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To Business Men. Dollars in gold coin will be paid on \$1,000, to the firm of individual who, in 1888, expended the most money in the columns of the Daily and Weekly EAST OREGONIAN.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH and block back of the E. O. Building. Sabbath and Johnson streets. Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday at 11 a. m. Mid week prayer-meeting, 7:30 p. m. Cordial welcome to all who are not connected with either in the city. Sent from Geo. H. Lee, Pastor

BREVITIES.

25 cents at J. F. Robinson's. Saturday night, Milarkey's hall. Baths are the boss; only 25 cents at all hours at the French at J. W. Stanfield, proprietor. Our hair is splitting and falling to Robinson's and have it shining.

W. King left this morning for Walla to visit a patient at that place.

Encampment No. 17, I. O. O. met this evening. Work in the evening.

Canvassers wanted for East-Oregon. Will pay good salary or commission. Address "K," this office.

Street will soon be improved. About \$2,300 worth of work done, which has been secured by Mr. Smith.

Shadow hay in any quantity can be had by calling on James A. Howell at the office of the Empire Company.

Intosh, who has been engaged in school at Alba, left on this train to visit friends in Kansas, about a month.

Will leave to-night for Portland in the Hogue-Bond, sailing from Indians case, now before Judge Deady.

Decker, a young gentleman of Idaho, is in town on a visit to his aunt of Pendleton, D. M. and Mrs. Jane Howell.

Sater has given his official register of the new land office at Oregon, amounting to \$10,000, good men and true as surety.

Want to make a return for the present you received? You something suitable, and at the same time useful, at the People's Warehouse.

Stein is buying hides, pelts, and his old friends should not be still in the business. Buy the highest cash price for skins.

R. & N. Company has ordered box cars for the use on their line from Umatilla to Huntington, and a welcome to a shipper.

Maker has purchased the man-agers of the Saturday night socials in the city of Sharp & Wells, and will conduct them. Cola will make a popular manager.

Must be circulating more plentifully than usual. At several known resorts gambling for money is indulged in, and the tiger is by its votaries not wisely but too soon.

After the reappearance of the Annie Firmin Dramatic Company Saturday evening, December 21st, the Opera House by special arrangement of the citizens of Pendleton.

Christmas tree and the usual festivities at the residence of Charles Christmas Eve. One lady presented with a purse containing money, a useful and very nice gift.

There is this district are now. If there is any tax obligation the citizens are morally and legally bound to pay, it is public duty. Delinquencies in this case are liable. Go and pay your taxes.

At A. E. Dart. A grand dance at Pilot Rock last night. The hall was crowded with dancers, and report says that they enjoyed themselves with extreme pleasure. Christmas day was ushered in with a first-class supper, which added to the evening's enjoyment.

Case of A. J. Curtis vs. the La Grange Water Company is a trial in law and is still on trial before Judge Fee. Two gentlemen learned in law and noted in the city, J. H. Slater and Hon. Geo. H. Lee, are pitted against each other in making the case an interesting one.

Mr. Ross, formerly in the employ of Johnson & Co., and well known in the city, writes from Portland that he is contented with his lot, has a medical education, is attending a medical school, and is getting along very well. He is a good boy, and the Oregonian for one is glad to see him.

Mr. A. O'Brien, who arrived at Walla recently in command of a company of soldiers from Jefferson, Missouri, came over to Pendleton to see his mother and register at the hotel. While here he has been attacked with pneumonia and hemorrhage, and is attended by Dr. King. To-day his case has become unfavorable, and he is expected to die in a critical condition.

Douglas Gurdane, a stockman of the Mountain Valley neighborhood, came to Pendleton yesterday and swore out a warrant for the arrest of Charley Horseman, another rancher, who drew a knife on Gurdane during a quarrel. It seems that Horseman has been having trouble with the Gurdane boys, Douglas and Bill, for some time which culminated as above stated. Dick Waugh left yesterday for the Potts to arrest Horseman and subpoena several witnesses. He will probably return with them this evening.

