THE GRANT COUNTY NEWS.

Thursday, Nov. 14.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Grain on the foothill ranches is about all sown and ready for the rains and warm sunshine.

School will begin next Monday in the John Luce school house, with Mr. Estes, recently from Seattle, as teacher.

The Harney Items has been purchased by a syndicate and will hereafter be published as a republican paper.

Married, at Council valley, Washington county, Idaho, Nov. 3, 1889, John P. Mulcare and Nannie M. Adamson.

The California Specialty Co., will give an entertainment at Masonic hall next Saturday evening. Be sure to attend. *

Fourteen four-horse teams from the south completed their loads at the John Day stores last Monday, making business lively for a time.

Wm. Luce filled the NEWS shop's apple box last Thursday, and said we needn't advertise any more for him, as he had sold about all his fruit.

Grass all over the county is springing up nicely. Mr. Johnson of Rock creek says the range in his vicinity is in fine condition—grass an inch and a half high and still growing.

President Harrison did not issue his proclamation admitting Washington to Statehood, because the constitution and certificates of election were not signed by the governor.

Married, at the residence of the bride's father, Wednesday evening, November 13, 1889, by Rev. A. Eads, Mr. Theodore McLellan and Miss Maggie Herburger, both of the John Day valley.

The stray sheep that were advertised in the NEWS were claimed by Ed. Hanley of Harney valley, who came over and proved his property last week. There is virtue in printer's ink when properly spread on.

Mr. W. L. Campbell, a genial soul from Mountain creek, who at one time represented San Joaquin county, Cal., in the legislature, was in town last week instituting proceedings against Louis Collett for trespass on his lands.

The cost of last term of circuit court was not as great as many supposed it would be. Only a little over eight thousand dollars was the amount allowed by the late county court, and this included witness and jury fees, etc., for the circuit court.

Observe our inducement on fourth page, to those who desire to subscribe for "Texas Siftings," the great illustrated humorous paper. Texas Siftings and the NEWS both one year for $4.00, to all new subscribers to this paper, or all old ones who square up their accounts.

Mr. D. B. Rinehart received a letter recently from a grocer in Baker City, inquiring after his apple crop, and informing Mr. Rinehart that his apples brought one cent more per pound in the market than any others which he handled. Grant county's fruit is becoming better known each year.

The biggest mineral strike of the season in the Cœur d'Alenes was made within one mile of Mullen, Idaho, by John W. Smith, a deaf and dumb prospector. He found a five foot vein of eighteen inches of solid galena at a depth of fifteen feet below the grass roots. A quarter interest in the property has been bonded for $10,000.

Henry Rinehart, of the La Grande land office, notifies the people of his district that no more filing or entries can be made till the vacancy is filled caused by the death of receiver J. T. Outhouse last week. However, county clerks and judges in the district may continue to take final proofs as usual, forwarding the same to that office where they will be filed in the order received.

Died, at the residence of Mr. James Small, Friday, November 8, 1889, at 2 o'clock P. M., Mr. Henry Breyer, aged about 60 years. Mr. Breyer was born in Westphalia, Germany, and has been a resident of Grant county since 1862. The funeral took place last Monday, Nov. 11, conducted by Hobah lodge No. 22, I. O. O. F., from the lodge hall, and was largely attended by the numerous friends of the deceased.

It is reported that a man pretending to represent an agency in San Francisco, through which goods of all kinds can be purchased at a reduction of from 10 to 30 per cent. cheaper than they can be bought from home merchants is swindling farmers in Eastern Oregon very extensively. He taxes the granger $5 and makes him a member of the association. Beware of him and trade with merchants whom you know.

A party of men last week started from John Day to Big Basin with the usual amount of "bug juice" to last them on the trip. Arriving at their destination what was their surprise to find a live fish in one of the bottles of whisky. Those outside of the party who saw this wonder were greatly surprised until the theory of its existence was explained. The party had camped at Middle Fork, and friends had made such inroads upon their stock of the necessary, that they had to dip up water from the river to replenish some of the bottles, hence the fish.

La Grande will soon be lighted by electricity.

The deer law is now in force until the first day of August, 1890.

Last week the U. S. Mint at Carson, Nevada, coined the first money since 1885.

St. Paul, Minn., horse-shoers on the floor get $2.75 per day; those at the fire from $3 to $4.

A Cincinnati couple, named respectfully John Sweet and Millie Honey, were married in that city recently.

A handsomely printed thanksgiving proclamation was received at this office Thursday, probably to remind us of our duty.

