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**The Range Question.**

The press of Eastern Oregon from Wasco county to Baker county and south to Lake and Klamath counties are at the present time going through the usual order of things and are giving the range troubles, a good deal of publicity. A number of the county papers have attempted to give our county a black eye, so to speak, for troubles they affirm us responsible for. Without going further we will state that the range question is recognized by the Journal as a most difficult one, and a very sensitive subject for discussion. The depredations committed, if any, by Crook county people, have been done, we believe, through a spirit of defense. The Fossil Journal compares them, however, to the cattle rustlers of Wheeler county. In doing this it not only errs, but willfully misrepresents. While we do not do ought but deplore the ruthless shooting of stock of any kind, or the other methods sometimes used, we must look on the other side, and find if we can, the criticised man's feelings. If he is a Crook county man, he lives in the county, having the largest unfenced area of grazing lands in any Oregon county. He likewise lives in a county that has nearly, if not quite, as many cattle, horses and sheep to the acre to consume the same. Is it not unfair for adjoining counties to send their flocks to our county to consume this range, that they term summer range, but which is in fact, both our summer and winter range? These flocks that swoop down upon us, leave in the late fall, and repair to the fenced winter range of their own county, and leave our grazing land in a pitiable condition.

It is true they have a legal right to this public land. As much, in fact, as our local stockmen, but the natural right they do not have. It is this same natural right that differs so widely from the legal right, that the stockmen of Crook and other Eastern Oregon counties are endeavoring to uphold. Should they use nothing but peaceable methods in defending the public lands tributary to their own homes, would you blame them for the defense?

Not long ago, the Journal called attention to an existing evil that stands as a disgrace to our fair little city, and one that can be the result of nothing but unintentional carelessness on the part of the property owners who live nearby. The evil is nothing more or less than our prominent 'red light' district, which stands in plain view of our main thoroughfare, over which pass all intending settlers. Do desirable residents care to locate in a town thus careless? Why can't the property owners nearby register a complaint with the city authorities, as that is all that would be necessary to secure the removal of this shame? If they are to remain where they are, we would suggest that they be screened from the view of the traveler as well as the coming generation, by means of a high board fence?

Editor Lawrence, of the Bend Bulletin, is giving his readers a series of "sermons". These sermons are only limited in their power for good, by the circulation of the Bulletin. Few people rightly realize and appreciate the power of the press, for good, not even newspaper men themselves. The will never lived, who did not reflect his own character in his expressions, from the school boy in composition writing, to Macaulay, Home or Carlyle. If an individual is vacillating, so are his writings. If he is clear and outspoken so are his writings. If his

mind is a refined one, his writings evidence it, while on the other hand, if the individual has a mind of a low order his articles will be along the same line, and will likely contain nasty little slurs, that you wouldn't have your children read. Whatever in a newspaper is dictated by other than pure motives is not a factor for, but an instrument against society.

The property loss at Heppner caused by the recent flood is generally estimated at \$550,000, while the money sent there by relief committees, amounts to \$50,000. It is seldom that relief contributions amount to one tenth the local property loss.

According to the editorial column of last week's Review, that journal has discovered that we are now a world power. This is what would be called an important discovery. They've made a wireless telegraph, a horseless carriage, too, and there's no telling what the mind of man can do. We'll soon be eating henless eggs, and drinking cowless milk, and wearing clothes of sheepless wool, or maybe wormless silk. How would you like a treeless peach, or a piece of hogless pork? I'd be content if they would invent a kind of workless work. They'll yet make wireless telephones, or maybe, noiseless noise, I'm afraid if they keep on they'll yet make dadless boys.—Seattle Commonwealth

Reports of depredations of cattle thieves on herds owned by parties in the eastern and central parts of the county keep reaching us, one farmer reporting a loss of 30. Such work should be investigated and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law, and will be. The guilty parties are known, and any more such work will surely result in arrests. Needless to say the rustlers are not Crook county cattlemen nor even residents, but belong to an adjoining county, and have practiced this business for several seasons. Such work often times results in a well attended and thorough, injured necktie party.—Prineville Journal.

The Fossil Journal agrees with the Prineville Journal that these depredations should be investigated and prosecuted, and will say that a man charged with stealing 30 head of Crook county cattle in Wheeler county is being prosecuted by our authorities, our sheriff having gone all the way to Clackamas county after him, and is now under bond to answer the charge in circuit court. But how about the depredations that have been perpetrated on Wheeler county sheep in Crook county? We have not heard of any attempt on the part of Crook county officials towards bringing the offenders to justice.—Fossil Journal.

The warm days are ripening the grain fast and farmers will commence cutting hay this week. R. A. Merchant and family came over from the Deschutes Monday to look after their home ranch, returning in the afternoon. Miss Adlie Hoffman will start for Albany tomorrow. She goes to visit her sister for a few days, after which she will attend the Grand Lodge of the D. of H. at Portland. She will be accompanied home by Miss Belta Peck, who has been visiting in the valley for the past three weeks.

The rabbits and sage rats are doing considerable damage to grain and gardens, although nearly every farmer has poison out on his ranch. Several parties are leaving for other places for their health. M.

**Traveling Dispensary.**  
A well-equipped eye dispensary will soon be traveling through the length and breadth of Egypt. Sir Ernest Cassel provided for this by a recent gift of about \$100,000, and the Sanitary Department of the Egyptian government adopted the suggestion as the best means of carrying out the wishes of the donor. The dispensary will be supplied with all the most modern and approved apparatus, and will be housed in a tent, which will be moved from place to place as found desirable.

**Senator Wehrung to Take Charge.**  
The selection of Senator Wehrung to take charge of Oregon's exhibit at the St. Louis Exposition newspaper men themselves. The will never lived, who did not reflect his own character in his expressions, from the school boy in composition writing, to Macaulay, Home or Carlyle. If an individual is vacillating, so are his writings. If he is clear and outspoken so are his writings. If his

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Rev. G. W. Black informs the News that he will preach his farewell sermon in this city Sunday, July 12th. Rev. Black and family will probably visit Southern Oregon in the near future.—Harney County News.

The O. R. & N. Co. has just issued a handsomely illustrated pamphlet entitled "Oreg., Washington & Idaho and their resources." People in the East are anxious for information about the Pacific North West.—If you will give the O. R. & N. Co. agent at Shaniko a list of names of eastern people who are likely to be interested, the booklet will be mailed free to such persons.

Hugh Sweeney, of Antelope, was transacting business in the city Wednesday.

**Say Jasper**  
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Chris McKay, of Antelope, was in the city the first of the week. D. Ackerman, of Portland, was a Prineville visitor the first of the week. S. L. Hodget, of Oregon City, was transacting business in Prineville Wednesday. E. Siebel, of Portland, was transacting business in the city the first of the week. Horses pastured for 50 cents a week in the best pasture in Crook County. See W. T. Fogle.

A. H. Windom, of Culver, was transacting business in the city Wednesday. Dick Miller brought his son Johnny in Tuesday for medical treatment. The little fellow has been quite sick for several days. On board the Kearsarge the Prince of Wales exchanged his glad rags for a fatigue coat. Does he carry a dress suit case on these inspection trips.

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