

THE INDEPENDENT, HILLSBORO

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GREETING.

Last week the undersigned purchased of the Hillsboro Independent Publishing Co. the material, subscription list and good will of the office known as the Hillsboro Independent and the business will hereafter be conducted by us.

We come to the pretty little city of Hillsboro an entire stranger to its people, but we hope to so conduct our business as to gain the good will and respect of all, and we hope by fair, honorable dealing to merit the patronage that rightfully belongs to a staunch republican newspaper in a staunch republican city and county. We were assured that a good party paper was needed here, and after carefully looking the field over, decided to buy the plant and make Hillsboro our home.

We have seen little of Washington county, excepting that portion through which we pass as the train winds its way from Portland, but in our estimation the possibilities of this beautiful valley are great, and the next ten years will make a wonderful change, not only to the city of Hillsboro but to this entire community.

A town is judged by the general appearance of its newspapers. If they look prosperous, are well filled with advertising, people on the outside will at once form a favorable opinion of the place and if they are looking for homes will be more apt to locate. But if the papers are poor, scrawny, half-starved sheets, prospective locators will look elsewhere. It is our desire to give to the metropolis of Washington county the best local and county paper it has ever had, and to this end we ask your good will and co-operation. We are not here to crowd any one out, but to occupy a field that needs a good, live republican newspaper.

We have published newspapers at Melrose, Lake Minnetonka, St. Louis Park and Sleepy Eye, all in Minnesota, and the record left behind is one we are not ashamed or afraid to point to. This statement is made simply to give you who are in doubt as to our reputation an opportunity to look the matter up, if they care to do so.

We find the subscription list of The Independent in very bad shape and it will take some time to get it out of the tangle. Subscribers who fail to receive their paper will please notify this office at once. Those who have paid in advance will receive their copy as usual and those who are owing for any length of time will oblige us by calling at the office or mailing us a statement so the books can be straightened out. Those who are not subscribers are invited to become such. The subscription price will remain as formerly, \$1 per year.

All subscriptions should be paid to the undersigned or to his authorized representatives. The paper will be continued to those who have paid in advance and those who are in arrears will settle with the new management.

D. W. BATH.

Subscribe for The Independent for yourself and another copy for some friend in the East.

Politically The Independent stands for Theodore Roosevelt and the Grand Old Party.

The Independent wants a correspondent from every town in Washington county. Particulars by mail or at this office.

The more they stir up the Mormon bigamy business the nastier it gets. The whole thing is a dirty blot and should be wiped out, and wiped out forever.

It is said that Japanese volunteers write their applications for enlistment in blood. The Russians are finding that the "little boys" are shooting along the same lines.

Five tramps, who were stealing a ride, were killed in a recent wreck on the Colorado & Southern railroad at Mayne, Col. But the Weary Willies will keep right on riding the bumpers.

If you do not receive a copy of The Independent through the mail

this week, step into the office and get one without money and without price. We want you to see the paper and then subscribe.

The Independent is now owned exclusively by the new publisher and all bills for subscription should be paid at the office or to some one authorized by the new management to receipt for the same.

The Portland Journal issued its first Sunday edition last Sunday. It was a metropolitan paper, full to the brim with news of interest to its large number of readers and a credit to Portland and its enterprising management.

Hon. D. M. C. Gault, of Salem, formerly of this city and for many years publisher of The Independent, was a visitor in town last Saturday and made this office a pleasant call. Mr. Gault has numerous friends in his old-home town who are always glad to see him.

Congress will make liberal appropriation for the Lewis and Clark fair, the railroads will bring the thousands and thousands of people at greatly reduced rates, and Portland will entertain her guests royally.

Tuesday and Wednesday, April 12 and 13, have been fixed by the Illinois Shiloh Battlefield Commission as the dates of the dedication of the monument of the Illinois troops on the battle field of Shiloh Tenn. Gov. Yates will deliver the address.

After experimenting many years John T. Spencer of Junction City, Col., professes to have perfected a method of growing seedless apples which is destined to revolutionize the apple industry, just as seedless oranges revolutionized orange growing.

