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WASHINGTON.

News of the Week From Our Regular Cor-
respondent at the Capital.

WASHINGTON, July 3, 1891.

EDITOR OREGON SCOUT:—

Mr. Harrison left for the seashore
this morning, and it is not expected
that he will return to Washington
before August as orders have been
issued by private Secretary Halford
to the clerks of the executive office
to prepare to move bag and baggage,
next week, to Cape May Point, where
the executive office will be located
as long as the president remains at his
cottage; meanwhile the White House
will be turned over to the workmen
who will take advantage of the absence
of its regular occupants to make many
needed repairs.

Before leaving town Mr. Harrison
appointed ex-Representative Simonds,
of Connecticut, to be commissioner of
patents vice Charles E. Mitchell re-
signed. Mr. Simonds is said to be a
very competent man.

Secretary Foster is certainly a very
shrewd politician. Perhaps he had no
hand in bringing about the present
very peculiar condition of things in
the long drawn out dispute between
the bureau of engraving and printing
and the Knights of Labor, but it is
nevertheless a fortunate thing for his
party in Ohio that the dispute is now
practically between the Knights of
Labor and the Federation of Labor,
with himself as arbitrator. Secretary
Foster informed the executive com-
mittee of the Knights of Labor that
the seven men discharged would not be
reinstated, but that he was willing to
overlook their discharge and see that
they were employed as soon as some
new presses were put up. Then a
committee from the Federation of La-
bor presented a protest against those
discharged men being given any prefer-
ence over other men whose applica-
tions were on file, and thus the matter
stands. This may turn out all right
for the working men; but it empha-
sizes the evil of there being two sepa-
rate and distinct organizations, em-
bracing members of the same trade.
It reminds one too forcibly of the re-
mark of the Englishman: "If you
want an Irishman clubbed there is nev-
er any difficulty in getting an Irishman
to do it."

The newspapers continue to print
stories of alleged defections from the
farmers' alliance, but at the headquar-
ters of the organization in this city,
where they are in constant official
communication with all the States,
nothing is known of any serious de-
fection anywhere; on the contrary
they say that the organization is
adding to its membership constantly
and extending its influence in every
direction.

Ex-Senator Ingalls took especial
pains to slur at the farmers' alliance
in his lecture before the Glen Echo
Chautauqua here this week. Although
he did not refer to it by name, there
was no doubt as to what was aimed at
when he said: "We have now a new
school of political philosophy, that is
repudiating the Declaration of Inde-
pendence, that is endeavoring to over-
throw the maxims of democracy and
to insist that the race shall not be for
the swift nor the battle to the strong;
that the distinction ordained by God
among men shall be an obliterated
statute, so that idleness shall bring the
same reward as industry and thrift;
that the ignorant shall be as wise as
the learned; that debts shall be paid
by acts of congress; that money shall
be made as plenty as the autumn
leaves of the forest; that taxation shall
be abolished by acts of a State legisla-
ture, and that property shall be equal-
ly distributed among all men."

The Weather Bureau was now a part
of the Agricultural Department, hav-
ing been, according to act of congress,
formally transferred to that depart-
ment on the first of the month. New
brooms always sweep clean, and Sec-
retary Rusk is prolific of promises as
to extensions of the service in the in-
terest of the farmers. There is no
doubt about Secretary Rusk being
perfectly sincere in his desire to help
the farmer, but it remains to be seen
how much he can accomplish. Prof.
Harrington, of the University of Mich-
igan, has been appointed chief of the
bureau.

All of the candidates for speaker of
the house have gone to New York or
other places to take part in Indepen-

dence Day jollifications, but there are
some very interesting rumors floating
around Washington as to the future
action of some of them, which, if true,
cannot fail to affect the final result.
One of these rumors says that Mr.
Mills will withdraw his name because
of Mr. Cleveland having thrown his
influence to Representative McMillin,
of Tennessee, and that Mr. Mills in
conjunction with a number of influen-
tial southern and western democrats
will work to give both the speakership
and the presidential nomination to the
west, Holman, of Indiana, being their
candidate for speaker, and Morrison,
of Illinois, for president. Representa-
tive Bynum, of Indiana, will also, it is
said, withdraw from the speakership
contest and go into the Mills move-
ment.

Representative Crisp thinks the
alliance members of the house will go
into the democratic caucus for the
nomination of house officers. Alli-
ance men here don't agree with him.
J. H. C.

MEDICAL SPRINGS.

MEDICAL SPRINGS, July 14, 1891.

We notice D. A. Miles on our streets
again after a brief visit to the outside
world.

Mrs. Philbrick of Walla Walla is
trying the virtues of the waters of the
springs.

Mr. Mike Wright of Baker City is
rusticating at the springs. He is a
fisherman from way back.

