

# The Grant County News.

ONLY PAPER IN GRANT COUNTY.

Official Paper For Grant County.

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## Personal Notes.

Judge L. O. Sterns, of Baker City, made us several pleasant calls while attending court in this city. The Judge is an old resident of Canyon City, and has hosts of friends here.

Mr. Ed Flaherty, of Independence, called in and reported that that camp was lively, and that numerous rich strikes had been made there lately.

Jacob Helmenoch was in and says that his sheep are in fine condition.

Mr. Jas. Laswell of Spanish Gulch, dropped in several times. Everything is lovely in that section.

Mr. Peter French, the "big cattle man" of this county, accompanied by Mr. M. Fitzgerald, of Camp Harney, also called. Mr. French has delivered about 9000 head of cattle on the Davis contract.

Maj. Magone called and showed us the design of his patent oat separator, and expressed the opinion that Maj. Magone and S. H. Shepherd would do something for Grant county yet. "Amen."

Mr. Lord, of the firm of Hotaling & Co., wholesale liquor dealers, of Portland, gave us a friendly shake, and congratulated us on the large circulation our paper had received to start with.

His Honor, Judge L. L. McArthur, stepped in and satisfied us that his health was never better. The Judge is grinding business up pretty lively, and as far as he is concerned, all get justice.

Prosecuting Attorney, L. B. Ison, spent several pleasant moments with us. He looks hearty and is as eager to prosecute the guilty as of yore.

Mr. W. J. Cooksey, of Camp Harney, called in and reported every thing in Harney Valley as in a flourishing state of affairs.

Rev. R. D. Nevius has made us several pleasant calls since he has been in the city.

Mr. N. S. Babcock, N. Thornton, Jud. Haguegood, B. C. Throwbridge, Sam. K. Johnson, and several others whose names we failed to get, also called and gave us words of encouragement.

**FREIGHT.**—The trains are coming in pretty fast now, and all are loaded to the "guards." We have some freight that was in Mr. Z. F. Moody's house at the Dalles, from about the 7th of March until the same day of the fire, May 21th. We knew not where it was until we had taken trouble to trace it up from Cleveland, Ohio to Umatilla, and received a letter a few days ago from Mr. Foster that he had shipped it to the Dalles to Mr. Moody, the 5th of March. Commission men should at least notify shippers as to their goods once in three months. No excuse for such gross neglect.

**A BAND.**—Why not have a brass band in Canyon City? Prairie City has a set of instruments, we understand, and hope to be able to "toot" their horns as soon as a good instructor can be induced to come among them and give instructions. If the musicians of this place would organize, the two bands could employ a teacher and the expense would be light on both bands.

**FRANK McBEAN** is running some fine backboards from here to McDermit.

**APPLES.**—Mr. Rinehart informs us that he recently sold a large load of apples to a man who took them to Baker City to re-sell to parties there. That is right. Grant county can raise fruit in abundance, and if needs be can furnish Baker county all the fruit it needs.

## Osee has Climbed the Golden Stair.

Died, of Pneumonia, at John Day City, May 31st, 1879, Osee S., infant son of Chas. B. and Mary E. Cobb, aged two months and eleven days.

The funeral service took place at the Grange Hall in John Day City. Rev. A. Eads officiated.

Little Osee has been removed to a more congenial atmosphere. The Angel of death has opened the portals of Heaven and taken little Osee in, to mingle his sweetness with the angels, and share the tender glories of the Golden City. Below are given a few expressive lines written by the grief-stricken mother, and read by Mr. Eads at the close of the funeral services. They will touch a responsive chord in the hearts of other mothers who have bowed in sorrow over the delicate forms of their little ones.

Our baby is an angel fair,  
Beyond all earthly wee,  
No pain nor sickness enters there,  
Nor death, the cruel foe.  
Our little angel dropped asleep,  
And we laid him down to rest  
With his little dimpled hands  
Placed upon his breast.  
One more harp is tuned in Heaven,  
Mingled with the Angels' fair,  
And if we our hearts to Christ will give,  
We shall meet our darling there.

**SERIOUS ACCIDENT.**—Last Sunday morning while Mr. Caleb Ran was handling a stable horse he became vicious, wheeled and kicked, striking Mr. Ran in the side just below the ribs, from the effects of which he died on Monday Morning about six o'clock. From the time he received the injury until he died, his sufferings were intense. Mr. Ran was one of the heavy cattle dealers of this county, and had accumulated quite a large fortune. He was near 56 years old at the time of his death, and was born in Nova Scotia.

**DIED.**—In Portland, Oregon, May 19th, 1879, James Hamblin, formerly of this place. He was about 60 years of age.

**LIST** of letters remaining in the Post Office at Canyon City, June 2d, 1879:

G. H. Baugh, S. D. Condit, Thos. Ford, P. O. Gearhart, 2, M. Lockhead, Hy McKern, James Moore, W. H. McClain, J. L. Sells, 2, S. Sells, G. Solmeke, L. M. Welch, D. L. Wise, man.

