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## ROBBERY ON THE ROAD.

A Well Concocted Plan which Proves A Failure

And Results in the Arrest of H. C. Paige, of Baker City.

[From the Standard, July 18th.]

On Sunday morning last, when Joe Looney, the driver of the stage running between the towns of Pendleton and Umatilla, in Umatilla county, arrived at the latter place and delivered Wells, Fargo & Co's treasure box to the agent at that place, the startling discovery was made that, although the box was properly locked, the money, gold dust and other valuables, together with the way bills, known to have been in the box when the stage left Pendleton had mysteriously disappeared. A rapid investigation followed; mail sacks and freight in the stage "boot" were taken out, but the only success crowning the efforts of the agent and driver to find the lost treasure was the discovery of a package of gold dust lying at the bottom of the "boot." This, however, was a clue, and showed conclusively that the box had been rifled of its contents while in transit from Pendleton, and other circumstances combined to fasten the theft upon a man who had hitherto been of good character, and who for years was held in the highest esteem by the officers and agents of Wells, Fargo & Co. upon the Pacific Coast. When the stage left Pendleton there were two passengers aboard, one, H. C. Paige, of Baker City, formerly the agent of the company at that place; the other, a way passenger, who left at the Twelve-Mile House. Mr. Paige occupied the outside seat with the driver, and when the way passenger had arrived at his destination,

PAIGE COMPLAINED OF BEING SLEEPY. And overcome with fatigue, and crawled into the "boot" to take a nap. The treasure box is always kept in the "boot" beneath the driver's feet; but Looney, the driver, being well acquainted with his passenger, and knowing him to have been agent of the company for years never suspected anything wrong, and did what he could to make him comfortable while sleeping. Arriving at Umatilla, when the robbery was discovered, Paige was naturally suspicious, but nothing was said, and he proceeded on his way, while the agent lost no time in communicating the facts to Mr. C. D. Barsow, general travelling superintendent of the company for the Pacific Coast, who immediately telegraphed to Col. Dudley Evans, the agent in this city, to keep a sharp look out for Paige and not let him get away. Chief Police Lappens was also informed of the robbery by telegraph, and detectives Hudson and Day were detailed to work up the case. Paige arrived in this city on Tuesday afternoon and put up at the Holton House, and from the time he stepped off the boat until the moment of his arrest he has been shadowed night and day by the detectives who scarcely slept until sufficient evidence had been proved to warrant an arrest. Paige, previous to his arrival in the city, was known to have been in straightened circumstances, but hardly had he reached the city than he started on a debauch, drinking freely, making extravagant purchases of jewelry and also visiting the assaying rooms of Lent & Jennie on Front street, where he left a quantity of gold dust to be cast into brick. At East Portland he exchanged a \$100 currency note, and had others in his possession, one of which Chief Lappens

