

Daily Mountaineer.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 16, 1865.

THE SOLDIERS' VOTE.

The State Rights Democrat of the 9th inst. contains a paragraph in relation to the soldiers' vote at Camp Watson, which does manifest injury to them; and as we propose to explain to that journal the actual facts, we trust in its courtesy to make the proper correction. As to the legality of the votes cast there for the legislative candidates at the Special Election, we think that the proper time to raise that question was when the contestants for the seat were both in attendance at the Special Session. This was not done, and we are not disposed to go behind the record in the matter to open the issue. There were undoubtedly some of the soldiers who voted there who were citizens of this county and of the Fifteenth Representative District, and there were some civilians who were legally entitled to vote at the Special Election. Whether there were any illegal votes cast, we have not had the means of ascertaining, simply because the poll-books were returned to the Secretary of State, without being inspected in this city or anywhere else that we have heard of. If any illegal votes have been cast, it should be made the subject of investigation, if not too late, and the facts in the case made public. But it is in another matter that we think the correction is needed, and this is the particular: It is intimated by the Democrat that the soldiers were kept at Camp Watson on purpose to vote, while their services were needed in another field of operations. To show that the military services of the volunteers were required at the time in question at the place where they were then stationed, we recall to the memory of our cotemporary the fact, that three days previous to this election, within forty miles of Camp Watson, a squad of eighteen of these very soldiers attacked and defeated about fifty Indians; killing over a dozen of them and losing one of the most gallant and efficient soldiers that ever was furnished to the army from the State of Oregon. From this it would seem as if the position at Camp Watson was somewhat "resky," as our cotemporary has it, and that these soldiers were at the time stationed at a place required by the exigencies of the times—actively engaged in military enterprises of "great pith and moment," and as far as we know, were doing their duty. For the further information of the Democrat, we will state that soldiers are stationed in considerable numbers in the Owyhee country, and if they do not thrash the Indians it is their fault, probably, and not those at Camp Watson, who have done a fair proportion of all the Indian fighting of eastern Oregon during the last four years.

The Democrat has frequently remonstrated with other members of the press upon the subject of impeaching the action of the courts, and in regard to the Oregon practice of trying a man in the newspapers, both before and after his trial before a court and by a jury, and with great reason. We take it, that in going behind the record in this case, a similar error is committed. Once for all, we should strive to have all things done according to the regular operations of the law and the constitution, so that we may escape the consequences of official caprice. In this country it is easy to get at the facts, and the proper way to do it is to bring the whole matter up for judicial investigation. Failing in this, there is nothing further to be done about it.

MIDDLE BOSS' NEWS.—The Middle Fork mines are not having much work done on them. Yuba is still standing well. Mr. Libby tried to get his mill in there, and had to lower it down at the other end with tackles; but under all disadvantages, Yuba is bound to come out with flying colors.—With such lodes as the Pacific, Golden Wreath, Minerva and Cleopatra, and dozens of others worked upon and found, in various places, to be good, well defined and rich, no matter what the difficulty, the road will be made. The 800 feet of discovery ground on the Columbia Lode are used by three ladies, who, with their husbands, share the dangers, fatigues and hardships of this wild and gloomy mountain region. If such women do not realize thousands from their quartz they ought to—if that is any consolation.—World.

THE SECTION ALONG THE INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY LINE.

A very interesting field for exploration exists along the 49th parallel, from west of the scene of the Similkameen mining excitement to the intersection of the International Boundary Line and the Selkirk Range. Since 1858, considerable evidences of the existence of mineral wealth in this district have been collected, but the mineral combinations are such as to defy the simple processes of ordinary miners, and hence the lack of popular appreciation.

Going north from the Dalles, the indications of mineral deposits commence after crossing the dividing ridge between the Yakima River and the Weenatchie. Here, in 1860, is where gold prospects were obtained and worked, until the prevailing excitement in regard to the Nez Perces country carried off the few miners who had until then thought they were doing very well. On Lake Chelan some quartz has been found of encouraging richness, and as the prospector goes north the mineral indications become more marked. From thence east, there are many and various kinds of mines, which must ultimately prove of incalculable value.

On the Similkameen, are many extensive lodes of argentiferous galena; on Lake Okinakane, copper mines of great richness and extent are discovered, and in accordance with the very liberal mining laws of the Colonies, important interests are already vested. The metals and mineral combinations known to exist, take a wide range. Of those which are of commercial value, there are, gold, silver, lead, antimony, arsenic, magnetic iron, black-jack (black mica schist) and graphic-tellurium. Lake Okinakane appears to be pretty well in the center of these mineral deposits, which lie on both sides of the rim which divides the waters of the Columbia and the southern affluents of Frazer River.

The rocks are of the metamorphic formation, and carry the usual traces of minerals due to the vicinage of extensive lodes of the metals which we have mentioned.

