

Grant Co. News.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Chinooks and showers.
 Sheriff's notice under "New to-day."
 Cope's mining location blanks for sale at this office.
 All woolen goods at reduced prices. J. DUREKHEIMER & Co.
 Mumps accompanied by lung fever are prevailing to an alarming extent about Prairie City and the upper valley.
 We stop the press to-day to announce that single copies of this paper in wrappers ready for mailing will be sold for ten cents.
 An increase in our ore cabinet was made this week by Horace Sloan, who left some samples of rock from his Elk creek mines.
 Neil Hall is still prospecting on his lead up the creek, and finding good looking rock, samples of which can be seen at this office.
 W. R. Cunningham has purchased the residence property of David Hill on second street and Harney Avenue, and moved with his family there.
 We desire to call your attention to our stock of Ladies and Misses cloaks, which will now be sold at cost to close out our entire stock. J. DUREKHEIMER & Co.
 The new land office for the Harney land district has been located at Drewsey, and R. J. Slater of Pendleton appointed register and Geo. McGowan of Burns receiver.
 Billy Tureman near Prairie City was badly hurt last week by a wild horse pulling back and throwing the rail to which he was hitched against Mr. Tureman's breast with great force.
 F. C. Sels last week slaughtered a couple of Berkshire and Chester White pigs, eleven months old, that weighed when dressed three hundred pounds each. Good for Canyon City pigs.
 The Dalles Times-Mountaineer will issue a mammoth Holiday edition descriptive of Eastern Oregon. If you desire copies send in your orders immediately to the News office—10 cents a copy.
 Charles Hendricks the clerk and Charles Baker the porter of the Arlington Hotel, Baker City, had an encounter last Thursday evening with pistols, and both received dangerous wounds, but are recovering.
 We urge the poor delinquent taxpayer. Collectors are right on their track. Some who have been delinquent for years on personal property are now out of the state, and Sheriff Gray is bound no more shall get away.
 It is rumored that the Canyon City sash and door factory will be started up at an early day under the supervision of Mr. W. S. Southworth. There is always a demand for such products, and home manufacture is ahead of the imported article.
 The little three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bates of Prairie City died during the week, of lung fever, and was buried in the I. O. O. F. cemetery at Prairie City last Monday. The sorrowing parents have the sympathy of every one in this their sad bereavement.
 To people living at a distance we wish to say that we still have a complete stock of goods in all lines and can supply every family in Grant county, also that our prices are as low as any store this side of Portland. Call and convince yourselves.
 J. DUREKHEIMER & Co.
 David L. Shirk has been admitted to bail in the sum of \$20,000, with D. G. Overholt, John Long, J. S. Haptonstall, John Muldrick and John Schmidt as sureties. The bond has been certified to before the proper officer here and sent to Baker to be approved by Judge Ison.
 Remonstrances are being circulated in southern Grant county praying the next legislature to not divide Grant county. If a majority of the taxpayers of the proposed new county oppose division or are in favor of division that "settles the cat-hop" so far as the legislature is concerned. Petitions or remonstrances from this side count as naught.
 This intelligence office is in receipt of a seven page manuscript poem contributed by an amateur, beginning: "Oh, where will be the birds that sing a hundred years to come?" We can answer the question, but cannot publish his poem. The answer, if we guess right, is, they will be stuffed and ornamented the bonnets of the old maids of the future. Spring poetry isn't in season yet.
 Hon. T. A. McKinnon accompanied by his son and son-in-law J. L. Allett, passed through town Monday on their way to the Strawberry Mills with three four-horse wagons loaded with Harney valley wheat which they will have made into flour. Should next season be as favorable to farmers as the past one there need be no fear of Harney valley's grain producing capabilities, and she can support a few flouring mills of her own.

