

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Lots of "prospecting." Oh, the dreadful smoke. Try Durkheimer for bargains. The Fred Miller anastra is grinding away. County court is transacting official business.

Alex, brother of C. A. Sweek, is visiting in town. It might be well to call attention to the fact that it is still very warm.

Born, in Canyon city, September 3 1888, to the wife of Victor G. Cozad, a daughter. Jack Shepard has sold his ranch up the creek to Dr. Barber, and will probably move into town.

Siwashes from the Umatilla agency have been in the country this week with horses for sale cheap. The sheriff's sale that should have occurred last Saturday has been postponed one week for the want of bidders.

County clerk Mael and wife arrived home from Baker this week, since which time Mr. Mael has been quite unwell. Mrs. Nellie McCoy will resume teaching after Sept. 10th. These desiring lessons in music please call on or address her at John Day.

Smith & Keller have abandoned their prospect shaft up the creek for a while after attaining a depth of 100 feet, and the hole is rapidly filling with water. Frank Sols who is visiting in Washington Territory and Montana, writes home that he has seen no place he likes so well as the John Day valley and its tributaries.

A Missouri man who had conscientious scruples about taking the oath as a juror, stole two overcoats and \$24 in money from his fellow-jurors before the panel was discharged. Martin Bonham began a nine months school at John Day. Mr. Bonham is considered one of the best teachers our county affords, and the people of John Day are fortunate in securing his services.

Hon. Phil Metschan and wife, accompanied by Miss M. L. Douthitt and Miss Charlotte Blake, leave this morning for Los Angeles, where Mr. Metschan will attend the sovereign grand lodge, I. O. O. F.

Through neglect last week we omitted to mention the evening exercises of the teachers, institute, which were very pleasant and entertaining. On the first evening Hon. C. W. Parrish delivered an address, and the second evening State Supt. McElroy delivered the address. The third and fourth evenings Co. Sup. Hays and Hon. M. Dustin addressed the audience, respectively, and each evening's exercises were interspersed by music, and other diversities.

Some time ago Mr. G. Topken, who resides on his homestead up the creek lost his team of horses, and diligent search failed to reveal to him their whereabouts. A few days ago he received word that they were over on Middle Fork, and had escaped from a couple of men who were passing over the road during the night. The horses were recognized by the brand, and these parties suspected foul play and notified Mr. Topken, who remembered of giving two men their breakfast one morning about the time his horses were missing, the same fellows stealing a sum of money from him while they were left alone in the house a few minutes. The loss of Mr. Topkens' team would have been a serious blow to him, as he depends for a living upon hauling wood into town, but he has recovered the animals, and John Fisk is out after the brutes who robbed the old gentleman.

Call at the "stone corner" when you come to town. The next legislature would do a wise act if it would pass a law prohibiting sheep of one county being pastured in a neighboring county during the summer, and driven home in the fall to pay taxes. Grant county has suffered for years from the depredations of sheep from other counties. Long creek and Fox valleys have been the worst sufferers, but of late years the entire county has had annual visits from these pilgrim sheep men. There are now between 8,000 and 12,000 on Canyon Creek and the John Day, and besides destroying the range it costs the county several hundred dollars to repair the roads over which they are driven. Last Sunday they came down on Canyon Creek road, and Monday the supervisor with a force of men had to go up and repair the grade. And worst of all, we are informed that in this band there were diseased sheep. Should this be the case, they should be looked after. California has a law requiring shepherds who drive to a summer range to pay taxes in the county into which the sheep are driven. Such a law is needed in this state, and a memorial to the legislature is now in order.

A TRAVELERS TALE.

Review of the trip from Canyon City to Burns.

Harney, Or. Aug 30, 1888. From Canyon we took the Canyon Creek road which we found a very good road and admirably adapted for freighting purposes, there being only two or three "pulls" on the road.

We saw considerable wood stacked up along the creek, and think it would be very nice to have in Canyon the coming winter. At the new postoffice in Bear valley we got a drink of the most delicious cold water it has been our good fortune to get hold of for some time.

We saw some fine grain and vegetables growing in the edge of the timber in Bear valley, showing that there are places even in that altitude that are capable of producing "garden sass."

There is considerable fire in the mountains around Bear valley. We passed through one fire but it was not burning very briskly. This intolerable firing of the timber should be looked after by some one. If the Indians are to run off and kill all the deer and then burn up all the timber it is time something was done.

At Soda we found Mr. J. Tracy in charge. He had just arrived and had not hauled any hay yet, but was going to haul the next day. This is a splendid place to stop upon account of the fine mineral spring. Passing through.

