

THE OREGON SCOUT.

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The Oregon Scout has a large circulation as any three papers in this section of the State, combined, and is correspondingly valuable as an advertising medium.

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Union and Vicinity.

Read A. Levy's new ad. Ben Holiday died at Portland last week, aged 68 years. Read the ad. of Messrs. Robinson & Layne's Cove stage line. Some kind of a traveling show was in town, this week, but did not exhibit. Mel Heritage is making a very efficient marshal and nightwatchman. Wallowa county has received its record books, ordered sometime ago. Twelve sheep belonging to Wm. Boothe were killed by lightning, in the Cove, last week. Koly, the Polk county wife-murderer was taken from the jail, last week by a mob, and hanged to a tree near by. The west bound train was several hours late Wednesday, occasioned by the burning of the Payette bridge in Idaho. Sheriff Hamilton found a black valise on the street Thursday. The owner can get the same by calling at his office. Attorney O. F. Bell has made some extensive improvements on his residence and grounds in North Union, recently. A full assortment of Johnson's kalmoline at the Cove drug store. Durable and beautiful in finish, easily used and cheap. Berry peddlers have been numerous in Union this week. The berries, on an average, have not been so good this season as usual. Assessor Tomlinson is interviewing the tax payer at his office at the court house. He reports getting along finely with his labors. Mr. R. H. Drake, during his recent visit to Portland, had in a fresh supply of goods and is now prepared to offer better bargains than ever. A man by the name of Cavanaugh was arrested a few days ago in Walla Walla, and taken to Baker City to answer a charge of horse stealing. Farmers can easily be convinced of the extraordinary bargains being offered at the New York store, at La Grande, by making a personal investigation. Mr. H. Nelson, an old man who has been working at John Boyd's ranch, was severely hurt, a few days ago, while handling a hay stacker, and is laid up from the bruises received. Parties from Cornucopia inform us that great credit is due to Nels Selchover for the careful and efficient manner in which he prosecuted the road work between that place and the valley. A good road is the result. Our stockmen should raise more alfalfa. Mr. Rea, living near town, has a patch of it that has proven a bonanza to him this spring—owing to the high price of hay. He will cut two more crops yet.—Baker City Herald.

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A fire at Stamptown on Tuesday evening burned the saw mill and a large quantity of lumber belonging to S. F. Richardson. The fire is supposed to have originated from a steam engine used in furnishing motive power for the mill. We understand the property was uninsured. The small town of Haines, a few miles beyond North Powder, on the O. R. & N., is becoming quite a business point. Two stores, hotel, blacksmith shop and saloon are the businesses represented. Several neat dwellings are there, and the place contains about 75 population. The wife of a Umatilla county man died some time ago and left a written recommendation of her husband addressed to a second wife. She lived with him long enough to find him out. The method is novel at least, and will possibly aid the gentleman in obtaining another mate. "Before being lynched Wednesday night," says one of the Bell's Dakota exchanges, "Colonel Horseshoe handed us \$2 and requested that the Hay-rake be continued to his family for another year. The colonel is a gentleman and a public spirited citizen. Our best wishes accompany him."

All who assisted at the festival for the improvement of the Union cemetery, or in any way contributed toward the fund raised for that purpose, both ladies and gentlemen, are requested to meet at the school house, Tuesday, July 19th at 7 o'clock in the evening to decide what improvement shall be made this year. The school board are particularly invited. Mr. Vandevanter, of the Park, and several others, put in several days last week catching salmon at Oro Dell. They caught and salted down seven barrels of the finest kind of fish. They say that salmon are to be found in large numbers at Oro Dell, on account of their being unable to pass the obstructions that have been placed in the river at that place. An unearthly noise on Main street early Wednesday morning brought a large number of people to the scene, who found that it was Jack Farrell, alias "Happy Jack," cursing one Whitlow, city marshal of La Grande. Jack is equal to Gen. Fairchild in this line. Whether Whitlow was paralyzed or not we cannot say, but he seemed to be, and took his dose like a little man. Unfortunately our marshal was at

ETCHINGS.

Or Impressions Made on the "Scout" by Passing Events

THE NEW SCHOOL LAW.—During the last session of the State Teachers' Institute at Salem the County School Superintendents discussed the new school law. One of its requirements is that to obtain a first grade certificate one must be 18 years of age, must have taught twelve months, and must have ranked 90 per cent in the examinations, with 70 per cent as the minimum for any one branch. A person who has fulfilled all the requirements for a third grade certificate is required to again go through the mill for a second grade certificate, and again for first grade honors. First grade certificates are valid only in the county where given. They are good for two years, and may be renewed by the county superintendent, with the consent of the board of examiners, for two years longer, upon payment of a fee. However, the renewal of a first grade certificate more than once without a re-examination is prohibited. To many the new law is a deep mystery as the intricate law. The opinion prevails that it produces the opportunity to a person who, having once qualified for a first grade certificate, to fail at re-examination. City Superintendent T. R. Crawford, of the Portland public schools, does not believe in the re-examination of a person who has once demonstrated capability.

