

The Weekly Chronicle.

COUNTY OFFICIALS.

County Judge..... Robt. Meys
Sheriff..... T. J. Driver
Clerk..... A. M. Keisay
Treasurer..... C. L. Phillips
Commissioners..... A. S. Blowers
Assessor..... W. H. Whipple
Surveyor..... B. Gott
Superintendent of Public Schools..... C. J. Gilbert
Coroner..... W. H. Butts

STATE OFFICIALS.

Governor..... W. P. Lord
Secretary of State..... H. H. Kincaid
Supr. of Public Instruction..... Phillip Metcahan
Attorney-General..... G. M. Irwin
Senators..... G. W. McBride
Congressmen..... J. H. Mitchell
State Printer..... W. R. Ellis

Weekly Clubbing Rates.

Chronicle and Oregonian..... \$2 25
Chronicle and Examiner..... 2 25
Chronicle and Inter Ocean..... \$1 85
Chronicle and Tribune..... 1 75
Chronicle and N. Y. World..... 2 00

A CHEERING OUTLOOK.

Many more good things can be said of 1897 than was possible of its predecessor. The contrast between the year just closing and the one preceding is a most cheering one. Nature has bestowed a bountiful harvest, and the world is willing to pay a good price for it.

The condition which confronts Eastern Oregon is full of hope. The price of wheat remains at a satisfactory figure, while the wool market is steadily strengthening. The immense immigration which will reach the Pacific coast in the spring will give a still greater impetus to business and assist the permanent material interests of the country.

Let us profit by the past and guard better for the future. Let us remember that economy is necessary in all things, and "to him that hath much shall be given." We need no return of "boom times," no speculative conditions whereby fortunes are made in a day and lost almost as quickly.

THE BEST EVIDENCE.

Where are the patriots who but a little over a year ago loudly declared that the country would sink to ruin if McKinley were elected? If there be any still inclined to the same forebodings, it is time they are making their prophecies good.

Altogether the situation is decidedly interesting, with the Mitchell Republicans having the best of it. One of the most satisfactory results of the general betterment which the country has undergone is the rise in the value of farm lands. During the past three months much farming property has changed hands at figures greatly higher than those which owners expected to receive.

The world moves quickly. A coalition between Japan and China is mentioned as more than a possibility. It will be a case of the lion and the lamb over again. Politics may be said to be fairly "on" in Oregon. In another month will be seen the building of political fences which an April wind will waste little time in demolishing.

It is probable that the attempt to grow cotton in Eastern Oregon will not prove a success, but every experiment which tends to diversifying the agricultural products of the country is tending in the right direction.

moth New Year's edition, but the whole Northwest appears in an enviable light by means of this production. The resume of the resources which Oregon and Washington possess is presented in a manner that cannot fail of being productive of benefit to every locality mentioned. Few people, even among those who were in daily contact with the evidence of it, had such an idea of the wonderful section in which we are living as can be gained from reading the descriptive articles in this excellent edition.

AN INTERESTING SITUATION.

The Oregonian has been wonderfully silent over the proposal of the Mitchell Republicans to come to an agreement with the Simon wing of the Republican party in Multnomah county. Since the proffer of peace was made some time ago, no comment has appeared in the great daily, and its silence leads to the inference that the subject is one which the Oregonian fears to handle.

Be this as it may, to a disinterested spectator it looks as if the Mitchell Republicans have decidedly the upper hand in the contest. It is unfortunate, perhaps, that they are designated by the name of any one individual, as if they had no purpose in view than to serve the personal ends of one person. But for this the Mitchell Republicans are not to blame, nor is it true that they have but one aim or aspiration.

The absolute domination of Joe Simon over the politics of Multnomah county—and because Portland contains nearly one fourth of the population of Oregon, his control there gave him a powerful influence in the politics of the state—made a revolt necessary, and in this remonstrance hundreds of good men joined. The event was unfortunate for the Republican party in a measure, but in the end it will be productive of good.

After a bitter contest, in which it is generally conceded they were victorious, the Mitchell Republicans make overtures of peace. It is not an offer of surrender, nor entreaty for forgiveness, but rather a magnanimous proposal.

That the overture is unpleasant to the Oregonian, is evident from that paper's refusal to comment upon the circumstance, and from this it may be argued that Simon is not pleased. Should the Simon crowd refuse the compromise, then they may with reason be charged with party disruption. Should they accept, it is an acknowledgment that the Mitchell Republicans have claims to recognition not previously allowed.

