

The Ochoo Review urges the holding of a horse show at Prineville about the 23d of May.

Chas. Fraley and Murdoch McLeod, of Kingsley, gave us a pleasant call Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cavenagh of Latah, Wash., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Phil Willis of this city.

Two cars of sheep for Victoria and one of cattle for Portland were shipped from the stock yards Tuesday morning.

William Farré, of Antelope, who has been in Portland for the past week, left for home on Wednesday morning's stage.

Persons intending to make application for the purchase of forfeited railroad lands should remember that the time for doing so will expire on June 13, 1891.

Mr. Lewis a buyer from Portland has bought 15,000 head of sheep from the Baldwin sheep and land company at \$3 a head, to be delivered on the 15th of May.

A law passed by the last legislature requires all notaries public to register their commission with the county clerk and unless they do so they forfeit their commission.

The wife of George McLeod, of Kingsley, presented her liege lord with a brand new daughter last Friday. Mother and child are doing well; father as well as could be expected.

Mr. John S. Shriver the Washington correspondent of the New York Mail and Express, who is traveling in advance of the president, paid this office a pleasant visit Wednesday.

From the Fossil Journal we learn that the house on the old home ranch of Senator Hilton on Pine Creek, Gilliam county, was destroyed by fire last Wednesday afternoon. The fire originated in a defective flue.

E. W. Trout, of Boyd, has just returned from the Paso Robles California hot springs, where he took his wife over two months ago. Mrs. Trout has suffered much from rheumatism but returns, we are pleased to learn, much improved in health.

Bach Brothers from Stockton, California started Tuesday to drive 15,000 head of sheep to their own state, which they have purchased exclusively in this county. They bought 3000 spring lambs which are to be delivered in Reno the coming fall.

It is said that the government intends to give more of the unsurveyed public lands are thrown open to the public to have the lands carefully examined by government agents and classified as timber or agricultural lands as the case may be, so as to stop the endless trouble that arises through the lack of any authorized classification.

We regret to announce the death of David E. Burke, a well known former citizen of The Dalles, on Saturday last at St. Vincent hospital Portland. "Dave," as he was familiarly known, worked in the company's shops at this place for many years. He was an honest, industrious, sober, kind-hearted man and was much esteemed by all who knew him.

Last Saturday afternoon at the fair grounds a game of ball was played by The Dalles City and the Academy clubs. Considering that it was the first time the City club had ever been together the play was very creditable as it was to both parties. At the close the game stood nine to nine, an even score. Another game will be played at the same place next Saturday afternoon sharp when a large attendance is expected.

The thousands who are interested in a portage road at The Dalles on the Oregon side of the Columbia will be pleased to learn that within a week from now surveyors will be in the field locating and surveying the most practicable route between this city and Grant station in Sherman county. Already the people of Sherman county have offered to build the grade in their county from the Deschutes east.

From a private letter to the editor of the CHRONICLE, which came to The Dalles during his absence from town, we are informed of the death, at his home at Merced Falls, California, of D. P. Woodruff, the father of Mrs. W. H. Davis of Wapinitia, and of Mrs. Frank Ames formerly of Kingsley. Mr. Woodruff's death occurred on the 21 ultimo and he was 65 years, 5 months and 21 days old. The immediate cause of his death was tumor of the stomach. He was for some time a resident of Wapinitia and was a man greatly respected by all who knew him. He was a manly, sincere and consistent Christian and died as he had lived, in the full hope of a glorious immortality.

A regular meeting of the board of trade was held Tuesday evening in the board room. In the absence of president Macfarler George Blakely occupied the chair. There was a small attendance. An important communication was read from Mr. Shaw, of Oregon City, relating to the establishment of a woolen mill at this point. The general impression of the members present seemed to be, that the offer of Mr. Shaw were fair and reasonable and within the ability and power of the city to grant. It was therefore decided to call a special meeting of the board for next Tuesday evening at which a full attendance of members is expected in order to take final action on the matter. The secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Shaw that his proposals were being entertained and that he might expect a definite answer by the middle of next week.

Somebody has played a fine game of forgery on a couple of parties in Gilliam county that has just come to light through the visit of B. S. Kelsey, of Antelope to this city. Mr. Kelsey found that two checks, one for \$140 drawn in favor of James Robinson and one for \$50 made payable to Joseph Hobson and signed "B. S. Kelsey" had come to the regular office of business, from parties in Gilliam county to the first national bank of this city, where they had been duly paid and charged to Mr. Kelsey's account. They are both forgeries and Mr. Kelsey has no idea who perpetrated the deed. The bank

HOOD RIVER.

Some Observations on the Beautiful Valley by the Chronicle Man.

It is surprising what variety of climate still remains within the limits of what is still left of Wasco county. There is the Arctic cold of the western boundary, part of which is a region of perpetual snow and ice as well as the semi-tropical heat of the Columbia bottom nearly 11000 feet below. In the southeast we have a vast hilly stock range where there is very light rain-fall, while in the extreme northwest we have a precipitation nearly equal to that of the Willamette Valley. Midway between all these extremes of heat and cold, of depression and elevation, of drought and moisture lies the beautiful little valley of Hood River. The valley proper is not so much the depression created, in the lapse of centuries by the rush of waters from the summit of the Cascade Mountains, as it is a stretch of high bench land on either side of Hood River rising up out of the Columbia on the north and reaching back to within less than a dozen miles from the base of Mount Hood. On either side of this plane rise abrupt and precipitous mountains running north and south and nearly parallel with the main body of Hood River. On the north across the Columbia there is a chain of similar mountains running parallel with the river, with Mount Adams in the distance; on the south and visible almost everywhere stands Mount Hood. Hemmed in by mountain and river, the valley presents a picture of scenic beauty nowhere equaled in Eastern Oregon and scarcely excelled anywhere else. But this is not all, for in this prosaic age few are able to subsist on scenery alone.

