

Oregon Scout.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 1891.

NOTICE.

On account of the change made in the management of this paper, all accounts due up to Jan. 15, 1891, must be settled without delay. Those knowing themselves indebted to the paper are requested to come in and pay up without further urging.

AT HOME.

A Paragraphic Record of Recent Happenings in and Around the City.

Let us have a woolen mill.
First-class club ice skates for \$1.50 at the Cove drug store.
Our Salem letter failed to arrive on time again this week.
Remember the masquerade ball to be given in this city on Feb. 13th.

The Charter Oak stoves for sale at Summers & Layne's hardware store.

Eighty families and a payroll of \$9000 per month will be a valuable acquisition to our city.

The dancing school, held at Davis' hall every Wednesday night, is very largely attended.

There are now 79 cases docketed for the February term of court, besides the criminal cases.

The store of Jaycox & Foster is closed, and the firm is inventorying goods preparatory for a change in the business.

The Scout acknowledges the receipt of a neat calendar from the well known implement house of Staver & Walker.

W. H. Dav, of Hilgard, was committed to jail last Friday to await the action of the grand jury, charged with assault and battery.

A very enthusiastic meeting of the Union board of trade was held last Friday night and considerable business of importance was transacted.

There was a grand ball given at Elgin last Friday night. An excursion train was run from La Grande and a general good time is reported.

We have just ordered a large stock of new job material, and the Scout's job office will soon be prepared to turn out all kinds of work on short notice.

The attention of our readers is called to the large "ad" of Jones Bros., which appears in this issue. They are selling goods at astonishingly low prices.

J. M. Elgin, one of Unatilla county's most extensive farmers, has made an assignment. His real and personal property is valued at \$31,000; liabilities, \$52,000.

The revival meetings at the Methodist church closed last Tuesday night. Rev. Morris reports several conversions to religion as well as a very successful meeting generally.

Hunt's surveyors have been at work lately sounding the Columbia in order to determine the best place to bridge the river. They have decided on a point one mile above the ferry at old Wallula.

Irvine McQuary has severed his connection with the Athena Press. J. E. McQuary becoming sole proprietor. The paper, which has been issued as a semi-weekly of late, will be changed back to a weekly.

Deputy Assessor Deacon is busy at work on the large plat book of Union county and will soon have it finished. It will be a valuable acquisition to the assessor's office and will greatly aid him in assessing real estate in the county.

Among the inducements offered by the shapers of Baker City, in order to secure the annexation of the southern part of Union county to their principality, is an indebtedness of about \$200,000, an additional yearly tax of 7 mills or more.

The interior of the lower story of Wilson's brick will soon be completed. James Bell, the painter, is now putting on the finishing touches, which is an assurance that it will be well done and present a fine appearance. Jim is an artist, and don't you forget it.

It is a settled fact that a white man can do twice as much work in a given length of time as a Chinaman. If the Union Pacific Company wants to economize why not curtail the force of white section laborers one-half instead of employing these obnoxious celestial at starvation wages.

Rev. William Owenby, a Presbyterian minister of Enterprise, died very suddenly last Wednesday afternoon of heart disease. He had just returned from watering his horse, when he suddenly asked for a seat and expired in a few minutes.

Two mistakes occurred in Mr. Pursell's reply in the last issue of this paper. The first as to the amount of the appropriation, which was made to read "\$12,000" when it should have been "\$1,200"; and the second, the date of the appropriation was made to read "the 17th of June" when it should have been "the 7th of June."

A great many of our farmers have been worrying of late. The streams of the valley, which are full from snow in the mountains until late in the summer, are lower than ever before. It is no cause for alarm.

Complaints are numerous about this paper not arriving at its destination. As the papers leave the Union office we do not see who is to blame. The press of the Grande and Baker City offices. The press must be recognized as having something to do with it. It will be well for the proprietors to send offices to take note of this fact and the Scout through when it arrives.

Baker City Democrat: Messrs. John Rogers, superintendent of the American Mining Company, J. T. Fyler, manager of the Oregon and Idaho F. awarding Company, of Huntington, and others, have entered into a contract with the American Mining Company and ex- governor Houser, of Montana, for the erection of a fifty ton smelter at the town of Helena in the Seven Devils district, the same to be in operation not later than June 1, 1890.

WE MUST HAVE A WOOLEN MILL.

A Little Exertion on the Part of Our Citizens Will Secure it for Us.