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"Cotton is successfully grown in the panhandle country (Texas), at altitudes ranging from 1000 to 1600 feet above the sea, where frosts occur from the last of October to the middle of April. In some parts of Eastern Oregon frosts have been absent the entire year. Portions of Umatilla county are especially favored in this respect. The experiment with cotton will be made in the arid and semiarid sections of Eastern Oregon and Eastern Washington—in Wasco, Sherman, Moro and Umatilla counties, of Oregon, and Whitman and Adams counties, of Washington.

A considerable colony of Cubans in Florida are negotiating to come out to the Pacific Northwest to raise and manufacture tobacco, and the parts of Oregon and Washington lying east of the Cascade mountains are believed to possess the conditions suited to the business. The destruction of the trade in Cuba has turned the attention of these people to other fields of operation, and they have sent agents to look the matter up. Martinez, the great cigar man of Key West, examined the country recently, and he did not doubt that tobacco of a superior quality could be produced in the vicinity of Blalock, in Gilliam county.

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There are many kinds of cereals which will grow productively on Eastern Oregon lands and yield profitable returns, if we only hunt around and find them. While wheat is king, and always will be, still there is room for a large number of princes.

In Wasco and Sherman counties many acres will feel the plow for the first time this year, and the increase in acreage means more homes and increased demand for articles of trade. We can well rejoice with the farmers, for their prosperity is ours.

The hopes of ex-Senator Corbett died with the waning year. The senate will never seat him, and the greatest farce in Oregon politics will come to an end.

NEWS NOTES.

Monday's Daily.

The town of Cano in Havana province was raided by insurgents yesterday.

J. G. Mitch, an old time brewer, of Portland, fired two bullets in his head yesterday. He is still alive.

Chas. E. Vest, who left Portland some time ago for Dawson City with a consignment of eggs, has met with misfortune on the trip.

Today William Jennings Bryan will be offered the nomination for congress from the first district of Nebraska.

Bryan says he found Mexico a land of sunshine and surprising verdure and will count with more vigor on the silver question.

Yesterday a rumor was afloat that Bismark was dead. It has since been denied.

Thursday's Daily.

Ed Labrea, who disappeared suddenly in Portland, was found last night murdered in a saloon.

Latest reports state that Senator Hanna controls seventy-two votes at present, and according to this he lacks but one vote of election.

Twenty-six persons were killed and over one hundred injured in London, Ontario, yesterday by the collapse of a part of the floor of the city hall building.

A sensation has been caused at London by a rumor from Plymouth that the English admirals have fired on a Russian man-of-war in Chinese waters. Nothing is known as to the rumor at the foreign office or the admiralty.

Six members of one family were killed by flames and smoke in a fire that occurred early Sunday morning in Jersey City. Several others were injured, and it may be that another member of the ill-fated family will die. He is the 19-year-old son, and his body is covered with burns.

It is announced at Berlin that China has yielded to the demands of Baron Heyking, German ambassador at Peking, for the dismissal of the commandant of the Chinese garrison at Teao Chou, province of Shan Tung, because of the use of abusive language to the German missionaries there.

Prince Bismark is no worse. He took his midday bath at Friedrichsruhe as usual yesterday. New Year's day he passed in the company of Count Herbert Bismark and the Count and Countess von Rentzen. He did not retire until 1:30 in the morning. Dr. Crysander and Dr. Schwenninger were also present, the latter and Count Herbert Bismark leaving Friedrichsruhe yesterday.

COTTON FOR OREGON.

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oughly tested. It consists of a cylinder, on the outside of which are buckets that fold automatically, and the contrivance is said to work well in a current so slow even as two miles an hour.

PERSONAL MENTION.

C. P. Ragsdale of Moro is in the city today.

Dr. H. M. Shaw of Fossil is in the city today.

Louie Davenport of Mosier is in the city on business.

Chas. Stabling went to Portland on business yesterday.

Mr. E. M. Williams went to Portland today to visit his mother.

Thos. Purdy returned this morning from a business trip to Pendleton.

Chas. McAllister, a prosperous sheep man of Sherman county, is in the city today.

Miss Laura Thompson returned from Portland last night, where she has been visiting for several days.

Mrs. C. E. Haight, who has been visiting relatives in Connecticut for the past four months, returned yesterday.

Chas. E. Burns, chief of police of Oregon City, who was here to identify Hesse, the man who was killed by the officers Friday night, returned home on the 9:30 train yesterday.

Tuesday's Daily.

J. D. Whitten of Kingsley was in the city yesterday.

Will Garretson left for Portland on the morning train.

Jas. Baxter was in from his place near Antelope yesterday.

Henry Pitman, the Dufur postmaster, is in the city today.