SILVIES VALLEY. We saw several very handsome residences also some fine grain growing. The "L. F." Co. are gathering beef steers to drive to the railroad; they will drive about three thousand.

One old Dutchman said this was a good poor mans country. He tried for fifteen months to file on a piece of land before he could get his filing in, and then it was accomplished by the removal of the commissioner of the general land office. He expressed himself on the wool question by saying: "Old Cleland wants to take some tariff nit der wool off, but dis fall we foels him a lecture, aint it?"

On the summit between Trout creek and Harney we found Farley & McKinneys sawmill which was in full blast. There is another sawmill about two miles from that, but it is not running at present owing to the boiler being bursted, but Mr. King the owner is on the road with a seventy horse power engine and it will soon be in running order again. We arrived in

HARNEY VALLEY about dark, and consequently could not see much that night. The next morning we were agreeably surprised at the improvement made in the valley since we passed through there four years ago. Then such a thing as raising grain and vegetables in the Harney valley was looked at as one of the impossibilities.

Now there are fine gardens and still finer grain growing in all directions—or I shall say I seen, for nearly all the grain has been cut and stacked, and we understand that the thresher is running. The average yield is placed at forty bushels per acre, which I think will be verified in some instances at least. We saw some wheat the heads of which average over four inches in length, and they were well filled with plump berries. There will be several thousand bushels harvested this year.

On the open prairie we could see perhaps as many as three hundred houses and some of them were very nice residences. We also saw some very fine oats which would compare favorably with anything on the John Day. We are indebted to Mr. J. N. Haggy for considerable information respecting Harney valley. The town of

BERNS is situated near the crossing of the W. V. & C. M. wagon road on Silvies river, and is a very nice little place although there seems to be too much pulling among some of the people of the place for it to build up as fast as it ought to. There are some very neat business places, among which is W. E. Grace's drug store and the postoffice. While in town we called at the office of the Harney Valley Items and found in the editor an old acquaintance, Mr. Ben Franklin. Ben says he is doing quite well, and we think that his paper bids fair to become one of the leading journals of Eastern Oregon. The town of

HARNEY is situated about two miles below where old Camp Harney was, and has a good location for a town. It is in reality two towns, for one part of the town is about a quarter of a mile from the other. Each part is jealous of the other, and they have been using the postoffice as a kind of a shuttlecock between the two. One part of the town is on government land and is building up some, while the other is at a standstill.

The U. S. land office site is agitating the mind of the people in

this part of the country more than anything else at present. It will be settled in a few days however, as the man who has selection of the site is enroute from Lakeview.

Mr. R. F. Claypool states the hay crop is much lighter than usual. Where two hundred tons were cut two years ago only forty were harvested this year.

Our representative, Hon G. W. Gilham, is a resident of Harney, and seems to be a man that has the best interests of the people at heart, and is withal a gentleman such as we would wish often to meet.

VIDUQ. To the Memory of Willie Gentry. BY HIS MOTHER. Our boy from us has gone. A voice we loved is stilled. A place is vacant in our home. Which never can be filled.

God in his wisdom has revealed. The boon his love had given. And though his body molder now. His soul is safe in Heaven.

NOTICE. From this date until Saturday, Sept. 15, I will sell off my stock of Jewelry, Stationery, etc., etc., at cost for cash. All claims against me must be presented prior to above date. Also persons knowing themselves indebted to me will please make arrangements for settlement.

Just Arrived. At Haptonstall & Dart's, John Day, the finest line of Clothing, Gent's Furnishing Goods, Ladies Dress Goods etc., ever brought to Grant County.

Which was it? Prairie City, Or. Sept. 3, 1888. Editor News: Will you allow me a short space in your columns to express my sentiments in regard to a correspondence that recently appeared in the "News" between "Public Justice" and our County School Superintendent. Doubtless a majority of the Citizens of the County would have preferred that Mr. Hayes should have embraced in his invitation all who were interested in the cause of education regardless of class or profession yet there are few (I think) who would have placed such a construction upon the omission as did "Public Justice" when he says, "Such a special invitation" is "virtually asking all other citizens to be absent."

In order to justify such a conclusion it was necessary to suppose that intention rather than oversight prompted the omission which I cannot believe. If however, it was though intentional, "Public Justice" or any other Citizen of our County, had an undoubted right to make inquiries as to the Superintendent's motives without giving the least cause of offence.

The appearance of the article in the "News" should have been a sufficient guarantee to Mr. Hayes, not only of the respectability of its author, and if thought worthy of consideration should have received a civil courteous and respectful answer.