DECEASED.—A La Grande gentleman has under contemplation a scheme which would be of valuable service to stockmen and others. The plan is to get the name, address and brand of every stockman in Union, Wallowa and Baker counties, and have them printed in book form to be supplied to all who will purchase them.—Baker Democrat. The enterprising La Grande man would probably be able to sell about ten or fifteen of his books, which would hardly pay for getting them up. The cheapest and most sensible way is for the stockman to advertise their brands in the newspapers. Everybody would then know what they are, and stray stock could easily be found by the owners, or rather the owners could be more easily found by the stock, or those having them in charge.

REDUCED WHEAT RATES.—In accordance with the recommendation of the State Railroad commission the O. R. & N. Co. will next week put into effect the following rate on wheat per 100 pounds from points on its line to Portland: The Dalles 17 cents; Celilo 18 cents; Grants 20 cents; Blalocks, Arlington, Castle Rock 21 cents; Umatilla 22 cents; Echo, Pendleton, Milton, Blue Mountains, Centerville, Adams, Wallula, Touchet, Walla Walla 25 cents; La Grande, Union, North Powder, Baker City, Prescott, Alto, Dayton 27 cents; Pomeroy 30 cents; Colfax, Moscow, Farmington 32 cents. Of course the commission has no jurisdiction in the Territory, but the railroad company extended the reduction to the people there. This gives Walla Walla a rate of \$4 a ton to Portland.—Portland Democrat.

DR. CAPPS.—From a private letter to a gentleman in this city, written by a physician in Colorado, we learn that Dr. Capps has been there. He makes the statement that Dr. Capps at once got solid with the church members, tried to marry a rich widow, but failing in the attempt, lit out for parts unknown with some funds that did not belong to him. The doctor is evidently somewhat like Byron's pirate: "As mild a rumbered man as ever scuttled ship, or cut a throat;" but when he gets riled up, a holy terror, especially among the ladies.

AWARDED.—W. E. Lees has been awarded the work of transcribing the records of this county from the Union county records. His offer was \$4 cents per folio, which includes double indexing and making plats of the towns, and was the lowest responsible and specific bid. Mr. Lees will be assisted in the work by Messrs. Leslie, Berleigh and R. H. Coshaw, all competent and reliable persons.—Wallowa Chronicle. Mr. Lees is now in this city prosecuting the work.

DE LAS' WORD.—A negro orator, says an exchange, thus concludes an account of the death of a colored brother: "de las' word he was heard to say, de las' word he was heard to utter, de las' word he was heard to speak, de las' word he ever pronounced, de las' syllable he ever spoke, de las' idea he ever ejaculated—yes, my brethren, de bory las' word he ever was known to breathe forth, sound or ejaculate, was "Glory."

CONCLUDED TO TRAVEL.—Thomas Waldrop, who was placed under bonds of \$300, last week, to appear before the grand jury on a charge of horse stealing, has taken his departure for "furrin lands." The grand jury found a true bill against him, but the festive Tommy was not there to take part in the proceedings.

DELINQUENT TAXES.—Sheriff Hamilton has reduced the delinquent tax list to about \$5,000. We are glad to note that it has been reduced to these figures, and are in hopes that he will not let up till every delinquent who owns a dollars worth of property has been made to pay.

CREDIT COURT.—The Circuit Court is in session, but as yet no cases of importance have been adjudicated. In the case of Farrell vs Wallace the jury failed to agree. The case of State vs Harris, cashier of the Sumnerville bank, is now being tried.

There was a regular circus in court last Wednesday while Mr. Farrell alias "Happy Jack," of La Grande, was giving in his testimony in the case of Farrell vs Wallace. He kept the court, attorneys, jury and everyone else in a number of laughs.

Social Scintillations.

Paraphrases, Personifications, Puns, etc., to the Perpetrations of the Population.

"THE WORLD DO MOVE."

Mr. Carter, of Island, is in the city. Mr. E. T. Marwin and wife are in the city.

Pod Smith returned from Colorado last Tuesday.

Marion Davis is on another tour of Baker county.

Mr. Covey and family have returned from Wallowa.

Mrs. D. B. Rees visited friends in Cove this week.

Shig Barr, of Bluff City, was in town this week.

E. F. McDaniel, of the Cove, called on us Thursday.

Dr. W. E. Rinehart came up from Portland, Monday.

Mr. James Wilson, of Lostine, was in Union recently.

Mr. A. J. Hughes, of La Grande, visited us this week.