Send in your subscriptions to the News.
 See change in "ad" of the "New Hotel" this week.
 Novelties and Fancy goods for the Holidays at J. DUREKHEIMER & Co's
 Christmas is called the time of good cheer, which may account for Christmas being hollerday.
 The last ninety-five babies born in Vancelburg, Ky., are all girls, and every body is puzzled by the phenomenon.
 The city authorities of Portland, with the co-operation of the Chinese merchants, have determined to rid the city of highlanders.
 Horace Sloan took his departure to-day for Elk creek to do the assessment work on some of the mining claims that he is representing over there.
 The Oregonian wants a cable laid to China and Japan. All right, the idea is a good one, as soon as we get matters in shape we will lay a couple.
 "I 'stumped' all through the campaign," said the one-legged man. "And I," said the one-armed politician, "made a few 'off-handed' speeches."
 It is said that the walls of a church at Davison, Mich., were recently measured on Sunday and the contract for papering them let the same day.
 See O. P. Cresap's Holiday display announcement in this issue of the News. Anything you want from a brass monkey to a railroad train he can furnish.
 D. V. Kaykendall, a youth of 19 years of age was adjudged insane, at Eugene City, a few days ago and taken to the asylum. Excessive cigarette smoking is given as the cause of his dementia.
 It is a curious fact that a man named Messinger has just been appointed gunner in the navy, while a man named Gunner was recently made a messenger in the navy department at Washington. —Ex.
 Look to your stove pipes once in a while, as during these windy days they may become unjoined and cause a destructive fire. You cannot be too careful of your property and that of your neighbors.
 We tender our sincere and heartfelt thanks to the physicians in attendance and to all our friends who so kindly aided us during our sore affliction, the death of our little boy.
 J. W. & S. R. BATES.
 Tiger Hose Team No. 1, of Canyon City, will give a grand Christmas eve Ball on the evening of Dec. 24, 1888. Arrangements will be made for the full enjoyment of all who attend. See "ad" elsewhere in this issue.
 Timbers have been hauled from the sawmill to the court house yard to be used in the erection of the staging whereupon Mr. P. McGinnis will make his first debut before the world in the role of an executed criminal after the Holidays.
 In the circuit court at Baker City Arthur Hallan, found guilty of manslaughter, for the killing of Bud Douglas at Cracker City last September, was sentenced by Judge Fee to the state penitentiary for a period of seven years and to pay a fine of \$500.
 A Scotch beadle took his sweetheart to a graveyard, and showing her a dark corner, said: "Mary, my folks lie there. Would you like to lie there when you die?" It was a grim way of proposing, but Mary was a sensible Scotch lassie and accepted him.
 All poetic contributions should be handed in on Sunday, that being the editor's day to be good. If presented on any other day the contributor will find it much safer to accompany the offering with a basket of apples or the name of a new cash subscriber. All poetry received at the author's risk.
 The boys will, when writing letters to their lady-loves, please refrain from using envelopes from the News' writing desk with the "return after 10 days" printed in the corner. It shows bad taste to "hum" writing material, besides you are liable to be made the subject of much ridicule. P. O. box 25 has been the receptacle of several such letters lately, marked "return to sender." Some of them would make interesting reading. We cannot tell who the "sender" is until the letters are opened.
 "One Chinaman and four white men, all prisoners, passed through town last night in charge of an officer, going down on the Portland train. They were from Grant county, destined for the pen," says the Pendleton East Oregonian. You are wrong there, Mr. E. O. Only one of the white men was a prisoner. That stout man you took for a convicted felon was no other than our efficient sheriff W. P. Gray, and the thin tall completed young man was his deputy. The other fellow was going below to see his best girl. You will need a little mercy on your soul if Sheriff Gray meets you.

GRANITE GRAINS.
 Our town still lives.
 Not much snow yet.
 Considerable trade and traffic.
 Wm. Graham is on the outside on business.
 Jo. Haines and wife are stopping at the hotel.
 Oscar Benson and family are now residents of Granite.
 Van Selyck and family will soon come to stay with us.
 Mr. Bently and wife passed through on the road to Sumpter.
 We are glad you print the address on your paper—they come regular now.
 Mining prospects are fine and new ledges being discovered every day or two.
 We have settled down to business and made up our minds to "grin and bear" the next four years.
 Tom Graham the "Daniel Boone" of Granite has hunted 42 days in succession and killed—nothing.
 We had a "heel and toe" shindig last night, and all seemed pleased, and every one went home tired, having danced their fill.
 John Cabell met with an accident. He came in contact with the loose hind leg of a mule and of course he curses the mule, but both will recover.
 The Monumental folks propose to celebrate the Holidays. I guess the Granite folks will have to go as they are making no preparations for any amusement.
 Old man G. was tried for stealing chickens last week before a jury of his peers, but was found "not guilty." It was also found that the boys wanted some fun and they had a mock trial.
 Our hotel has another boarder. He has a taste for milk. He weighs 7 1/2 lbs. His name is Harry Francis Looney. He is very eccentric and makes his mother feed him. His dad's all right.

GRANITE.

NOTICE.

We the undersigned wishing to close our books respectfully ask that all persons indebted to us either by note or account will please come forward and settle the same by Jan. 1st, 1889.
 HAPTONSTALL & DART.

Dakota, if she is smart, will keep her blizzards locked up in the icehouse until after she gains her coveted admission to the Union. Otherwise they will freeze her out.
 There have been seventy-eight marriage licenses issued by the clerk of Wasco county during the year 1888, from January up to the present writing. This is a fair showing, and reflects creditably upon the patriotism of the people. To marry is a very honorable and very dignified proceeding. Let the good work proceed.—Mountaineer.

