

TELOCASET TATTTLINGS.

News Notes and Comment on Matters of Public Interest.

July 14, 1890.

John Cates is the architect on Wm. Hutchinson's new residence in North Union.

Frank Leavitt and John Moore are now running 24-hour shifts on the helper stationed here.

Geo. Ashby and C. Hewitt are splitting rails, in the Clover creek mountains. Lincoln was an "old timer" at this business.

Fruit of every description known in Eastern Oregon, is in abundance on many farms in this vicinity. Apples are not quite ripe yet. Berries are "to numerous to mention."

W. H. Huffman and Wm. Johnson have an extensive logging contract, for Hamilton & Co., in the Blue mountains near the great lumber camp of Hilgard.

Some hay is being cut, and soon the weilders of the pitch fork, and hay rake will sweat with vim. Crops are somewhat over average. Binding will also soon commence.

Chas. Meeves, formerly day operator at Telocaset is now holding down an office at Telco Junction. Charley can rattle the key like a Union printer, or a Bowery alley burglar.

The Telocaset "bloodes" are despondent. There are only two of them and they both got left, on the recent anniversary of our independence. Two young ladies whose mothers had their eyes wide open to business, said "no," just as the boys thought, "ain't we lucky?"

Charley Hinckley and George Cluney, took a short visit up to Eagle valley and Snake river. Charley has turned out to be a second Frank G. Carpenter or an Edgar Wakeman. Good luck to him in his new field. May his quill trace many noble sentences for the eager eyes of the Scout's readers.

Those who have not read the recently published book of Edward Bellamy's, entitled "Looking Backward" are not up with these last times. "Strange mingling of mirth and tears." It contains some prophecies in regard to the future of our nation, that seems so real when taken in relation to the policies and principles of to-day, that one can almost imagine them now fulfilled and doing their destiny in the march of this administration.

Henry Waterman, the able editor of the Courier Journal, comes out with a four-column statement of strange facts, in his issue July 7th inst. He reviews the attitude of the chief executive, and his small clique of politicians toward the South, in a concise and elegant manner. He makes some revelations to the reading public, which show up the real feeling and the manifested sentiments of narrow track northern politicians.

It seems that some one has crowded serenely against the barbed wire fence that marks the out limit of "Homo's" private opinions on matters heavenly and otherwise. But HOMO was there. His pen was moist and his armor was shining in readiness for a combat, and he knew how to wield words, and how to arrange some historical facts in ranks impregnable. His mind is not chained to some rusty, mouldering pillar of the past, nor does he growl and show his fangs, if a man dares to approach such matters, unless in a "reverential calm." Follow the path lighted up by the majestic intellects of to-day, and nobody is going to baptise you in fire when you die.

BUCKEHELAS.

UNION.

Its Resources and Numerous Advantages As Seen by a Traveler.

A correspondent of the Pacific Farmer, who passed through this country a few days ago, among other things has this to say of our city:

"Union, Union county, Oregon, is situated 321 miles east of Portland and about two miles north of the Union Pacific railroad in the Grande Ronde valley. Owing to a little sharp practice on the part of the people of La Grande, the road at the time of its construction in 1854 was turned from its natural course and left Union. Yet in the face of all this Union has kept bravely on and to-day is a town of more importance than many others in the state which have had double her opportunities. She went quietly to work and raised a subsidy of \$160,000 for the Hart system, and construction on this road to Walla Walla is now rapidly progressing, the grade being completed to Summerville, a distance of about 25 miles north, and the entire line is to be completed by December

'91. This move on the part of the Unionites scared the U. P. officials who are at work now changing the grade of their road in order to pass through the town

The city is most beautifully situated at the foot of a majestic mountain whose snow-capped peak is visible to the visitor for many miles. Catherine creek, a handsome mountain stream splits the city in twain and furnishes an unlimited supply of water for irrigating, domestic and manufacturing purposes. A water power which is hard to equal anywhere in the State can be obtained here for the taking, and I am surprised that large manufacturing have not availed themselves of the opportunity.

