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ATHENA, NOVEMBER 17, 1893.

A REMARKABLE man-hunt was successfully prosecuted by Montana marshals and sheriffs recently. On August 25th, a Northern Pacific passenger train was held up and robbed at Graycliff, a lonely station in the Yellowstone Valley, fifty miles from Livingston. The robbers were followed by the officers for five weeks across mountains, plains and rivers and through regions very sparsely settled, where inhabited at all. The desperadoes know the country well. They were bold men and good riders and got several days' start before the pursuit was well organized. Yet they were finally caught over five hundred miles from the scene of the crime, and after two battles with the officers. One was killed and one wounded and one of the pursuers was killed. Montana is a poor place for the train-robbing industry. There is such an active spirit in the matter of the suppression of crime—an inheritance, perhaps, from the old vigilante days—that private citizens will put themselves to great inconvenience and often incur risk to their lives to aid the officers in hunting down criminals. Besides a wild country is a poor hiding place. In such a country a man leaves his trail wherever he goes and his flight is noted, with all peculiarities as to his person, his garments and his horse, by every human being he meets. It is only in a crowd that can efface himself and escape curious observation.

What Should Have Been Done.

Just as the street car was plunging over the brink of the Madison street bridge in Portland, at the recent sad accident, a young woman on board was roughly and suddenly seized by a gentleman and thrown off the car. He says he had to do it in order to save her life, yet he has been "censured" for his "roughness." The question of etiquette comes in here. What the man ought to have done was as the car was going over the chasm to lift his hat and say: "I have not the pleasure of your acquaintance, but we have never been introduced, but as danger is imminent please allow me to assist you off the car." In acting thus they would both have gone to Kingdom Come, but the amenities of society would have been preserved, and that is all some people live for. This society precedent was established in early days in Victoria when, after the arrival of a British man of war, a ball was given. One of the officers, a sprig of nobility, wishing to enjoy a whirl approached one of the dusky beauties then very prevalent and requested a waltz, but the young lady of the forest scornfully drew herself up and exclaimed, "wake, nika tikky dance, halo introduce."—Walla Walla Statesman.

What Opium Will Do.

The East Oregonian says: Sam, the Chinaman who was arrested and jailed for keeping an opium den, came near dying to-day from being kept so long without the so-called "bamboo pipe." It is now several days since he was taken into custody by Marshal McBrain and no provision was made for furnishing him with an occasional smoke, that being necessary to keep him alive. This morning he was put to work on the streets and this afternoon he was found in the city jail nearly dead with opium cramps. Some lively hustling was done and a Chinaman found who would go to the jail and cook some opium for Sam to smoke.

A Railroad Using Horses.

The railroad business in the far west is somewhat diversified at present. All summer long teams hauled freight to and from the Oregon Pacific at Corvallis to Eugene, on the Southern Pacific. Now, at its own expense, the Southern Pacific is hauling hops from Lyons, on the O. P., to West Stayton, on the S. P., and the Farmers Warehouse company, at Albany, is hauling wheat by team from Tangent, on the S. P., to Ablany, for shipment over the O. P. To provide a necessity for such extra expense in transportation, the railway was established.—Corvallis Times.

SCRIBBLER'S LETTERS

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J. N. B. Gerking has been summoned to serve as a juror in the United States district court, which convenes at Portland, Tuesday, Nov. 22, 1893. "Herein not fail," Mr. Gerking will leave for the metropolis Sunday evening, and expects to be gone sometime, if not longer; but intends to return before Christmas, if he has to come afoot or walk part of the way.
Athena should make application to the post office department for free mail delivery; the mail business having grown to such immense proportions, on account of the great number of "please remit" letters, that the office is entitled to carriers.

HELIX HAPPENINGS.

Thanksgiving will be observed as usual. Commencing on the 23d it will continue till the 30th of November if the gobble gobbles hold out. It is rather an unusual occurrence to have such a cluster of Thanksgiving days come in one year, but there is so much to be thankful for that it would be impossible to get through in less than a week; anyway, that is what Sylvester and Grover say and it must be so. If the Thanksgiving menu should indicate or reflect the present financial situation, republicans will be feasting on crow, while the populists should be thankful if they have a cold potato or anything else with which to fill the aching void.

If that freckled dude, with the celluloid collar, boxtoed sox and sorrel mustache, throws mud on my new suit of clothes again, he is liable to find himself going around peeping through the openings of a porous plaster, and wearing a thumb-stall on his smeller. Enough of anything is too much sometimes. Say, Yolo is a regular mud splasher, he can't trot a little bit, I've seen horses that could beat him if he didn't half try. If this item meets the eye of the sorrel dude, he will please conduct himself accordingly. A hint to the wise is sufficient and a wink to a blind mule is as good as a nod.