Rev. McCart preached his farewell
sermon to the citizens of Big creek
Sunday. He leaves for conference
soon.

Mrs. Hiram Kennison and daughter
of Baker City are at the springs doctor-
ing and are much pleased with the
effect the water produces.

Rev. Boyles county lecturer for county
alliance, delivered a very able lecture
to the people of Big creek on yesterday
evening. Subject, finances.

Sheriff Bolles and Deputy Glidewell
are both in the Panhandle country
The last heard of, the deputy had all
most been drowned in a rain storm.

Mrs. Dunham Wright of the springs
is now in Cove harvesting her cherry
crop which is now ripe and will be
done with dispatch if Laura goes to her
rescue with her expert.

Rev. Sidener preached to the good
people of Park Sunday evening. He
is regarded as an able speaker and can
get an audience any time he may see
fit to come among us.

Geo. and Justus Wright are making
preparations to ship to Portland and
the Sound country a few car loads of
beef. They have as fine beef animals
as can be found in any country.

The recent hard rains have damaged
a great quantity of hay in our settle-
ment, though the weather is beautiful
and bright again and the mowers are
singing on all sides both late and early.

Quite a stir among mining men
about a quartz ledge located within
a half mile of the springs. Specimens
are being taken to the assayer and a
big body of ore of some kind is in
sight. Hope they will strike it rich.

STARKEY STRIKES.

STARKEY, Oregon, July 10, 1891.

Starkey did not celebrate.
Wonder if it's going to rain all sum-
mer?

With the amount of rain we have
had, a good crop is a settled fact.

John French, Leslie Dunn and Uncle
Jimmy Moore came up from the
mill to spend the Fourth.

Mr. Joe Laurin finished stacking
his hay on the 7th. Joe is in luck, for
it has been raining ever since.

A social hop was given by the bloods
of Starkey on the night of the 3rd in
the house formerly occupied by L. C.
Marley. A good time is reported.

Born.—On the 4th inst., to the wife
of W. T. Burnett, a bouncing twelve
pound boy. Billy says this is not the
kind of celebrations he has been hav-
ing heretofore on the glorious Fourth,
but is proud of it nevertheless.

Mr. W. S. McMillin, who has had
the contract for carrying the Starkey
mail the past year, made his last trip
on the 27th of June. Although com-
ing in late on several occasions, on
account of log jams and ice gorges
in the river, Mac never lost a trip.
Uncle Obie Burnett, his successor, has
the contract for three years commen-
cing July 1, 1891. Old Soaks.

HIGH VALLEY.

"Homo's" Usual Batch of Homs—Editor
Davis Reviewed.

HIGH VALLEY, July 12, 1891.

Having been very busy with the
duties devolving upon all grangers at
this time of the year, we were compelled
to let our correspondence to THE SCOUT
take a rest for a few weeks, and for
fear ye editor might think as one who
remarked to us last Saturday, that we
had been called hence, we hasten to
assure you that we are still alive.

Mr. Wm. Lyle has returned from
Phoenix, Arizona, on account of his
wife's failing health. The rarefied air
of High Valley always proves a per-
manent benefit to the health seeker.

The late rains have thoroughly
soaked the ground and crops of all
kinds are taking on a more favorable
aspect. The hay crop is light and no
amount of rain can redeem it now—
the season is too far advanced—and
many farmers everywhere will be com-
pelled to sacrifice grain fields for hay.

John Minnick says this is going to
be a growly season for threshing men,
as there will be a very large quantity
of late, ill-matured grain mixed up
with the first ripe growth that will not
thresh out of the husk unless subjected
to a powerful process of tangled con-
cave. He is overhauling everything
in his separator preparatory to giving
the knotty grain a round up, and when
the jig starts he will be there.

We see the damage statement of the
La Grande fire in four different county
papers gives W. J. Snodgrass' loss at
\$30,000. Here is a specimen case for
the next grand jury to find collection
on back taxes. Where large mercan-
tile firms can do a business away up
in the thousands and beat the assessor
out entirely, it is high time the real
estate owners were falling into the
same line.

The High valley alliance is on the
road to success. We organized with
9 members and now have 22 and 8
applications, besides others who say
they will soon be there. Bonds of op-
pression are strong in uniform council.
The delegates to the county alliance
are B. Logsdon, Andrew Wilkinson
and J. W. Minnick.

Our school closed amidst the jolliest,
happiest crowd of school children that
has been our lot to behold in a num-
ber of years. Mr. S. L. Corpe was our
teacher. Number of days taught, 60;
number of times tardy, 4; number of
boys enrolled, 13 number of girls en-
rolled, 18; total number, 31; average
daily attendance, 28. At noon the
school withdrew to a shady spot near
by and had the full enjoyment of a
picnic dinner, with a bountiful supply
of luscious strawberries, a treat from
their kind teacher. The afternoon
exercises were complete, and anyone
present and hearing the recitations
and various parts carried out by the
little, smiling, bright and happy chil-
dren would call the school aught else
but a triumphant success. During
the past five years Mr. Corpe has
taught four terms of our school and
the directors have secured his services
for the fall term. Long may his
bright banner wave o'er the young
America of High valley!

