

Grant Co. News.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

J. W. Mack of Prairie City has received an appointment of notary public. Baker City has a fine system of water works in operation, and justly feels proud in their possession. Grant county's wool crop has begun to move, and instead of wooly wool we shall see glittering gold. Indiana White Caps have notified a local merchant to quit swearing and sell eggs and butter cheaper. Sumpter is the latest embryo city, being located in one of the busy mining camps of Baker county. A Chinese paper reports that a monkey extinguished a fire by emptying the contents of a teapot on a certain that was in flames. Rev. A. Eads will hold divine services in the school house at Mt. Vernon next Sabbath, morning and evening, 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. The La Grande Journal says "Pat McGinnis expiated his crime on the gallows last Tuesday." So! Rather strange we did not hear about it. W. E. Gray, clerk of Harney county, was in our city during the week. Mr. Gray is a very pleasant gentleman, and will make an efficient officer. A wedding took place in Spokane Falls the other day, where Mr. Wood espoused a Miss Pyle, of Rathdrum. The notice read: "Wood Pyle." See ad of W. R. Newman on this page. His goods are warranted, and all who desire custom made clothing will do well to reserve their orders for him. A Kansas widow has sued a local paper for libel because it said her husband had gone to a happier home. We have to be very careful nowadays what we write. Baker City has a company of State Militia boys recently organized. Canyon City once had a company but it died before having an opportunity to go into battle. There are still forty-seven aspirants in the field for the position of the United States Marshalship of Oregon. Not one has shown a disposition to withdraw from the contest. The mail service between Alba and Long Creek will be established July 1, 1889. It runs from Alba, by Doman and Ritter, to Long Creek, forty-five miles and back, three times a week. We learn that Cal. Berry, Dave Scheate, and others interested in the Phoenix mine, of Robinsonville have made a rich strike, the ore being estimated as worth from \$5,000 to \$7,000 per ton. A hotel keeper at Portland, C. C. Scott, of the Gilliam, jumped out of the third story of his house last week, and broke his neck, while in a fit of temporary aberration induced by insufficient food. Over 75,000 monkeys were killed in Brazil last year and the pelts shipped to London to be made into furs. If the fashion continues the monkey race will be thinned out amazingly in the next two or three years. A Michigan woman practiced with a revolver until she could hit a suspended button at eight paces. Then she came a burglar into the house early one morning, and she sent a bullet pining through her husband's left ear. Lyman Perkins of Dayville passed through town Monday with his family and household goods, en route to Weiser, Idaho, via the Malheur route. Mr. Perkins was one of Grant county's best citizens, but what is our loss is Weiser's gain. Died, at her home near Prairie City, March 29, 1889, Mrs. Lucinda Birge, aged 66 years and six months. Mrs. Birge was born Oct. 21, 1823, and was married Feb. 3, 1842, and had always been a member of the M. E. church. The funeral occurred on Saturday and was largely attended by her sorrowing relatives and friends. Geo. W. Cox was arrested last Sunday for stealing a cabbage from the store of O. P. Cresap, and an examination had on Monday before Judge Rulison, who fined the gentleman \$40 for his cabbage spree. On condition, however, that he leave the precinct and not return the sentence was suspended. Cox claims to hail from Indiana, and had been in town a few days bumping his whisky in the regulation tramp style. A man by the name of Green Shelton was killed by one William Bidell, in Boise valley last week. Bidell formerly lived near Ontario or the Malheur river. He is 5 feet 10 inches in height, weighs 150 pounds and is about 35 years old. He has dark brown hair, inclined to be curly, dark brown mustache, rather thin, wore a white hat, blue chinchilla double-breasted sack coat, black pants with check, and a neat boot, about number 7. When he left he rode a grey horse, without saddle or bridle. Such is the description of the murderer who made his escape.

