

THE GRANT COUNTY NEWS.

Thursday, Sept. 24.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

See the fine and low priced clocks at the Watchmaker's.

Alex Swenz, of Portland, has been visiting in the city lately.

Fine line of clocks never before seen in Grant county now at the Watchmaker's.

Portland and Salem were slightly shaken by a young earthquake on Wednesday evening of last week.

King Winter's advent is heralded by the white coat the mountain tops wear after the shower a few days ago.

Lincoln Linn, who went over to Seattle last spring, has returned home, and expects his wife from Portland in a short time.

Dick Richard and wife, Miss Arabi Wingard and Robert Hines were lately on a pleasure trip to Baker City, returning last week.

Win. Linn has been somewhat improved by his medical treatment received at Portland, we understand, and is expected home soon.

George Haggy, who has been in the lower country for some months, has returned to Grant county, the best place for a man to earn a livelihood.

We have received a letter enquiring for one Henry Freeman, of Mt. Vernon. If any person at Mt. Vernon knows such a man please let the fact be known.

Did you ever consider that when you feel you would be dead a long time. This being the case, you should subscribe now for the News so as to be posted ahead a few years.

The military road lands lying in Harney, Lake, Klamath, Malheur and Lane counties have been sold to Iowa capitalists, who will no doubt settle the land with colonies from the east.

Groth & Thompson are to have a portable sawmill come to their Warm spring ranch to cut the greater part of a 65,000 foot hill of timber to use in the erection of new buildings on the premises.

Rust on wheat this year is something new, and may never occur again. It could have been dispensed with even now, as the flour producing qualities of the wheat are not improved by its presence.

Mr. Porter, of the Prairie City roller mill experienced some delay in getting the machinery adjusted, but believes that the mill will be ready to begin the manufacture of flour within a few days.

Abie Hickey arrived in the city yesterday bringing a new and improved secretary for the office of Judge Hazlett, and one for the Masonic lodge. The furniture was oak and walnut, and came from New York.

Prunes 3 gallons for \$1, huckleberry 3 gallons for \$1, Lady Washington plums 10 cents a gallon, green gage plums 10 cents a gallon, and the grape plums at 10 cents a gallon, at Mrs. Phillips' garden, Canyon City.

Three threshing machines in the upper part of the valley have been built grain since harvest began and are not near through with the crop yet, which indicates that the grain crop of the valley is nothing small.

Enterprising people of Prairie City are making an effort to secure the district fair next season, and the News believes they will succeed. Grant county would be fortunate in having it, and Prairie City has a splendid track for trials of speed.

George Solinger, who has a good little ranch above the Humboldt ditch brought to the News office the other day a few pears that would at first sight be taken for squashes. His trees are budding beneath a heavy load of Grant county fruit this summer.

A fruit peddler from Walla Walla was in the upper part of the valley a few days ago. Bringing fruit into this garden spot is something similar to carrying coals to Newcastle. Just thousands of pounds of dried and canned fruits are imported annually.

Mrs. Phillips sent the printers a treat of fresh, ripe strawberries yesterday, which illustrates the fact that Mrs. Phillips has a valuable garden to produce two crops of berries in one summer, also that the climate of our county is unsurpassed for fruit culture.

We have been requested to state that the so-called "outrage" in church at Dayville was nothing more than some hoodlums in the back part of the church laughing and giggling, which was indication of a course of ill brooding. The minister called the boys to order, but did not invite them to leave the house.

Hay liberally deposited on the fence corners along the highway rounds out one of the necessities of hay presses, inasmuch as that article of commerce is often hauled 20 miles and farther to market. Our farmers are generally progressive, but rather slow to "catch on" to every style economic and labor saving machinery.

Guests at the warm springs can all ways find good fishing and hunting in the vicinity. Deer are not very plentiful, but can be seen occasionally. And more exciting game can be found sometimes, for we are informed that a black bear was seen near the house last summer, greatly frightening some ladies who were out promenading.

PRAIRIE CITY CLIPPINGS.

September 22, 1891.

Special Correspondence to News: We ring the News bell for admittance, and shake hands with "ye jolly" Editor, and pen you the clapping of our quiet village.

It's gradually growing colder—can't you feel it?

Several families have or will move into town soon.

Special meeting at the Masonic hall Saturday afternoon.

Our court house city will be completed in the future.

Miss Anderson, of Malheur county, has recently arrived.

Mr. Collins and Mrs. Southworth spent a day in our midst last week.

Nelson Babcock has a base ball nine started on his face side burns.

Prairie City is on the boom and the world still jogs on at its slow but steady pace.

Mr. H. Johnson was delivering flour from the old mill to John Day parties last week.

Arthur King, of the French district, spent Saturday and Sunday in town with his best girl.

Mr. M. Howell has been mining on his placer claim, but now resumed more quiet pursuits.

Bro. Eads our genial pastor preached at the Winegar school house last Sunday afternoon.

The "red skins" of the forest, pass through town every few days laden with venison, etc., etc.

Harvest has at last ended. The humming of the thrasher is heard. Farmers happy—business men happier.