E. HALL, P. M.

How do you like our paper this week? We are always ready to take your name and receive the "equivalent" for the News.

**BORN.**—To the wife of Chas. Fray, of John Day Valley, on Saturday, May 31st, 1879, a daughter.

**THE CONCERT** on last Wednesday night was a success, financially and otherwise. About 200 people were in attendance and all were well pleased with the entertainment.

**NEXT Sunday** is Trinity Sunday. And don't forget it—it is also the birthday of the Chinese Goddess Shing Moo.

**LIEUT. FARROW** had a game of confidence played on him last week by a man on the Columbia river. He landed the man \$432.

**ORATION.**—Col. Geo. B. Cady has kindly consented to deliver the oration at the camp ground on the 4th of July.

**DIED.**—At John Day City, June 4th, 1879, Mr. John T. Campbell, age 136 years. He was buried under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity on June 5th.

**RELIGIOUS.**—Services will be held in St. Thomas (Episcopal) Church tomorrow by Rev. R. D. Nevius.

His regular appointment hereafter will be on the 2d Sunday in each month.

**THE** many friends of Mrs. B. C. Throwbridge will be pained to learn that she has been very sick for a few days past. She was still very low when last heard from by us.

**TAKE WARNING.**—A member of the English Parliament has had the curiosity to give the following statistics relative to the state of matrimony in the city of London and county of Middlesex:

Wives who have left their husbands 1872; Husbands who have fled from their wives, 2371; Married people divorced, 4720; Married people living in perpetual warfare, 191,023; Those who hate each other but dissimulate in public, 162,300; Those who live together in perfect indifference, 510,152; Those who are comparatively happy, 1102; Those who are really happy, 60.

**THERE** is a lad in Mashasport, Me. who ought to have a future. He is not more than 5 years old, and yet he has already succeeded in having a father, a mother, a grandfather, two grandmothers, two great-grandfathers, three great-grandmothers, and one great-great-grandmother—all alive.

**FAST RIDING.**—On last Tuesday a young man was having lots of fun riding his horse at breakneck speed up and down Main street. The Grand Jury being in session, ordered the Sheriff to stop the race, which he did in a quick meter. People who ride through Main street as though 7777 Indians were after them had better bear in mind that the streets in this city are narrow and that it is contrary to law to ride so fast in town, besides there is danger of running over little children.

**SEE** the Advertisement of Mrs. James Cleaver. She has just received a full supply of Ladies' Fancy Goods. Give her a call.

**READ** the Race "Bill." Prairie City is bound to be ahead on the 4th of July, and all who desire to see fun should attend the races there on the 4th and 5th.

**RETURNED.**—Mr. W. B. Clark returned home from below a few days ago. He looks rested up after his trip.

**MR. PIERCE** has our thanks for some nice radishes.

**THE** proceeds of the Concert on last Wednesday evening were \$79.25.

**DIED.**—In this city, June 5th, 1879, youngest child of Mrs. George Edgar.

**SUICIDE.**—Mr. J. E. Adams, an old settler of this county, committed suicide by hanging himself on last Wednesday night, at the warm springs, about 13 miles below this city. Mr. Adams was formerly a resident of Green county Mo. No cause is given for his rash act, except that he has been an invalid for a few years past. He attempted to commit suicide a few months since, but without proving fatal.

**CIRCUIT COURT** commenced in this City on last Monday morning with Judge L. L. McArthur presiding. The following officers and lawyers are in attendance: L. B. Ison, Dist. Atty.; J. J. Wash, Sheriff; W. S. Southworth, County Clerk; Judge L. O. Sterns, Baker City; W. Fair Hill, The Dalles; C. W. Parrish, Geo. Curry, M. L. Olmstead, and M. Dustin, Canyon City; Phil Kelley, Bailiff Grand Jury.

**AFTER** hunting all over town for chipmunk's coffins and running geers for old hens nests, he gave up in despair, and said he got even on the other fellow by eating up all the Injun pudding. We won't tell who the sell is on.

**MASH** up "all the old stove pipe you throw away so that it cannot be used, as Chinamen pick up and use old cast off stove pipe, and thereby endangering all property in town. An ounce of prevention is better than a pound of cure."

**READ** the communication headed "No Indians." Baker county has got them.

## NO INDIANS.

Malheur Agency, June 1, 1879.

EDITOR NEWS:

While you are so earnestly and successfully laboring to make your paper what its name imports, I am tempted to lend a helping hand by furnishing a few items from this remote corner of the county—which is not now in the county, since the survey leaves the agency three and one-fourth miles east of the county line, and therefore in Baker county. As I have no startling or important news Baker Co. should not complain if the Grant Co. News forages upon the slim picking afforded in this thin slice of lately ceded territory. In fact we Baker county people feel generously inclined toward your Grant county people since you so freely gave us of your broad acres, and, with them, your able and big-hearted Senator to represent those acres and our people in the legislature. The surveying party is now across the South Malheur and near Barren Valley. They did not establish the corner at what we have called the summit of the mountain, but four miles further east at the summit of the dividing ridge between Crane Prairie and Summit Prairie and near the sign-board where the agency road leaves the Boise and Canyon City road. By this you can see we are not inclined to go beyond the law, but give Grant full four miles of good timber along the line of the Boise road. True, the corner as now established is south of the point where the road crosses the summit, but not more than three miles.