The comptroller of the currency has approved the application of W. L. Thompson of Lewiston, Idaho; R. C. Roach of Walla Walla; T. G. Hailey, C. J. Smith and W. P. Temple of Pendleton, to organize a national bank at Pendleton, Or., with a capital of \$50,000, to be known as the Commercial bank of Pendleton.

It is common talk about town that The Independent has taken a "Bath." Well, it needed a wash badly and its readers will notice today that a change has been made for the better. Much of our time and energy has been spent during the past week in cleaning the type and presses and we hope soon to be in thorough working order. New type and material will be added to fill the demands of this field and we shall soon have one of the best country printing offices in this section. Our job printing will prove this statement.

The Supreme Court has rendered its decision in the merger case of the Northern Securities company vs. the United States, in favor of the government's contention that the merger was illegal. President Hill is not saying very much, nor does he appear greatly worried at the decision. If you will hold your ear close to the ground some time in the future you will undoubtedly be able to hear the trains of the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific rumbling merrily along side by side with "Jim" Hill pulling the strings from his throne in St. Paul. Mr. Hill is a stayer.

Can Retain Their Holdings.

President Howard Elliot of the Northern Pacific has decided that settlers who have taken up lands in the tract involved in litigation known as the "overlap" land case, which was recently decided by the United States supreme court in favor of the company, shall be allowed to retain their holdings. It has been announced that the company desires to take up with these settlers the question of the sale of the lands, and that a commission will be appointed to appraise the land. It is stated that no advantage will be taken by the company of the settlers, and that in fixing the price of the land no consideration shall be taken of the increased value resulting from the improvements and cultivation of the settlers. The land affected by the decision consists of a tract about 40 miles square, lying on the east side of the company's tract between Tacoma and Portland and on the north bank of the Columbia river, including all of Clark county and portions of Skamania, Cowlitz and Klickitat counties, Washington.

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FROM THE CAPITAL CITY

An Interesting Letter From Hon. D. M. C. Gault of Salem, Formerly of this City.

The matter most in the public eye hereabouts is the weather. We have had quite as much blustery weather here during the past six months as you at Hillsboro. Business is all but at a standstill. There are many buildings commenced in the city, but the rain stops excavating, stops brick-laying and shingling. Plowing is not to be thought of. There is no farm work doing except milking cows and spreading flax to rot. In some counties ponds are selected for flax retting, but not so in Oregon, or at least not this year. Near the railroad north of Salem a 20 acre field was used in February for spreading the flax straw. A week ago it had been gathered up and set on end in bundles, but since it has been raining every day, I suppose it is still in the field.

The wind of last Saturday afternoon did considerable damage in Marion county. The property most destroyed in the country were hop houses. I hear of a half dozen or more that were blown down—damage to fences is not taken into account. Here in the city the destruction was not so great, though one of the best built brick structures lost its tin roof. A large and valuable stock of ladies' furnishing goods was exposed to the rain. It was protected, however, by a turreted paper roof, which was hurriedly put on and secured by 9 o'clock at night. A great sign was blown from a three-story brick and landed in the second story of a brick across the 100-foot street, breaking a fine plate glass window. The occupants of the room escaped serious injury or death by being temporarily in a rear hall.

Politics begin to receive some attention, though it is local matters that most disturb the pool. County Surveyor Culver seeks the republican nomination for sheriff. His opponent is County Judge Scott, who hopes to succeed himself. Scott does not oppose Culver, but his "interests" do, wherefore Culver's "interests" are aroused, and there you are.

Judge Burnett wants a renomination. His opponent before the convention is L. K. Adams, late of the firm of Burnett & Adams of Hillsboro. Adams is an ideal man for the bench and his Hillsboro friends would rejoice to hear of his taking a place on the bench. There is no slate politics, all conceding that Judge Moore should be kept on the supreme bench. A little is said about congressman, but the hull in the storm, if there is to be a storm, is very marked. Herman has more friends here than he had a year ago, and Harris fewer. Harris can be said to be having no boom here, though it may come later. S. B. Huston, of your county, is mentioned quite as often as the others, and while he is not putting forth the energy usually displayed by congressional aspirants, his very modesty is an element of strength. Mr. Huston's fitness for the place is conceded by all.