At the dance at Pilot Rock Christmas night, one young man in attendance bought a ticket and secured no lady partner. When supper time came, he entered the Pilot Rock hotel with a male companion and endeavored to obtain meals for both on the ticket. It ended, so say reports, in a poker being used effectually on the young man's cranium, the iron entering his soul to such an extent that he was glad to get away without eating his own supper.

Harry Lisle and a companion were attacked by thieves while in Portland recently, and were relieved of some few valuables. Lisle bravely showed fight, but they were too many for him. His arm was broken in the encounter, and his head was badly cut. He returned in a rather damaged condition, his right arm being encased in splints and his head bandaged.

About three o'clock last night, a party of night-owls must have painted the town a deep red, judging from the sounds of their revelry heard by several lodgers, who were not remarkably well pleased with the serenade. Persons who like to have their fun at this unseasonable hour should go out on the reservation.

Collie Houser, the young man who has been suffering for a year with the consumption, and recently grew worse, died last night. He leaves a mother and father and several brothers and sisters to mourn his untimely end. The funeral took place from the family residence today, at about three o'clock.

Workmen were engaged to-day in stretching wire on the Main street electric light poles. A portion of the wire is very heavy and extremely hard to handle. The task of stretching it was found to be a difficult one, the operations of the force of men being watched with interest by main street denizens.

The sports of winter, coasting and skating, are now being indulged in at Pendleton. At all hours of the day can be seen a string of sleds, carrying the genus small boy, scooting down the sidewalk on Paradise hill, which has become almost impassable for pedestrians.

Engine No. 79, which through overwork recently suffered considerable damage, was taken to the La Grande shops recently for repairs. Locomotives are rather scarce on this division, and most of them are too busy to be kept in good repair.

Mrs. Wm. Wilson left on a visit to relatives in Ohio on this morning's train. After remaining there some little time she will complete her journey to New York City, intending to return to Pendleton by the first of March.

The matinee of "David, the Shepherd Boy," has been postponed until Friday afternoon. The first production will take place this evening at the Opera House, and will doubtless be greeted by a large audience.

When a man of family is compelled to crawl into his window at three o'clock in the morning it is a bad sign, a very bad sign, and needs no comments.

Tom Swearingen has got 'em—the mumps. He appeared on the streets today for the first time in a fortnight, having quite a lengthy siege.

Chances are being sold in the Villard for a fancy cushion and a photograph album, which will be raffled off New Year's Eve.

A three-horse power electric dynamo will hereafter be used in operating the presses of the Spokane Falls Review.

A wealthy man seventy years old has just married a servant girl of eighteen, at Cucamonga, Cal.

Robert Garrett has become violent.

A Deserved Compliment to Father DeRoos.

Some one of our exchanges has misunderstood us when, referring to Rev. P. DeRoos, we said: "Our local preachers are seldom appreciated until they go away from home." The Rev. gentleman has drawn crowded houses whenever he lectured in Pendleton; but the Portland papers have, on this occasion, but followed the general rule of praising strangers, rather than local talent; thus the Sentinel joins the Oregonian, by saying:

"If to gain and hold the prompt sympathetic appreciation of a popular audience in a profoundly philosophic discussion of a dry and difficult subject, is a mark of eloquence, then Father DeRoos's lecture was most eloquent. From the beginning to the last syllable of his discourse the Rev. lecturer held the closest attention of a delighted audience. The lecture was a rich literary treat, which we hope to be able to present to our readers in another issue. During the address the Rev. speaker was frequently applauded; and at its conclusion was warmly congratulated by the Most Reverend Archbishop and the clergy present."

Disagreement Between Brothers.

Since November 1st, J. M. Harris has been in partnership with his brother, I. Harris, in the tailoring business on Main street, the business being known as the "New York Tailor Shop." The partnership was yesterday dissolved by J. M. Harris retiring. I. Harris will continue in the business, pay all debts and collect all bills. J. M. Harris claims that he asked his brother for a settlement and was offered a bullet instead, so he resolved to go to San Francisco and return with a stock of goods and knock his brother out by legitimate methods. He left on last night's train for the Bay City. He asks that his friends will retain their orders for clothing until his return, and he promises to give them satisfaction and the benefit of low prices.