The Hood river valley has a climate all its own. It is neither so hot in summer nor so cold in winter as other parts of Eastern Oregon, while compared with the Willamette valley it is much cooler in summer if it is colder in winter. If the residents of the valley are to be accepted as judges of its climate then there is no place on earth like Hood River. One enthusiast, who has long resided there, said to the writer: "All we want is an irrigating ditch on either side of the river and then a man need not die to go to heaven." A lady, who lately married one of Hood River's most prosperous farmers, and who previous to her marriage had resided amid the "beauty and divinity" of Washington, D. C., was equally pronounced in her admiration of her new home. That seems to be a way they all have and really, after a person has "done" the valley from one end to the other, and has had an opportunity to test its delightful climate he begins to think they are not far astray. The writer has no interests there whatever, and does not know that he ever shall have any but despite the effort to curb the expression of his admiration he is constrained to put it on record that, after a thorough acquaintance with every part of it, extending over several years, he cannot think of any spot on earth he has ever visited, take it for all in all, in everything that goes to make a perfect climate, to equal the Hood river valley.

The beautiful town of Hood River is now blooming out in all the charms of verdant foliage and fragrant blossoms. On every hand are evidences of growth and material advancement. More property is changing hands at this point than in all the rest of Wasco county put together. Buildings of handsome architecture and substantial structure are everywhere in course of erection. Two new church buildings nearing completion are models of beauty and good taste. The Mount Hood Hotel is being entirely overhauled and its capacity increased by the addition of eleven new rooms. When the work is finished miss George Herbert will have as fine a country hotel as can be found.

By the way George took possession of the hostility on May eve. It is simply wonderful to see how natural he looks in an immaculate white apron and linen jacket. It is the same old George and yet not the same. He seems as handy as a sewing machine and as busy as a juggler at an incorrigible or collecting a delinquent tax. We noticed that his apron was not of sufficient superficial area to quite cover his western extruities but learned that it was temporarily borrowed from his slim cook, while a new one is in course of construction by a local architect. George is going to do well here just as sure as you live. We have ample proof that he has got a fine cook, and when it is said that Mrs. Herbert will superintend the rooms, it is not necessary to add that cleanliness and comfort are assured. We predict that the Mount Hood Hotel will be a popular place of resort during the coming summer.

A kind word ought to be said to Robert Rand the outgoing landlord. No kinder or more obliging landlord ever ran a hotel. We have known him, with wonderful patience, to nurse guests through tedious and emerging sicknesses should be made in order that the people may get their benefits and use for cheap navigation, if no ill or unpleasantness should befall us but what he desired, our lives would be full of pleasantness and peace.

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THE PRESIDENT'S DAY.

The Dalles Gives a Royal Welcome to President Harrison and His Party of Distinguished Travelers.

A DAY OF BRIGHTEST SUNSHINE.

Speeches by Mayor Moody, President Harrison and Postmaster General Wannamaker.

The reception of President Harrison and party at this place was a complete success. At the hour announced for their arrival, fully 3000 people had assembled in front of the Umattilla house. A battalion of the 3d regiment under command of Colonel Houghton drew up in front of the Columbia hotel. On the opposite side of the street and facing the militia about 500 school children stood in line, each of the girls carrying a handsome bouquet of flowers and each of the boys an American flag. Back of the children stood a row of Grand Army veterans. Still back of these and on either side of the street and filling the windows and balconies of the hotels and other buildings was a vast crowd of ladies and gentlemen, young and old, all in holiday attire.

The crowd was good-natured, deferential, respectful and imposing.

THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES. Exactly to the minute of 11:15 the first of a salute of twenty-one guns was fired, announcing the approaching train. A loud cheer rent the air as the band struck up a merry welcome and the school boys waved their flags in the cool breeze. The scene was thrilling and inspiring. As the train came to a stand the crowd bowed to the audience, while cheer after cheer rose from thousands of voices. Mayor Moody stepped lightly on the platform followed by the chairman of the ladies' and gentlemen's committee who were all in turn introduced to the president by ex-Governor Moody, who was on board. The rest of the members of the committee were immediately around. Mayor Moody then addressed the president in the following well chosen and appropriate words:

MAYOR MOODY'S REMARKS. "Mr. PRESIDENT:—On behalf of the citizens of Dalles City I extend to you a warm and hearty welcome. In your journey this morning through the Cascades, the gateway to Eastern Oregon, the inland Empire, you have doubtless been impressed with the magnificence of the Columbia, and its capabilities for transportation, and you will observe that with the removal of a few obstructions it will become a great highway to the sea. Every acre of the great grain and wool producing country for hundreds of miles to the eastward returns its thanks to your administration for increased appropriation for the purpose of opening the Columbia. Your presence here today with the evident desire to become acquainted with the people and the wants of the Pacific—gives us every confidence in the speedy completion of these public improvements.

The Dalles is the empire city of Eastern Oregon and, in a measure, it marks the boundary line between Eastern and Western Oregon. Let me assure you however, that there is no boundary line or limit in our state to the loyal regard which the people entertain for their chief magistrate, and let me assure you, again Mr. President, that our welcome, though it may seem less demonstrative than that extended in larger towns, is none the less hearty, and we join the throng of patriotic Americans welcoming you throughout the length and breadth of our land.

We regret that your stay is necessarily so short, but as this cannot be remedied, let me introduce you to our people who are eager to hear their president."

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