Still the march of improvement gracefully progresses. Postmaster Cresap will have a new fence surrounding his residence.

The turkeys forsake their glee, and breathe a long-drawn sigh; they scan the almanac and see Thanksgiving drawing nigh.

The little boy 10 years old and his little pistol got in their work again at Castle Rock, on the upper Columbia, nearly killing a young woman.

We would thank people from all over the county for bringing to this office, when they come to town, such news items as may be of general interest.

Any man who has the misfortune to be a decendent of Ham, or any of his kindred, is in danger of being arrested nowadays, for the murderer Gibbs.

Carlos Bonham and four other teamsters from upper South Fork loaded with fruit and vegetables at Trowbridge's ranch one day the latter part of last week.

Oregon has shipped more mutton to Eastern markets this year than during any previous season, so say the managers of the Northern Pacific and Oregon Short Line.

E. Hall called at the NEWS foundry yesterday and paid the printer considerable money, at the same time saying to continue the paper to the address of his nephew in England.

Judge Shields of Harney county is in town looking over the tax roll of Grant county with Judge Maxcy, to arrive at a conclusion concerning the amount Harney county must pay her mother.

The child born without eyes at Weston, a few weeks since, has been secured by Fred T. Merrill, of Portland, and will be exhibited in Europe and America for the next few years.

Oregon has at last been able to manufacture something for export. Cast iron pipe and pig iron ore is now being shipped from Oswego to San Francisco at the rate of forty tons a day.

Weather prophets have been abroad in Oregon this fall predicting all kinds of things regarding a hard winter. The dispatches from the east indicate that winter is commencing there earlier than usual.

Henry Apple owns a small mining claim in Sierra county, New Mexico, that has paid him $18,000 in five months. He employs one man, and the ore is crushed in a hand-mortar. Apple is pleased with the fruit of his labor.

A gambler was buried in Montana a week or two ago, and next morning an anchor, formed of playing cards, was found on his grave. Somebody seems to have thought the most appropriate way to deck his grave was to euchre deck it.

To an anxious public we must state that up to the present time Gev. Pennoyer has not said that Peter Sullivan shall encumber the earth longer, and the probabilities are that to-morrow will be his last day on earth among the living. But such is the well deserved doom of a murderous brute.

Henry A. Hyde and his new bride (this was not intended for poetry) were not mentioned last week because the editor did not learn of the wedding until after the NEWS was printed. When you get married don't be ashamed to inform the newspaper man, who takes delight in giving the facts to the world.

A cat owned and raised by Mrs. Cumming, of Irwington, Ga., is one half rabbit. Its head, front feet and front section are like an ordinary house cat, while its hind part resemble that of a rabbit, its tail being short and perfect, and when not in motion will sit in the same position as a full blooded rabbit.

President Harrison issued his Thanksgiving proclamation, for Thursday, Nov. 28. He says: It behooves a highly favored people to look back with thankful hearts over the past year and bless God for his infinite mercy to the blessing of our land, the enduring peace of our people, freedom from pestilence and famine, our husbandmen's abundant harvests, and to them that labor the recompense of their toil.

Governor Pennoyer has issued the following proclamation: "To the end that public acknowledgment may be made to God for his unnumbered mercies, I hereby appoint Thursday, the 28th day of November, 1889, as a day of thanksgiving, and I would remind the good people of this commonwealth that no expression of gratitude can be more acceptable to heaven than are gifts from their abundance in aid of the poor."

PRAIRIE CITY PRATTLE.

Mr. Graham of the Middle Fork was in town last week.

Tom Meador is hauling shakes to cover his house in town.

The farmers are busy killing hogs and making sausage and lard.

Miss Roie Mack gave an apron and necktie party Saturday night.

Web Anderson started over the mountains with his family on Saturday.

Amy Bates was given a surprise party by her school mates Friday night.

Mr. Cleaver late of this place is laid up with a sprained ankle, at Cracker City.

Rice McHaley has moved and will keep the postoffice in the front part of his residence.

Mrs. Hess had the misfortune to fall break her arm last Friday, Dr. Thibadoe was called to set it.

Mr. Lee Miller of Canyon City, and Mr. Rickey of Baker City stayed all night in Prairie last Sunday night.

Henry Dodson and Will Cobe are going to do the assessment work on the Keystone mine of Mr. Watson's at Quartzburg.

Quite a number of the Prairie City boys attended a party at the residence of Mr. Kimrey, on Strawberry last Friday evening.