Judge J. A. Tusker, of Keating, is attending court here.

Rev. Baird, of Lostine, was visiting in Union this week.

J. M. Berry, of Island, took in the metropolis this week.

J. O. Kuhn, editor of the Journal, was in Union, Monday.

Mr. Frank Collins, of Summerville, is in the city attending court.

Mr. J. M. Welch, of North Powder, was in the city during the week.

I. A. Dawson, of Portland, has been in Union for several days past.

W. H. Childs, a county charge from Eagle Valley, is dangerously sick.

Excursions to the mountains after huckleberries will soon be in order.

Mr. S. O. Johnston and family, of Summerville, were in Union, Monday.

Mrs. Coffin and daughter, Grace, and Mrs. Goodspeed returned a few days ago.

Herman Waldeck, the Summerville merchant, called on us the fore part of the week.

Matt Johnston is abroad in the land. He showed up in Union this week, jolly as ever.

We received a pleasant visit from W. F. Kennedy, of Pine valley, last Wednesday.

The Episcopal entertainment at Wright's hall, last night, was an enjoyable affair.

Mr. John Donohuey and Henry Sterling, of Island City, are here attending court.

Dan Moore and wife, who have been visiting friends in this city, returned home Wednesday.

Mr. Duncan, of the firm of Clough & Duncan, mine owners, was in the city during the week.

Mrs. Irwin, who has been on a visit to the sound for several weeks past, returned last Saturday.

Angus Shaw, of Summerville, called on us Thursday, and renewed his subscription to the Scout.

G. G. Gray, of the Cove, had his horse, "Blackfoot," photographed by James Bro's, a few days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. McCallum, of Grant county, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. De Pruden, at Summerville.

The Portland and Wallowa excursionists returned the fore part of the week, and report having had a fine time.

The Ladies Foreign Missionary Society will meet at the Presbyterian church, Thursday, July 21, at 2 o'clock p. m.

The parents of Mr. Robt. Eakin of this city, who have been visiting here, returned to their home in Eugene a few days ago.

John Piny made Union a visit this week. He has had his whiskers cut a la Burnsides, and has the appearance of a major general.

John Whitton returned from Wallowa, yesterday, on his way to Bellevue, Idaho, where he has several contracts for building houses, and other work.

E. H. Cingan, of Cornucopia, is in the city serving on the grand jury. We are indebted to him for a photographic view of the main street of Cornucopia.

We understand that at least three young couples of this city will be joined in the holy bonds of matrimony in the near future, probably to-morrow.

Mrs. Corbin is rusticationing on the stock ranch with her husband for a few weeks. The military score is conducted in her absence, by Mrs. Alta Benson.

Mrs. A. E. Benson is in Walla Walla. She was called there to attend the bedside of her father, Ben. Stanton, whose death is announced in another column.

Local Lines.

Wool sacks 38 cents each, at J. B. Eaton's.

For harvesting machinery, call on Jo. Wright.

The new law relating to grouse, etc. expired yesterday.

Breaking cart for sale.—Enquire of Dr. D. Y. K. Deering, Union.

Tholan Stewart purchased a number of Matt Johnston's horses at Lostine, a few days ago.

Don't wear out valuable machinery for the want of oil, when you can get the best at Jo. Wright's.

Wanted.—A good chamber maid at the Centennial hotel. Wages \$4 per week. References required.

A considerable amount of new sidewalk has been laid in various parts of the city within the past few weeks.

Judge Walker presides at this term of the circuit court. Everybody seems to be very favorably impressed with him.

The infant son of J. A. Wright, of Wallowa, was drowned in the flume of the Hurricane creek saw mill, last week.

Joe Wright has ordered a complete stock of dry goods, groceries, etc., which will be opened up in the brick corner, soon.

Smith's walking gang plow, something new and just the thing. For sale by Frank Ross, Implement Co., Island City.

Only a few cans of the sewing machine baking powder left at Levy's, which will be sold at 50 cts. a can. The regular factory price is 65 cts.

This term of court has attracted but few people here. But for the "numerosity" of lawyers one would not know that anything out of the ordinary was going on in town.

If you want a fine pair of shoes or boots, call on Mr. C. A. Bient, who has just received a large assortment of the latest styles from the east. He will not be undersold for cash. Try him.

Work on the Pyle canyon road is about completed, and a splendid road, with no hills to pull up, is the result. People in the southern portion of the county will find no difficulty in traveling this road now.

Mr. John Bloom, of Pine valley, who has been on a visit to the eastern states for several weeks past, returned a few days ago. He informs us that he prefers Oregon to any country he has been in.

Portland Stock Yards Report.

Portland, Or., July 11, 1887.