This district may be slow in development, but its future is certain to be prosperous. It is one more of the promising fields of labor which are dependent on the Columbia for supplies, and which will have this city for its starting point. It has, in its surroundings, pastoral advantages equal to any in the Columbia Basin, and fine agricultural bodies of land at convenient intervals.

The copper of that country will undoubtedly prove its most valuable feature, in a mining point of view. This will have to be concentrated and brought down the Okinakane and the Columbia in barges. The same will have to be done with the lead, but with the development of the country will come improved means of communication. Instead of being discouraged because we appear to be going too slow, we are not sufficiently surprised that we have gone so fast. In the light of five years of past experience, it is hardly a prediction to say that the district under consideration will be inhabited by a prosperous mining community.

EXHIBITION FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SISTERS' SCHOOL.—An entertainment will be given on the evening of Christmas Day, at the Sister's School House, for the benefit of the school. It will consist in readings, declamations, music, charades and a general display of the acquirements of the scholars. There is a considerable indebtedness hanging over the institution, and its great usefulness recommends it to the kindest consideration of the public. We earnestly hope that this exhibition may prove a "benefit" indeed. It will be money well bestowed if all shall give a little to that cause to which the Sisters give their entire lives; and the patrons and friends of the institution will receive in return an evening's entertainment, refreshing to the mind, and one which will be looked back to with gratification. Money thus expended is twice blessed—an advantage to those who give and those who receive.

Closed.—She ice stopped running night before last, at some hour unknown to the public, and the river is closed for the present. Arrangements will be made during the stoppage of navigation to run Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express, both up and down the river, so that we shall not be altogether without communication with the outside world.

Columbia Lodge, No. 5, I. O. O. F.— Meets every Friday evening at 6 1/4 o'clock, in Gates' Hall, corner of Second and Court Streets. Brothers in good standing are invited to attend. By order. N. G.

AUCTION SALE.

I WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION ON SATURDAY, December 16th, at 10 o'clock, at the Store, No 100 Main Street, a large assortment of Household Furniture consisting of Bedsteads, Cooking Stoves, Carpets, Glasses, Pictures, Paintings, Tables, China, Crockery, Lamps, Candlesticks, Cutlery, 1 Mahogany Parlor Sofa, Chairs, Tables, 1 Rosewood Parlor set. I will also sell the contents of a Bar Room (removed for convenience of sale). These goods are all worthy the attention of purchasers. d1512 JOHN WILLIAMS, Auctioneer.

FIREMEN'S BALL!

GIVEN BY JACKSON ENGINE COMPANY AT CHAPIN'S HALL, ON Monday Evening, December 25.

THE MEMBERS OF JACKSON ENGINE COMPANY would respectfully announce that they have decided to give a Grand Holiday Ball, and that they will spare no pains to make it the grandest affair of the season.

TICKETS, \$5 00,

To be had of members of the Company and at the door on the evening of the Ball.

Parties desiring carriages to convey ladies to and from the hall, will please give their names to the Committee of Arrangements.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE: A. W. Buchanan, G. A. Liebe, G. W. Waldron, J. Halloran, H. Whitmore, L. Chapin, E. Wyckman.

HOLIDAY GIFTS!!

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J. JUKER

HAS JUST RECEIVED AND DISPLAYED AT HIS OLD VARIETY STORE,

MAIN STREET, OPPOSITE THE UMATILLA HOUSE,

A Large and Extensive assortment of

FANCY GOODS, TOYS, &C.,

Suitable to make Christmas and New Years Presents to Ladies, Gentlemen or Children.

J. JUKER has something for all, and respectfully invites his friends and the public generally, to call and examine his Varieties. d113m

WM. BROWN WARNER, M. D.

OFFICE—74 SECOND STREET, between Washington and Court. OFFICE HOURS—9 to 12 A. ; 2 to 4 P.; and 6 to 10, P. M.

ECLIPSE CHOP HOUSE,

Main Street, corner of Court.

OLD MACK, THE PIONEER COOK, would respectfully inform the public that he has fitted up the above Chop House, and is prepared to serve up MEALS and LUNCH in the best style and at the shortest notice. DALLS and PARTIES furnished with suppers, in the best style and on the most reasonable terms. OYSTERS in every style. Private Rooms for Ladies. HOUSE OPEN ALL NIGHT

MRS. LEESER'S

FRENCH MILLINERY STORE,

AND

Dress Making Establishment,

Opposite Cohn & Bohm's,

I WOULD CALL THE ATTENTION OF THE Ladies of the Dalles to my large and fine stock of

FLOWERS, EMBROIDERY,

BONNETS, HATS, FEATHERS,

Dress Trimmings, &c.

Having secured the services of MRS. FRARY, in the Dress Making apartment, we will do all work in that line and guarantee perfect satisfaction.

DYING done in all colors.

Give me an early call, and I will endeavor to suit everybody in TASTE and at REASONABLE PRICES.

Particular attention paid to

Embroidery and Braiding Stamping,

NEW GOODS!