Mr. Shuman of this place intends to start in a few days to Illinois with two car loads of fine horses. If he can dispose of them profitably he will bring back two or three car loads of fine cows.

Mr. Henry Hyde took Miss Louie Lafrance to Canyon City and came back with Mrs. Hyde. They were pleasantly entertained until a late hour, by the beating of tin pans, blowing of horns, and the yelling of all the boys in town. Anvils were fired until about two o'clock.

Mr. Jones and wife who have been working for Nic Olliver up the valley, got an over-dose of gin or something worse, which set them to fighting; she came out second best, then came to town to have him arrested; he followed with his wagon and they showed the young people how married folks live. She got him out of the wagon and threw plates, pies, onions and the monkey-wrench at his head. She finally brought him to time by using the halter over his head. The next two rounds were fought in front of Bates' saloon. They made their way back to Ollivers the same night. They were not arrested on condition that they would leave the valley inside of 24 hours.

OBSERVER.

Mr. Bugler of this shop, returned Saturday evening from a visit to Portland and the Webfoot country, returning via Baker City.

There have been no complaints heard lately about the dust. One man did say he thought it was going to be muddy before soon.

The California "nigger show" performed at Masonic hall Tuesday evening and announced their intention of again giving an entertainment Saturday evening.

Since the election news, republican roosters have been confined to their roosts by a pulmonary affection. Democratic roosters are doing the crowing now.

I will take a limited number of horses or cattle and feed them during the winter, at reasonable rates. Address M. M. ADAMSON, Canyon City, Or.

The Kentucky legislature will be asked at its next session to insert a clause in its game and fish laws placing a yearly tax of $1 on every shotgun as soon as it passes the dealer's hands.

Two men, purporting to be deputies from Canyon City in pursuit of horse thieves, passed through town on Monday. Some of our shrewd ones seemed to "hae their doots" about the outfit.—Harney Press.

I don't believe, says one of the popular preachers, that the cultivation of a horse's speed is a sin. If the Lord made a horse to go fast he meant him to go fast. Then sin begins when betting begins—when fast horses make fast men.

The Oregon Short Line Company has made another change in their schedule time, thus increasing the rate of speed to 45 miles an hour from Portland to Omaha, Neb., and 40 miles an hour coming this way. This is a little faster than the average citizen cares about traveling, especially through Oregon's canyons.

Baker City Democrat: Reliable news was received in this city last night that the negro, Gibbs, the murderer of young McDivit, in Portland, was captured yesterday about noon on the road leading from Big creek to Lower Powder, about 20 miles from this city, by Ed. Turner, a farmer of that section. Turner took his charge to Union. It is said the description of the man arrested tallies exactly with that of Gibbs and there can be no question of his identity.

Its Excellent Qualities

Commend to public approval the California liquid fruit remedy Syrup of Figs. It is pleasing to the eye, and to the taste and by gently acting on the kidneys, liver and bowels, it cleanses the system effectually, thereby promoting the health and comfort of all who use it.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT.

G. D. Rickard was granted a license to sell spirituous liquors in Canyon City precinct for a period of six months.

J. W. Bates granted a license to sell spirituous liquors in Prairie City precinct for a period of one year.

In the matter of the proposed county road leading from the Long Creek school house to the Waterbury saw mill, Chas. Ballance and Allen Porter and S. P. Fearing were appointed viewers, and George Knisley surveyor of said road.

In the matter of the proposed county road commencing at the SE corner of Sec. 7, Tp. 11, S R 30, thence running west four miles, the same was declared a public highway.

In the matter of the proposed county road commencing at the NW corner of Sec. 1, Tp. 11, S R 29, and intersecting the present county road known as the Belshaw road, the same was declared a public highway.

In the matter of the proposed county road running from the west side of Strawberry valley to the west branch of Strawberry creek, W. B. Davis, Thos. H. Meador and H. Olf were appointed viewers and Geo. Knisely surveyor.

In the matter of the care and board of the county poor for the year commencing Jan. 10, 1890, to Jan. 10, 1891, it was ordered that the clerk give notice that sealed bids will be received by the court on Thursday the 9th day of January, 1890, for the care, board, washing and lodging by the week or day for the year commencing Jan. 10th, of the county poor and all persons who may be declared county charges upon Grant county during said time, excepting the two Red Williams boys who are otherwise provided for.

J. D. Combs was granted a license to sell spirituous liquors in John Day precinct for a period of six months

Bills amounting to about $8,000 were audited and warrants ordered drawn for the same.