At the risk of being considered impertinent, and told to "Mind my own business" as of being ignored altogether, I would like (with all due respect to Mr. Hayes) to ask him if he denies the right of those who placed him in his present position, to scrutinize and criticize his official acts?

A FRIEND. Dust. Wind. Good times coming bye and bye. Seventeen drops of rain the other night. Elegant line of dress goods at J. Durkheimer & Co.

Complaints of Indian summer weather are numerous and spring from all quarters. A postoffice has been established at Austin, Grant county. Mr. Austin is postmaster.

There is some talk in army circles to abolish Fort McDermitt, removing the "sugar boys" to Reno.

A wholesale system of letter robbery, which has been going on over two years, and causing losses of over \$100,000, has been unearthed at Chicago, and two of the thieves are under arrest. They obtained postal keys in some way, and helped themselves to letters.

A band of noble red men are in the mountains—in fact several bands are roaming over the country killing the white man's game and burning off his winter stock range. Get down your gun, Johnny, and send them back to the reservation.

The News joins the B-drock Democrat, Weston Leader, Ritzville Times and Bunchgrass Blade in censuring the Walla Walla Business College. Mrs. Sarah Thacker, principal, for not settling its advertising contracts. The management of that institution are certainly forgetting one of the principal factors of success for their institution when they neglect to pay the printer.

New Store. By referring to our advertising columns the "ad." of the enterprising firm, J. Durkheimer & Co. will be seen. In addition to their mammoth stock of goods at Prairie city they have opened a store at Canyon City in the stone building, and will have, in the course of a few days the most complete assortment of dry goods, groceries, etc., that has been brought to this town for many years, and they are prepared to furnish farmers, miners and stockmen anything they may wish in this line, and their prices are the lowest. Interview Durkheimer & Co. in regard to your winter supplies, as they do a wholesale business.

To All Whom it May Concern. I have appointed Mr. John H. Blake my duly authorized Agent during my absence from Canyon City, Sept. 5, 1888.

PHIL METSCHAN. See ad of J. Durkheimer & Co. in this issue. Coal mines fifty miles south of Pendleton are being developed.

Stevenson, our jeweler, has left for his home in Websterland. School superintendent Hays has been to Baker attending the teachers' institute.

Lightning never strikes twice in the same place neither does a mole. They don't have to. A lady advertises that she has a "fine, airy well furnished bedroom for a gentleman twelve feet square."

The Long creek races commencing on the 19th. Grand preparations are being made, and they will be a success. Campaign hats continue to increase in number, but nobody seems to be able to distinguish the democrats from the republicans with certainty after all.

Fires on Dixey mountain made it exceedingly dangerous for travelers along the road last week; timber was falling thick and fast, but we have heard of no accident.

A sign before a New York office reads: "Women treated for ugliness." If somebody would treat men for ugliness there would be a mild rush for the bar without a moment's delay.

All campaign lies in regard to the weather, which may appear in our columns this week, are hereby denied, as the atmosphere has cooled and the smoke lifted since they were written.

A woman has been sent to a Canadian penitentiary for stealing an umbrella. It is fortunate for the American immigrants in Canada that they have settled in a country where their property will be protected.

George Metzinger, who was the chief instigator in the Chicago bombmakers, and connected with the Haymarket riot died in an insane asylum at Jefferson, Ill., recently. No one claimed his body and it was used for dissecting purposes.

At Little Rock, S. C. Mrs. Veroin, aged 25, gave whisky and chloroform to her husband, a man of sixty, and when this failed to kill him she dosed him with powdered glass. That killed him, and the young woman is now in jail.

Portable electric lights, arranged to hang on button of one's coat, and with a parabolic reflector to concentrate the light with storage batteries weighing one and a half pounds each, are made to enable persons to read in railroad cars by night.

An exchange tells of two bottles lately picked up on the Atlantic coast, "the contents of which are of special interest to navigators." Some navigators in these waters are anxious to learn whether the contents reached up to the cork or not. If not, they think perhaps the empty space only told the tale of a wreck.

TRADE MARK. REMEDY FOR PAIN. For Rheumatism. THE CRIPPLE. THE CURE.

Lowell, Mass. July 9, 1887. Mr. Lewis Deane, 350 South St. says: "Dear Robinson, a boy of 12, came to his house in 1882 on crutches, his left knee bent for two months and could not be straightened. He gave him St. Jacobs Oil to rub on it. In six days he had no use for crutches and went home without them." GEO. C. OSGOOD & CO. CHRONIC CASES 40 YEARS' STANDING CURED. CRIPPLED CASES THROWN AWAY CRUTCHES; CURED PERMANENTLY. Sold by Druggists and Dealers Everywhere. The Charles A. Vogeler Co., Baiton, Md.