Again the arrivals of beef are nearly up to the preceding week, with a moderate demand and values unchanged; many of the offerings were rather coarse and common, causing sales to drop, though there was a lot of fine, fat, pony-bull steers offered that struck the eye of a butcher, and a trade was made without comment. Demand for sheep has been slow, as most of those forwarded were coarse, and prices remain in fact. Demand for lambs fully equal to the supply. Hogs have a tendency to weaken in values as warm weather approaches. Horses arriving this week are unbroken.

ARRIVAL OF STOCK FOR THE WEEK.

July 5.—Beef 60 head; lambs 70 hd; sheep 120 head; hogs 65 head.
July 6.—Beef 40 head; sheep 147 head.
July 7.—Beef 40 head; hogs 67 head; lambs 73 head.
July 8.—Beef 120 head; sheep 369 head; hogs 12 hd; stock cattle 48 hd.
July 9.—Beef 40 head; lambs 71 hd; sheep 127 head.
July 10.—Beef 20 head; hogs 57 hd; sheep 64 head.
July 11.—Beef 40 head; sheep 70 hd; lambs 77 head.
Quotations.—Beef, 3 @ 3 1/2 c. gross; sheep, 2 1/2 @ 3 c. gross; hogs, 4 @ 4 1/2 c. gross; lambs, \$1.75 @ \$2.00, each.
Market quiet.
J. H. RATHBUN,
Manager Portland Stock Yards.
Stock sold, transferred and re-shipped.

DIED.

STANTON.—At the residence of Ben. Hays, wife, in Walla Walla, W. T., July 11, 1887, of dropsy. Benjamin Stanton, aged 33 years and 11 months.

Mr. Stanton was father of Mrs. Benson—wife of our fellow-townsmen Mr. A. E. Benson, and was one of the pioneers of Union, having located at this place in 1864. He conducted for a number of years the only hotel at this place, known in those days as the Stanton House; was afterwards engaged for some years in farming and stock-raising. He sold his farm in this county and removed to Umatilla county some years since, where he has been extensively engaged in farming—having one of the finest farms in Umatilla county. His death was not altogether unexpected, he having suffered some months with what proved to be a fatal disease.

Mr. Stanton formerly resided at Salem, Oregon, where he leaves a large number of relatives and friends. He was a man of considerable prominence, and represented Umatilla county for one or more terms in the legislature. Whenever known he was unanimously honored as a man of decided character and of inflexible integrity; a just and upright citizen and a kind and indulgent husband and father. His scores and hundreds of friends throughout Oregon, Washington and Idaho will be deeply grieved at the sad intelligence of his death, and all will join in hearty sympathy with his bereaved family. A good man is gone—Peace to his ashes.

CLEARANCE SALE!

Preparatory to taking my annual inventory, I have reduced prices on

SUMMER GOODS!

TO ACTUAL COST, 30 For Thirty Days and no Longer. 30

In order to close out balance of my Sewing Machine Baking Powder, I will sell it at 50 cts. a lb. can; regular factory price is 65 cts. Only a few left.

Adolph Levy, - Union, Ogn.

"SWING LOW SWEET CHARIOT."

List, 'twill be well for you, List, while I tell to you How I will sell to you Bargains all the way through.

Ladies' Dress Goods Sold by Sample at Portland Prices.

GROCERIES AT BEDROCK, SALT ALMOST GIVEN AWAY, HARDPAN ON FURNISHINGS. NEW STOCK OF DRY GOODS JUST IN.

"As the twig is bent, so is the tree inclined.

Drake buys for cash and gives his customers the benefit. Cash is king and success is his servant.

Drake's low rent and low prices makes his store the place to save money.

"I WILL NOT BE UNDERSOLD."

Now, it is our turn, not to "Blow," but to

Dry Goods, Furnishing Goods, Boots and Shoes, Glass and Queensware, Groceries, Wood and Willow-ware, etc., etc.

Which was bought for cash and will be sold strictly for cash, at prices that will "astonish the natives."

We don't expect to "run the town," but do expect our share of the trade of this city and country, if laid along good goods and low prices will accomplish that end.

The old way of doing business is a thing of the past. Cash men do not want to pay poor debts and long-winded accounts. We expect to re-organize the mercantile business in this valley, not to drum or humbug the people by misrepresentations, not to sell goods less than cost, but to make a uniform cash price on all goods, which means 20 per cent. lower than any man who buys on time can sell for.

Twenty thousand dollars worth of general merchandise bought and sold for cash will make this saving:—10 per cent. for the risk, 6 per cent. discount, cash and \$800 for book keeper, making a saving of \$4,000. Does anybody blame us for starting the ball a rolling?

An early inspection of our stock will convince

The most skeptical that the new or old of business is much more satisfactory to all. JAYCOX & FOSTER, - - Union, Or.