now has, having found the spot where Paige had exchanged it. The treasure box at the time of the robbery contained one package of eight one hundred dollar bills, another package of one hundred dollars in small bills, AND SEVERAL SACKS OF GOLD DUST, And the fact that Paige had money of the same description on his arrival in this city makes it look dark for him. Detectives Hudson and Day found where he had purchased two watches, one of which he was wearing when arrested and the other was still at the jeweler's having the initials of a person to whom he intended giving it, engraved on the case. It was also ascertained that he had sold a gold brick at the banking house of Ladd & Tilton in this city for \$247 82, and had been very free with his money at houses of ill fame since his arrival in the city. Paige was arrested by the detectives yesterday morning about 9 o'clock at the corner of First and Alder streets, and when apprised of the officers' intentions, accepted the situation with good grace declaring that a mistake had been made, and his positive ability to prove himself entirely innocent of the charge against him. He immediately engaged the services of W. W. Page, Esq., to defend him, and his examination was set for the afternoon session of the Police Court, before Judge Stearns but at that time further consideration of the case was postponed and in default of 2500 bail he was conveyed down stairs to a cell to await an examination, set for Thursday next. Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Mulkey and Hon. J. N. D. Iph, the attorney Wells, Fargo & Co., were present to conduct the prosecution. Acting upon the precedent established which holds that the bringing of the stolen property was a continuation of the robbery, the trial of Paige will probably take place during the present term of the State Circuit Court for this county should the Grand Jury, which is still in session, find a true bill against him. Paige is a man of perhaps forty-five years, possessed of fine physique, thoroughly educated, and of more than ordinary ability. He is wisely known, having been employed by Wells, Fargo & Co. for many years in various capacities, and was Superintendent of this district three years ago, when he was relieved and given charge of the company's office at Baker City. Paige is well-known throughout the State, and in his capacity as agent of the company it was through his instrumentality that a number of road agents, FORAGING ON WELLS, FARGO'S TREASURES, were run down and captured, and he has been the means of sending more men to the penitentiary than other men in Oregon, among them were Tomkins and others, pardoned a year or two ago on their entire innocence being established. In what was known as the Blue Mountain robbery, he not only worked up the case and had the robbers sent to prison, but he took the father of one of the convicted men, visited the prison and succeeded in ascertaining the spot where 5,000 had been buried; at least the father received the map of the spot. Returning, the old man attempted to fly the track, but Paige was not to be outdone, the result being the restoration of the money to the company. Paige received no remuneration, and the company erred about the expenses incurred. It is to be supposed Paige felt grieved that his work was not better appreciated. Shortly after he was placed in charge of the Baker City office, which he conducted until a year ago, when he was dismissed, and at the time it was said he had not given up all the keys of the office. Last winter he brought suit against the company for an amount of money he claimed due him for office rent. The case was tried in the United States Court in this city, but the jury failed to find a verdict for the amount he claimed. He comes from a highly respectable family, a brother of his having been Chief Quartermaster under General Albert Sydney Johnson at Salt Lake during the Mormon war in 1858, H. C. being then Quartermaster's Clerk, a position he filled up to the death of his brother, who died in that year, and whose remains he escorted to the States. He was divorced from his wife, a handsome, intelligent lady, quite recently. There are many who will learn with sincere regret of Mr. Paige's trouble, and hope he may be able to clear himself of the charge. The company is determined to prosecute the case with vigor and is hunting up all available evidence.

## ASSIGNEE'S SALE.

The stock of Goods lately belonging to W. H. Clark of Canyon City, Grant County Oregon, will be sold off

## AT COST

Until further Notice---TERMS CASH.

Particular attention is called to the Stock of Children's, Misses and Ladies Trimmed Hats from 50 cents up to \$5. Summer Goods at 15 cents per yard.

## NOTICE.

All parties indebted to W. H. Clark are warned to come in and settle at once. All Notes (due) and accounts that may be unpaid on June 1st, 1880, will be sued without further Notice  
B. N. BARNETT,  
Assignee.  
Canyon City, May 1st, 1880.  
FOR SALE.—Granary and stable across the creek.

## NEW DRUG STORE.

MAIN STREET, CANYON CITY, OREGON.  
J. W. HOWARD, M. D., - - PROPRIETOR.

Having recently received a full and carefully selected stock of Drugs, and Medicines I am fully prepared to furnish everything usually kept in a First Class Drug House, at reasonable Prices. Also a full stock of the Standard Patent Medicines on hand. Call, everybody, and see, and buy of my fresh goods. Also keeps on hand a full stock of imported Wines, Brandy and Liquors, for medical purposes, and sold in quantities not less than one quart.

J. W. HOWARD, M. D., Proprietor.

## A. HACHENEY,

Is still at his post at John Day City, dealing out the very choicest Groceries, also, keeps a full stock of Boots, Shoes, Clothing, Calico, Tobacco, Crockery, Granite-Ware, fancy Cups and Saucers, and General Merchandise. My Store is always welcome to everybody whether they come to buy or merely to see the goods.

## STOVES

## TIN WARE

BY  
MAX METSCHAN,  
CANYON CITY, OREGON.

Keeps constantly on hand a good assortment of  
STOVES AND TIN WARE  
And such other articles usually kept in a first class

## Tin Establishment,

AT MODERATE PRICES.

## STRAWBERRY VALLEY

## FLOURING MILLS,

MOREHEAD & GLEAVER

## PROPRIETORS.

Manufacturers and dealers in Flour of the Best Brand, Graham Flour, Corn Meal, Shorts, Bran and Feed. For a Superior Article OF FLOUR go the Strawberry Mills. These Mills are located in Strawberry Valley, in the upper John Day Valley, Grant County. Accommodations a speciality. Reasonable prices. Give us a call.

