

East Oregonian Branch Office. Branch office of the East Oregonian has been established in Portland in the Abington room, second floor, under the management of Homer H. Hullock. He will be glad to have residents of Pendleton, and other Eastern Oregonians generally, to make a visit when in Portland. He will fully render them any service in his power.

MEETINGS. For meals go to the Masonic restaurant. S. Jones went to Portland Thursday several car loads of mutton sheep. Taylor, Jones & Co. are doing the thing for the O. R. & N. Co. at the

Mary C. Skiff, wife of Willis died in Union last Sunday after a illness. Turner & Crews have a large sum of money to loan on improved land at low interest.

Spring-sown wheat is beginning to show under the kind influence of the weather.

A. Campbell, of Multnomah county, has been granted a pension for a shingle machine.

The county clerk and his two deputies busy these days recording patents of title to town lots.

J. Maston, the well known book binder of Portland, has been granted a patent for binding books.

M. Friedley's crew of bridge repairmen came up this morning to repair the O. R. & N. stock yards at this place.

The auction sale of J. P. Ellis' furniture was postponed until Monday at 1 o'clock in front of the court house.

The stone crosswalk between the Villard and The People's Warehouse is to be replaced by a substantial wooden one.

Geob Stubenbordt keeps Madam's celebrated beer on draught, at his place on Main street, in the Association block.

Fifteen per cent. discount for the next 15 days on all cash purchases of clothing of over five dollars, at the Chicago store.

Tom Bradley returned yesterday from Portland and the Sound, via the switch-back, and is now at his post at the Villard House.

For the next eight days the Chicago store will give a discount of 15 per cent. on all cash purchases of clothing of over five dollars.

The Pendleton Fire Department hall the benefit of the Boy's Band comes next Monday evening at Frazer's Opera House.

K. Beard is living in Modesto, California. He wishes to dispose of his real estate property in Pendleton and farming lands in the county.

A Kansas editor printed the account of a mother-in-law's funeral under the head of "Pleasant Events of the Week." It was a mistake.

Frank Smith, brother of Mrs. W. G. Wilson and Mrs. F. C. Campbell, returned to Prescott last night, where he has opened a dental office.

Lost, on Court street, between the Episcopal church and Garden street, a pair of gold-rimmed spectacles. Finder will leave them at this office.

Easter services in the M. E. church tomorrow. Subjects: Morning—"The Resurrection;" evening—"The Trinity and Unity." All are cordially invited.

Smith & Stroud are doing a good job of grading on Thompson street. They have gravel two feet below the surface of the hill, making the work much easier.

The Charleston News and Courier says: The Mills bill will help the deserving and hurt no deserving classes. It is as good a generalization as we have seen.

Remember, if you are already a subscriber of the Daily East Oregonian, you can have a second copy one year by mail for \$5.00, or by carrier for fifteen cents a week.

Lost, on the street between the Marine restaurant and the postoffice, a new white buggy whip. Finder will please turn same to Estes & Gull's livery stable, on Alta street.

R. C. Miller, of Linn county, father of J. A. Miller, of Pendleton, received 67 votes out of 69 at the Democratic convention lately held as a candidate for representative from that county.

Conductor Robeson, for a long time on the run between Umatilla and Huntington, and Conductor Weidner, formerly on the Pendleton-Walla Walla branch, are both running now between Portland and Wallula.

There should be no occasion for complaint next week on account of exorbitant charges by Pendleton hotels and restaurants, because a crowd of people is to be here. Give the visitors the best accommodations possible at the usual rates.

Andrew Nelson has been paid his loss full occasioned by his dwelling catching fire several weeks since, as stated in the EAST OREGONIAN at the time. He is insured in the Columbia Insurance company, represented by Clopton & Erickson.

G. W. Hunt already has two parties of engineers in the field near Wallula locating the new line, and work will be commenced as soon as the right of way can be surveyed and the agreements be made. Several of the Eureka flatters have already decided the right of way for the road, and the others will do so as soon as the line is located.

Ellensburg Capital: One of the Iowa milks who arrived in Ellensburg last week was so unfortunate as to lose several head of cows and their household goods in a wreck along Yellowstone river, Montana, and one of the young men narrowly escaped drowning. They feel their loss very seriously, as there were many articles that were highly treasured articles, which can never be replaced.

THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES.

The Fight Between Houser and Sommersville.

