

BROAD-AXE

"HEW TO THE LINE, LET THE CHIPS FALL WHERE THEY MAY."

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FROM THE WIRES.

ALL ON BOARD SAVED

MANILA, Nov 14.—The United States cruiser Charleston, which has been patrolling the northern coast of Luzon, was wrecked on a reef off the northwest coast Tuesday November 7.

All on board were saved.

FARMHOUSE BURNED

SALEM, Nov 16.—The farmhouse of B. Coffey, 2 1/2 miles southeast of Salem was destroyed by fire last night. The loss is about \$1,000 and the insurance \$700. The fire originated from a defective flue.

METHODIST PREACHER MURDERED

ST. LOUIS, Nov 16.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Dexter, Mo. says:

Rev. Jessie Moore, living six miles south of here, was found in bed today with the top of his head either blown off with a gun or beaten in with a club. An adult son who slept in the same room in another bed, declared he had heard no noise.

NOT AFRAID OF LYNCHERS

ST. LOUIS, Nov 16.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Dexter, Mo. says:

William Huff was taken from the county jail at Bloomfield today and hanged by a mob of about 100 men. Huff, who was charged with the murder of Andrew Melton, north of here last week, showed remarkable nerve, facing the mob and asserting that he was not afraid.

DALLAS COURT HOUSE

The Dallas court house has just been completed, about such an one as the Lane county court house. The same architect planned it and it was built and furnished after the style of the Lane county court house. The Dallas court house completed and furnished cost \$37,700 about half what the Lane county court house cost.

SMALL POX

Baker City Republican: There was nothing special transpiring today in the smallpox cases in the city. The patients are all doing well and their ultimate recovery is considered but a matter of a few days. A great many people are being vaccinated and are taking other precautions to guard against the contagion. Baker City is not the only town in which this disease is prevalent. It is stated that the disease is epidemic throughout the United States but has not shown in a malignant form anywhere.

Burglars stole \$100 from Tom Burgess store in Bakeoven, Friday night. A young man named Bowman, of Grass Valley, has been arrested on suspicion of having committed the burglary, though only 60 cents was found on him.

EXPERT'S REPORT

Warner Brown, L. H. Potter and A. Wheeler the committee appointed by the county court to examine the sheriff's books, reported as follows:

W. W. WITHERS, SHERIFF, DR.

Original roll 1896	\$150,768 32
Sheriff ass. 1898 collect-	
ed	189 23
Sheriff ass. 1898 delin-	
quent	29 40
Total	\$150,987 22

CONTRA CR.

Turned over to treasurer prior to Nov 15 1899	\$144,053 00
Turned over to treasurer Nov 13, 1899	3,735 76
Delinquent	2,782 06
Corrections on original	298 20
" on delinquent	118 00
Total	\$150,987 02

AMOUNT EMBEZZLED.

Tax receipts on hand Nov 15, 1899	\$ 3,735 76
Cash on hand Nov 15, 1899	1,464 28

Showing a shortage of \$2,271 43 which Sheriff Withers has turned over to the treasurer, thus making up all of Day's stealings.

NEARING 100,000.00 MARK

The same committee reports the following summary of the indebtedness of the county:

July 1 1898 Amt outstanding per former report	48,678 67
Amt issued from July 1 1898 to Nov 7 1899 from clerks record	126,949 14
	\$175,624 81

Cancelled and filed with clerk July 1 1898 to Nov 7, 1899	80,828 48
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Amount outstanding Nov 7 1899	\$94,796 33
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Ninety four thousand, seven hundred, and ninety-six dollars, and thirty three cents on the 7th of the month is what the county owed at that time. This amount will reach a cool \$100,000.00 by New year, January 1, 1900, as the county court has been piling up debts against the county at the rate of thousands a month. This will not surprise readers of the Broad-Axe, as it has asserted several times that before the year ran out the county would be in debt \$100,000.00. What amount of this has gone into somebody's pockets as a "graft" is unknown, and in all probability will not be known. But of one thing people who are well informed in this matter are certain and that is that ten thousand's of dollars would not cover the amount.

The tax levy for Benton county for the coming year is 16 1/2 mills.

