

# THE GRANT COUNTY NEWS,

Thursday, Nov. 20.

### LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

Incorporated.

And be great.

Grain and chickens.

The beam pit thickens.

Expect falling weather.

Why not make our own leather!

All join hands and—build a mill.

Ground as dry as an old potato hill.

Sheep are on the move from summer range.

See the Union Pacific's time card on fourth page.

Gov. Penneyer feels thankful and has so proclaimed.

It appears to be a safer plan to take the U. P. membership for Cal.

Live stock in this county will command a better price next year.

Capitalists at Baker City are calling for specimens of our fine clay.

Give us good roads into the prominent mining camps. Then our farmers can find a cash market.

Dr. Guernsey found the weather too cold around the sawmill, and has moved to the sheltered side of the canyon.

N. Rufson had a stunning fall from the roof of Mr. Blake's residence last Friday. He was all right in a few hours.

See Duchesne & Co's notice under head of "New Today." They mean business, so you had better see their agent.

The News makes a splendid offer of three months' free advertising for a roller flour mill located anywhere in this productive valley.

Dr. Gray was called to the South Fork last week to attend Dave Magill's little girl who had fallen from a horse and broken her arm.

This paper, true to its name, aims to represent every section of Grant county. Then, send in your communications and let us hear from you.

Ferrell and Metchan returned from Baker last Saturday. They deny the allegation and say they were scarcely within a mile of the Lyman theatre.

Who spoke about a boom for the John Day valley? Well, undoubtedly we have resources enough to sustain a healthy boom, and are ready for one at any time.

Prairie City people will make an effort to have their city incorporated at the coming session of the legislature. And why not? Prairie City certainly has taxable property sufficient to maintain a city government.

Some one stole wood from Rev. Mr. Luce. He was advised to "lead a few sticks." He didn't do it, and thus his neighbors who were taking the wood by mistake in the glare of the moonday sun have stress yet.

One of the stage drivers coming into this city was given a \$2 to get some whiskey for a newly victim, and forgot it. That shows we have a highly moral class of mail carriers—they seldom pass the door of a saloon.

At the sheriff's sale of the Gundlach ranch last Saturday, the property was knocked down to T. B. Lieke, of Portland, for \$5,000.00. Pretty low for three sections of improved farm land within a mile of the county seat of Grant county.

There can be no doubt but that the Union Pacific railway officials have an eye open for Grant county. The expert sold over here lately to examine the soil beds west back and made a favorable report. Before many years a boom of the first magnitude will hit right here.

We were handed something last Friday which we supposed was wedding cake. It turned out, however, to be specimens of quartz from Greenhorn camp, which Mr. Schwarr kindly sent over to the News. We have a pretty good cabinet of ore from the future camp of Grant county.

Alfalfa, king of crops, lasts nearly all the year in Grant county. John Luce has just finished hauling in the third crop for this season. He finished harvesting last Saturday, Nov. 15th, and the News can prove this fact to the satisfaction of the frozen east. This is the lovely John Day valley.

The town in this valley that builds a robust process flouring mill creates for itself new life and a rapid growth. Prairie City and John Day have their eyes open, Canyon City—well, she's too sheepy. "There ought to be a mill" but the gold backed up in the safe is so much nicer to look at.

We understand buyers are endeavoring to contract beef cattle in this county at \$35 per head, to be delivered next spring. This is another indication that beef is rapidly increasing in value. If you have steers and slaughters of hay, and plenty of time to feed it to the cattle, the News would say to feed it and sell your steers next summer.

A rotten timber near Salon fell with a Southern Pacific train load of passengers last week, and scarcely a dozen escaped being killed or seriously wounded. Railroads should be compelled by law to keep their trucks in repair, or be held accountable for damages. Damages, however, are poor comfort to persons whose loved ones are murdered through carelessness of railroad corporations.