Wanted.

Two young ladies for partners at the Leap Year Ball. Address, Two Bachelors, Postoffice, Pendleton.

"EQUAL RIGHTS."

He Thinks He Has Lived in Umatilla County Long Enough to Entitle Him to the Expression of an Opinion. EASTERN END OF UMATILLA COUNTY, NEAR MILTON, Or., Dec. 23, 1888. To the Editor of the Oregonian. In justice to myself as a taxpayer, it seems to be my duty to again take up my pen, mindful of the responsibility that rests upon me of answering the would-be destroying angel of all who might oppose division, or even give an opinion on that great question of division, unless that opinion coincides with his, the editor of the Milton Eagle.

He leads off by criticizing an article from the pen of one "Equal Rights," and in all his wrath he is left in utter ignorance of whence it came, or where "Equal Rights" resides, or whether there is such an individual in existence or not; and in order to find the right one, he has gone to a great deal of expense and trouble, and has canvassed the city of Milton, and has raised a purse of five dollars which he agrees to pay to the editor of the EAST OREGONIAN to give the name of "Equal Rights," if he lives in Milton or the East end of Umatilla county, that they may place the bond and seal of condemnation upon the one that would prove himself so recreant as to write such a miserable, misleading letter.

Why not offer a liberal sum, say fifty dollars? It might be worth that many hundred to the Eagle editor. Nothing less than fifty dollars will bring the glad tidings.

I can't see any argument in the Eagle to prove that a division would be advantageous to the taxpayers of this proposed new county. "But," says he, "if there is one such man in Eastern Umatilla who seeks to mislead our western brethren by writing a miserable misrepresentation over a non de plume—which is proof enough that he is cowardly as well as ignorant."

All men are endowed with what the all-wise Creator has given them, and the amount of knowledge that was given the Eagle editor is limited, or else he could find hundreds of taxpayers and voters who entertain the same sentiments in this division contest; if not so, why was it that he got his would-be representatives beaten in June last. I can find fully one half of the taxpayers that I have interviewed in this part of Umatilla county, and can find some of them in Milton, men who for intelligence compare favorably with any of the taxpayers of the county, and men whom I believe superior as far as intellect is concerned to the would-be dictator, the editor of the Milton Eagle.

"He says: 'As to argument on the subject of division, as viewed by this 'Equal Rights,' we might as well attempt to hold communion with the ghost of Adam.'"

I suppose the Eagle man has attempted to hold communion with Adam. But as Adam was a holy man, the Eagle man's efforts to hold such communion were all in vain.

So also will his unholy views on the division question be as badly left. He speaks forth saying: "Oh, ho, Mr. Equal Rights, will not your property increase in valuation in the same proportion as others' whom you term a few?"

I have been a resident of Oregon and of Umatilla county about 18 years. When I came to this county, taxes were 28 mills on the dollar. Having struggled hard to live and let live, and when the dawn of light is just making its appearance, and taxes are decreasing, then there arises—Bowler—and says, give us a new county, that we may be profited thereby; that the property may increase in valuation; that we who don't want to work may have fat offices; for your property is valuable.

Your taxes are the same in proportion. You can stand it to support a few who want and must have offices.

This is what is wanted, and to get this we must have division.

Does this meet the approval of a majority of the tax-payers? If so, the contention will be settled, and a new county organized.

But if it does not meet the approval of a majority, I don't think a division will be had until such time as it does meet the approval of a majority; maybe ten years hence. Is it not a fact that a large majority oppose division? If not so, how was it that in June last they were so badly defeated?

