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—THE—
First National Bank
of Independence, Oregon.

Capital Stock, \$50,000.00
Surplus, \$14,000.00

J. S. COOPER, President.
L. W. ROBERTSON, Vice President.
W. H. HAWLEY, Cashier.

DIRECTORS.
J. S. Cooper, L. W. Robertson, Lewis Helmick, G. W. Whitaker, W. W. Collins.

A general banking business transacted. Loans and exchange on all important points. Deposits received subject to check or on certificate of deposit. Collections made. Office hours 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.

THE INDEPENDENCE
National Bank!

Capital Stock, \$50,000.00.

H. HIRSCHBERG, President.
ABRAM NELSON, Vice President.
W. P. CONNAWAY, Cashier.

A general banking and exchange business transacted; loans made, bills discounted, commercial credits granted; deposits received on current account subject to check, interest paid on time deposits.

DIRECTORS.
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[One door west of postoffice]

J. C. SHOEMAKER, Prop.

Tropical and domestic fruits, nuts, etc., at wholesale and retail.

Fruits of all kinds constantly on hand

Our prices are the lowest

Sperling Bros.,

Meat Market

—DEALER IN—

Choice Meats.



OPEN SUNDAYS FROM 8 TO 9 A. M.

Free Delivery to all parts of the city.

Main Street, Independence.

BOOT and SHOE SHOP

P. H. MURPHY, Prop.

Repairing of all kinds will receive prompt attention. The best of work turned out on short notice.

A share of your patronage is solicited.

Main Street, Independence

M. T. CROW

Manufacturer of

Sash AND Doors

For Everybody.

Prices reasonable and work guaranteed.

BLACKSMITHING

Promptly and neatly done by

H. A. FULLER,

The Cash Blacksmith.

Horseshoeing

A Specialty.

STREET, INDEPENDENCE.

WANTED.

OATS, HAY, HAMS,
BACON, SHOULDERS, LARD,
EGGS,
POULTRY and CASH.

THE STAR GROCERY.

We keep in stock

Sacks,
100 lb and 200 lb
pool Salt in 50 lb
Bacon and Lard, Liver-
cans, Hams, Shoulders,
Strip in kegs and racks,
Sugar in kegs and sacks.

For Sale

FEED—Oats, Straw (baled)
Hay, baled.
FLOUR—Gold Dust,
Best Home,
Star.

For Sale

TEAS—Gunpowder, Japan,
English Breakfast, Young
Hyson.
COFFEE—Arabica, Lyon,
Java, Mocha, Rio, Costa
Rico, Salvador, Caribool.

Pop Corn

Cigars

Tobacco

Candy

LOST OPPORTUNITIES!

Don't miss an early opportunity to buy some of our celluloid goods. They are beauties, and bargains, too.

BE QUICK.

PHOTO ALBUMS.

We offer you Albums from 60c. to \$7.50.

A BIG LINE

DOLLS! DOLLS!!

Do not take our word that they are very cheap, but drop in and price them yourself. We have the finest line ever brought to Independence.

Lots of Toys
for the little boys.

Books, Booklets and Xmas Cards.

We have some bargains, "and don't you forget it."

To prevent baldness do not tell your wife we have no selection of Christmas Presents.

Music by the Chord at
CLODFELTER Bros.
Main St., Independence, Ore.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Carlisle's Currency Scheme in the Hands of the Committee.

JAPAN IS DEMANDING REPRISALS

Alaskan Gold Fields—The Dalles Robbers Sentenced—A Terrific Storm at Sea—A Pioneer Missing.

[From the Oregonian, Sun, and Statesman.]

Thursday December 6.

Cloture Defeated in Caucus.

WASHINGTON.—Cloture was defeated in caucus today. The discussion was at times quite animated. Vest, Vilas, Berry and George favored the proposition, while Gorman, Morgan, Palmer, Harris, Pugh and others opposed it vigorously. The defeat of Cloture practically settles all chance of the pop-gun tariff bills passing during this session.

In the Hands of his Friends.