### COMMISSIONERS' COURT.

Build a flouring mill. Next week the grand ball. Judge Dustin returned Tuesday from a tour of Crook and Harney. Representative Dustin has been interviewing his Harney county constituents upon their legislative needs and desires. Joe Masterson pled guilty last Monday to a charge of assault and battery on Tom Curl, and was fined \$15.00 and costs. For a first-class quality of dry lumber go to Gurnsey's mill. John Montoye is there at all times ready with look and pencil, to receive the cash. The report went forth that Prairie City had coalpits. While Long creek had dyphtheria, Prairie must get some one better, although she had nothing more serious than measles. Advertise Grant county by sending the News east. It will say writing to your friends about this country, and they will pass it around and all read it. Mr. Rinehart tells us that he is now selling his best keeping apples at two cents per pound. That is cheap, for they have been known to keep sound till June. We have heard of tough beef, and tried to eat tough beef, but we heard a man telling the other day about buying some beef that was so tough his children couldn't even chew the gravy. I hereby extend my heartfelt thanks to the people of John Day for their kindness shown my brother during his late sickness and on the sad occasion of his funeral. H. J. WHEBLEM. Report has it now that J. Gould has secured the control of the Union Pacific, and Oregon will be one of his future fields of operation. You will find plenty of good railroad sites in Grant county, J. Oregon is as large as New England and Indiana united, and twice as large as England. If settled as densely as England it would have a population of 40,000,000—if the census was taken without any kick. On Christmas day there is in contemplation at this place rifle shooting for beef and turkeys, shot-gunning at glass balls for turkeys, green and chickens. Dance at night for benefit of the school. Ad next week. A jury trial was had last Saturday before Justice Rufison, in case of State vs Chas. Apperson, for carrying a concealed weapon. The defense proved that it was hardly possible to get the gun off, so the prisoner was discharged. Born, at Poplar Grove Ranch, Nov. 15th, 1890, to the wife of D. B. Rinehart, an eleven pound boy. All doing well. The News acknowledges the receipt of apples and cider, a present from the youngster, proxy by his father. Saturday morning last, at three o'clock a wonderful phenomenon was witnessed by Mr. John Segerdahl and wife. A bright fire ball as of a meteor, beginning to the North of the North star, shot through the heavens in a westerly direction. The course this fire ball made was straight and visible for perhaps five to ten minutes, when it assumed a crooked and irregular shape of a horse shoe or half circle, the edge looking like the tail of a comet. Grant county has a taste of high taxes now. The levy of 25 mills and the state levy of not less than 5 mills to come on top of that is not calculated to make taxpayers look the situation in the face with a pleasant countenance. The money must be raised, though, or the indebtedness will climb towards the millin urth. They have been slicing from Grant county so much that what property there is left must maintain courts to acquit horse thieves and do other legal figuring, besides pay expenses of all dimensions that may arise within. Mr. Putnam of Monument sends the News a letter which he received from a counterfeiter in New Jersey, giving his name as Charles Wilson, and offering "superior favors" to parties who will go to him in person and give a few hundred dollars of good money for several times the amount in his "green goods." The white-eyed folk sends a secret telegraphic code for you to address him by if you accept, and gives strict caution to suckers not to address him by mail. We remember of reading an exposure of this villain's method of doing business. True, he deals only "face to face" with his "customers." The man who is deluded into the snare pays down his coin and presumably receives a large sum of counterfeit bills in exchange, but which is in reality good money. Of course you are not allowed to carry the package away from the place, as that would lead to detection, you know. Instead, you are conducted through a corridor to a convenient express office where the package is received and marked to your address. When you reach home the package awaits you, but too late you discover that by a simple turn of the wrist they have substituted your counterfeit money for a package similar in every respect, but filled with sawdust or other innocent material. We trust that no Grant county man will go east intending to increase his wealth by this method.