The school seems to be exceedingly well patronized, and all seem well pleased. We are glad to note this fact.

A few of our denizens took occasion by stragglon to see a paw at Baker City and the "Kears" at McEwanville.

Mr. D. Dickson, formerly a resident of our city, but late of the "Sound," is with us again. Glad to see you Mr. D.

While Union county is enjoying the State District fair this year, bear it in mind Prairie City will enjoy its fruitfulness next.

The book agents are bothering our reading public. If you don't want their literature turn the little end of the boiling tea kettle towards them.

Prairie City leads in the van, our Jockey Club promises to be a success. That's a right move, and prove to the public we possess what we say.

Mrs. Wm. Galbraith has been confined to her bed several days with typhoid fever. At present writing she is reported better, but not out of danger.

Mr. Gurnie, a teacher of the Indian creek district, is spending a few days in our village. Mr. G. is a progressive teacher as good reports come from that direction.

A full corps of workmen are constantly at work at our city mill, which the proprietors inform us will be in running order in ten to twenty days. It is equipped with all the latest machinery necessary to make A No. 1 flour.

The base ball nine came in Saturday after a thorough drill with speed, clubs, etc. Our club will soon be prepared to challenge any League nine on the coast. We are glad to note the prominence the athletic sports are assuming.

H. H. KENNEDY.

Subscribe for the News and keep posted.

Get your eyes fitted with the right kind of spectacles at the Watchmaker's Canyon City.

Minor Brothers, dealers in general merchandise, Main street, Heppner, Oregon. Special discounts to cash buyers. Goods at Dallas prices. Orders by mail promptly filled.

Mr. Granville Clark has fitted up rooms for a hospital in the Hensley building in this city, and is now prepared to receive patients, and furnish them quiet and comfortable apartments. His stock of drugs and medicines is also fresh and complete.

When you send away for goods remember the firm of Coffin & McFarland at Heppner. They not only guarantee you first class goods at lowest prices, but they pay mail or express charges on same to any stage office in Grant or Harney counties. See their new "ad" for further particulars.

A match game of baseball was played between the Mt. Vernon and Prairie City nines last Sunday at Prairie, the score standing 27 to 34. Prairie City winning by 7. Mt. Vernon boys worked hard, but not quite hard enough to carry the day. Arthur King of the Prairie nine made two home runs in the course of the game, which was the best playing made.

IZEE IDEAS.

IZEE, Or., Sept. 21, 1891.

Mr. John Hyde has gone to Pendleton in search of a beef buyer.

Mr. C. W. Bonham sold a fine sorrel horse to W. A. May last Saturday, price \$100.

Mr. Dave Cutting is offering his cattle for sale cheap. He wants to try the sheep business.

El Dean is over in the Beaver creek country persuading festive nuns to wear the saddle.

Mr. J. J. Angell and wife have been spending a few days in the vicinity of John Day looking after fruit.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Cutting and family have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Utley. We guess Charlie is getting sleep-struck too.

Mr. C. E. Lewis has accepted a position with Mr. Summerville, and is making things hustle in a way that is new to the O.S. ranch.

Mrs. C. W. Bonham is spending a few days in the vicinity of Canyon City, putting up fruit. She is the boss hand at the business.

Harvey Summerville has bought a rolling cutter harrow to put in his fall crop with. Harvey says it is lots easier than plowing and quicker.

David Magill has rented the most of his farming land to W. A. May, and will spend his time principally in making improvements during the next year.

Coning events cast their shadows before. Well we have seen the shadow and are waiting for the event. It isn't far off and we will post you when it comes.

Volney Officer has sold his race horse to some Beaver creek parties. We understand they expect to make it warm for some of the sports in that neck of the woods.

Mr. W. S. Brown, formerly of this place but now heavily engaged in farming near Harney, is here looking after his stock interests. Judging by his looks we think the Wolfcut climate agrees with him.

Mr. D. R. Atherton has bought the M band of cattle, consisting of something like 80 head of all ages. From Mr. C. W. Magill we learn the price was \$11.50 per head. They are good cattle and cheap at the money.

Mr. D. Rainville, who has been in the western part of the state on business for some time, is home again, where he is prepared to show his friends and all intending purchasers young stock from which racers can be made.

Since writing our reply to the empty vapors of the Sentinel's imaginative editor we have been to some trouble trying to find out just who Mr. Boyd tried to induce to sign his petition to stop those stages in John Day, and we are now prepared to say positively and in case it is necessary give the names or produce the witnesses to substantiate the fact that Mr. Boyd asked every man he met from the beginning of the settlement till he reached Mr. C. W. Bonham's stage that petition, with possibly one exception, then being one man whom we have not had a chance to talk to in regard to the matter. Is not this a most lovely showing for a man, who with an intellect most magnificently broad and soaring, and before whose utterance the people of Oregon in general and Grant county in particular are expected to at least bow down if not actually tremble, a man who is posing as the champion of an oppressed and down-trodden people, a knight errant as it were, who has girded up his loins, donned his armor and drawn his sword in defence of the poor, the weak, the ignorant, and last, but not least, the unsophisticated South Forkers, and against the necessary inhabitants of Canyon City whom this most valiant knight long and loudly declares have trampled upon all the rights of a too timid and too confiding people. At times our heart grows faint and our knees tremble at the thought of the utter annihilation that may be ours, but buoyed up by our faith in our creator, by our belief that God is good and just, and that he all ways responds the cause of the weak, and defends the right, we have made up our mind and now declare to the world that we, at least, will not bow down to this would be dictator, but that we will preserve our independence and will at all times be prepared to do battle for our rights or to defend our friends, many of whom, praise the Lord, are residents of Canyon City.