HAVING JUST ARRIVED FROM THE SAN FRANCISCO Market, we would invite the attention of our friends and the community at large, to our well-selected stock of

Dry Goods,

Clothing,

Boots & Shoes,

&c., &c., &c.,

Which we are selling at the most reasonable rates. We cannot sell our goods AT COST, but assure the community that it pleases us to sell goods at SMALL PROFITS.

dettf. H. HERMAN & CO.

SKATES! SKATES!!

An Invoice of SKATES

Just received by

d51f J. GOETZ & CO.,

Washington Street, near French & Gillman.

ISAAC F. BLOCH, San Francisco. C. S. MILLER, SIG. SCHAWBACHER, Dalles.

Bloch, Miller & Co.,

WHOLESALE

GROCERS,

AND DEALERS IN

Wines & Liquors,

And Importers and Jobbers of

CLOTHING

Boots & Shoes,

Under Clothing,

Blankets,

etc., etc., etc.

ASSAY OFFICE.

WE HAVE AN ASSAY OFFICE IN CONNECTION with our business, under the entire supervision of Mr. Miller. We make returns in Bars in six hours. We guarantee all our Assays and pay the HIGHEST CASH PRICE for Bars. We also pay the Highest Cash Price for Gold Dust.

BLOCH, MILLER & CO.,

my66f Cor. Main and Washington streets, Dalles.

Oregon Steam Navigation Co.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT.



ON AND AFTER MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13th, until further notice,

The Passenger Train

to connect with steamers

FOR UMATILLA & WALLULA

Will start from the R. R. DEPOT DALLES CITY, on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, at 4:30 A. M.

THE STEAMERS

"ONEONTA" or "IDAHO,"

CAPT. J. McNULTY, Commanding.

Will leave DALLES, DAILY, (Sundays excepted) at 5 o'clock, A. M., connecting, by the CASCADE RAILROAD, with the steamer.

"NEW WORLD" or "CASCADES,"

CAPT. J. WOLF, Commanding.

for Portland. W. D. BRADFORD,

Dalles, Nov. 13, 1865. [n124f] Agent O. S. N. Co.

ORDINANCE No. 37.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR POLICEMEN AND NIGHT WATCH, PASSED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF DALLES CITY, MAY 20, 1863. The People of Dalles City do ordain as follows:

That Section Two of said Ordinance be, and the same is hereby, repealed; and the following be instead thereof.

SECTION 2. The Common Council shall appoint two or more policemen, who shall take and subscribe to an oath to well and faithfully perform the duties of Policemen and night watch, according to law and the best of their abilities, and which said number of Policemen may be increased from time to time, whenever in their judgment the peace and safety of the city may require such increase; and said Policemen shall be under the direction of the City Marshal in performing their respective duties, and he shall assign, from time to time, each of said policemen or night watch, their respective wards of the city, and shall report to the Common Council any violation or neglect of duty of any of said policemen or night watch, and shall report to said Common Council all misconduct and incompetency of any of said police or watchmen, and if upon such report or said City Marshal, the charges are found to be correct and true, it shall be the duty of said Common Council to forthwith discharge such delinquents from service and appoint others in their places.

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the 15th day of December, 1865.

Passed the Common Council of Dalles City, December 8th, 1865.

Attest: F. S. HOLLAND, Recorder. N. H. GATES, Mayor. det95t

SELLING OFF

AT COST,

FOR THIRTY DAYS LONGER!!

LAST CHANCE!

MESSERS. COHN & BOHM would hereby inform their customers and the public at large, that they will continue to sell AT COST, for thirty days longer in order to give one a chance to make presents for the Holidays. We will sell the balance of our stock, consisting of

Rich Black Silks, Rich Poplins, Cloaks, Shawls, Dry Goods, Hats & Caps, &c., &c., &c., &c.

AT SAN FRANCISCO COST,

Without Freight and Expens.

This will be the last chance to get bargains, prior to closing the concern.

COHN & BOHM.

N.B.—All bills must be paid by the 1st of January 1866. If not settled within that time, the same will be placed in legal hands.

REMOVAL.

J. GOETZ, Dalles. F. KOENIGSBERGER, San Francisco.

J. GOETZ & CO.,

TOBACCONISTS,

Have removed to

Rudio's New Stone Building,

Washington Street, near French & Gillman's, and have opened a well-assorted stock of

HAVANA and DOMESTIC SEGARS, VIRGINIA and WESTERN TOBACCO, FRENCH and SCOTCH SNUFF, MEERSCHAUM and other PIPES, PLAYING CARDS, SPORTING GOODS, INDIAN and FANCY GOODS, &c., &c.

The trade supplied at LOWEST MARKET PRICES.

TOYS! TOYS! TOYS! TOYS!

FOR TOYS AND FANCY GOODS

For the Holidays, we recommend all dealers in that line to the BASKET AND TOY EMPORIUM of

THUMAUER & ZUIN,

329 and 322 Battery Street, San Francisco.

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