### HARRISON'S PROCLAMATION.

"By the grace and favor of Almighty God the people of this nation have been led to the closing days of the passing year, which has been full of blessings of peace and comforts of plenty, and bountiful compensation has come to us for the work of our minds and of our hands in every department of human industry. Therefore, I, Benjamin Harrison, president of the United States of America, do hereby appoint Tuesday, the 27th day of the present month November to be observed as a day of prayer and thanksgiving, and I do invite the people on that day to cease from their labors, to meet in their accustomed houses of worship, and join in rendering gratitude and praise to our Creator for the rich blessings he has granted us as a nation, and to invoke the continuance of His protection and grace for the future. I commend to my fellow citizens the privilege of remembering the poor, homeless and sorrowful. Let us endeavor to merit the promised recompense of charity and gracious acceptance of our praise. The above is President Harrison's true proclamation, although some political papers have accused some of getting off the following: "And now it becomes our very unpleasant duty to issue a thanksgiving proclamation to you ungrateful and unregenerate voters of these United States. Therefore on or about the 27th day of this month, according to the usual custom, I reluctantly proclaim a time for general thanksgiving. I am sorry that I cannot participate in your joy, but passing events have weighed heavily upon me. A very recent democratic prescription has deranged my system and this year I am afraid turkey and cranberry sauce will be too rich for my blood—soup, straight soup, is my portion just now." The county and state tax together is 34 mills for Lake this year. There have been no tramps, Chinamen, look-agents or peddlers here lately. Go to the Red Front Billiard Hall, Canyon City, for fine wines, liquors and cigars. An Okla man received \$97 from an accident insurance company on account of being kicked by a boy. The Pacific Brewery's Celebrated Beer, the best in Eastern Oregon, is now kept constantly on tap at the Red Front Billiard Hall. It is a very simple matter to drop a postal card to the publishers of newspapers to which you are a subscriber requesting that your mail be changed to the nearest office. For Sale—Good cooking and eating apples at fifty cents a bushel, at Mrs. Phillips' orchard in Canyon City. Also some excellent pears for cooking or eating. A story at hand, describing a love scene between the hero and the heroine, says: "He wooed her with a will." That is a good way, especially if the wooer is old and the will is in her favor. Horace Groely kept an account of deaths from coal oil long years ago and found that five thousand persons in one year were burned to death by coal oil accidents, and yet people will attempt to kindle fires with coal oil. STRAYED—Three yearling steers, two years branded G7. One red with some white on hind legs, with swallow fork and under lip in left and half round crop in right ear. Parties informing me of their whereabouts will be well paid for their trouble. E. O. STANSELL. That excellent literary journal, West Shore, offers five splendid prizes for competition in a word contest, open to all its subscribers. The prizes are: A scholarship in either the Portland or the Salem business college, a life size crayon portrait, an elegant oil painting of Safrano roses, a set of Chambers' encyclopedia, and a copy of the new edition of Webster's unabridged dictionary. Full particulars and rules of the contest are published in West Shore of Nov. 8th. Here is a chance for the winning of valuable prizes in a contest that is purely intellectual and has none of the elements of gambling about it. The following from The Dallas Times Mountaineer contains several grains of common sense: "We have always been averse to the method of booming places that have no natural facilities, and believe it works to the disadvantage of places of merit. For this reason the Times-Mountaineer will lend no aid to advertising rocks and sand-hills, which nature has never designed to be sites for cities, and do not possess any of the elements of development and prosperity. It is an outrage to deceive people and induce them to invest means where there is no hope of receiving interest on their money or in many instances the first price. Such real estate dealers, 'booming' sterile, desert lands, with no commercial advantages, have injured the northwest more than any one thing, and it is time the press of the State acted conscientiously with the people and warned them against these money sharks, who care for nothing except increasing their own ill-gotten gains."