WASHINGTON.—In regard to the Oregon senatorial fight Representative Hermann expresses himself as follows: "I am not a candidate for senator and I shall not announce myself as such. I shall not be a candidate, unless the legislature should wish me to be. Oregon's legislature is perfectly competent to select a senator. I have not conversed with a single member of the legislature in my interest, not even the members from my own county. If there should be a failure to select a senator from among the candidates mentioned and a compromise candidate should be needed, I then might enter the field."

Friday, December 7.

DeLemps is Dead.

PARIS.—Ferdinand de Lempus, the great engineer who built the Suez canal, is dead.

Steamboats Safer than Rail.

WASHINGTON.—According to government railway statistics just published, it is safer to travel on a steamboat than on a railroad train. Of 700,000,000 people carried by steamboats last year, only 255 lost their lives, while of 593,560,612 who traveled by rail, 299 were killed.

Alaskan Gold Fields

PORT TOWNSEND.—The steamer Chilkat, which arrived here tonight, brings the news that another rich gold find has been made in Alaska. The mines are located at the head of Turn-again Arm, in Crook inlet. It is said the pay dirt shows up from \$7 to \$20 a pan.

Carlisle's Plan to be Considered

WASHINGTON.—The financial plan submitted to congress by the president and Secretary Carlisle was taken under consideration by the finance committee and a programme arranged today. The democratic members want to proceed as fast as possible and favor reporting a bill before the holidays.

The Pierce County Delegation.

TACOMA.—The republican members from Pierce county, nine in number, held a meeting last evening and passed the following resolutions: "Resolved, That this delegation will stand by the republican state and county platforms in the election of United States senators." The platforms favor the coinage of silver at 16 to 1, and indorse the Nicaraguan canal project.

Our Treaty With China.

WASHINGTON.—The long delayed Chinese treaty has finally reached Washington. The Chinese government had dispatched the document to the United States by way of Europe to avoid possible danger along the shorter Pacific route. Late this afternoon Secretary Gresham and Chinese Minister Yang Yu exchanged final ratifications. Nothing now remains but to announce the treaty ratification by proclamation.

Saturday, December 8.

The Big Train Robbery.

FORT WORTH.—Different parties are still pursuing the train robbers and the fugitives are in close quarters. The robbers are evidently heading for the Indian Territory, with the rangers trying to head them off. It has been learned from a reliable source that their booty

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

Royal Baking Powder
ABSOLUTELY PURE

value will reach as high as \$145,000. There is grave suspicion that there was an inside man who gave pointers to the robbers.

Currency Now Uppermost.

WASHINGTON.—Chairman Springer is arranging to have the opinion of expert financiers presented before the house banking and currency committee concerning the proposed currency system. Invitations have been extended to leading financiers of New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Nashville and other representative cities of the country. Secretary Carlisle and Comptroller Eckles will appear before the committee Monday.

A Luzow Wanted.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The grand jury in its report today, among many other things, recommends "that the next legislature create a commission to investigate the actual administration of the duties of the police commissioners and the force under their control, similar to that which has accomplished so much good in New York. Other large cities are demanding this sort of investigation. We believe that San Francisco would also be benefited in the same manner, if not to the same extent."

A Threatened Indian War.

WASHINGTON.—Delegate Rawlins of Utah, says that he apprehends an outbreak among the Indians before the present difficulties are settled. The settlers are arming for the purpose of driving the Indians back into Colorado. Rawlins has notified Secretary Smith of the intention of the settlers and asks for government assistance. The secretary has sent the following telegram to Governor West: "Your telegram of the 4th instant submitted to the war department. General McCook will doubtless prevent any outbreak. Agent Day has been instructed to return the Indians to their reservation."

Suicide of Ex-Warden Coblenz.