The Republican primaries are just over as we go to press. The contest was mainly between opposing delegations for sheriff, one ticket being for Houser, and the other for Sommersville. In North Pendleton the following was the vote: R. L. Oliver, 83; T. L. Moorhouse, 87; O. J. Carlson, 90; J. M. Elgin, 94; M. J. Greene, 92; M. E. Folsom, 84; J. E. Bean, 77; F. Garrett, 77; F. J. Donaldson, 73; George Shurtin, 81; W. D. Fletcher, 81; David Duff, 61. The six first named, Oliver, Moorhouse, Carlson, Elgin, Greene, and Folsom were elected by slight majorities. This is understood to be a complete Houser delegation.

In South Pendleton precinct a very large vote was polled, and the vote received by each delegate was as follows: J. M. Watson, 241; H. Flickenger, 239; Dave Horn, 231; Chas. Frazer, 76; Ben Burroughs, 78; Frank Duprat, 237; Jas. Gibson, 161; H. J. Bean, 177; R. Sargent 164; H. Stover, 75; scattering, 8. The successful delegates are Watson, Flickenger, Horn, Duprat, Gibson, Bean and Sargent, and are supposed to be mostly for Sommersville, so that the contest between him and Houser will be carried into the convention.

Hotel Arrivals.

BOWMAN HOUSE.—H. H. McReynolds, Alba; Mrs. Lonon and family, Miss Alice Hammock, city; J. E. Calloway, Portland; G. B. Velch, The Dalles; J. G. Thorp, Adams; James Ashworth, J. M. O'Harra, Weston; Phillip Craig, Walla Walla; P. G. Wier, city; H. Tryon; S. B. Connor, Wallawa; J. A. Lawrence, Yankton, D. T.; G. W. Todd and family, M. S. Sardofof, Milan, Mo.; L. Dell and family, Haley, Mo.; Homer Gray and family, Mo.; Robert Todd, Gault, Mo.; J. F. Calbart, city; J. E. Noland, Eugene; S. A. Tinyman, O. R. & N.

VILLARD HOUSE.—H. Bradley, A. J. Thos. H. H. Behowell, Henry Harris, H. Crohn, Thomas W. Jenkins, M. L. Cooper, M. Embree, Portland; Geo. T. Russell, Oakland; J. K. Ryan, Chicago; H. L. Thompson, Centerville; E. D. Thornton, New York; H. L. Lynne, Chicago; L. Aronson, Seattle; C. E. Lewis, Walla Walla; L. K. Boyd and wife, Lewiston; W. M. Pierce, Mrs. Bowers, Weston; E. E. Taylor, Union; J. G. Stringham, Harris, Kansas; Mrs. Marriner; J. Swift, Tacoma; H. R. Coate, San Francisco; J. P. Wager, City; Moses Baruh, San Francisco; B. Steele, Pataha City; L. F. Keeney, Pataha City; J. E. Noland, Eugene City; E. J. Sommersville, Country.

GOLDEN RULE HOTEL.—Chas. Taylor, J. A. Ogg, Julius Kruger, Portland; Dr. G. W. King, E. D. Hardwick, T. J. Melbourn, City; John Gagen, Country; Ben Smith, Huntington; H. G. Watters, La Grande; Harry Baxter, Vinson; D. Peterson, Vinson; John Walker, J. Linn, Morrow County; Donald McKay, The Dalles; F. E. Trevitt, Nolin; John Scott, Wm. Powell, Weston; John Clance, C. R. Pratt, A. Office, Baker City; J. B. Mason, Winfield; D. S. Russell, Cold Spring.

The Wallawa Murder Trial.

From the Baker City Democrat. The circuit court of Wallawa county has just closed. The most important case on the docket was that of Smith and Keeler, jointly indicted for the murder of Girard Cochran some four months ago. The State in this case was represented by E. R. Skipworth, of Pendleton, M. Baker, of La Grande, and Ivanhoe & Smith, of Joseph. The defense was conducted by M. L. Olmsted, of Baker, C. H. Finn, of La Grande, and Piper & McGown, of Joseph. Much local interest was manifested during the trial, and the case was hotly contested from beginning to end by the attorneys on both sides. It resulted in a verdict of "not guilty," as to Smith, and "guilty of manslaughter" as to Keeler, who gets seven years in the State penitentiary.

Wasco County Nominations.

The following Democratic ticket was nominated yesterday at The Dalles: For State Senator—J. B. Condon. Col. Bradshaw withdrew after the first or second ballot. For Representatives—W. McD. Lewis, and B. F. Medler. County Judge—G. A. Liebe. Sheriff—George Herbert. Clerk—J. A. Scott. Treasurer—H. M. Beall. County Commissioners—W. L. Ward and Hugh Lacey. Delegates to State convention—Col. E. C. Bradshaw, John Fulton, J. H. Cradlebaugh, J. B. Crossen, A. S. Bennett and H. B. Borthwick.