### They Will Entertain You.

At the M. E. Church next Friday evening, Nov. 21, the members of the Choir, and congregation, will give a Sociable. A good program has been arranged for the occasion, and a good time may be expected. All are invited without money and without price. The following is the program: Song—"Beautiful Gates." Choir. Address of Welcome, Rev. Luce. Reading—"Where's Annette?" Annie Overholt. Vocal Solo—"Save my Mother's Picture from the Sale." Jessie Parrish. Scrap Basket—Lillie Overholt. Duetto—"The Pilot Brave." Overholt, Keffer and Collins. Reading—"Lessons on the Ice." J. H. Collins. Vocal Solo—"Ye Merry Birds." Lillie Overholt. Reading—"Darin's Green." Addie Keffer. Song—"Every Day'll be Sunday, by and by." Choir. This is an exceptional fall. Last year there had been considerable rain at this time. Flour, Graham, Barley, Rye, Corn or whole Chicken feed, Hops, Middlings, Bran, Shorts, &c., &c., at Gundlach's. Wm. Turner, the owner of several Greenhorn mining properties, took his departure for Minneapolis, Minn., where he has a prospect of getting a number of capitalists interested in the mines of this section. Mr. Turner took with him about 200 pounds of ore which will certainly open the eyes of those who take an interest in mines or mining. —Baker City Democrat. ENT-TLED TO THE BEST. All are entitled to the best that their money will buy, so every family should have, at once, a bottle of the best family remedy, Syrup of Figs, to cleanse the system when constipated or bilious. For sale in 50c and \$1.00 bottles by all leading druggists. Our new "ad" from the enterprising firm of Coffin & McFarland, Hoptner, speaks for itself, and it is worth your while to read the same. In order to gain new trade they intend presenting a fine large book, which retails at \$4.00 each, to every retail purchaser of dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, hats etc., to the amount of \$25.00, allowing until Jan. 1st to make out the amount. Give them a trial order, when you send away for goods. Notice to Freight Consigners. We will advance freight upon goods consigned to our care and allow 30 days from date of expense bill for remittance, or carry account paid upon the first of each month. Goods consigned for accounts which are allowed to run over due will be held for charges hereafter. Shippers who will not pay promptly when allowed 30 days, must pay C. O. D. Freight advancing is a cash business. T. E. FELL. Manager Hoptner Warehouse, October 26th, 1890. Pacific Brewery Beer. Notice is hereby given that I have this day established an agency for the sale of the Beer manufactured at the Pacific Brewery, Baker City, Or., within the county of Grant in Canyon City, and that Mr. H. Stansell is the authorized manager of said Depot. All orders from Grant county for this celebrated beer, either in bottles or kegs, will be filled by Mr. Stansell. HENRY REED. Proprietor Pacific Brewery, Baker City, Or.

### A VERY DISMAL JOKE.

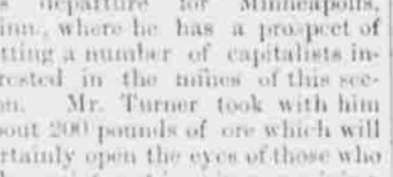
An Undertaker Appropriates the Price of a Dead Man. Some queer things turn up in connection with the records that are filed daily in the city hall, says the Buffalo Commercial, showing many a peculiar phase in human nature. Lots of these little occurrences never come to light, but this morning one came to the knowledge of the Board of Health authorities that is worth telling. On High street, the number is withheld, a few days ago a settler fairly well known in that part of the town, passed over to the great majority. The certificate of death reached the office in due time and was properly disposed of and entered upon the records. A doctor of eminent responsibility called at the office this morning and told of an extremely unusual piece of work that happened in connection with the demise of the High street resident. When he died of course the first thing done was to secure the services of an undertaker, and a gentleman engaged in that line of business was sent for. He carried out his part of the contract, supervised in person the arraying of the remains, and when all was completed the widow of a few hours stopped in the room and stood leaning over the casket. Her grief was great, but it did not prevent her sharp woman's eye from observing that every thing was not right, and, turning to the undertaker, she said: "This is not George's coat. There must be a mistake." "I think it is," replied the undertaker. "It's the one that was given me for the purpose." "Well so as not to enter too deeply into details, it is enough to say that the lady very quickly discovered that the undertaker was wearing her husband's Prince Albert, and that his had been ripped up the back and placed upon the form of the departed. There was something of a scene then, but the matter was amicably arranged. Two coats, nearly alike, and the live man being about the same size as the dead one, caused the trouble. ADVICE TO HUSBANDS. An Iowa Newspaper Man Tells Them How to Be Happy. Husbands ought always to wear a smiling and happy countenance, says the Clarinda (Ia.) Journal. Should the care of providing the raw material to make a home weigh you down, never mind, always go home with a smile. Husbands have often lost the affection of their wives by looking serious. Be careful about your personal appearance, much depends upon that. Be sure that your hair is smoothly arranged and your collar spotless before presenting yourself at the breakfast table. It is by attention to such little things that you may be able to retain the affection of your wife. Don't complain if you are sick. A complaining husband often drives a woman to seek more congenial society. If you have the neurotic headache, take care to pay attention to the ailments of your household, always bear it with a cheerful and happy expression—always smiling; your wife may be otherwise spending her evenings elsewhere than at home if you complain. Keep up with the times. Your wife, having the care of the education of the children, naturally reads more than you. Don't let her. After you have worked twelve or fourteen hours a day, devote the remainder to keeping your mind in good trim, so that your wife may not find a more congenial spirit elsewhere. Should your wife smoke or use tobacco in any form, it isn't best to object. Smiles will do more than frowns. Encourage her to smoke or chew, as the case may be, at home, or she may be driven to stay away from home. Personal liberty is always sacred. By always paying strict attention to the above rules, and smiling continually, you will probably be able to retain the affections of your wife for a considerable time. SENATOR BRUCE'S TACT. How He Solved the Race Problem on a Mississippi River Boat. Commodore Van Santvoord, one of the wealthiest New York business men, the owner of the Hudson river line of boats, narrated a most interesting and wholly new anecdote about Mr. Bruce. The Commodore said that after Mr. Bruce had been elected Senator from Mississippi he engaged passage on one of the Mississippi steamboats up the river on his way to Washington. The captain of the steamer, he said, that the black senatorial boat was to pass by the boat, and he said that he would teach this colored upstart his place if he tried to put on any airs on the steamboat. Van Santvoord what followed. He said that Senator Bruce came aboard the boat and at the first convenient opportunity sought the captain. He said to him: "Captain, I am going to pass by your journey on your steamboat, and I want to say to you that I want my trip to be made as pleasant and agreeable to you as it possibly can be; therefore, if you will assign me to that place on the boat where my people are usually located, and give me a place at the table where the colored people get their meals, I shall be very much obliged to you." "When he said that," said the captain, "and as modestly and politely as ever a man spoke to me in my life, I looked at him for a moment, and then seized him by the arm and said: 'Come with me, there is nothing on my boat too good for you, sir, and I insist that you shall sit with me at my own table at meal hours.'" "The race problem," said Commodore Van Santvoord, "so far as Senator Bruce is concerned, is already solved." Length of a Degree. The length of a degree of longitude at the equator is 69-16 statute miles. At the 30th degree of latitude it is 62½ miles. At the 50th degree of latitude it is 44½ miles. At the 55th degree it is 39½ miles. At the 60th degree of latitude it is 35½ miles. At the 80th degree it is but 11½ miles, and gradually draws to a point as the line near the pole.