## THOS. HOWARD,

MEAT MARKET.

JOHN DAY CITY, OREGON.



We keep the best qualities of

VEAL CORNED BEEF,  
BEEF, MUTTON,  
PORK, HAM, BACON  
LARD, SAUSAGE,  
ETC., ETC.

Constantly on hand and for sale at the  
LOWEST MARKET RATES.

OVERHOLT & JACOBS,

Wagon Making & Carpentering.



Wagons and Buggies repaired at reasonable rates--Spokes, Brakebars, Axes, Felles, Plow Beams, Etc., or Sale Building and Jobbing promptly attended to.

## Doors, Sash, Etc.,

Constantly on hand and made to order.

## CITY BREWERY

AND--

## SALOON,

Washington St., Canyon City, Oregon

F. C. SELS, - - Prop'r.

Constantly on hand and for sale,  
Lager Beer  
Superior to any in the S. State.

FINE WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS;  
ALSO, MALT, MALT VINEGAR AND  
CHOICE CALIFORNIA HOPS AND  
LAGER BEER--WHOLESALE  
AND RETAIL.

LIQUORS AND WINES,  
For sale in quantities less than FIVE GALLONS.

## AT THE POST OFFICE!

## E. HALL,

DEALER IN  
Stationary, Spectacles and  
Eye Glasses, Candies, and Nuts.

SUBSCRIPTIONS taken, at Publishers Rates, for all the Leading Papers and Magazines published in THE UNITED STATES. Agent for Titus Br., Jewelers, Albany, Oregon. Watches Cleaned and Repaired.

Watches, Clocks and Jewelry repaired promptly and satisfactorily.

## JOHN DAY MILLS,

JAMES NORMAN & Co. Proprietors  
JOHN DAY CITY, OREGON.

Having spared no pains or expense in erecting a Flour Mill which is second to none on this Coast, for producing good flour, we would now respectfully announce to the Public that we are prepared to fill

Orders For the best quality of White Flour, Graham and Mill Feed. All goods guaranteed to give satisfaction and to be second to none, made from the same class of wheat.

## BY FAIR DEALING,

good Goods and strict attention to business, we expect to merit a share of the public patronage. Orders left at the Mill, as well as with Geo. Gundlach & Bro., will be promptly attended to.

Respectfully,  
JAMES NORMAN & Co.

## SNIDER & STEVENS,

DEALERS IN

## DRY GOODS AND Clothing,

BOOTS AND SHOES, GROCERIES

HARDWARE, CROCKERY,

LIQUORS AND

SUTLERS' GOODS

Of Every Description.

CAMP HARNEY,

GRANT COUNTY, OREGON.

## Furniture Emporium!!

NEW STORE and NEW GOODS.

## SAMUEL SIREN, CANYON CITY,

Has on hand the Largest and Finest selection of Furniture in this County HOUSE, SIGN and CARRIAGE painting neatly executed, at reasonable rates;

## Frank McCallum's Variety Store,

John Day City, Oregon

CHOICE GROCERIES,  
TOBACCO,  
CIGARS,

STATIONERY,  
NUTS AND  
CONFECTIONERY,  
ETC., ETC.

Would respectfully solicit a share of the patronage of the citizens of John Day and surrounding country.

MAIN STREET, JOHN DAY, OREGON.

## MILLINERY AND DRESSMAKING.

Ladies desiring to purchase Spring Hats will do well to call at M. L. Douthett's Millinery Store, since she has just received

FROM NEW YORK, a full assortment of Ladies, Misses and Children's Hats, also the latest styles of Trimmings.

She also keeps a large assortment of Ladies' Underwear, Embroideries, laces hose and small articles of every description, of the best quality and reasonable prices. No credit allowed. The patronage of all is politely solicited.

## GEO. SOLLINGER,

## CANYON CITY MILK-MAN.

The best of Milk furnished to the citizens of Canyon City every morning, by the gallon or quart; at reasonable rates.

The census enumerators found in Lick Creek township a girl 16 years old in March who has a child that was four years old in September. The mother was 11 years and five months old at the birth of the child—Van Buren Co., Iowa, Democrat.