CLIPPED

Clarence Johnson was arrested at Moro-Friday for attempting to cash a check for \$105 bearing the forged signature of Scott & Co., of Grass Valley. On examination he was held to the grand jury on a bond of \$500.

Wayland's "Appeal to Reason" appears on our table this week. This paper is printed at Girard, Kansas, and is the ablest advocate of socialism in the United States. It is 20 cents per year when taken in clubs of twenty-five or more.

Moro Leader: Mrs Hickson's big Langshang rooster, John L. Sullivan, fought a three-round battle with a large hawk last week. In the first round a left hook deprived John L. of an eye. In the second, honors were evenly divided, but in the third set to the hawk was flattened out.

The Dalles Itemizer says: The cost of the new court house at the Dalles foots up all told "\$37,739." Just half what the court house of Lane county cost, and the Dalles court house is said to be equal in all respects to the court house of Lane. So much for the business management of our county court.

Corvallis Times: In the freeze sometime ago, corn on the college farm was frozen. The corn was not yet matured, having only advanced in the process of ripening to about the roasting-ear stage. To test the value of the frozen corn for food purposes, seven hogs were fed on it for a week. They were weighed before and afterward, and showed a gain of 42 pounds, or nearly one pound each per day, thus establishing the value of frozen corn as a food stuff.

Roseburg Review: The Plaindealer is endeavoring to make political capital out of the defalcation of Henry Day, deputy sheriff of Lane county. But the fact that the populist sheriff, Mr Withers, put up out of his own pocket every cent of the stolen money and that the taxpayers lost nothing whatever makes the attempt simply ridiculous. The affair proves only one thing in politics—that the union party elected an honest man sheriff, and that he was swindled by an employe in his office who betrayed his confidence.

Prosperity has struck Eugene sure. As evidence we notice Col. Straight, Hon T G Hendricks, and I D Driver, now wear bran-splintered—new fine silk stove pipe hats. And now if our worthy county treasurer, and Mr Dodd of Springfield will only bring their's out from where, they hid them when the bank panic of '93 came on the Eugene Register can speak with more certainty as to "McKinley prosperity."

BRIEF MENTION.

Wheat 41 cents at the mill.
Dr Lowe's optician, with Joe Lucky.
Overton's for wall paper, oils and paints.

Wood wanted at the Eugene Photo Studio.

Bicycle tires \$4.50 at Matlock & McClanahan's.

Sundries, repairing, etc, at Matlock & McClanahan's.

Buy an X-Ray Sulky plow and be happy. Sold by McClanahan & Simpson.

See our clubbing list and secure your winter's reading on most favorable terms.

X X Rays Gang plow, the best on earth—See them at McClanahan & Simpson's.

The new Pitts lever harrow never breaks or loses a tooth; see them at F L Chambers.

Money to patent good ideas may be secured by our aid, address the "Patent Record," Baltimore, Md.

Pure Whiskey Harper Perfect Whiskey Harper every bottle guaranteed Harper. Sold by C Hodes, Eugene, Oregon.

A complete stock of buggies, spring farm wagons on hand; also some good bargains in secondhand buggies, etc at F L Chambers.

The third carload of Bain wagons sold this year by F L Chambers speaks for its self as to the popularity of the "Bain." Buy no other.

Superior stoves and ranges need no further recommendation than, to state there are hundreds of them giving perfect satisfaction in Eugene and Lane county. See them at F L Chambers.

Other plows which are on the market claim to be as good as the Oliver but none of them claim to be any better. A carload of Oliver's just received at F L Chambers.

The time is now here for the farmer to begin sowing his fall wheat, but he should not do so until he gets one of those "Monitor" drills or seeders at F L Chambers.

The rain is over; so now if you are going fishing buy your fishing material of F L Chambers. His prices are right and his stock is complete.

It is a well known fact that all classes of hardware have advanced very materially in price, but F L Chambers had a large and selected stock, bought before the advance which he is now giving his customers the benefit of.

If any one knows anything of "Jim Wicks," an old man, who stutters badly, and will write to Mrs. Anna E. Marple of Hay-Stack P. O., Crook Co., Oregon, informing her of Wicks' whereabouts he will greatly oblige her, who is the widow of ——— Marple, deceased, who was a soldier in the Rogue river war of 1855-6.