Doing a Big Business.

W. J. McConnell, a former Yambiller, who once cut quite a figure in this State as a politician, though a thin man, is fast swelling out to the portentous size of a trust company. At Moscow, Idaho, he has a large general store with nine clerks, and the only bank in the place. At Pullman, a small town he owns some distance off, he fattens hogs on 450,000 bushels of wheat he bought at 35 to 40 cents a bushel. It is said he has a mortgage on every farm in the county. All banking and mercantile business at Moscow is under his absolute control.

Gilliam County Nominations.

Following are Gilliam county nominations: Representative, M. V. Harrison; sheriff, W. J. Mulkey; county clerk, W. L. Wilcox; commissioners, W. R. Baker and Morgan Ward; county school superintendent, J. A. McMorris; assessor, W. E. Thornton; treasurer, J. H. Woods; delegates to State convention, H. C. Condon, J. H. Downing and P. E. McQuinn; coroner, Dr. L. Palmer.

Philadelphia Record: Confidently anticipating the passage of the Dependent Pension bill, the indefatigable claim agents at Washington are already in the field with their circulars. The bill in question might be named the Claim Agents' bill, as they are the persons chiefly interested in its fate.

J. Jerolomon, of Bath, N. Y., was married for the seventh time last Friday. He is seventy years of age. His heroic enthusiasm as regards matrimony grows not "dim with the mist of years." We wish Jerolomon joy.

PORTLAND LETTER.

The Prejudice Against Portland—Assertions Without Proof—Facts and Reasons.

PORTLAND, OR., March 29, 1888. I am puzzled. I have been trying hard to reason out why the press, claiming to represent the people of Eastern Oregon, should make war upon Portland; why they should look upon her business men as a gang of robbers, ready to "stand up" every farmer that comes within reach. The problem is too much for me, and I have had to give it up. The people of the Inland Empire justify their attitude by assertions; but assertion without proof is valueless. Even acts of violence are often justified by reason—never by assertions uncorroborated. You say Portland is antagonistic to Eastern Oregon; that she strives to retard the development of your country. Can you substantiate this assertion by reason? If so, let it be forth-coming, and we will forever after hold our peace. Portland may be likened unto a growing oak, whose leaves and branches protect from the burning sun the soil from which it draws the nourishment that gives it life. Is there any reason why the oak should cut off the sources from which its substance comes? Is it logical to assert that the parent stem will better thrive if stripped of its branches? No. Then, in the name of reason, why should Portland wish to cut off any of the sources upon which her life and growth depends? Why should she antagonize a people whose interests are hers? Why should she strive to stifle the industries upon which she thrives?

Now for facts. Fact and reason go hand in hand. Portland people are human—they are striving to make money—so are you. Who, in fact, are not? In the great arm chair of the chief executive of the United States sits a man who is striving to accumulate wealth; in the halls of Congress an army of men is framing bills and offering amendments for the almighty dollar; great railroad men of the world are sending out the iron horse to the four corners of the globe for the dollar of their daddies; horny-handed sons of toil are plowing up the bunchgrass in Eastern Oregon for the "big iron dollar;" in the various courts of the country learned judges are dealing out justice for collateral; from the pulpits of the many churches the minister is teaching the Word of God, for revenue only; the farmer, the mechanic, the merchant, the jobber, East, West, North and South, are laboring to acquire a competency. All are alike in this respect, Portland not excepted. You cannot, therefore, excuse your warlike attitude toward Portland, because her business men are trying their best to make money.

You assert that Portland tried to compel you to trade with her by obtaining discriminating rates on freight. It is true such rates were made, and they were undoubtedly advantageous to Portland, but Portland is not responsible for such a condition of things. The railroad company did this, to leather their own nest. Now, that the interstate law has made all things equal, you propose to get even on Portland, (for what, I don't know,) by doing your trading in the East. All right. This glorious country is free; do as you please, but be careful that you don't lose your nose in splitting your face. If you think you can make better bargains in Chicago or New York than Portland you are mistaken; if you think business men East are any better than they are West you are in error; if you think it any more advantageous in any particular to trade outside of your own State than in, you do not reason correctly. I challenge any merchant in Oregon to produce an invoice of goods bought in the east amounting to \$100 or upward that will not be duplicated in Portland, and laid down in your door at the same figure. Every thinking man knows the advantage of trading among themselves over taking their money out of the country. If any one is to grow rich by the trade of Eastern Oregon let it be those who live in the State. The more wealth we have in Oregon the better it is for us all. Do not take it for granted that the people of Portland are trying to rob you because some short sighted, unthinking individual says so. Dig down and get the bottom facts and you will find that the men doing business in Portland are just as liberal, just as honorable and just as practical and intelligent as any people on top of the globe.

