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## STILL OCCUPIES CELL NO. THREE

Wm. Ramsey still occupies cell No. 3 in the old building which does duty as city and county jail. His case came to trial yesterday afternoon before Justice Hough. For several days the case has been postponed from day to day but yesterday saw the finish so far as the Justice court is concerned. Several witnesses testified to having cashed drafts drawn by the said Wm. Ramsey upon his brother F H Ramsey, of Danville, Illinois, for amounts ranging from fifteen to forty dollars. So far there has been no returns from these drafts, though as a matter of fact there has not been sufficient time for their return. Soon after cashing these drafts the merchants who had advanced the money began suffering from remorse of conscience and in order to prevent him from displaying poor judgment regarding the investment of the money thus secured hastened to have him placed under arrest. As soon as he was placed where they

might know where he spent his evenings they made an attempt to establish communication with the brother upon whom the drafts were drawn. So far there seems to be a complete blockade surrounding this much sought for relative. The Justice listened to the various witnesses, the story of distress as told by Mr. Ramsey, and the argument as presented by attorneys J D Slater and W M Ramsey, and lived to announce that the prisoner would be held to await the action of the grand jury. He further suggested that the prisoner might deposit a bond in the amount of three hundred dollars to insure his prompt appearance before the grand jury. In default of this bond he intimated that the prisoner would find his former cell No. 3 still at his disposal. It is altogether likely that Mr Ramsey will be obliged to hear from another draft before he avails himself of an opportunity to study the holiday window displays.

## For the Holiday Forehanded

We wish to speak of our Holiday Line this early because many will appreciate the hint. Our goods are all here. They are ready for inspection. The line is by far the finest we have ever shown. Too many things to specify here, we don't want to specify just yet, we want you to see the goods while the line is unbroken. You know the advantage of early choosing. Prompt buyers always avoid the rush and get choicest picking. Prices are as low as they can be and the very article you would most prefer may not wait.

## See us about Books

We have provided for you. We have the books suitable for Xmas gifts. We have the newest and most popular publications, as well as choice editions of standard works. Books not in stock will be pleased to order for you.

## Libby's Cut Glass

Don't buy cut glass unless "Libby" is cut in the glass, then you know you have the best.

THE NEWLIN DRUG CO  
LA GRANDE OREGON

## Pays To Advertise

The following letter was sent to the Fair Store this morning. The little fellow had seen Santa Claus' picture in the Fair ad for several days past and there was no doubt in his mind but that was the place to address his mail.

### THE LETTER

Dear Santa Claus, I like you to bring me a jumping jack and a book. Good by  
Your loving friend  
Dean Smith

## A O U W Election

At the last regular meeting of La Grande Lodge No. 133 A O U W, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term viz:

M W	C W Ellsworth
F	Fred Gaskill
OS	J H McLachlen
G	J F Ward
Rec	S J White
Fin	Wm. Grant
Reer	H Fisher

Trustees W G Masterston and Fred Gaskill.

## Experimenting

Henry Mitchell, at Hammond, N. Y. was grinding chemicals during experiments to produce a new brand of smokeless powder, when an explosion occurred, mangling both hands so that they must be amputated, and destroyed the sight of both eyes.

## Two New States

The senate committee has reported favorably the statehood bill admitting Arizona and New Mexico as one state and Oklahoma and Indian Territory as another.

The La Grande Investment Company has a half page ad in this issue calling attention to the fact that they are about to move their office and that they wish to reduce their stock before moving. They have several good selections on the bargain counter.

## From Cold Alaska

Mr Frank Childers of this city is in receipt of a letter from his daughter, Miss Olive Childers, who is well known to all the people in this county and also known throughout the state for her work in the Salvation Army corps. Miss Childers writes from far off Alaska, from the city of Dawson. In her letter she states that she is living with Mr and Mrs. Fred Nelson at their mines nine miles from Dawson City. Mr. Nelson is a rich miner for even these rich gold fields, and also has property in Seattle and other places in Washington. Mrs. Nelson will be remembered by many in this city and throughout the state as Captain Swanson of the Salvation Army who has done much good in her work in this state. The letter is a very interesting one, and the descriptions of the country and the people are interesting and entertaining. She, through her father, sends kind regards to all of her inquiring friends, and says her health has improved wonderfully since she has been in that country. In one part of her letter she tells of being afflicted with the toothache, and not being able to stand the pain longer, she decided that she would drive to the nearest dentist, which was at Dawson City. And although the thermometer was at thirty six degrees below zero, she had the dog-team, which is the only means of conveyance that can be used in this country in the winter, hitched up, and alone, driving the dogs without lines, and only the whip for guidance, she made the trip to Dawson City safely, displaying an amount of bravery that is seldom shown by women even in that strenuous country. Miss Childers states that she will return to her home and people at some time next June.

## Lost

One yearling steer, and one yearling heifer. Both animals branded with horseshoe around each hip bone. Were last seen on Indian Creek range. A suitable reward will be paid for them or for information leading to their recovering.  
J Draper  
R F D No 1 La Grande Ore.  
D & W 12-17 12-31

## Grange Hall Literary

A short interesting program was rendered at Grange Hall Friday evening. The principal feature of the evening was a box social which netted \$20.15. After lunch was served games were played. As there will be a Xmas tree at the hall Xmas eve there will be no meeting of the literary society next Friday. The next regular meeting will be Dec 30. The question to be discussed is Resolved "That the general government should carry parcels through the mails not to exceed twenty-five pounds for one cent a pound." Affirmative—J W McAllister, E D Jasper, Joseph Baker. Negative W R Jasper, B Snow, C D Hoffman.