The city is handsomely illuminated by electricity, the power to drive the dynamo being furnished from Catherine creek. This same stream furnishes power for a flouring mill with a capacity of 75 barrels per day. The Grande Ronde valley of which Union is the commercial centre, is one of the richest sections of Eastern Oregon. The yield of wheat is from 25 to 50 bushels, while oats and barley go from 40 to 70 bushels, and in some sections as high as 100 bushels can be raised. No such thing as a failure of crop has ever occurred in this valley. Large quantities of hay, fruit and vegetables are also produced.

At Union station the celebrated hot springs are situated; the temperature of the water at the springs is about 190 degrees, while at the house 110 degrees is had. The Depot hotel and springs are owned by Col. A. C. Craig, a pioneer of Oregon who settled in this valley 28 years ago.

Good land for agricultural purposes can be had in the valley at from \$15 to \$30 per acre, which is remarkably cheap, taking in consideration the wonderful productiveness of the soil.

Union needs a large woolen mill and a good bank, and both of these institutions would be paying institutions. The Oregon Scout, edited by Jones & Chancey is doing a great and good work in setting forth the resources of the town and valley.

MEDICAL SPRINGS.

A Boy's Leg Broken—The Mines on Paddy's Paradise—The Farming Outlook.

EDITOR OREGON SCOUT:—

Since our arrival here I see the Big creek farmers have begun haying in earnest. The hay and grain crops were never better than they are this year and farmers are well satisfied. It is very warm. Yesterday the thermometer registered 122 in the sun and 90 degrees on the shady side of the house. There are a good many people stopping here. Some from Baker City and Sanger and a few of us from Union. D. W. Litchenthaler, A. J. Goodbrod and myself are all. Saturday J. J. Turner's son had the misfortune of breaking his leg, but is doing well at present. Dr. Biggers of Baker City is attending him. Mr. and Mrs. Wright as host and hostess are a success. They are good providers and have accommodations for both man and beast. If you ever have occasion to call I am sure you will call again. The spring has twelve different properties according to an analysis made by H. P. Irish of the Corvallis college. We visited the ledge recently discovered on Paddy's Paradise and from what I can learn it is very rich in gold. They are putting an arastra on the creek. The lumber is brought from Sparta. It will not be long from present indications till Union county will be the greatest mining country in the west. The establishing of reduction works at Union would be a paying investment for some capitalists. We are nearer the mines than Baker City, and a better road to haul over. We have as fine a mountain road as can be found anywhere, no place excepted. The county has a force of men at work under the supervision of Nelson Schoonover, widening the road where needed also cleaning out all the loose rock. Services were held at the school house Sunday, Rev. Johnson officiating. The attendance was large.

Big creek people are well satisfied with the turnout Union gave them the Fourth, and say "in Union there is strength," as shown last June.

F. B.

Is Consumption Incurable?

Read the following: Mr. C. H. Morris, Newark, Ark., says: "Was down with Abscess of Lungs, and friends and physicians pronounced me an incurable consumptive. began taking Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, am now on my third bottle, and able to oversee the work on my farm. It is the finest medicine ever made."

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THE COVE.

News of the Week as Noted by Our Regular Correspondent.

Nathaniel Conklin started for his home in Iowa, last Tuesday.

A large party are on the Minam this week, fishing and hunting, and having their fill of rustication.

Born, to the wife of M. J. Duffy, July 12, 1890, a son. Everybody concerned convalescing and happy.

Prof. A. J. Hackett was in town this week. He is one of the pushers and you need not look for much verdure under his brogans.

Mr. Burkhart, of Castle Rock, has rented the tools and shop of the late Joseph Flick, and located among us. He is said to be an adept at his trade.

Messrs. Wertman, Sam McDaniel and Ed. Robinson have gone to Cornucopia, per private hack. The former intends to remain some time working in the mines.

Mr. Jesse Jewell, while working on a building in Union, Tuesday, fell sixteen feet into some scantlings and received painful bruises. He was able to be brought home the same day.

George Thomas sold his real estate on the hillside last Tuesday to Benj. F. Koger. The price paid was \$1800, and the number of acres 80. Ben intends to settle down now and grow up with the country.

Mrs. Josephine Edgar came up from Portland last week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Hendershott. She was accompanied by Mrs. Ida Navin, Mrs. Barnard, and Mrs. Asher, all of Portland.

Mr. Jas. Allen is trying the experiment of bee culture this summer. He has a good hive of the busy insects, and judging from their steady working the trial will prove that this locality will make a good apiary.