Albany Democrat: The Oregon Pacific has made a proposition to Nelson A. Bennett to compromise his \$551,825 suit. As they paid Mr. Hunt \$60,000 in cash it seems that they are able to do it. It is asserted here that the company has a fine bank account for railroad building, and next season will see the largest year's work in the history of the road.
 A specimen of the beautiful scenery of the Pacific northwest, as well as a fine piece of the engraver's art, is the supplement accompanying the last number of the West Shore Magazine. This is a large engraving, 17x23 inches in size, executed in tints, of a picturesque scene in Prickly Pear canyon, on the line of the Montana Central railroad. One of these art supplements accompanies every number of this excellent magazine, a valuable feature not possessed by any other publication. The West Shore is the only magazine published which gives illustrations and reliable descriptions of that rapidly developing portion of our national domain embraced in the limits of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Alaska. Whoever wants to keep posted on that region should become a subscriber. Subscription price \$2.50 a year. L. Samuel, publisher, Portland, Or.

E. Hayes is county agent for Dr. Scott's electric goods; also for Rogers Bro's fine silverware, gold and silver watches. Call on him for your holiday and wedding presents. Everything warranted, and cheaper than ever sold in this county.

Wheat Raisers, Attention!
 Notice to wheat raisers is hereby given that we will grind Wheat for pay at the rate of 50 cts. for every 100 lbs of Flour turned out, provided it is brought in quantities not less than fifty bushels; otherwise we will exchange Flour for Wheat. Further, that we will guarantee the flour equal to the very best, provided good wheat is furnished.
 Highest Market Price paid for Wheat.
 JAMES NORMAN & Co.
 John Day City, Sept. 26, 1888.

GRANT COUNTY.
 Her Varied Natural Resources—Extent of Territory.
POPULATION, VOTERS, ETC.
 In answer to almost daily inquiries from every state in the Union we shall undertake to give a true and accurate description of this, the largest and best county in Oregon, and send each intending immigrant a copy of the News, thus at our own expense constituting our own "Board of Immigration" on a limited scale.
 Grant county is the largest county in the state, extending in length from a short distance beyond the first standard of parallel south to beyond the eighth standard parallel south, or from Umatilla county on the north to the Nevada line on the south. A great extent of her territory is mountainous, and in the northern portion of the county a heavy growth of yellow pine, fir and tamarack is found on the mountains, making the timber resources unlimited and boundless. Her most extensive valley, Harney and its tributaries, in the southern portion of the county, has long been devoted to stock raising, but of late years the valley is rapidly settling up, and although the country with the exception of sheltered localities is inclined to be frosty during the summer months a good quality of grain and some of the finest vegetables ever seen were grown the present year. Burns, Harney and Drewsey—the latter in the Malheur country—are the towns of this extensive Southern Grant county, which in time will be detached from Grant county, and on the completion of the proposed Oregon Pacific railroad will become sufficiently developed to rank among the wealthy counties of our state.
 The John Day valley and its tributary valleys has the most mild climate of any in Eastern Oregon. This valley and tributaries comprise an area of country some 75 or 80 miles long by one to four miles in width, surrounded by foothills where grows the nutritious bunchgrass, and back of these the high timbered mountains. Canyon City, the county seat of Grant county, Prairie City, John Day, Mt. Vernon and Dayville, largest in the order named, are the towns of the John Day valley. All kinds of fruits except the tropical fruits of California and the South grow here in profusion. Apples are shipped from this valley to Baker City and other points on the railroad, which rival in flavor those grown in any other portion of Oregon, and only our remoteness from rail transportation—about eighty miles—prevents Grant county fruit from going into all parts of the United States.
 Long Creek and Fox valleys to the north of the John Day are rapidly coming to the front in the way of settlement and development. Stock raising and farming are the chief occupations, and these two valleys are about filled with a good class of prosperous, industrious and law abiding citizens, but yet there is much good vacant government land for intending settlers, which is to be had for the mere taking, under the homestead or pre-emption laws. The town of Long Creek in the above named valley is a trading point for that entire country, with the exception of the villages of Hamilton and Monument, ten and twenty miles beyond.
 Silvies and Bear valleys to the south of the John Day are utilized for stock ranges and hay ranches mostly, their altitude rendering them unfit for farming except in sheltered nooks. Much land is open for settlement, and we have been shown the present season as fine vegetables and grain from Bear valley as can be grown anywhere, but of course not the entire valley can be depended upon for a "garden spot" on the account of the frost.
 Quartz mining is beginning to attract attention of outside capital as well as home capitalists. On Dixie Creek near Prairie City the work of development has been going on for a few years, and the yield of gold from some of the ledges is no inconsiderable sum annually. Two five-stamp mills and two or three arrastras are used in crushing the ore, which is for the greater part free milling.
 Above Canyon City on Canyon creek several very wide ledges are being slowly developed, some of the ore assaying very well near the surface, and down as far as the lead has been prospected. Gold and silver are the precious metals, but more less base metal is encountered in testing the ores. East of Canyon City in the mountains considerable prospecting for quartz is being done seemingly with good success, but as capital is lacking the work of development in the entire country is of necessity not very rapid. In a few years, however, we predict that this vast mineral belt will be the scene of great activity, and that the wealth that lies hidden in our