A Bad State of Affairs.

The Wallowa Signal says: "Judge Fee is our ideal of a judicial officer. Upon the bench he knows neither friend nor foe, but meets every question from the legal and judicial standpoint and disposes of it without making a political speech to the 'people' or the 'taxpayers.' The only speech we ever heard him make was when the grand jury returned no indictment against Sutherland for having compelled his child to swear to a lie. He said: 'The court finds a strange state of affairs in Wallowa county. When a man is indicted and remains in the county, the indictments are stolen. If he leaves, the undertakings are stolen. A party will go before the grand jury and swear to a statement, then come into court and testify that the statement to the grand jury was false, compelled another through threats and duress. And now the grand jury returns 'not a true bill' against the man who used the threats and compelled the false swearing. The court is not responsible for this state of affairs, but if the people can stand it the court can.' We regard this as a blow at the grand jury system, which is rapidly becoming a farce, and at the still stranger fact that county vaults and safes will not hold the county records.'

Snow was visible on the mountains yesterday morning.

The citizens of Sacramento have organized a project for a Pacific Coast Exposition in 1892, to be held in their city. A committee has been appointed to agitate on the subject.

The State of Washington will not be admitted in time to convene the legislature according to the provisions of the constitution, owing to the governor's failure to sign the documents forwarded to Washington.

JOHN DAY DASHES.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Morgan of Malheur county have been visiting in this valley.

Quite a number from South Fork coming and going. Among the number Mr. John Hyde and wife, guests of Mr. W. M. Bonham.

About twenty visitors enjoyed the Friday afternoon retorical exercises by the school. We understand these exercises are to be held semi-monthly and hope to be able to attend and give more extended notice of the next.

All report having a splendid time at the dance Friday evening. It was the first held here for some time. Some talk of organizing a club for the winter.

The many friends of Miss Mabel Hazeltine gave her a very pleasant surprise party Monday evening.

O'KEEFE.

North and South Dakota, by proclamation of the president dated November 2, 1889, were admitted to the union of states.

It is better to suffer an injury than to commit one—unless you are positively sure that you are bigger than the other fellow is.

The elephant is sharing the fate of the buffalo. It is predicted that twenty years hence not a single wild elephant will be found on the globe.

Postmaster-General Wanamaker has brought suit against a temperance orator at Sacramento for $1335 and costs. Amount secured by promissory note given at Philadelphia in 1885.

First Comptroller of the treasury Matthews the other day approved a draft for $293 in favor of Honore Levernier of Chicago. This is part of the $100,000 prize money offered for the capture of Jeff Davis.

Pursuant to a request of the Interior department the NEWS will hereafter publish notices for final proof for $6.00. This sum does not include publisher's affidavit—50 cents—which must be paid for by claimant, making a total of $6.50.

Hundreds of men were seen at the Van Wert, Ohio fair, sucking lemons bought on the ground, and they enjoyed the fruit so much that an investigation was made. When a tip was removed from the end good old rye oozed out. Three lemons would lay a man out stiff as a mummy.

Senator Edmunds declares that the first duty of Congress is to pass a law providing for Federal supervision of all elections of a National character. "In some states the elections are little better than a farce," he says, "and it is necessary to do something to guard the purity of the ballot."

WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8, '89.

ED. GRANT CO. NEWS:—

Congress will be called upon early in the session to discover and put in force some methods of relieving the supreme court docket of its enormous burden of cases. When the court opened its present term it found over 1300 cases awaiting final action. Without the filing of an additional case the regular terms for three years would be occupied in clearing the docket. But every year increases the average number of cases filed. Widening business transactions start legal questions that as yet have not been answered by the courts. The supreme court is inadequate to consider half of them. As it is, suitors wait for years to be heard or, warned by the example of others, rather suffer injustice than ask the court for a decision that may not be rendered in years.

General Nelson A. Miles, commanding the division of the Pacific, has submitted his annual report to the War Department. On the subject of desertion, of which there were 405 cases during the year out of 6,040 men, Gen. Miles urges, among other things that their enlistment be made for three instead of five years; that worthy men be allowed to re-enlist for one year; that sergeants be paid $50 a month; that the artillery branch be increased, and that men so far as possible be allowed to choose in what division they shall serve. Gen. Miles has much to say also upon coast defenses. He says that to properly defend the Pacific coast would require 572 modern guns and mortars, at a cost of over thirty million dollars.