Union must have manufacturing industries, and first of all a woolen mill. We have the water power and location, as well as pure and sparkling water for cleansing purposes, and are situated in the midst of a great wool-growing country. Eastern men, in search of a location for the establishment of such an enterprise, invariably favor Union with their propositions before seeking other fields, thus proving, beyond a doubt, that we are admirably situated for such a concern; and they have all given us up very reluctantly, and only for the reason that they did not meet with sufficient encouragement from our citizens. We must have a woolen mill and our citizens are at last awakening to a realization of the fact.

Mr. A. E. Eaton, one of our most enterprising and public-spirited citizens, states that he will subscribe stock in such a concern to the extent of \$25,000, and with such an impetus who says that the enterprise cannot be made to go. Mr. Eaton, while in the East, had several conversations with an experienced man in the woolen mill business, and is very enthusiastic in regard to the matter. He is satisfied that money put into woolen mill stock will yield handsome returns and that it is a better investment than loaning money at ten per cent. with good mortgage security.

The board of trade should bring this question up at its next meeting and take an active part in getting the affair into shape; an incorporation should be formed, stock books opened, and a vigorous canvass for stock made. This done, the Scout ventures the assertion that, if our other well-to-do citizens take a fractional part of the interest, manifested by Mr. Eaton, in the concern, the mill will be built and in operation by the coming fall.

From a letter received by Mr. Eaton, since his return, from the gentleman in question, we learn that all the necessary machinery for a four-set mill, with a capacity of 250 pair of blankets per day, can be purchased, free on board of the cars in Massachusetts, for \$35,000, the same being adapted to the manufacture of the finest and heaviest of woolen goods. Such a mill would employ in the neighborhood of eighty hands and the monthly payroll would be about \$3000.

The gentleman further states that the profit on blankets in his country is from 50 cents to \$1.50 per pair, and that they now have an order for 100 cases which they are unable to fill, and he thinks that with the low price of wool in Oregon a mill of this kind will pay large profits to the stockholders.

OUR SOCIAL WORLD.

Brief Personal Mention—Epitome of the Week's Amusements.

B. F. Richardson, of the Cove, called on us Friday.

Uncle H. Osborn, of Wingville, is visiting in the city.

Judge Goodall was a visitor to the city last Monday.

Jesse Imbler, of Summerville, was in the city Monday.

Joe Wright visited Pendleton this week, on business.

Louie Lamere, of High valley, was in the city Tuesday.

M. W. Mitchell, of the Cove, was on our streets Tuesday.

Rev. W. C. Baird, of Island City, was in town yesterday.

Hon. Henry Rinehart, of La Grande, was in town yesterday.

L. B. Haggerty, of the Cove, was a visitor to this city Friday.

Justus Wade, of Summerville, paid our city a visit last Friday.

H. O. Gorham, of North Powder, was in the city a few days ago.

Miss Laura Worrell has been on the sick list for several days past.

H. C. Robinson, of High valley, made us a pleasant visit last Saturday.

Andrew Christiansen, of Elgin, made our office a pleasant call yesterday.

Rev. S. M. Driver will preach at the Methodist church Sunday night.

Miss Libbie Richardson paid a visit to friends and relatives in North Powder this week.

We received a pleasant call from C. F. Hinckley, of Antelope, the fore part of the week.

W. J. Townley and wife, of Sanger, have been spending several days in this city recently.

Prof. Alguire, the phrenologist, is now at Elgin taking measurements of the knobs on the natives.

Mrs. F. Simonis, of Eagle valley, sent in this week and renewed her subscription to the Scout.

J. D. Colman, of Sanger, was in this city during the week. He has been visiting at the Dalles.

County Clerk Oliver was in attendance at the clerk's convention which was held at Salem on the 20th.

A marriage license was issued Monday to Bartlett F. Holbrook and Emma C. Critchfield, both of La Grande.

Our efficient deputy sheriff, A. H. Glidewell, is serving summons on the jurors drawn for the next term of court.

Hon. L. B. Rinehart returned Monday from Walla Walla. Mrs. Rinehart is still there but will be home in a few days.

Johnny Clark, the rustling agent of the Frank Brothers' Implement Company, made us a pleasant visit the fore part of the week.

J. W. Shelton returned home from Portland yesterday, where he has been on business connected with the Union Railway Company.

Charles Crim, who has been working for some time past at Hutchinson & Gardner's mill at North Powder, came down Tuesday evening.

