

# The Grant County News.

ONLY PAPER IN GRANT COUNTY.

Official Paper For Grant County.

Canyon City, Saturday Sept. 20 1879.

S. H. SHEPHERD. - - - - - EDITOR.

## To Our Patrons.

Scarcely a day passes that we are not asked "if we will make the paper a permanent success?" In this issue we give a few facts and let the people draw their own conclusions. We started this paper on the 12th day of April, less than six months ago; did not owe a cent on the press, type, etc., and have managed ever since to pay every dollar as it became due for paper, ink and type, and while a number of our exchanges are now calling for the amounts due them from delinquent subscribers so they can pay what they owe on material, we are proud to say all we have to do is to ask for what is due us so we can make improvements to our office. Rent costs us \$150 per year, but we have partly bargained for a home and of course a hint to those owing will be all that is necessary. We do not wish our patrons to understand us that we don't owe a dollar any place; for, although, we labored hard for three years in Baker City we could not, owing to the credit system, get enough cash money to keep out of debt there, but are glad to say that we have due from good men (if they did neglect to pay for the paper for from two to seven years) enough to pay all we owe and to buy a pencil to write that we will hereafter allow no man to owe us for more than one year on subscription. It is our intention to make this paper a profitable institution for Grant County and all we ask in return is the aid of the people in giving the news to us from their neighborhood and paying what they owe to the News when it is due.

When we started the News we sent out the first week 350 copies, 38 papers more than any Journal ever had in this county; from that time on the list has rapidly increased until our circulation has reached a point unheard of before in the history of any paper in Oregon as the following will testify:

This paper is now a trifle over fourteen months old, and has a larger circulation than any paper in this State ever had at its age. \* \* \* \* \* Looking over our mail books we now find 382 names.—Inland Empire.

Circulation At 23 Weeks O.d.

A CERTIFICATE, UNDENIABLE.

CANYON CITY, GRANT COUNTY, Ogn., Sept. 17th, 1879. We hereby certify that we have this day counted the quires of paper wet down, preparatory to printing the first, or outside, of the Grant County News and find that the circulation is 24 quires, or 576 copies. We also certify that the last issue was Number 23, which makes the 23d week of publication of the News.

M. L. OLMSTED,  
L. O. STERNS.

We selected the above gentlemen because they are trustworthy. M. L. Olmsted is a prominent attorney in this city and county, and formerly a newspaper man in the East.—Judge L. O. Sterns is a resident of Baker City and is well and favorably known throughout the State as an eminent lawyer and in California some of the cases that ever drove a pen in the "Golden State."

NEW TYPE.—We have received a new supply of type and other material and shall continue to add to our office until we have the neatest country office in the State. As we said in our first issue that Grant County can support a paper and we intended to be the one that would prove the assertion, we are now more than ever determined to show the people of Eastern Oregon that Grant County stands in the front rank, and has at this time a brighter future than any county in Oregon, east of the Cascades.

Is It Wrong.—We heard a prominent man express his opinion not long since that editors, reporters and newspaper men were doing a great injury to the morality of the country by publishing accounts of murders, thefts and news of like class; and that he hoped to see the time when papers would not be allowed to do so. Now the News has for the last few weeks contained reports of murders and news of like class and in fact in this issue we have a report of the killing of a desperado and of thefts and so on and can not see that we are doing an immoral act to this community. An editor agrees to give the news to his patrons and if we refused to do so how long would the News survive—not many weeks—and no doubt the one that now censures our paper would be the first to condemn it then.

Clergymen preach of murders, of thefts and of all other sins. Newspapers publish and condemn wrongs and the intelligent would think a journal of little importance that did not give the current news.

## A Desperate Character Killed by a Sheriff's Posse in Harney Valley.

FORT HARNEY OGN; Sept. 15, '79. EDITOR NEWS:—A horse thief and desperate character, was shot and instantly killed on the Winnemucca road, 20 miles south of this place early yesterday morning. The facts in connection with the affair are as follows:—Anderson and Chas. Hamblin, Dept. sheriffs of Umatilla county, arrived here Saturday evening, having in their possession a warrant for the arrest of two men who stole horses at Heppner, Umatilla county, upon making inquiries at the Post they learned that the men they were looking for were on the Winnemucca road traveling south, and would probably camp at the Slough, 16 miles from here, that night. After partaking of some refreshments they started in hot pursuit of the fugitives, accompanied by W. W. Johnson and Byron Grham of this place. The party traveled all night and at daylight yesterday morning they overtook them at a point in the Winnemucca road opposite Saddle Butte and about 20 miles south of Fort Harney. When within 10 paces of the man who was killed, and who was evidently the leader, Anderson ordered him to throw up his hands, at the same time covering him with his rifle, as did also the three others. The man was noticed to smile deviously and like a flash he raised his Winchester to his shoulder but his horse becoming unmanageable he was unable to take aim. Whirling to the right he changed the gun by a dexterous movement so that the barrel rested on his right fore arm and fired, but the fractiousness of the horse caused him to hit wide of the mark. A moment later and he received a volley from the rifles of the posse and dropped dead in his tracks. He was an active well built man, about 30 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches high, florid complexion, brown hair, and his erect position on horseback and general bearing, shows unmistakable evidence of his having been at one time a soldier. His partner was brought back to the Post and turned over to Sheriff Sperry of Umatilla county, who arrived here this evening. He seems to be a half demented fellow who is unable to account for himself or the man he was with. He gives the name of Campbell, but does not know the name of the man that was killed.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. F. PRUDEN,  
ELECTRIC PHYSICIAN.

