

We send greeting to our readers that no one as yet knows who is President.

Artesian Wells.

Artesian wells, so called from Artois, a province in France where they were first used, are simply deep borings through rocks and strata of different kinds of earth in order to reach a supply of water.

An artesian well was sunk in Kentucky at Louisville, in the year 1858, to the depth of 2,986 feet, which yields over 300,000 gallons of mineral water daily through a boring only 18 inches in diameter.

Belcher's well in St. Louis is 2,190 feet deep. The depth of the boring and the height of the jet in artesian wells are controlled by circumstances; the height of the jet will be in ratio with the height of the feeding or supplying reservoir, and the depth of the boring will correspond to the distance of the impervious stratum underlying the channel.

In a country, situated as Eastern Oregon, surrounded by chains of lofty mountains, and over the immense and beautiful slopes of which, creeks are known to sink in places and to reappear further on in their course, would seem only to require an effort to make the whole country a perfect garden spot.

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OUR CORRESPONDENCE.

Mr. Editor.—Starting from John Bradburn's we passed down the river, through the Meadows and up Butter creek to Lena. The weather continued excellent, and we had a good opportunity to see the country and most of its people.

There is a rich bottom country just above the Meadows. Col. Short, James Taylor, John Dickey and Mr. Lisle are improving splendid farms that will, ere long, be of great value.

The Grangers are pushing the Marengo mills to completion. Another is commenced at the head of Pataha prairie at Columbia Centre; another contracted to be built at Farver's on Pataha.

Lots of good land still vacant. Schools are being taught in every district, and well attended.

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Butter creek as a stock country is not excelled in Eastern Oregon, and along the creek bottom are some of the finest farms that can be found anywhere.

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COTTAGE GROVE, OREGON, February 10, 1877.

EDITOR EAST OREGONIAN.—Since our last writing we have had a fine rain, just enough to put the plow land in order for plowing, and to make the grass and grain grow; the most of the rain seems to fall in the night-time, that the farmers may be obstructed in their labor; for they are busy plowing and sowing grain.

If we are blessed with a continuance of such beautiful weather as we now enjoy to the end of this month, the farmers will be done seeding for this Spring; we only speak for this part of the Westfoot nation; we are not advised as to low farming; it is progressing in the lower part of the valley.

The lumber and timber for the erection of the mill we spoke of some time since is ordered and the location secured, and the work of the building will soon commence.

There is quite a number of buildings in anticipation of erection this coming Spring and Summer at or near our town. Our townsmen Lurch Ross, will build a warehouse principally for their own use as they are doing quite an extensive business in the mercantile line.

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Rev. T. Sharp is still zealous in the cause of the coyote chase, and uniting in his efforts to capture them. When he gets two more besides the one he is going to catch next week he will then have three.

The firm of Whipple & Underwood is doing a good substantial business in Slabtown, in the mercantile line; they trade on the principle of live and let live, consequently their customers stick to them like a sick kitten to a hot brick.

Wool growers are cordially invited to become members and cooperate with us. C. H. SELLEY, Secretary.

Indian Joseph Prospects.

From several sources we gather the following items relating to the effect upon the outlaws produced by the late order from Commissioner to remove the different outside bands of the Nez Percés upon the reservation.

February 10—this morning the cock of the weather has changed the programme and he is trying to have some snow for a change, but we don't think we will have much; after about fifteen or twenty minutes trial the snow disappeared.

Times are about as usual. The general health of the country is good as far as we know at present, and everything is in good shape, and the well-to-do class is considerably elevated.

DAYTON NEWS.

Seeing your assertion in the last number of your interesting journal that you would know by this time who was President and Daytonites not having acquired that information yet—I take the liberty to note a few things which, perhaps Pendletonites don't know.

This country is improving rapidly; double the amount of wheat will be raised this year than any previous. And we will have better facilities for marketing it if Capt. Stump isn't fooled on the Pine Tree rapids.

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A long winded protracted meeting in full blast. T. H. Crawford a lawyer and E. R. Burke Deputy Auditor, are running a real estate, collection, and general agency.

Money more plenty—business lively. Brass band makes good music.

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Wool Growers Meeting.

PENDLETON, OREGON, February 17, 1877. The wool growers of Umatilla county, Oregon, met pursuant to adjournment at the courthouse in Pendleton on Saturday, February 17, 1877, at 1 P. M., for the purpose of perfecting an organization for mutual protection and interest and for the transaction of such other business as might properly come before the meeting.

Called to order by Jacob Frazer, President, and J. A. Pruett was appointed Secretary pro tem.

After some appropriate and interesting remarks by Col. T. S. Lang, the committee on constitution and by-laws presented a report which was amended to read as follows and adopted:

WHEREAS, the wool producers of Umatilla county and Eastern Oregon, believing it will be for their mutual benefit to cooperate with each other in all matters pertaining to sheep husbandry; therefore be it Resolved, That the undersigned form an association to be known as the "Eastern Oregon Wool Growers Association," and to be governed by the following rules.

1. The officers of this Association shall consist of one President, ten Vice Presidents, one Secretary, one Treasurer, who shall be elected on the first Saturday in January, and to serve for the term of one year.

2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep accurate minutes of the proceedings of the Association.

3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to the Association and pay out the same by order of the President.

4. Any person wishing to become a member of this Association shall send their names and pay the sum of fifty cents.

5. Regular meetings shall be held on the first Saturday of each month at 1 P. M.

6. No one can become a member of this Association unless engaged in wool growing and sheep husbandry.

7. Seven members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

8. The President may call extra meetings in case of emergency.

9. It shall be the duty of Vice Presidents to collect and lay before the Association at its regular meetings all matters possible touching the general interests which they represent.

10. That no part of these rules be changed or amended unless a resolution to that effect be read and laid over one month.

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with the Whites and to come prepared to help him. It seems to us that the more prudent policy would have been, before appropriating Joseph of these plans of the government, to have occupied the Wallowa country with troops, and to have secured the "dreamers" or medicine men among the Indians, and preventing other Indians from joining Joseph.

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The Black Hills.

CHEYENNE, Wyoming Territory, January 24, 1877. CLARENCE TOWNSEND—Dear Sir: I have been back to the Hills again, having left here on the 16th day of November and was gone until the first of last week.

When I left the Hills, which was on the 22d of December, the snow was two feet deep and still snowing. Hundreds of men are in there fast broke and could not get a day's work at any price, and could not tell where nor how they would get their next meal of grub; and in Cheyenne to-day I think there must be at least three hundred in the same fix.

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