TUBE LARKS.

The Bogus Chinese Certificate Frauds. W. A. Boyd, of San Francisco, indicted for fraud and conspiracy in dealing in Chinese return certificates, has made a full confession.

Hundreds of Chinese were sent to the Chinese registration office at the custom house who had no intentions of going back to China. They got white tags in the same way as they get them now. Boyd then made out the red certificates and had them signed in the regular way. He then got the white tags from the Chinese who had registered and who had no idea of going to China. These white tags were turned in at the custom house as evidence that the celestials had departed and the red certificates remained in the hands of the conspirators to be sent to China at their convenience. As many as 100 certificates were obtained in this manner with the departure of every steamer. Those certificates went to Hong Kong and were sold, and many Chinese were landed here on them. After Hintz went to China, certificates were sent to him to be disposed of. Ciprico, McLean and Kipp were cognizant of what was done. The steamer that followed the City of Peking carried a big batch of these certificates. Ciprico sent them, but they all knew they were going. Hintz sent as many as five or six hundred certificates in all after his departure for Hong Kong, and the money was returned for division. It was impossible for him to tell how many certificates had been disposed of. He and Ciprico had been engaged in selling certificates before Hintz was taken into the deal and went to China. Certificates for men were sold in this city at the average price of \$20, while certificates for women ranged from \$50 to \$100. Ciprico could always get a price for the certificates that astonished Boyd. There was always something of ill-feeling between these two men. Ciprico was niggardly and saving with his money,

while Boyd spent all as fast as it was received. Boyd would accuse Ciprico of not dividing the profits equally, while the latter blamed the former for not getting more money for certificates.

It is said that on one occasion Boyd and Ciprico were enjoying what is commonly known as a "little supper" at a well-known restaurant here. On this occasion Boyd was feeling pretty good, and determined to have his little joke. He therefore announced his intention of having a champagne bath. It is said that Ciprico nearly had a fit at the idea of such extravagance, but Boyd insisted on his ordering and emptying bottles into the bath. Fifteen hundred dollars is said to have been expended in this way—300 bottles at \$4.55 apiece. Then Boyd had his bath, and whatever his power over his comrade it was sufficient to make the latter foot the bills.

Newspapers and Their Readers.

From the Portland Telegram. The average newspaper reader goes through the crowded columns of his daily Journal with slight appreciation of the import of what he reads. In the rail cars the morning passenger rapidly glances over the head lines; and in the counting house or office, or at the breakfast table, a hurried glance suffices. The reader must recur to his daily business, of far more importance to him than the newspaper, unless, indeed, the journal contain something affecting him personally, or relating to his particular business pursuit. It does not occur to him that every item in the great variety of news has interest for somebody. Nor does he consider that all this matter has to be furnished at the cost of the labor of many persons; and that even a two-line statement may have required a day's search to trace and verify it. The newspaper is the concrete presentment of the work of a large number of scribes and reporters. Not only are its statements the indication of labor, but even its silence on some subjects, the works of the journalist is conspicuous by the absence of any indication that a false rumor having been traced, and, proving unfounded, has been passed over unnoticed.

If people thought over all the contents of their daily papers they would not find time for thought concerning anything besides. Take, for instance, the line of news regarding murders, murder trials and prisoners in confinement waiting execution. It is not the gross and remarkable cases to which reference here is intended. Think of some poor wretch whose name would not find publication except for the fact that the coroner and trial jury have cognizance of his crime against another poor creature as little known as himself. His condition is as dreadful as though they were known to all the world. His friends and relatives are as keenly sensitive to his fate as the friends of the most distinguished man could be, under like circumstances. But, as for him, he might as well have no name at all, for the little interest that is created by the two-line announcement that on a certain day a man whom nobody knows is to be hanged. Yet, what a world of woe, intense, though limited, surrounds him. And how passing thought is his terror in the cell of the condemned.

And so on through all the bits of intelligence which the newspaper contains. The whole sheet in its entirety has deep interest for very few persons. But here and there individual readers and groups of readers are shocked or pleased, or interested by the particular notes which concern themselves. The millions in this country who read the journals form a vast crowd without coherence. They are a multitude of diversities, with little else in common but the possession of eyesight.

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