## Some Union Items

[Republican]  
T P Fjorkin has sold his fine gray team to the Grande Ronde Lumber Messrs. Floyd and Walter Tuttle left Thursday morning for Pendleton and other points. They go to seek a new location.  
Gen Goodbrod is about once more after a weeks nursing of an injured knee. Mr Goodbrod reports a very satisfactory season on his ranch home and has sold out most of his produce at good figures.

The Republican is informed that the cash is ready for the construction of the Grande Ronde electric railroad and that work will begin as soon as certain minor details are arranged at this end of the line. This sounds good.

Watch Union's smoke for the next three to five years. There will be something doing hereabouts within hat time and electric lines sawmills and timber schemes will be the foundation for it all.

## Portland Markets

Chicken receipts are very large, and the demand is rather light, and even at the present low prices, the market is weak. There is a shortage of tame geese and turkeys and the demand is good and prices strong.

The egg market is weak, but there are no changes in quotations. Although the receipts are not very large, yet there is no outside demand.

The Union market is firm but unchanged and the dealers are paying from \$2.10 to \$2.25 per hundred, though the latter price is exceptional.

Fancy Burbank potatoes are in good demand and the prices grow firmer.

The wheat market remains quiet and quotations are unchanged.

Today's quotations are as follows:—

HAY AND GRAIN	
Wheat, export price.....	87c to 90c
Barley, best.....	\$22.00 to \$23.75
Oats.....	\$28. to \$27.00
Hay, timothy.....	\$15 to \$16
BUTTER, EGGS AND POULTRY	
Butter best creamery.....	28 3/4c to 30
Butter, ordinary.....	26c
Eggs, per dozen.....	26c to 32 3/4c
Chickens, per pound.....	9 3/4c
FRUITS AND VEGETABLES	
Potatoes per cwt.....	85 to 95c
Onions, per cwt.....	\$2.40 to \$2.50
Apples, best, per box.....	\$1.25
Peaches, best, per box.....	60c to 75c
Beets, per sack.....	\$1.25
Cabbage, per pound.....	1 3/4c
LIVE STOCK	
Steers.....	\$3.50
Cows.....	\$2.75 to \$3
Bulls.....	\$1.75
Stags.....	82
Hogs, best.....	\$4.50 to \$5.25
Hogs, feeders.....	\$3.25 to \$4.25

LOCAL BUTTER MARKET  
Creamery Butter 65 cents per roll.  
Butter Fat 26 cents, per pound.

## BIENNIAL REPORT OF SECRETARY

Salem Or., Dec 17—According to the estimates embraced in the biennial report of Secretary of State Dunbar, which was issued yesterday afternoon, the total amount of appropriations to be made by the Legislature next month, to meet the necessary needs of the state, for the ensuing biennial term, will reach approximately \$1,800,000, as against \$2,823,717 for the two years just closing. The latter amount, however, includes a total of \$615,000 appropriated for the Lewis and Clark Fair, postage

railway, Dalles-Celilo canal and the Indian War Veterans, which leaves a balance of \$4,908,717. The appropriation for the year 1901-02 amounted to \$1,796,000 and for 1890-1900, \$1,389,044. The grand total revenue for the year 1904 to be raised by taxation was \$1,225,000 requiring a levy of 7.08 mill. Taking the increased valuations of taxable property into consideration, the levy for 1905 will probably not exceed that amount or 8 mills at the extreme.

## Think Pot

A full purse and an empty head soon change conditions. The world may be slow to render justice, but its fiat is sure and inalterable. A discreet man will never interfere between man and wife unless both are dead. Economy, is the handmaid of prosperity but she will render poor service unless directed with good sense. A fool is the most easily offended of people for fools are the most jealous of their dignity. Many people keep themselves to busy doing nothing that they never accomplish anything. A common error made by men is the mistaking of debauchery for pleasure. The labor of those who labor to escape labor is the most laborious of labor. A cemetery is a place where the epitaphs on the tombs above lie about those who lie below.

Discontent is a companion that will never travel alone.

It is not the loudest amens, that gets the Lords ear the quickest.

People who have lots of advice to give dislike to take any.

People who wait for something to turn up always die guessing.

A "faint heart" won by "fair lady" is apt to be led by the nose.

Not the early riser, but he who gets the best sleep wins the worms.

People who find it easy to decide for their friends find it difficult to decide for themselves.

The idiots who laud riches as the standard of success preach misery.

The man who won't be afraid is far braver than he who does not know fear.

The O R & N has announced an eastern rate on flour from points north of Winona Wash to points between the Missouri river and Chicago of 52 1/2 cents per hundred. It is the same as the wheat rate to those places and replaces a rate of 53 cents

## FOR ONE DOLLAR

You can get a pretty street hat at BARGAIN Store. We also have a complete line of

## CHRISTMAS GIFTS AND HOLIDAY GOODS

E M WELLMAN & CO  
La Grande Oregon

## HATS

25 Per Cent off on all Hats

Until the first of the year every Hat in the store will be sold at a 25 per cent discount. This is your opportunity to get your Holiday Hat at a bargain.

## Novelties

The latest in braided handle purses and Peggy bags. Something new in combs and baretts.

## Ribbons

At a discount. The finest line of ribbons ever shown in the city.

## Handkerchiefs

Special line just received. From now until Jan. 1, for 5 cents up.

## Perfumes, Toilet Soaps and Powders Switches, Pompadours and Bangs

## Collars

This is positively a new line and can only be secured here.

MRS. J. R. FORREST,  
Milliner