Advertised letters remaining in the Cove postoffice: G. W. Bush, Rev. Paul S. Hinz, J. A. Kinsey, Wm. Minor, E. F. Sarders, Mrs. Mary Stubblefield, L. C. Livermore, Mrs. Cora E. Stillwell, —Walkingham. JASPER G. STEVENS, P. M.

It is not at all impossible that the Union Pacific will extend a feeder from the Union depot to Cove. It is anything to worry Hunt. No doubt he will be the cause of many short branch roads being built this year. Let it come. We are not disposed to complain.

Cove was represented at the dedication of the La Grande baseball grounds last Sunday. The game, though one-sided, between La Grande and Summerville, was full of interesting features. The next game of the series comes off Sunday, the 20th. Admission 25 cents.

The departure of the mails changed this week. In place of leaving at 7:30 a. m., the time is extended to 8 o'clock. This is an accommodation to the patrons of the office, especially those who forget their correspondence till 7:50. Mails, both east and west bound, leave Union the same day.

Mr. John Martin and Mrs. Rea Tolly invested in ten acres of soil adjoining Grays Harbor City this week. That place is making wonderful strides toward being one of the principal sea port towns on the coast. Two railroad lines, the Northern and Hunt's road, are building towards that point as fast as money can accomplish it, and everything looks very propitious for the future in that vicinity.

THE COUNTY COURT.

Synopsis of the Business Transacted at the Recent Session.

Bonds of J. S. Elliott, as recorder; Turner Oliver, as clerk; J. T. Bolles, as sheriff and J. L. Curtis as surveyor, approved.

Financial exhibit of J. L. Carter, school superintendent approved.

Jesse Imbler was appointed stock inspector for a period of one year.

In the matter of the petition to have the road from Cove to the Cove cemetery resurveyed; it was the opinion of the court that it would be better for the people of the Cove to have said road petitioned for and established as a legal county road, and the petition before the court was overruled.

Road petitioned for by S. L. McKenzie et al; Enos Fisher, J. P. Childers and John Contrell appointed viewers and J. L. Curtis surveyor, to view, survey and report upon said road, and that they meet at the house of J. P. Childers on the 21st day of July for that purpose.

Road petitioned for by R. B. Gibson et al; Thomas Vail, Wm. Wise and Chas. Craig appointed viewers and J. L. Curtis surveyor to view, survey and report upon said road, to meet at the

Gibson blacksmith shop on the 29th day of July for that purpose.

Road petitioned for by J. Wilson, et al; Wm. Saling, Jas Halley and S. S. Boothe appointed viewers and J. L. Curtis, surveyor to meet at the Oro Dell bridge on the 22nd day of July.

Road petitioned for by J. B. Broshiers et al; Allan Long, Leman Blanchard and Andrew Knight appointed as viewers and J. L. Curtis, surveyor, to meet at Elgin on the 26th day of July.

Road petitioned for by J. L. Caviness et al; J. W. Lytle, A. J. Hughes and E. W. Oliver appointed viewers, and J. L. Curtis surveyor to meet at Island City July 23rd.

Road petitioned for by W. R. Young et al; It appearing to the court that said road is too indefinitely described, and the terminal points too indefinitely located to give the court jurisdiction under the statute, the petition was dismissed.

County warrants turned over by County Treasurer Brainard to the amount of \$— and cancelled.

Road petitioned for by Wm. Cramer et al; Reports of viewers and surveyor approved and road declared a public highway and ordered opened.

In order to provide the new county recorder with a suitable office it was decided to build a second vault on the top of the present vault to the clerk's office and make the same communicate with the room in the north wing of the court house, up stairs and use said room in connection with said vault as a clerk's office and the recorder to keep the old clerk's office. The clerk was ordered to advertise for bids for the construction of said vault.

Road petitioned for by J. B. Dolby et al; Reports of viewers and surveyor approved. Road declared a public highway and ordered opened.

Road petitioned for by C. W. Hamilton, et al; Report of viewers and surveyor approved. Road declared a public highway and ordered opened.

Road petitioned for by Geo. F. Hall; Same.

Road petitioned for by J. R. Weaver, et al; Same.