ALL YE AFFLICTED PAUSE AND READ.

From the Portland Oregonian. Drs. Darrin, 23; Fifth street, Portland, are exhibiting a constant throng of patients from every town till late at night, relieving them of their infirmities as if by magic.

A FEW TESTES ES. Charles Christensen, 92 First street Portland, scrupulous exacting so that description of his nose was threatened, and had become so offensive that it was sickening both to himself and friends, cured in two months.

Miss Laura Price, Freeport, W. T. formerly S. Appos, Or., various ailments, cured and gained four teen pound under Drs. Darrin's treatment.

S. I. Whitman, Monmouth, Or., deafness and ringing noise in the ear twelve years, restored. Miss M. Raymond, 126 Fifth street, Portland, restored to hearing in fifteen minutes.

Mrs. D. S. Young, Hunting, W. T. kidney and liver complaint, dyspepsia and general debility, cured. A. A. Darlam, Tualatin, Washington county, Or., writes that Drs. Darrin are working wonders on his kidney and bladder troubles; also rheumatism of thirty years standing.

OFFICE HOURS AND PLACE OF BUSINESS. The doctors can be consulted at 235 Fifth street, corner of Main, Portland, from 10 to 4 daily; evenings, 7 to 8; Sundays, 10 to 12. All curable chronic diseases, loss of manhood, blood taints, syphilis, gleet, gonorrhoea, stricture, spermatorrhoea, seminal weakness or loss of force of sexual power in men or women, catarrhs and deafness, are confidentially and successfully treated. Cures of private diseases guaranteed. Circulars sent free. Most cases can receive home treatment after a visit to the doctor's office.

The Seattle Office is closed. Any of the patients from that vicinity can call at the Portland office.

A wild girl is running at large in the forests of Louisiana. Perhaps if her pursuers were to set a hustle, properly baited they might capture her without further trouble. Norristown Herald.

LETTER LIST. List of letters remaining uncalled for in the Canyon City Postoffice, Grant county, Oregon, for the month ending Aug. 31st, 1888, viz:

Jas Beardley, E. A. Chandler, A. H. Parcell, D. J. Whit-on. Persons calling for the above will please say "Advertised." O. P. Cresson, P. M.

CATTLE & BUCKS FOR SALE. I will be at John Day about the 10th of September with a choice lot of Thoroughbred Pedigreed Hereford Bulls and Half Blood Hereford Bulls, and a few Holstein and Aberdeen Angus Bulls, for sale; and also will have a choice lot of Thoroughbred Spanish Merino and High Grade Spanish Merino Bucks for sale. These Bucks are from the celebrated Ross Breed.

I would like parties wishing either Cattle or Bucks, would call and take a look at my stock before purchasing elsewhere, as I know they will suit. I will take horse for part pay on the cattle. NEWMAN H. CORTELL.

FRUIT FOR SALE. I will sell Apples on my ranch at 50 cents per box; boxes furnished at 25 cents each. Also Vinegar or Cider, and all kinds of vegetable for sale at reasonable rates. Ranch four miles below Canyon City, on The Dalles road. All orders left with O. P. Cresson at Canyon City, will receive prompt attention. IS * WM. LUCE.

NOTICE. All persons knowing themselves indebted to me will please call and settle at once. As I desire to close up my business in this place, all accounts must be settled within two weeks from this date. F. B. EINHORN, M. D. Prairie City, Or., July 30, 88.

NOTICE. If you are indebted to us either by Account or Note, please call and settle. TAYLOR & CO. Mount Vernon, Or., Aug 20, '88.

LETTER LIST. List of letters remaining uncalled for in the Post Office at Prairie City, Grant Co., Oregon, Aug. 31st, 1888:

Chandler, S. L. Farlow, Mrs. Eunice Guttridge, J. S. Helmendorf, Jacob Lunsman, Dan I. Newton, E. J. A. Sweek, Harvey Vossrude, W. M. 3 Ward, C. & Bros Zaekary, W. F. Persons calling for above will please say "advertisd." J. W. LUCE, P. M.

Long Creek Races.

There will be Three Days Racing beginning Sept. 19th, 20th and 21st, 1888. FIRST DAY'S RACE: Two Best in Three, 1 mile free for all—purse \$150.00.