Very few people are aware of the fact that a man in Athena got shot recently. Owing to the high social standing of the participants, the affair has been kept as quiet as possible, but, as everyone knows, it is a very difficult matter to suppress such sensational news as anyone getting shot, so the particulars finally leaked out. Though the affair is to be deeply regretted, it might have been worse. The parties, themselves should really not be blamed, as any of us under like circumstances, would no doubt, do just the same. The blame should rest where it properly belongs; that is, on the questionable social and financial condition of the country. It seems that money, the root of all evil, got in its work here and while the party who got shot will probably recover, he will be crippled for life—financially. As near as could be learned, the facts in the case are substantially as follows:

Tillman O. Taylor, of the C. A. Barrett Co., was in the store alone working on the books, when some one yanked on the latchstring, which, by the way, always hangs out. Mr. Taylor, looking up from his ledger, beheld a long, lank individual, whose name we are not at liberty to give, enter the store. Till, being well acquainted with him and thinking he was on a friendly call or desired to make a purchase, greeted him cordially, familiarly calling him by name, not even suspecting him of being angry or having blood in his eye. The long, lank individual, muttering in a hoarse whisper something about "ten cents," thrust his hand into his pistol pocket. Instantly comprehending the situation, Tillman, who is always cool and calm in time of danger, with a smile illuminating his countenance that would easily discount the celebrated smile of Daniel Boone, when he grinned a knot off a sycamore tree, mistaking it for a con, hopped gracefully over the counter, all the same as a gazelle or mountain goat. Quick as a flash he seized a handful of shot and before the fellow could say "scat!" or get his dime out of his pocket to pay for them, Till had them wrapped up for him. So end a bloodless tragedy. Rats? No rats about it; it's a fact.

Stood the Test.

The following are the names of the pupils who merit special honor for successfully passing the examination in multiplication in the intermediate grade of the Athena public school:
Alma Kirk
Rosie Taylor
Mary Stanton
Theresa Hays
Nellie Foss
Claude Estes
Edgar Knight
Archie Bostwick
Manly Ely
Ora Hagler
Blanche Banta.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, October 23rd, 1893.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Umatilla county, at Pendleton, Oregon, on December 22nd, 1893.
H. J. B. W. 1/4 Sec 29 T. 1 N. R. 3 E. W. 4. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Walker, J. Alexander Walker, Lawrence Hutchison and George Carmichael, all of Weston, Oregon.
B. F. WILSON, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, November 15th, 1893.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before H. J. B. W. U. S. Circuit court at Pendleton, Oregon, on December 22nd, 1893.
EMER A. MANN.
H. J. B. W. 1/4 Sec 21 T. 1 N. R. 3 E. W. 4. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Roscoe A. Bostwick, take notice Abraham J. Lesty and John Scott, of Helix, Ore.; J. J. Gallaher and Archie McKinzie, of Adams, Ore.
B. F. WILSON, Register.

forward, one can imagine how delightful it will be "when the spring time comes gentle Annie and the wild flowers are scattered o'er the plain," to hop off between stations while running on schedule time, trot on ahead of the train and pluck a bouquet of sweet little posies, buttercups and daisies, that nod and bend in the breezes by the wayside; then hunt a cool shade and wait for the train to come on. There is one thing, however, that the management should not neglect to do, and that is to look after the safety of the traveling public and Missourians, by putting the cow-catcher on the rear end of the caboose to prevent the cows from running over the train.

EDITORS PRESS:

News is not scarce in this "neck o' woods;" all we need is some one to write it up in good shape, and at the same time not offend any one. For instance, we need some one who will tell who stole chickens last Friday night between seven and eight o'clock. No boss wants to know who stole them; but we would like to know who robbed them of their beautiful plumage, and we would like a news hustler who could tell us who burned the coal that was stolen a few nights ago; some one that could tell it and not be personal, and thereby give offence to any one, for some of our people hat e personality, especially in a newspaper.

Dr. Osmon reports an eleven lb boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Bott, in Little Greenwood gulch.

Mrs. Mary Montgomery's family is having a seige of typhoid fever. First, Sarah, the oldest daughter, was attacked but has fully recovered and is now able to assist in waiting on Thomas, Robert and Lucy, all of whom are very sick but are getting along well.

Chas. and Myrtle Huson are past the crisis of typhoid fever, and will soon be turned over to the "cook," as the doctor expresses it.

Some of the boys are talking of a goose hunt in the near future and you may expect to hear of a record broken when they get back.

Two elderly gentlemen were in the city this morning looking for the money that has been taken out of the commercial channels. They had to stay but a short time to be convinced that we did not have it. We think they went to Pasco. X.

Bound Over.

Saturday Louis Bergevin swore out a warrant in Justice Gilman's court for the arrest of J. B. Hersey, charging him with the larceny of a knife, cleaver steel and certain other articles. Hersey acted in the capacity of cook for Bergevin's harvest crew the past summer. The plunder was found in the French Restaurant where Hersey has been stopping. He was arrested in Pendleton and brought back to Athena and on Monday waived examination before Justice Gilman. In default of \$1000 bond, he was sent to jail to await the action of the grand jury.

The Sheriff Took Possession.

The Washington State Building at the world's fair grounds under an attachment by the Union National Bank to enforce a claim of \$1325.

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