In the matter of an order to Justices of the Peace relative to all fines collected by them, it was ordered that the clerk of the court prepare a blank report suitable for Justices of the Peace to make monthly reports on, and have the same printed and to furnish Justices with the blanks, and that each Justice be required to comply with the provisions of the statute in the matter. An order was made that Justices of the Peace in Union county send in bills, in all cases where the county is liable to costs, so that all the claims of witnesses, jurors, constables etc., in each case, may come before the court at the same time. That all such bills be certified to by the Justice to be correct and that a transcript of the case be submitted with the bill. It was further ordered that where Justices hold coroners' inquests, the transcripts must show that the coroner was absent from the county or was unable to act, as provided in sec. 1676, page 875 of Hill code.

NORTH POWDER NEWS.

Excellent Crops Assured—Work at the Saw-mills—Social Events—Personal Notes.

Grain crops look fine.

Mr. Jacob Newman, who has been traveling on the Sound, has returned home again.

All the saw mills around here are running at full blast and the roads are lined with lumber teams.

The people of this place donated liberally to give the M. E. church building a new dress of paint.

The merchants, blacksmiths and hotels are kept busy, which shows that our town is little but "Oh my!"

Haying has commenced in earnest and the hay crop promises to be a good one in quantity as well as in quality.

The North Powder base ball club is well organized and is awaiting to down any clubs who want to come here to play them.

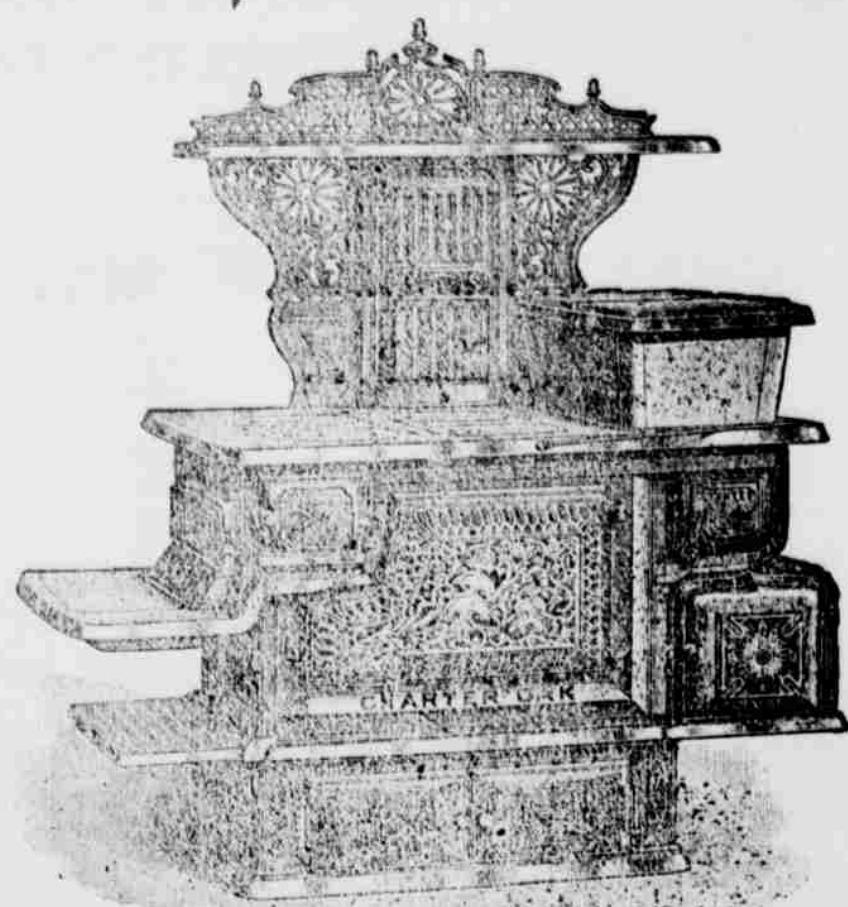
The North Powder hotel is again presided over by Mrs. Bobier, under whose management it soon will regain the good name, which has suffered lately.

Last Sunday a Fishing party consisting of the Misses Ella, Ada and Laura Powers, Maude Summers, Jennie McGillis and Jessie Gillfillen of Union and the Messrs J. H. Powers, Robt. Wilson and H. Rothchild, visited Rock creek. Quite an enjoyable time was had and the party returned though without fish, yet well pleased with the time spent in hunting for them.

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