Owing to the lateness of the hour that we received the above we had to omit a portion of it until next week.

Mr. Johnson and wife, lately of Camp Harney, passed through this city this week en route for Baker City.

## JULY RACES, Over the Prairie City RACE COURSE!

**FIRST DAY, July 4th;** Running Race free for all three year old Wilks colts. Single dash of one mile, Purse \$100, given by J. J. Czar. First horse, \$100, Second horse 1/2 of entrance money, Third horse remainder of entrance money.

On the night of July 4th, a Grand Ball will be given at Grange Hall.—Tickets without supper, \$2.50; Net proceeds to be given, with the subscription, for the two following purses:

**SECOND DAY—Saturday July 5th.** Single dash of one mile, free for all horses owned in county, except Geo. Wilks.

**SAME DAY, at 2 o'clock,** Trotting Race, free for all except Brackett's horse. Three in five mile heats. Three to enter and two to start in all of the above races. Racing to begin promptly at 1 o'clock, P. M. Entrance to Races \$10. All Entries to be made with N. W. Thornton or John Laurance on or before 6 o'clock P. M. of July 1st, 1879.

## LADIES ATTENTION.

Mrs. James F. Cleaver has just removed to her new Building on Main Street, Prairie City, where she is opening out a fine assortment of Ladies and Misses Hats, just received from N. Y., also a well selected supply of Ladies Underwear and Linen Suits. Also a general assortment of ladies goods which will be sold cheap for cash.

## General News.

A Lewiston builder sends to Portland for lumber.

A station belonging to Frank Holt, of Northern Idaho, and worth \$2000, died recently.

Several brick buildings will be erected in Lewiston during the current season, and brick for the proposed structures are now being made.

All crops in the vicinity of Lewiston look well. Grain is about a foot high and bids fair to yield one of the heaviest crops ever known. The fruit crop will be immense; nothing injured by frost.

The quartermaster at Fort Lapwai has advertised for proposals for 30 pack mules to accompany troops on a 30 day scout. The section to be scouted is not stated, but the Salmon river country will probably be visited.

The chief of the bureau of statistics in his tenth monthly statement for the current fiscal year, of imports and exports of the United States, says that the excess of exports over imports of merchandise for ten months ending April 30, 1879, was \$241,443,623; April 30, 1878, \$237,042,087. For the twelve months ending April 30, 1879, 272,914,770; April 30, 1878, \$221,680,013.

The President has nominated J. W. Coeyne of West Virginia, U. S. attorney for Idaho.

Washington, May 27.—The President's veto message of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill will be sent to the house of representatives tomorrow.

Washington, May 27.—The ways and means committee will report Fernando Wool's resolution fixing the date of adjournment at June 15th.

**MEETING OF THE CLAX.**—Messrs. Villard, Thielsen and Jay Gould are to meet at Ogden in a few days for consultation. Mr. Villard has gone via San Francisco, Mr. Thielsen has gone overland through Idaho, and Jay Gould is coming west on a special train over the Union Pacific. The plot thickens out of which Oregon will eventually get two or three lines of railroad from the East or transcontinental roads.—Standard.

## Eastern News.

From the Daily Bee.

Washington, May 29.—The Treasurer of the U. S. has decided that 4 per cent refunding certificates may be deducted by national banks in making up their semi-annual return of average capital subject to duty, the same as the law authorizes in the case of U. S. bonds.

The House has refused to pass the legislative appropriation bill over the President's veto—yeas 113, nays 91, not the necessary two-thirds in the affirmative. The message has been referred to the judiciary committee.

Subscriptions to the four per cent refunding certificates since yesterday, \$1,575,240.

Chicago, May 29.—A Tribune's Washington special says Postmaster General Key said today that unless there should be a change of feeling between the North and the South, General Grant would surely be the Republican nominee for President, and he thought that Grant would be elected. Judge Key thought that if there was perfect tranquility in the country, and no disturbance, then some other man like Sherman could be elected. He thought the political condition of the country would outweigh the financial issues, and therefore indications are all in favor of Grant.

The Ohio canvass will be much closer under Foster than under Taft. Senator Chandler, who is chairman of the National Republican committee, has said that he expected the Republicans would carry Ohio in October, but at the same time he believed the nomination of Judge Taft would have been worth at least 10,000 more votes to the party than that of Foster.

New York, May 29.—Judge Donahue yesterday confirmed the report of the referee in the suit of Maria L. Granger for annulment of her marriage to Thos. Blair, lately dismissed from a captaincy in the army. Judgment in favor of Mrs. Granger has been entered.