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Hanging Lamps	\$10.50 Red Tag price \$7.00	\$16.00 Heaters, Red Tag price \$ 8.00		House'h'd furniture	\$4.75 Red Tag price \$2.75
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Hanging Lamps	6.50 Red Tag price 4.50	38.50 Heaters, Red Tag price 25.00		Supported Spring	3.50 Red Tag price 2.50
Parlor Lamp	4.50 Red Tag price 3.00	14 00 Heaters, Red Tag price 7.00		Steel Spring	12.50 Red Tag price 9.00
Parlor Lamp	2.75 Red Tag price 2.00	15.00 Heaters, Red Tag price 7.50		Beds, Iron	16.00 Red Tag price 10.00
Parlor Lamp	2.25 Red Tag price 1.50	45 00 Heaters, Red Tag price 28 50		Beds, Iron	25. 0 Red Tag price 15.00
Parlor Lamp	2.50 Red Tag price 1.60	30.00 Heaters Red Tag price 20.00		Beds, Iron	30.00 Red tag price 22.00
Parlor Lamp	2.75 Red Tag price 1.80	40.00 Ranges Red Tag price 32.00		Beds, Iron	24 00 Red tag price 18.00
Hand Lamp	1.00 Red Tag price .75	45.00 Rang s Red Tag price 36.00		Beds, Iron	22.00 red tag price 17.50
Hand Lamp	.60 Red Tag price .45			Beds, Iron	12.00 red tag price 8 00
Hand Lamp	.55 Red Tag price .40			Beds, Iron	20.00 red tag price 13.50
Hand Lamp	.85 Red Tag p ice .65				
Hand Lamp	1.15 Red Tag price .85				

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NOVEL WORK OF ART DEALING WITH LA GRANDE

Through the courtesy of W. A. Worstell, The Observer is indebted for a copy of an illustrated edition of Union county, by D. H. Stearns, issued in 1882. Mr. Worstell was postmaster of La Grande at that time, and in the volume is contained the following paragraph:

"I cannot leave without thanking W. A. Worstell, the postmaster, for the promptness and accuracy with which he forwarded my letters to the various points visited. His office is so sincere, with his mails arriving at any and all hours of the day or night, except "on time," but it is one of the most orderly and best conducted in the state, and its chief, the most obliging."

The illustrations, of which there are many, were all hand drawn and show to what extent half-tone work has advanced during the past 26 years. It was a work of art when published, and as all of the cities of the valley are illustrated, it is a volume that has grown valuable as the years pass on.

This was before the advent of the railroad into the valley, but it had reached as far as Meacham.

We quote liberally, but not extensively as it will doubtless recall many memories among our many plo-

near readers.

Oro Dell.

"A little village with one store, a flouring mill, blacksmith shop, eating house, a saloon; sits at the mouth of the canyon. The mill and store and the larger number of the houses belong to Hon. W. J. Snodgrass. The water power is almost limitless.

The place is as old as the toll road, but the advent of the steam locomotive will give it a new start, which will doubtless result in its becoming the chief town in the county. It would be most centrally located for the future county seat."

La Grande.

"The town of La Grande, is healthfully as well as beautifully located. It has a good hotel, the Blue Mountain house, P. A. Mahaffey, proprietor."

The Blue Mountain university was under the presidency of Rev. G. M. Irwin, A. M., of Ohio Wesleyan university, with his principle assistant, Prof. Robert Van Pelt, A. M., was flourishing. R. W. Deal was in the livery business. "In fact he is a good deal as a liveryman."

"The first place in the region to gain local importance, La Grande held and still holds a very large share of the trade of the valley, with the exception of Kings, at Alder, McCully's at Joseph, and J. B. Eaton's

at Union, and Baer & Church's at Island City, the four principal stores at La Grande are the best kept in the county. The stocks are larger and finer than any other, if we except the one at Island City and one at Union. Snodgrass & Miner may be named as the leading and largest business house in the county."

L. Bear had a large two-story brick building, and in connection with his Island City business, did one of the largest businesses in the county.

"A. Sommer is the third of the heaviest business men in the county, and the oldest merchant. Thus it will be seen that so far as general business goes, La Grande is the chief town between Pendleton and Baker City."

Island City.

It is needless to say that Island City has excellent prospects for the future. Should the railroad be completed without a curve to avoid its vicinity, it would have an equal chance with Oro Dell to grow into a large city. It would be two miles nearest the farmers, but Oro Dell would have the greatest water power and be nearer the timber. Greater changes have occurred than the unity of all three—La Grande, Oro Dell and Island City. The town was laid out in 1873 by Caviness & Sterling. The flouring mill is their property and has a capacity of 100 barrels. L. J. Carter was in the drug business, in which was also interested, Dr. J. J. McDonald.

Cove.

The writer says: "The Cove is, I think, the handsomest landscape on the Pacific coast. The creamery established by James Payne is the only complete establishment of the kind in Oregon.

The largest plum orchard in the state if not in the United States, is at Cove. The French property, it is called, from having been a part of the estate of a very wealthy gentleman of that name, who died recently and willed the orchard of 40,000 trees and other property as the foundation for a school for girls."

The one store is conducted by Payne & Jaycox. H. J. Geer was in the nursery business.

Union.

At the time the writer visited Union no small excitement was manifested, owing to the fact that Capt. Geo.

Ainsworth, Capt. Blaisdell, L. D. Brown and J. W. Brazee had just formed the Union Mill & Manufacturing Co. J. B. Eaton is represented to be the leading merchant. W. T. Wright was county clerk; R. J. Rogers sheriff; A. C. Craig county judge; A. F. Benson treasurer, and George Wright, Esq., is credited with being the father of the town. M. P. Ames and Wm. Hutchinson are also given prominent mention.

Three Newspapers.

The Mountain Sentinel, published at Union by J. T. and E. S. McComas, was the leading paper of the county; subscription, \$4 per annum.

The Union County Record, published in La Grande, by E. L. Eckley, was the recognized organ of the republican party.

The Grande Ronde Post, was a new candidate for public favor, which had just been started by Sharpstein & Swash.

The County Fair.

The writer, D. H. Stearns, visited

the county fair held in 1882.

"The display of farm products was of the usual sort, and included samples of the common grains, fruits and vegetables, which were equal to similar exhibits anywhere, and in one point—potatoes—superior to anything seen before.

"In the department of needswork there was enough that was good to be worth a close examination.

"The great display, however, was of horses and cattle. Pure blood Durhams and Jerseys are more plentiful than in any other part of the Pacific coast. The largest herd of Durhams in the county is owned by George W. Ames. Wildwood Rover, the chief of the herd, took sweepstakes and weighed nearly 3000 pounds. John Peach's Jersey bull, was on exhibition." The writer then describes the Peach dairy with its 340 acres and 70 cows.

Horse Breeding.

The edition contains an article under the above caption by the pen of

Thomas Berry, in which George Cogan is given credit of introducing some of the most valuable stock; M. Sterling was another who imported the stallion Anvil. Naturally, D. A. McAlister comes in for a good share of this article, as a result of his importations from Kentucky in 1879 of "Dendshot" and "Lemon"; James F. Ferguson was the owner of Compromise in 1877 and in 1881 he purchased Black Stranger from Gen. J. W. Nesmith.

The last paragraph of this write-up contains this sentence: "Union county has never had either a boom or a panic." When you stop and think that these lines were written 26 years ago, it is almost enough to cause a smile.

The Meacham Toll Road.

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