Ex-Secretary Bayard and Miss Mary W. Clymer were married on Thursday, the 7th inst. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's mother on H. street, instead of the parish church St. Johns. The event was desired to be a quiet affair, and the bride therefore preferred not to have a wedding in church. After the ceremony, to which a small company of the older and most distinguished friends of Mr. Bayard were bidden, the couple started north, to return at the end of their tour to Wilmington, Delaware, where they will reside. Mr. Bayard's political record is probably closed. The State of Delaware, small as it is, has found that it has men of fair intelligence outside the blue-blooded Salisbury and Bayard families, and their royal prerogative is no longer recognized.

It is gravely announced that Hon John R. Thomas of Illinois has again declined to accept a lucrative position, this time it being the place of Cherokee commissioner. It is further alleged that Secretary Noble urged him to accept, but met a firm refusal. In other words, after worrying his heart out in the fight for a dozen prominent affairs, Mr. Thomas is not willing to accept so small a bribe as the Cherokee commissionership. The case of Mr. Thomas is a sad one. Since March 4th he has been a candidate for every prominent office in the gift of the government. He personified a longing and hunger for the spoils. He has had sufficient opportunity in this year of our Lord to learn that the way of the ex-congressman is as hard as that of any common transgressor.

The civil service commissioners have decided to ask the district attorney to bring action against all persons concerned in the preparation and distribution of the political assessment circular recently issued by the Old Dominion Republican League to republicans in the government employ. Those persons so concerned, who are not in government service, will be prosecuted under section 12, of the civil service act, which provides that no person shall, in any government building solicit or receive a contribution for any political offense. Soliciting and receiving in a government building is thus the gist of the offense, and the sending of a circular for such a purpose addressed to an employee at a government building is believed to be covered by this section. Messrs. Elan, Godwin, and Verser, will be prosecuted under section 11 of the act, being government employes.

Mr. George W. Childs, on one of his flying visits to Washington this week said that while he did not care to talk about the proposed removal of Gen. Grant's remains to this city, he would probably have an early interview with Mrs. Grant on this subject. He further added that at the time of Grant's death no definite offer of a burial place was made except that coming from the mayor and aldermen of New York. While Mr. Childs was so intimate with Gen. Grant, especially in his last year, he heard him express no strong desire that he might eventually be buried at any particular place, although he expressed some preference for West Point.

NOTICE TO SHEEP MEN.

I have some high grade Merino Bucks for sale. Terms easy. They are in my pasture, situated in the west end of Bear valley on the main road to South Fork and Bear creek. I wish to sell them by the 10th of Nov. You can have one years' time. J. B. EDINGTON.

TESTIMONIAL EVIDENCE.

How Remarkable Cases are Disposed of at 235 Fifth Street, Opposite the Court House.

Oregonian.

ELECTRICITY DID IT.

MCMINNVILLE, Oct. 8, 1889.

DRS. DARRIN—Dear Sirs In answer to your letter of inquiry I can only say that after nine months my hearing remains good, can hear the clock tick in the next room plainly. No ringing or buzzing noises in my ears, and I feel as though they were permanently cured; and I feel as though you could cure all curable diseases. I am truly grateful and feel that you will treat all fairly.

Very truly,
MRS. M. A. JOHNSON.

ACUTE RHEUMATISM CURED.

MR. EDITOR: For months I have been afflicted with acute rheumatism in my hip. The pain was so great that I could scarcely sit in a chair or walk without a crutch. I applied to the Drs. Darrin for electric treatment, and am now entirely cured. Can be referred to on Butte creek, Clackamas county, Oregon.

LUKE TAYLOR.

CANCEROUS GROWTH AND CATARRH CURED.

MR. EDITOR: For five months I have been troubled with chronic catarrh, also a cancerous growth in the nose. Through Dr. Darrin's electric treatment I am permanently cured. My wife is also cured of malaria and liver complaint and general debility. I can be seen at Mount Tabor, and will live in Sandy, Or. I have witnessed their skillful operations on others.

HENRY VAN HELMS.

CROSS-EYE MADE STRAIGHT IN ONE MINUTE.

MR. EDITOR: For twenty years I have been cross-eyed and had great fear of an operation. At last I was induced to try Dr. Darrin, as his system is almost painless. Last week I came from California to visit my sister, Mrs. E. H. Marshal, living on the southwest corner of Twelfth and Washington streets, Portland. I applied to Dr. Darrin, who told me he would cure me or no pay. I was cured in one minute.

WM. F. HASENBERG.

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