A broad educational policy for Indians is being urged upon the president. The admission of Idaho will be one of the first measures considered by the next congress. A soldier at Ouan, Algiers, has been sentenced to death for firing a quilt of tobacco in an officer's face. Born, at the residence of Mr. Pat Mulcare, March 24, 1889, to the wife of Jas. W. Allen, a son. On account of the scarcity of farm lands in Germany it is proposed to introduce Chinese labor into the country. A Cleveland man recently loaned a \$500 diamond ring to a belle. It fitted so snugly that she couldn't get it off, and he had to marry her to recover it. At Bolivar, Mo., from one hundred and fifty to two hundred pupils are obliged to "take turns" in going to school, owing to the lack of accommodations. About sixty men are connected with the work of getting out some few miles above Vancouver, for use on the jetties at the mouth of the Columbia river. A newspaper published in Florence, Italy, says that "slurping" President Blaine's European visit Congressman Cleveland has been in charge of the White House. Hermann Lohman since his late sickness was removed from his place to town where he could receive better attention, and is now gaining strength rapidly. The Eastman, Ga., Journal says that "the idea of teaching every girl to thump a piano and every boy to be a bookkeeper will make potatoes \$4 a bushel in twenty years." A "public office is a public trust," but when one uses his official robes to work a multitude of "private snags" he makes himself a target for public censure. Legislative Journal and Harney Items please copy. The road up Canyon creek is causing lots of swear words just now, and could doubtless be greatly improved by a little work in the worst places. How can stage drivers remain religious and drive over bad roads? A tame Pute Indian of the Malheur denies the assertion that Bucaroo Jim is dead. Indians in this glorious climate don't die without a cause, and now that canas and dead cattle are plenty we predict that Jim will live all summer. The idiotic custom of publishing a "card of thanks" in a newspaper when any one dies is fast becoming one of the lost arts. In this Christian land neighbors and friends are supposed to care for the afflicted ones, and consider it their imperative duty, without the usual thanks. There are about eighty civil and criminal cases to be tried at the next term of court for this county, and it is almost a foregone conclusion that we shall have no term of court in April. Some of the cases are "hold over" ones from last November, and one band of horses has been under attachment for the past nine months. The keeper will have to take the horses for his pay, and other persons interested will be compelled to rustle for some other means of "getting even." From Mr. Henry Welch who came over last Monday from his home on the North Fork we learn just the meagre particulars of a cutting scrape that occurred at Hamilton on Saturday night last. What the row was about we do not know, but Walker Hinton cut Milt Hamilton with a knife quite severely in the arm, face and the right side. The preliminary examination was to have been had on Monday, but as the authorities have not arrived at the county seat with the prisoner it is presumed that he gave bonds or was acquitted. The new warehouse recently built by the Morrow County Land and Trust Company, at Heppner, is completed and ready to receive and forward freight for Grant county shippers. They have, with the exception of those at The Dalles and Portland, the largest and most convenient wool warehouse in the state. The building is 80 by 100 ft. with two floors. A wool press and a sample scouring mill will be placed in it before the wool season so that every convenience shall be furnished to shippers and wool buyers. See ad elsewhere on this page. Ignorance of law is no excuse for an officer, but what about criminal neglect of officers in high places? Sheriff Gray was censured by a great many for not hanging Pat last week, but has just received a mandate from the clerk of the supreme court commanding him to hold the prisoner until a new death warrant and date of execution is issued by the circuit judge. If Gray had acted in accordance with the requirements of the old warrant and hung the prisoner who would have been blamed for the blunder, himself, or the officers of the supreme court for not issuing this mandate in time?