For some time past we have been
reading the Eastern Oregon Republi-
can, and many are the statements
therein from L. J. Davis, editor, that
no reasonable thinker can in any way
endorse, and in the issue of July 9th
is one in particular on wire nails,
claiming the tariff is not a tax, and
that it is of great benefit to our people
is shown in the fact that a duty of two
cents a pound on wire nails has not
only caused nails used in this country
to be made by our own people, but
has reduced the price below the duty
itself. Bro. Davis, why is this so?
and why do we pay six cents here in
Union for them? Simply because of
the nail trust. The consumer never
gets any benefit from a reduction of
duty so long as a trust manipulates
sales. From your general argument
you would have us beat the steamship
trust by keeping our wheat and corn
at home. Following out the same
theory we could beat the railroads by
eating our own pork; beat the sugar
trust by eating sorghum; beat the
leather trust by using rawhide harness
and wearing moccasins, and beat the
lumber trust by building log houses.
Why not return at once to the condi-
tion of the savages and beat the whole

business? We affirm that there is no
argument that can properly be urged
against a trust that cannot with equal
propriety be urged against a protec-
tive tariff, and the writer who condemns
the one and upholds the other simply
exposes the prejudices that mar the
symmetry of his own understanding,
without adding to the general stock of
knowledge. Mr. Gladstone, John
Sherman, Daniel Webster, ex-Govern-
or Grimes, and many other learned
statesmen of your own political party,
besides the most learned men of all
other parties, have told us most posi-
tively that the tariff is a tax, and it
not only increases the price of the for-
eign article, but it also increases the
price of the domestic article of the
same kind, only where some trust
runs riot to ruin the protected article.
Now if the tariff, as you claim, makes
the manufacturer sell his goods for
less money and pay his workmen
higher wages, what does he want with
the tariff? Common sense teaches us
that men never advocate any measure
that will take money out of their own
pockets, and yet if your logic is true
that is exactly what our factories are
doing. However, you may know
more than Daniel Webster and all the
rest of these learned statesmen. If so,
your case is certainly dangerous and
we would advise you to go at once to
a cooper and have a few strong hoops
put around you lest there be an ex-
plosion. HOMO.

PARK PICKINGS.

Park, July 12, 1891.

James Wisdom has a boy to raise.
Crops of both hay and grain look
fine.

Rev. Sidener shot off his gospel gun
today.

The company will start the saw mill
in a few days for a short run.

Jo Van has bought a piece of school
land that adjoined him on the west.

Poor old Moike! he gets his hide
tauned every time a preacher comes
along.

Mr. McLin has taken up a piece of
land between the Park and Catherine
creek.

W. T. Martin is going down on Pow-
der river to help H. W. Lee during
haying.

There is going to be an alliance
lecture on Monday night at Big creek
by Rev. Boyles.

There has been sufficient rain to
make good grain. The ground is wet
down very deep now.

Jos. Van is about to trade for a piece
of land within twenty-five miles of
Union. Jo is a rustler.

A. Van got a letter from Grandpa
Wisdom Saturday. He is very bad off
yet. He is visiting friends now.

There is an infidel smasher here as
well as in Union, that is, in his opin-
ion, but that is as far as it goes.

W. M. South had the toothache all
week and was mad all the time; but
he had the offending tooth pulled Sat-
urday.

Geo. South has a top buggy and it
goes down to Big creek every Sunday
and takes him along for—well you
know why.

The health of this community is
very good now. The lame backs are
nearly all well. Grandma Van is
much better.

Eulalie South came home to spend
the Fourth with her many friends.
She will return to Union in a day or
two. She has been stopping at Mr.
Eakin's all spring and summer.

G. W. Dillion and R. M. South went
to Elgin on business last Wednesday
and were going to take in the picnic
at the Cove. The folks at the Park
did not get to go on account of the
rain Friday.

The Campbellites gave us a rattle
here in the Park today. The same
old story; nothing new. Ingersoll,
you might just as well break your
horn, for you are no where in the
hands of Bro. D.

Mr. Scout you ought to have been
at the alliance last week to see Uncle
Sam Vanorder ride the goat. There
were 17 that rode the goat. The alli-
ance is very contagious; it has got
nearly all of the country. Union, you
look out, for there will be a large dele-
gation down on you the 15th with
blood in their eyes and grub in their
baskets. JAYB.