rock-ribbed mountains will be dedicated to the use of man to enhance his joys. The purchase of the Monumental mine in Granite district by a wealthy London corporation last summer will infuse new life in the mining industry of Grant county, and it will advance as it has never advanced before.
 At the state and county election last June, Grant county's voters numbered for congressmen 1,934, which vote allowing five population for each voter, would bring our population up to 9,670 souls. These statistics will hardly apply to Grant county, as such large numbers of her voters are men without families. Her taxable property is over \$3,000,000, scattered over a strip of God's green earth 200 miles long by 90 miles wide. Grant county can furnish a home for thousands of families yet, and still have vacant land to spare. Crops never fail, and tornadoes or floods nor fearful epidemics come to spread desolation.
 Dr. Tanner believes that he can be buried four days and come out of the grave alive and all right. He probably can't, but by all means let him try it.

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NOTICE.

In the county court of the state of Oregon, for Grant county.
 In the matter of the estate of Joseph Robinson, deceased.
 Notice to Creditors.
 Please take notice that by an order of the above entitled court, dated June 16th 1888, letters testamentary were issued to the undersigned as executor of the estate of Joseph Robinson, deceased.
 All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified as by law provided to the undersigned at Kahler Basin Wagner, Grant county, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.
 Dated at Canyon City, Oregon, this 5th day of December 1888.
 NORRIS ROBINSON,
 37-41 Executor.

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A TALE OF A COW.
 The following is copied from the Wasco Sun. We can hardly believe all the wonderful performances of the cow, but if they are true she is an entire circus of herself.
 "A town cow has made herself famous for her infamy. Heretofore she has contented herself by opening gates, letting down bars and fences, and lurching on roses, violets and other choice flowers, varying the monotony of her lovine career by picking padlocks with a wire and unlocking stable doors with a pass key which she has secreted somewhere about her person. Monday night about 8 o'clock she opened the front gate at Mr. Mulligan's and proceeded to investigate the premises in search of shrubbery or late flowers for a lunch. In one corner of Mr. Mulligan's yard is a cess pool 8 or 10 feet deep, covered with a platform. This the cow prospected and succeeded like the democratic party in stepping on the tariff plank in it, which broke; and when the south end of the cow struck the platform, the whole thing gave way and she went tail first to the bottom. Instead of putting the planks back and leaving her to deserved fate, the family aroused some of their neighbors, and undertook to raise her out. Mr. Moody was sent for; Shutz and others, including the leading members of the Mikado Club took a hand, and with whoop and hurrah, block and tackle, pole, profanity and advice, the good work was energetically pushed until near midnight, when the cow still in the hole, which was no misfit. About midnight, when everybody was discouraged, one of the gentlemen went to the electric light works and got two pairs of climbers, used by the line men, which he threw down the hole. The cow by this time was tired of her surroundings, and hastily bucking on the "climbers" she skinned up a big pole with which the club men had tried to pry her out, and taking a hasty bite at the shrubbery as she started for the gate, she flourished her tail in a short and gay farewell, and went down to the court house where she restored her lost circulation by sliding down the stone on the side of the steps. We know this is correct as we had it from her own lips yesterday morning when she came down to this office to insert the following ad in this paper:
 "Lost—in or about Mulligan's yard Monday night a universal pass key and picklock. A liberal reward will be paid for the return of the same to
 A Town Cow."

Dissolution of Partnership.
 The partnership heretofore existing under the name of Motley Bro's, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, O. V. Motley retiring, R. T. Motley assuming all liabilities, and moneys and accounts owing said firm to be paid to R. T. Motley. Dated this 1st day of Nov. 1888.
 R. T. MOTLEY,
 O. V. MOTLEY.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
 Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, Oct. 29th, 1888.
 Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the county Clerk of Grant county, Or., at Canyon City, Or., on December 11th, 1888, viz: MARTIN A. LUTAS, D's No. 756 for the W 1/2 N 21 4 and E 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec 9 T 17 S R 31 E.
 He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: W S Southworth, Louis Thibault, James Gaston, John Hopper, all of Blanton, Or.
 Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and the regulations of the Interior Department, why such proof should not be allowed, will be given an opportunity at the above mentioned time and place to cross-examine the witnesses if said claimant, and to offer evidence in rebuttal of that submitted by claimant.
 SUCO. HENRY BINEHART, Register.