Sun surely seems to sometimes shine scorching. Blackleg has appeared among the cattle in Modoc county, Cal. A marriage license has been granted J. D. Moore and Rebecca Thompson. The farmers of Illinois are organizing county societies for the extermination of insects. Suits are pending in the Ohio courts against Senator Sherman for the non-payment of his taxes. Good looks should not be despised. There have been few heroes with turn-up noses and low legs. Methodist quarterly meeting for this change will be held at Canyon on Saturday and Sunday the 6th and 7th of April. Youth is the time of hope. When a man gets a little older he stops hoping and begins reaching out for whatever he can get. Cash advances made on wool for consignment to Christy & Wise, San Francisco. Coffin & McFarland, Agts. Adlington, Or. We see by the Baker City papers that a team from Prairie City was run into by a runaway team the other day and the leg of one of the horses cut square off. The bonds of John Myers were reduced from \$1,000 to \$200, and Tuesday he gave bonds and was released from jail. Martin Gundlach and M. A. Lucas being his sureties. An artesian drill in San Luis valley, Col., has passed through a bed of gravel containing gold at a depth of two score feet, and at sixty feet the drill worked in rich silver ore. The lambing season has arrived, and shepherds are busy caring for their flocks. The weather could hardly be more favorable, and the wind is tempered to the little lamlets. The governor of Iowa has just been tried for criminal libel. He was acquitted after the jury had wrestled for twenty-four hours with the problem of his right to pardon himself if convicted. All soldiers and sailors in the late war receiving an honorable discharge are privileged to retake a homestead if no benefit is derived from an abandoned claim under a new ruling of congress. The Legislature cut down the salary of the Umatilla county stock inspector from \$500 to \$400, and now a petition is in circulation asking the county court to change the amount back to \$500.—E. O. A sheepherder who claims to have had money says he was robbed in town Sunday night. He was no doubt in hiding too much and forgot where he left his sack, as we don't think we have any robbers. Hereafter in Kansas a grand jury can only be drawn on petition of 100 taxpayers, and not then if the judge of the district shall declare a month before the beginning of court that there is no necessity for it. Three hundred tons of hay belonging to R. F. McDonnaghy, of Fort Lida, were recently burned in the Warner valley—whether by accident or design the sheriff of Lake county has been trying to ascertain, so says an exchange. Dayton Inlander: Just now there seems to be a great deal of speculation as to what will be the abbreviation of the state of Washington. There seems to be a universal objection to "Wash" as it savors too much of a Chinese laundry. While hauling hay the other day Mr. Judd Hagnewood met with an accident through the over-turning of the load, the consequences of which might have been serious. As it was, he escaped with only a badly bruised or sprained ankle. New Hampshire does not seem to be impressed by the example of her neighbors, Maine and Vermont, for she rejects Prohibition by a large majority. Perhaps there is a commercial reason in it. There's money in being a "wet" state right between two "dry" ones. The American colony in Montreal, consisting of cashiers and others who have left their country for their country's good, are reported to be in distress. One of them, whose "hail" was a half-million, lately had to pawn his watch for lodging. A subscription may have to be started for these exiles. "And this is silver ore, is it?" said a young lad from Strawberry valley last week while looking at a piece of rich ore in the News office cabinet from Babcock's ledge on Green horn. "Yes, my dear," said her mother. "And how do they get the silver out?" "They smelt it." "Well, that's queer," after applying her nose to the ore. "I smelt it too, but didn't get any silver." Then the editor fainted and had to take some of Kinehart's good cider which occupied the water pail.

RIGHTEOUS INDIGNATION. How Grant County was Represented in the Last Legislature. It is currently reported that no session of the circuit court for Grant county will be held this spring for the reason that at the session of the legislature closed on the 23rd of February, a law was passed changing the terms of circuit court in Grant county to the first Monday in March and the first Monday in September. It is also claimed that the law became operative from the date of its approval by the governor, and before a jury could be drawn and summoned to serve on the first Monday in March as provided in the new law. Should this statement prove to be correct, it will work a very serious hardship not only on interested litigants, but also on the over-burdened tax payer of Grant county. I am informed that a number of suits in which personal property is held under attachment by the sheriff were postponed at the November term of circuit court, and if no court is held in April, this same property will be in the hands of the sheriff until September, and by the time a decision is reached the only person that will realize anything out of it will be the property keeper. There are also two prisoners in our county jail, one of whom being the head of a large and destitute family. Is it just to retain this man in jail nearly five months awaiting his trial? The other prisoner is P. McGinnis, the convicted murderer of Lockwood, who through the intervention of the governor, and other causes not known to the writer, has obtained another lease of life, and if he must be kept until the next session of our circuit court, will add an unnecessary burden to the taxpayer. The question then naturally arises: Who is responsible for this state of affairs, and the answer is perfectly plain to any one who will take the time to reflect. It is from the simple fact that Grant county had no one in the last legislature to protect her interests. Mr. Gilham, the representative elected by the votes of northern Grant, and who failed to receive his party vote in a single precinct in the territory that now constitutes Harney county except Blitzen No. 2 and 3, and who even failed to carry his own precinct, after his arrival at the State Capitol seems to have forgotten that he was the representative for Grant county, but rather seems to have been imbued with the idea that his only duty to his constituents was to carry his pet measures—the creation of Harney county—to a successful termination, while the Senator's only effort appears to have been to further emasculate Grant county and to perpetuate his own name by the creation of a new county out of northern Grant. I am not complaining of the creation of Harney Co. This is a matter that was bound to pass sooner or later, and I believe will be a benefit to both counties in the future, but I do complain of the action of the parties elected to represent Grant, who in their eagerness to carry their pet measures to a successful termination sacrificed all other interest of the tax payers of Grant county. AN INTERESTED PARTY.