Residence—John Day, Grant County Oregon.

MILL men will do well to call at this office when they need rabbit metal, as we have plenty for sale in quantities from 1lb to 100lbs. For cash only.

Bishop Blanchet performed his last episcopal visitation in the diocese of Nesqually, a short time since. He celebrated in Seilaocom, W. T., the eighty-second anniversary of his birth on the 22nd of August, having been born in 1797.

## LAURANCE & SHEARER,

Prairie City, - - - - - Oregon,



Would most respectfully announce to the Public that they have received a large stock of **SPRING & SUMMER** goods, and keep constantly on hand a full line of choice family GROCERIES, DRY GOODS, READY MADE CLOTHING, HATS and CAPS, BOOTS and SHOES, HARDWARE, CROCKERY, GLASSWARE, CIGARS and TOBACCO, SCHOOL BOOKS, STATIONERY, PATENT MEDICINES, OILS, PAINTS, NOTIONS, &c.

We keep a large and well selected stock of General Merchandise. Call and see for yourselves.

LAURANCE & SHEARER,  
Prairie City, July 3d, 1879. n136f.

## REMOVED.

JULES LE BRETTE takes pleasure in announcing to the people of this county that he has removed his stock of goods across the square, in the room underneath the

## Odd Fellow's Hall,

Prairie City, Oregon, where he has just received a full and well selected stock of General Merchandise and Notions, and invites those wishing anything in his line to call and see him.

Post Office is also at his new storeroom.

JULES LE BRETTE,  
Prairie City, July 3d, 1879. n136f.



Every Boot has a GUARANTEE STAMP inside, and the Merchant of whom you buy them is authorized to return your money if you are not satisfied with the Boots. It is

## THE BEST RUBBER BOOT

In the Market. Ask for it and take no other.

HECHT BROS. & CO.  
SAN FRANCISCO,  
SOLE OWNERS.

We carry the Largest Stock of Boots and Shoes of all kinds of any house in America. n15m3.

## NOTICE.

LAND OFFICE AT LA GRANDE, OREGON, September 24, 1879.

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 secure final entry thereof at the expiration of thirty days from the date of this notice, viz: Fred. Suggert for the S $\frac{1}{2}$ , S E $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 8, T. 13 S of R 33 E W. M. and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Edwin Hall, of Grant County, Oregon, and Henry Bell Jr., of Grant County, Oregon. HENRY W. DWIGHT, Register.

## JOHN GOLDEN, Prairie City, Oregon.

Boots and Shoes made and Repaired to order.  
Clocks and Watches Cleaned and Repaired. n21ff.

PHIL METSCHAN,  
F C SELS,

## NEW GOODS!

JOHN McCULLOUGH,  
DENIS McAULIFF.

## NEW PRICES!

## PHIL. METSCHAN & CO.

Announce that they have just received a new and well assorted Stock of

## "General Merchandise"

Which They Offer Cheap For Cash Only.

Having bought for Cash we are prepared to sell our Goods Cheaper than they were ever before offered in

## CANYON CITY, OREGON.

Our old Stock, together with our new, we will continue to sell at COST PRICES.

PHIL. METSCHAN & Co.  
Successors to M. S. HELLMAN.  
Canyon City, July 18, 1879.

## NEW DRUG STORE.

MAIN STREET, CANYON CITY, OREGON.

## J. W. HOWARD, M. D. - - PROPRIETOR.

Having recently received a full and carefully selected stock of Drugs, and Medicines I am fully prepared to furnish everything usually kept in a First Class Drug House, at reasonable Prices. Also a full stock of the Standard Patent Medicines on hand. Call, everybody, and see, and buy of my fresh goods.

J. W. HOWARD, M. D., Proprietor.

DALLAS AND BAKER CITY W. G. OVERHOLT. W. A. JACOBS

## OVERHOLT & JACOBS,

Wagon Making & Carpentering.



Wagons and Buggies repaired at reasonable rates—Spokes, Brakebars, Axles, Felloes, Plow Beams, Etc., for Sale.

Building and Jobbing promptly attended to.

## Doors, Sash, Etc.,

Constantly on hand and made to order.

## DAMIANA,

FROM WHICH THE BITTERS are made is a Mexican Herb, and is indigenous only to a small section of Lower (Baja) California.

It has been used by the inhabitants of Lower California for the last thirty years as a general

INVIGORATOR OF THE SYSTEM, A Great Remedy for Disease of Kidneys and Bladder!

## Positive Cure For Dyspepsia.

Fleckenstein & Mayer, Sole Agents, Portland Oregon. [n18y.]

## SEND One Dollar and size, and get a 16 karat, Solid Gold Cable Ring, made and sent by return mail by

CHAS. ST. LOUIS, Baker City, Oregon.

## Independence Hotel,

B. F. ROGERS, Proprietor. Granite, Grant County, Oregon.

This hotel is supplied with the best the market affords and no pains will be spared to make guests comfortable. The Canyon City and Baker stages stop over night at this house. Granite Creek, Aug. 30th 1879.

L. COFFIN, Register. 20 24