week.

We would suggest to Curt and John, that they learn the combination, or not stay so late.

We would like to inform Mr. C. that one is singular.

Do you know who Phillip took to church last Sunday? If you do, tell us.

Miss Ida Porter visited at Buena Vista, last Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Clark and Bridwell visited at Amity last Sunday. They say they brought no small-pox back with them.

Walter Barger of Colberg, Lane county Oregon, entered school last Monday.

The Hesperians have invited the other societies to meet with them Friday evening, February 1st, 1889.

Owing to the death of Miss Percival, the Vesperine society did not meet last Friday, and a number of the members visited the Websterians.

The members of the Rhetoric class wrote composit's last week.

Mr. J.—does detest the ocean, but must confess that he likes the Lake.

H. Davis, of Shedd station, entered school last Tuesday.

The senior has been reading their ten minutes essays lately.

Ed Moran has again been compelled to go home on account of sickness.

Found, a silk handkerchief, the owner can have the same by proving property, and paying for this ad.

Miss Edith Calahan returned from Portland last Tuesday.

We have noticed a sad expression worn by one of the young ladies, which we cannot account for, unless it is because Prof. Vincent went home.

President Stanley went to Salem last Monday to attend the legislature. We will miss him a great deal, but what is his interest in our interest, this time, so we will do the best we can during his absence.

Monmouth once more has a laundry, and the boys can indulge in the luxury of a white shirt without having to go to Independence to get it washed.

Henry Keyt, a last year's student, visited the school Monday.

Last Saturday night B. C. Altman was suddenly taken sick. Medical aid was summoned, and at present he is much better.

Only one week more in this term. This means that examinations will soon be on hand, and ye weary students are now busy reviewing.

May Williams has been sick for several days. She is now about recovered.

The young ladies of Normal have organized a dance hall club, with Lillian Worth as captain. They will begin regular exercise as soon as the dance bells arrive.

Billings, please are always making discoveries. J. W. has found that the Indians are all white. Word B. has made the discovery that the Swedes come from Switzerland.

The Upsilon society, re-organized last week and elected the following officers: President Mrs. Goodnight, vice president, Dora Buchanan; secretary, Ida Woodcock; corresponding sec'y, Minnie Bridwell; treasurer, Sophia Grummel; censor, May Williamson. There are now four societies in connection with the school and all are doing active work. The society work has never been more prosperous than at present.

The Websterians at their last meeting debated the question: "Resolved, That foreign immigration to the U. S. should be encouraged." Affirmative: P. Tharp, John O. Sparks, B. C. Altman, Ed Keyt and Hicks Fenton. Negative: Norman Smith, Word Butler, E. Hewitt, L. Sisco and A. J. Whiteaker. The chair gave his decision in favor of the negative.

The following is the programme for the joint session, January 25th. Selection by the choir; opening address, by C. W. Barr; response, Clara Gadd; instrumental music, Miss Gleason; discussion, Butler, Sisco, McQuirk and Buchanan; recess, 10 minutes; vocal duet, Misses Smith and Powell; select reading, Curt Hawley; male quartet; paper, John O. Sparks, editor; declaration, E. Keyt; male quartet; selection, Minnie Brodie; selection, choir; report of critic, E. P. Voruz; chorus, all societies, Miss Smith, leader.

We wish to correct a statement made last week. L. D. Stone cannot be found at the Owl's Roost, Messrs. W. and B. are the only inhabitants of said roost, but by permission we will say that Mr. Stone occupies a room of the same name.

The Hesperian society last Friday debated the question: "Resolved, That there is more knowledge obtained by reading than by travelling." Affirmative, Matt Fenton and E. P. Voruz. Negative, A. J. Buchanan and L. Z. Vincent. The decision was in favor of the affirmative. After the debate, the members renewed the subject of the recent law suit, and after a great deal of wind work finally decided, but not in as good humor as when they commenced.

Last Wednesday morning, just before the close of chapel exercises, Miss Agnes Denman stepped forward on the stage, and with a very appropriate speech, presented Prof. J. M. Powell a silver plated, gold trimmed hat. The haton bears the inscription: "Happy New Year to J. M. Powell, Jan. 1, 1889," and was a present from the students in his room. The professor was taken by surprise, but did not forget to thank the givers cordially.

The following is the programme for the Athletic entertainment, to be given in the new hall, Jan. 19, 1889: Music. Recitation. Quartette. Tumbling. Solo. Song. Dumb-bell exercises. Quartette. Recitation. Song. Flying rings. Song. Recitation. Solo. Tumbling. Messrs. Phillip Tethere, Tatom and Fisher. Quartette. Song. Music. Orchestra.

Every body is cordially invited to attend. Admission, only 25 cents.

Bookings at bed rock prices at Mrs. La-Rausier's Bazaar, Ind. Woolen bands and gloves at Mrs. La-Rausier's Bazaar.