Superintendent Ackerman has but recently returned from a visit to the Hillsboro public schools. He mentions the good work being done there, which he finds averages well with like work in other towns. He is particularly pleased with the enthusiasm manifested by the Hillsboro teachers touching the banner which the State Teachers' association western division, has offered to the county having the largest association membership at the next session of that educational body. As the meeting of the association is to be held in Multnomah county, that county is excluded from the contest. The county gets the banner that has the greatest membership in proportion to the number of school rooms in the competitive counties. The Hillsboro teachers say that the bush in Tualatin plains must be uncovered.

The commission, the Governor, Secretary of State, and State Treasurer, having in hand the securing of the right-of-way for the Cello-Dalles ship canal are making satisfactory progress. An agreement has been practically reached with the three largest interests owning lands to be traversed, the O. R. & N. Co. The Dalles Packing Co. and Farrel. The commission is much hindered because the government has no surveys yet made. It is

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for this reason that no deeds have yet been signed. They cannot be until the surveys mark out the land that is to be used for canal excavation. Government engineers are to take the field early this season and steadily pursue the work of locating the canal. Nothing is doing with the state portage railway, nor will it be touched till the canal is arranged for, and probably not then, for the general government will not want a state road on its canal right-of-way. To get a second right-of-way means another route for the road, at least in part, which will greatly increase its cost. So the commission will not feel itself justified in commencing an enterprise that cannot be completed for the appropriation. This will without doubt be agreeable information for your Representative Gault, who so bitterly opposed appropriating \$165,000 to build the Celilo portage railway.

Washington county is coming to have quite a colony at Salem. Besides the professions and political officers, the industries and trades are represented. The Haas Bros. have two well arranged drug stores here and appear to be doing a profitable business. More recently the Gault Printing Co. has installed a job printing office where W. H. Gault is turning out a grade of work that is becoming very popular. The new firm has just installed electric power, which will increase the output of the plant fully 50 per cent.

Dr. A. B. Bailey is occasionally seen on the street, but it is understood that he is a busy man and has during the past winter burned a few quarts of oil. He is at the head of his class and will be graduated in a few weeks, when he will return to his home at Hillsboro.

Bread.
Freshly made bread is more indigestible than stale bread because it is more moist and becomes more so in the mouth hence more impregnated with the saliva and the gastric juices. For the same reason bread crumb is more digestible than what is beneath it, being drier. Bread may be unfit for use from being made of adulterated or too old flour, by turning sour or developing a bitter taste from the yeast, from getting moldy and from imperfect fermentation in the rising process, which leaves it too heavy for the digestive fluids to act well upon.

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Also Several Things.
You find on talking to the man
It isn't such a joke.
Remember the one who also ran
You learn is also broke.

Needs a Bodyguard.
She—It is not good for man to be alone.
He—I should say not when there is a hokup man on each corner.

PERT PARAGRAPHS.
When a boy is named Roy it is at a time that he is too small to kick those who hand him such a cognomen.

However, Washington was both too modest and too truthful to say himself that he never told a lie.

A man goes into wedlock with his eyes open, but a few weeks of it may cause them to open even wider.

It takes two to play at the game of love, but three can make it much more interesting.

A lawyer would not think of charging for trying a case of champagne.

Overeating kills more men than overwork, but the former is the pleasanter death.

A shallow man should take a tumble to himself and dig.

Naturally most of the trusts are formed at the seaboard, where the supply of water is unlimited.

Don't kick a man when he's going downhill unless you are certain that he has no gun.

When you cast your bread on the waters, if it doesn't return to you go fishing.

There is no patriotism in a mortgage; it works full time on all legal holidays.

The man who can write passes never lacks for friends.

It All Depended.
"Don't we go any higher?" asked the facetious guest in the hotel when the elevator stopped at the twenty-fourth floor.

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