G. D. Bricker, of Butte City, Montana, a former partner of Lou Remillard in the stock business, was in this city a few days this week.

E. M. Avery, wife, and son William, of Colorado, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Foster, of this city. Mr. Avery is a brother to Mrs. Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Rinehart are visiting in Pendleton. During their absence Mrs. Allie Denney has charge of Mrs. Rinehart's millinery store.

E. P. McDaniel, of the Cove, passed through town Monday on his way to Pendleton, Walla Walla and other towns across the mountains.

Ferd Bloch, who has been acting in the capacity of night clerk at the Centennial hotel for some time past, has taken his departure for Portland.

Mrs. A. J. Goodbrod, who has been at the bedside of her sister, Mrs. J. M. Fy, of the Cove, has returned home and reports Mrs. Fy much improved in health.

Mrs. Turner Oliver has been on a visit to her parents near Summerville for several days past. She returned home Tuesday accompanied by her husband, who went after her.

Our wide-awake merchant, A. Levy, has been in Athena for several days past looking after his interests there, and assisting in taking an inventory of the stock of J. Bloch & Co.

Rev. W. T. Koontz, of La Grande, was in the city this week, assisting with the revival meetings just closed here. The reverend gentleman, accompanied by Rev. Morris, made this office a pleasant visit.

THE STATE CAPITAL.

Some Interesting Notes as Reported by J. P. Wager in the East Oregonian.

SALEM, January 27.—Senator Watkins' portage railway bill on third reading passed the senate this afternoon. Norval, the special champion of the boat railway, wanted Union, Walla Walla and other eastern counties to be benefited by the bill. Raley favored the bill, not that it was what Unatilla most desired, but that it helped a neighbor, and what helped a neighbor would help them. Tongue, who opposed the bill two years ago, now favored it by paying a handsome tribute to the people of Eastern Oregon. The bill passed, yeas 22, nays 2, absent 4.

In the senate today Blakmann introduced a bill for an additional circuit judge for the seventh judicial district.

The following bills were passed:

For justices of the peace to examine insane persons in the absence of the county judge.

Relating to guardians and wards.

For the completion of the capitol building.

Amending the law regulating the fees and per diem of assessors and county commissioners.

Senator Raley will introduce a bill in the senate tomorrow or next day and Killian will introduce a similar one in the house, in favor of the state taking action in opening the Columbia river to free navigation. They will be ably assisted by broad-gauge republicans, in both houses, who are not afraid to stand in for a good measure even if it is recommended by a democratic governor.

A committee has been appointed to visit the Cascade locks. Of course, King Caucus, directed by Dolph, in power, any report they may make will be altogether a farce. What they ought to report is an exposure of the shameful and outrageous waste of the public funds and the needless and more than insulting delay of that work for many years in the interest of a railway corporation, served by United States senators, and by cheap and corruptible engineers. But they won't; they will have a pleasure trip; and J. B. Montgomery, who is a member of the committee, will dictate their report, which of course will be a whitewash of Dolph, et al. It is true the people of Eastern Oregon not only understand these matters but begin to express their opinion about them.

There can be an open river in two years, but it is being delayed and defeated as it has been for years, by men elected to serve the people, but who are in reality their enemies.

The Australian ballot law is likely to be defeated, and I will tell you for the first time why and by whom. The Oregonian of Sunday has a one-sided account of the matter, which is only partially correct.

As is generally known, there are two factions of the republican party in the state, who are bitterly opposed to each other. The leader of one faction is Joseph Simon; of the other James Lotan; D. P. Thompson is the pet of the Lotan faction while Simon is his own pet and looks out for Number One. Simon insists on certain amendments to the bill, which, of course, the Lotan faction will oppose. The bill cannot pass without the votes of both factions.

The whole business is a most palpable and paltry excuse, on the part of both factions, to defeat the bill. If this is done the Lotan faction will lay it to Joe Simon, on account of his amendments; Simon and his friends, on the other hand, will claim his amendments perfectly innocent, proper just and right, which seems to be the case, and that the Thompson-Lotan crowd had no excuse to defeat the bill because of him. Mr. Simon may not be an angel of political virtue and patriotism, but he is infinitely superior to the gang blindly led by Lotan, Thompson and J. B. Montgomery. It is on the shoulders of these men, and not those of Mr. Simon, that the responsibility for the defeat of the Australian ballot law—if it is defeated—will rest.

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