A DIPHTHERIA REMEDY. T. B. Merry, of the Sunday Mercury, publishes the following remedy for diphtheria, which we re-publish for the benefit of our readers who may sometime have occasion to use it for this fatal disease: "It is well known that diphtheria is generally found in houses tenanted by poor families, where there is little or no ventilation and where the drainage is bad. There is probably no city of its size in the civilized world that has as bad drainage as Melbourne from which a member of the Mercury staff has recently returned. While there, he heard of the eucalyptus oil cure which is administered in the following way: Lay the patient upon a bed, having posts about four feet higher than the bed itself, and close it in tightly with sheets or blankets. Have a chafing-dish filled with hot water and set it over a spirit lamp till the water comes to a boiling point. Then drop in one tablespoon of eucalyptus oil for every quart of water, and keep renewing this at intervals of half an hour. It has been successful in most cases where it has been tried, the only failures being cases where the disease had gained much headway before the physician could arrive. Eucalyptus oil can be had at all the drug stores in the California towns and, we presume in most of those in Oregon. We trust the interior papers will re-publish this cure, as we should not devote space to it unless we deemed it possessed of exceptional merit. Outside of our larger cities, drainage is a matter wholly overlooked by men who build their own houses; and hence the prevalence of diphtheria in small towns is easily accounted for." Sample copies only 10 cents.

FOUL MURDER. The Three Go-ose Sisters Murdered by Ruffians in Their Own Door Yard. HARNEY COUNTY IN ARMS. By the ever reliable Frank McEern, news has just reached our city that on Saturday last at the residence of Mr. Goodwin in Harney valley, the three Go-ose sisters were murdered in cold blood while taking a walk on Mr. Goodwin's premises at the Warm Springs in Harney valley. The facts as now known are that M. E. Stansel and V. G. Cozad of this city, and Wm. Harvey, P. F. Steinger and "Tex" Silbman of Harney valley had been out hunting for a number of days at the lakes and failing to kill anything were on their return to Burns, when in passing the Warm Springs they espied these sisters indulging in a walk. Immediately Mr. Stansel, alias "Fatty" called a halt and bargained with Mrs. Goodwin for the purchase of these gentle Misses at a price of \$500, and the purchase being completed the combined party with Capt. Cozad in command and a small boy bringing up the rear advanced in solid phalanx with drawn weapons on the three unsuspecting victims and fired into them four volleys of shot. All three of the sisters fell at the fourth volley amidst the cries and heart-rending screams of the Goodwin children weeping over the destruction of their pets. Not satisfied with the slaying their victims, the ruffians tied them by their heels to the back end of their wagon and thus dragged them many miles and even through the public streets of Burns. These ruffians of quiet homes were soon taken in charge by the officers of Harney county and no doubt will soon meet the fate they deserve. It is rumored that the men Stansel and Cozad have become so unmanageable that they will be brought during the week to Canyon City for incarceration. We regret that this stigma rests upon the escutcheon of old Grant.


HARNEY ITEMS, MARCH 20. "Canyon City is said to be almost entirely deserted. The good old times are gone never to return." Canyon City must indeed be a great "ghost" to the Items, it looms up before it by day, and pursues it in its dreams at troubled nights. Why Brother Items we have lost no resident citizens, we are all here yet and we are comparatively happy. The good old times are certainly gone, but you as well as others have never seen them, in fact you were then not in existence—but how is it about dear, prosperous Burns? We are told that everybody intends to leave and settle in Harney City—houses and all. Having lost the county seat, and the governor failing to appoint the several county officers that would have been best suited to the liking and the whimsies of your class, you seem to be greatly alarmed and have dispatched Capt. A. W. Waters to Washington to try his powerful influence there to get the land office re-located, that is from Drewsey to Burns. However it is not likely that your class will receive many favors. If reports are true, you have indeed a far more lively time in your new county than we have here, but strange it is, that you do not mention anything about such matters in your most reliable and valuable paper. The Daily Oregonian has news from Winnemucca that unknown parties have again burned about 500 tons of hay belonging to Mr. Peter French in Grant county. Please correct the Oregonian to the effect that Peter French's property is in the new Harney county and such heroic deeds are performed by friends of division.

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