WALLA WALLA.—J. H. Coblenz, ex-warden of the penitentiary, committed suicide here this evening by shooting himself through the head with a Smith & Wesson. The ball entered just behind the right ear, came out of the left temple and struck the ceiling. He was recently discovered to be a heavy defaulter of the state's funds and did not have the courage to face disgrace. He leaves a wife and several children. There is undeniable proof of Coblenz's crookedness. He combined with several "trusties" at the penitentiary, who have assisted him in defrauding the state. His shortage is not yet fully ascertained, but will reach at least \$15,000.

Sunday, December 9.

A Railroad Sold.

UNION, Or.—Henry Hewitt, of Portland, has purchased the Union railroad that extends from Union station on to the O. R. & N. railway to this city.

The Jury Says Judge Neil is Guilty.

JACKSONVILLE, Or.—The jury in the case of County Judge Neil, for breaking the jail door, rendered a verdict of guilty, after being out ten hours. Mr. Neil is serving his second term as judge of Jackson county. He is a leading attorney of the Southern Oregon bar, and is a Democrat. The trouble arose out of a dispute between the judge and Sheriff Patterson as to the right to convey persons to the asylum and reform school.

Democrats Falling into Line.

WASHINGTON.—Most of the Democratic leaders of the house are urging that the currency scheme be made a party question, that features of the bill to be passed shall be agreed upon in caucus, just as the silver bill in '90, since known as the Sherman act, was first formulated.

lated by a caucus of Republican members of the house of the fifty-first congress. The suggestion meets with favor among Democratic members.

The Japanese Treaty.

WASHINGTON.—The full text of the new treaty between the United States and Japan was published today and has excited much comment in diplomatic and official circles. The United States formally recognizes Japan as a first-class power. The treaty must be ratified within six months, which makes it incumbent for the senate to act on it at the present session. Minister Kurino has forwarded a copy of the treaty to his government, where it will be considered and ratified by the privy council of Japan.

Monday, December 10.

The Dalles Robbers Sentenced.

THE DALLES, Or.—Judge Bradshaw today sentenced Otis Savage and Frank Klien to the penitentiary, the former for four years and the latter for 18 months. Klein's light sentence is due to his having turned state's evidence. Savage received his sentence with stoical fortitude.

Hungarians Wild with Excitement.

BUDA PESTH.—There was great excitement in the reichstrath today when Prime Minister Wekerle announced that the king of Hungary had given his sanction to the ecclesiastical bills. This means religious liberty for the people of Hungary, the legalizing of civil marriages, allowing conversion of Christians to Judaism, granting religious liberty to Hebrews and removing restrictions with regard to the children of mixed marriages.

The Belligerent Japs.

SHANGHAI.—Before considering peace proposals Japan insists upon the surrender of all Chinese officials who offered money rewards for Japanese heads.

Tuesday, December 11.

A Terrible Storm at Sea.

ASTORIA, Or.—The severest storm of recent years struck this section early Sunday morning and raged until late at night. At and off the mouth of the Columbia the wind blew a perfect hurricane. The tug Fearless and her tow, the Breidablik, arrived here safely Monday morning, after having a terrific fight with the maddened elements.

The Storm on the Sound.

TACOMA.—The storm of Saturday and Sunday on Puget sound is pronounced by the local weather bureau to have been nothing less than a small cyclone. The wind blew at a rate of 50 miles an hour part of the time. It is pronounced the worst storm in 10 years.

Collided in a Tunnel.

CHICAGO.—Two cable cars collided in the Washington street tunnel this evening. One man was fatally injured and 15 others seriously hurt. The cars were set on fire by the stoves and for a time there was a fearful panic. The accident was caused by a gripman losing his hold on the cable, the car shooting down a steep incline. The conductor set the brakes but could not check the frightful velocity of the car.

A Benton Pioneer Missing.

CORVALLIS, Or.—Pryor Scott, a pioneer of 1845, has been missing since Sunday morning. He is supposed to have committed suicide. He had become financially embarrassed and has been quite despondent. A hat, identified as his, was found on the river.

A Daring Snuffdrol.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brown, who arrived here last night from Portland, were robbed of \$495 this afternoon by a man who entered their apartments on O'Farrell street.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder.

Awarded Gold Medal Midwinter Fair, San Francisco.