Mr. Boyd says it was through the untiring efforts of the Sentinel that the notice for bids for carrying the U. S. mail from Canyon City to IZEE was forced to appear in the News. In all probability the world has never seen another editor with such egotistical assurance. The idea is so preposterous that no man, who appreciates the ludicrous, could help but smile a great broad laugh, and were it a content for all Mr. Boyd would undoubtedly be an easy winner.

We shall finish dissecting Mr. Boyd's editorial next week, after which we will give him a rest. With more anon. We are,

SLICK EAR.

Go to the Red Front Billiard Hall for a cool, refreshing drink of the finest lager beer in Eastern Oregon.

Flour \$5.00 per barrel, barley 14 cent per pound, rye 2 cents, which 14 cent, chop barley 14 cent at Gundlach's. Bring sacks and cash. If you wish all the hay you want next year, plough 8 or 10 acres now, and sow 14 bushels of fall rye per acre and cut from 3 to 4 tons per acre in June without irrigation. Only a limited amount of rye to spare. Potatoes 14 cents per pound.

I have 500 Bucks for sale. Address, Tom Moxley, Heppner, Oregon.

Any person having an organ which they would like to rent for six months can learn particulars at this office.

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GRANITE ITEMS.

GRANITE, Sept. 19, 1891.

Our camp is still alive and progressing, with population increasing.

Your former correspondent from this place seems to be defunct; at any rate we've heard nothing from him of late.

There have been a number of new mining discoveries made which promise well, but time alone can tell the tale.

Several of our citizens have gone to Baker City to attend the Adam Forepaugh show, and blow in their wealth.

Our little burg has had a new sensation in the way of a wedding, which proved one of the pleasantest society events ever occurring in Granite. When the estimable landlord and lady Mr. Grant Thornburg and wife, gave out invitations for a dance and supper you may be sure their many friends were not slow to accept, for their reputation as entertainers is well established, and consequently at an early hour on Wednesday evening a goodly crowd assembled at the village hall where they tripped the light fantastic (about eleven o'clock) when they all repaired to the dining room of the hotel to sit down to one of Mrs. Thornburg's famous ball suppers which all present were eagerly anticipating. Judge then of their surprise when upon entering the door, and as they were speedily making their way to the well laden tables upon which all eyes were turned, to be addressed by Squire Ford and asked to remain standing a few moments. Upon being thus addressed they reluctantly took their eyes from the good things of the tables to see artistically arranged across one end of the room a lovely arch of evergreens daintily draped with white lawn curtains. After the crowd had all got into the room Mr. Ford made a few remarks telling them that he had a marriage license authorizing the solemnization of the matrimonial tie between a couple present. At these words a door of an adjoining room just beyond the arch opened and Elmer E. Thornburg with the beautiful Miss Maud Dickinson upon his arm, entered and paused just beneath the arch, whereupon the Squire soon tied the knot that makes them one for life. "Till death do us part." As the last words of the ceremony were said a tableau light was burned, which lit up as beautiful a tableau as it has ever been the writer's pleasure to behold. The bride is a lovely girl of scarcely sixteen summers. The groom an excellent young man of fine physique and noble qualities. The bride was very tastefully and becomingly dressed in a costume of cream colored cashmere and silk with metal trimmings to match and over all the long white veil with the wreath of orange blossoms, which is the pride of all and the pleasure but once in a lifetime of any woman to wear. The groom was attired in the conventional black suit with spotless white bosom, tie and gloves. After the light had burned itself out and the astonished guests had satisfied their gaze of the lovely scene and had somewhat recovered from their surprise such a babel of voices was never heard. Congratulations were enthusiastically tendered the happy couple. After which they were reminded that supper was still waiting and all repaired to the tables where due justice was done the many good things that had been prepared. After this they all returned to the hall where they resumed their dancing with renewed vigor. 'Twas an event that will ever be remembered by those present, and noted as the first wedding ever having taken place in this city. Among those who had the pleasure and honor of being present were Mr. and Mrs. Dickinson, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Thornburg, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Guttridge, Mr. and Mrs. James Hilliard, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Looney, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Dunsmuir, Mr. and Mrs. Gallagher, Mrs. A. G. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Ford, Moses Mena and Della Garrison, Manue and Mattie Dickson, Wm. Ford, Deszie Thornburg and Winnie Thompson, Messrs. J. W. Tabor, G. H. Gutridge, W. J. Stewart, J. B. Cabell, Ed. Flaherty, N. Niven, J. Waverly, W. Burdett, W. Robinson, R. Guttridge, Mr. Barnabas and O. Moxley.

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