A. J. Hillgen is in from his home near Kingsley today.

Bees Isenburg, who has been teaching school at Victor, is in the city.

Marion Thompson of upper 15-Mile made this office a pleasant call yesterday.

John Hicks of Kingsley was among the pleasant callers at this office yesterday.

Miss Anna Moore has been spending a few days at her home three miles from this city. She will return to Portland tomorrow.

J. F. Markham of Dufur made this office a pleasant call today and had his name added to our list of subscribers.

Hon. A. S. Bennett went to Viento this morning to transact some business and kill some of the ducks which are reported to be in that vicinity.

Business Announcement.

I take pleasure in announcing to my friends and patrons that George H. Dufur has this day associated himself with me in the business heretofore conducted by me. The new firm will hereafter be known as Dufur & Dufur, and transact all business under said name. Our aim will be in the future, as it has been mine in the past, to give entire satisfaction in all matters brought to us, and to treat each and everyone alike.

I desire to thank my many friends and customers for their liberal patronage in the past, and solicit a continuance of the same with the new firm in the future.

Dated this 27th of December, 1897. Respectfully, D. S. DUFUR

Beauty, Utility and Value.

Are happily combined in Hood's Sarsaparilla coupon calendar for 1898. The lovely child's head in an embossed gold frame, surrounded by sprays of flowers in mosaic, the harmonious pad in blue with clear figures, and the coupons by means of which many valuable books and other articles may be obtained, make up the most desirable calendar we have ever seen.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the county court for keeping the county charges by the week for the ensuing year. All bids must be filed with the clerk on or before the 5th day of January, 1898, at 9 o'clock a. m. Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids. A. M. KEISAY, County Clerk.

Taken Up.

Came to my place on 3-Mile, about the 25th of November, a straw-bay roan mare, branded V (connected) on the left shoulder, about 5 years old. Owner can have same by paying charges. M. S. EVANS, The Dalles, Or.

NOTICE.

Bids for the excavation for the Wasco warehouse, according to the plans and specifications on file at the office of C. J. Crandall, will be received up to January 7, 1898. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. The Dalles, Dec. 31, 1897.

Archie Moad and Billy Walker, two young men of the Dufur vicinity, left this morning for Klondike. They will go to Dyea and then make their way as best they can across to Dawson. They go provided with sufficient provisions and depend on getting means of transportation after reaching Dyea. This will probably be the most difficult thing about the journey. THE CHRONICLE wishes the young men all kinds of good luck, and hopes they will return with gold enough to satisfy their most sanguine expectations.

Cash in Your Checks.

All county warrants registered prior to July 11, 1893, will be paid at my office. Interest ceases after Dec. 23d, 1897. C. L. PHILLIPS, County Treasurer.

Few persons realize the fact that two-thirds of the cigars manufactured are made in dirty Chinese pest holes and filthy tenement house factories. Protect yourself by smoking Fouts' cigars.

THE WEEKLY INTER OCEAN. LARGEST CIRCULATION OF ANY POLITICAL PAPER IN THE WEST. It is radically Republican, advocating the cardinal doctrines of that party for fair and honest reports of all political movements.

The WORLD'S BEST BOW. And the World's most friendly smile are always ready for the well-dressed man. There's no mistake about this. Energy may miss its mark. Talent may go a-begging. Virtue itself may die of neglect.

CHINESE WOMAN DOCTOR. Hu King Eng is the First of Her Sex to Study Medicine. As far as her name conveys to the average American, Hu King Eng might just as well be a man, but she isn't.

CHAS. FRANK. Butchers and Farmers. Exchange. Keeps on draught the celebrated COLUMBIA BEER, acknowledged the best beer in The Dalles.

J. Neagle. Boots and Shoes. Made to Order. A Perfect fit guaranteed. Repairing neatly done at short notice. Union St. bet. 1st and 2d.

Americans Dance Well. Americans are the best dancers in the world, says Carl Marwig. The Russians come second and the Spaniards third. The French and Germans do not count.

TILLET & GALLIGAN. WM. TILLET. H. GALLIGAN. Sole Proprietors of the CELEBRATED XANIMA APPLE.

Hood River Nursery. TILLET & GALLIGAN, Props. First-class Nursery Stock a Specialty.

DR. GUNN'S IMPROVED LIVER PILLS. For People That Are Sick or Don't Feel Well. ONLY ONE FOR A DOSE. Removes Pimples, cures Headache, Dyspepsia and Constipation.

BLOOD POISON. A SPECIALTY. Primary, Secondary BLOOD POISON permanently cured in 15 to 25 days. You can be treated at home for same price under same guarantee.