### DEAFNESS CURED IN TEN MINUTES.

Dr. Darrin Still Continues to Astonish the Public by his New Mode of Treatment by Electricity—One of the Doctors has an Office at Pendleton, Nov. 10 to 15, and Baker City Nov. 15 to 22. A CARD—I take great pleasure in stating that Dr. Darrin has cured me of deafness and of ringing noises in my ears. The cure was done by electricity in ten minutes. Refer to me at the New York hotel, Front and B street, Portland. PETER MURPHY. CASE OF CROSS EYES MADE STRAIGHT. This is to certify that my wife was operated for cross eyes by Dr. Darrin with successful results. Her eyes had been crossed ever since she was a child. We can be referred to at any time. JOHN HARTMAN. 310 South 25th st., Tacoma, Wash. ANOTHER CASE OF DEAFNESS CURED. This is to testify that Dr. Darrin has restored my hearing and stopped the noise in my ears that has caused me great embarrassment for the past year. I cheerfully recommend him to the afflicted, as I know them well and their success and reputation in San Francisco and Portland. A CLARE. Halsted Hotel, Tacoma, Wash. Dr. Darrin can be consulted daily at the Washington building, corner of Fourth and Washington streets, Portland. Hours, 10 to 12, evenings, 7 to 8; Sundays, 10 to 12. All chronic and acute diseases, blood taints, loss of vital power and early indiscretions permanently cured, though no references are ever made in the press concerning such cases, owing to the delicacy of the patients. Examinations free to all, and circulars will be sent to any address. Charges for treatment according to patient's ability to pay. The rich and poor treated free of charge with electricity from 10 to 11 daily. All private diseases confidentially treated cures guaranteed. Patients at a distance can be cured by home treatment. Medicines and letters sent without the doctors' name appearing. One of the Drs. Darrin will visit Pendleton November 8th to 15th at the Vildard House and Baker City November 16th to 22nd, stopping at the Washburner hotel.

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