SECOND DAY—2 RACES: First Race, 1 mile Dash, Free for All—purse \$100.00. Second Race, 1 mile, free for all Three-year-olds, Single Dash—purse \$100.00.

THIRD DAY'S RACE: One Mile and Repeat, Two in Three, Free for All—purse \$200. Entrance Free, 10 per cent. of Purse.

Seventy per cent. to the first horse and thirty per cent. to the second horse. All Races to be governed by the B. M. Association Rules. E. O. WOODALL, President.

ED. C. ALLEN, CHAS. H. LEE, W. N. WILSON, Directors. The man who minds his own business is never out of work, never out of money never out on a strike, and never out of his head.

University of Oregon. EUGENE CITY. Next session begins on Monday the 17th of September, 1888. Free scholarships from every county in the state. Apply to your County Superintendent. Four Courses: Classical, Scientific, Literary and a short English Course in which there is no Latin, Greek, French or German. The English is pre-eminently a Business Course. For catalogues or other information, address J. W. JOHNSON, President.

LOOK HERE! Clarke & Weatherby, THE LEADING GROCERS, Will sell you goods cheaper than any other house in Baker City.

They carry a full line of STAPLE & FANCY GROCERIES

PRICES MARKED AWAY DOWN Full Roller Flour \$3.25 per Bbl. Good Roast Coffee 25 cents per pound. Choice Japan Tea 25 cents per pound.

Parties wishing to lay in their Winter Supplies will Save Money to call and examine goods and get our prices before buying elsewhere. CLARKE & WEATHERBY, Baker City, Ore.

If You Come to Baker City Go to the Great I X L Store

Where you will get the Biggest Bargains for Half the Money as any other place. We are closing out our Entire Stock of Goods in all departments. You will get more goods for 50 cts than for \$1 at any other Store in Eastern Oregon.

Closing Out, Closing Out! Closing Out!! 50 men's Suits at \$7; formerly \$12. 25 men's Suits at \$8.90; formerly \$15. 1,000 pairs men's pants \$3; formerly \$6. 500 pairs men's fine Calf Shoes \$2.45; formerly \$5.

Here is a Stunner for You: 75 dozen Ladies Undershirts each 25 cts; formerly 75 cts. 100 dozen Ladies' Hose each 15 cts; formerly 20, 25 and 30 cts. 30 dozen Ladies' fine handkerchiefs 10 cts each; formerly 25, 30, 35 cts. 75 pieces Summer Dress Goods light shades 20 cts pr yd, formerly 50 cts.

This is a Great leader in Immense Bargains. Great Values for the least Money, at our Closing Out Sale! The Great I. X. L. Store, Baker City. WARSHAUER BROS.

Be sure and send us an order, or come direct. It will pay you. One trial is sufficient. Haptonstall & Dart

DEALERS IN General Merchandise John Day City, Oregon.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Land Office at La Grande, Oregon. August 7th, 1888.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to claim and make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Grant county Oregon, at Canyon City, Or., on September 25, 1888, 412 1/2 EUBANK A. TABER, D. No. 2736 for the SW quarter of NW quarter, S. 1/2 of SW quarter, and SW corner of SW quarter, Sec. 10, T. 21 N., R. 2 E. W. 2.

He claims the following wilderness to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: William Lewis, County Clerk, of John Day, Oregon; C. S. Gentry, ex. Minister, of Canyon City, Oregon. HENRY RISEHART, Register.

For Sale. A Band of Sheep—2,000 head—Perfectly free from disease, good wool producers, averaging about 7 pounds each. Range in Bear valley, Grant county, Or., and known as the HARVEY BAND OF SHEEP. Will sell the entire band, or half of them, on reasonable terms. For Particulars enquire of HUSTONSTALL & DART, John Day, Or.

A BARGAIN BRICK FOR SALE. I will Sell Good Brick at \$10.00 per thousand for Cash, the next sixty days, near Prairie City, Or. Address PAUL FAIMAN, Or enquire of Geo Shearer, Prairie, PRAIRIE CITY, OR., August 14, '88.

WHITMAN COLLEGE. WALLA WALLA, W. T. Full College Course. Also Scientific and Literary Courses. Academic Department. prepares for any college, for teaching or business. Superior Conservatory of Music, Instruction in Art, Education and Modern Languages. Eleven professors and teachers, 190 students. Ladies' boarding hall. Young men's hall being built. Fall Term opens September 3d, 1888. Write for Catalogue to A. J. ANNEISON, Ph. D., President, 404 East Main St., Walla Walla, W. T.