He further says: "If the truth were known you don't own any thing only what you carry around with you, and probably had to work out your road tax the past season." The Eagle man would like to measure other people's corn in his half-bushel; but let that be as it may, that has nothing to do with this question; and now let me say as every tax payer ought to say, it is my duty to look forward to my best interest, and it is my right as a free American citizen, and it shall ever be my aim, to do so, and if I differ in my opinion from others I have a right to do so. My opinion is my own whether I voice the sentiments of majority or not.

If the Milton Eagle voices a majority of the voters of Umatilla county, they proved recreant to his bidding in June last. Any argument brought out on this division question by the Milton editor that I can't meet in a good square argument, won't cost him one cent.

He says he is strong in the opinion that Umatilla county is run by a Pendleton ring and that I, "Equal Rights," belong to the "ring." "We are open and honest in our demands," he says, "and anything that favors of trickery or treachery receives no favors here."

I am well aware of that fact from what you did in June last, and with all your trickery and treachery used in your little secret undertaking, you got badly left, and that lesson no doubt tells you now, as it always will, that it never will favor you.

As far as belonging to a Pendleton ring is concerned, I know nothing about a ring in Pendleton, but as a voter of Umatilla county, I stand up and am ready at all times to help elect good men to offices. I can not whether they live in Pendleton or not; and if Pendleton has any ring I have no knowledge of it. She may have, for aught I know; so may Milton, for what I know. If you of Milton have, that is your business, and it is my business if I find it out to help knock it out of time.

EQUAL RIGHTS.

THE O. & W. T. ROAD.

A Vansycle Farmer Does Some Plain Talking to Pendleton People. VANSYCLE, Or., Dec 24, 1888.

The EAST OREGONIAN of Friday, Dec. 21st, arrived here to-day in due course of mail. I was surprised to see the editorial stating indisputable facts. It is not often that we notice a county paper that has independence enough to tell the truth about its town. But all people in the country who give the matter any thought at all, can see plainly that Pendleton is not advancing, and is sure to go behind if she fails to secure the O. & W. R. R. I will mention one or two instances that show how things are moving in this section, and it is only fair to presume that other places along the road are doing likewise. When we need fresh beef we order an order to Wallula for it in the evening and next morning's train brings it along in good shape. If we need a keg of sugar we send for it the same way. A box of soap, candles, or anything else that is wanted, is sent for and comes in good order, and at a cost of 25 cents per hundred pounds freight. Coal can be delivered in Pendleton at from \$8.50 to \$9 per ton.

Mr. S. Rothchild seems to be surprised at the truth of the article. A great writer once said, "Stranger than truth, for truth is always strange; stranger than fiction, if it could be told." But Mr. Rothchild shows to the people of this county where he stands in regard to the Hunt railroad. The O. R. & N. people can well afford to give some merchants a rebate on their freight if they would. If they would ship Mr. Byers' flour 24 cents cheaper than the regular freight rates, he can continue his shipment to the Sound. If not he will be compelled to let Walla Walla millers supply that fast-growing market.

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Heretofore all preparations used for their emollient effect have possessed the very objectionable features of being either sticky or greasy, and often both; but these qualities have been entirely overcome in the production of Wisdom's Violet Cream, which owes its peculiar and distinctive virtues to new remedies hitherto unknown in connection with preparations of this kind.

It has the power of preventing and removing sunburn, tan, chafed and scaled skin, and all ordinary irritations. It acts by improving the softness, clearness and healthy tone of the skin, and its daily application tends to preserve it from the actions of drying winds, vivid sunshine, extreme temperatures and the like. Ask your druggist for it.

Possibility of a Strike.

It is strongly rumored that trouble is brewing along the line of the O. R. & N. Co. in this vicinity, and that a strike among a portion of this company's employees may possibly take place. The difficulty is occasioned by the introduction of a new pay-roll system, causing a reduction in the salaries of conductors and brakemen, who strenuously object, saying that they get little enough already, and can stand no reduction. Under the new system they are to be paid so much per mile, instead of a fixed salary as at present. Conductors and brakemen, it is said, are quietly kicking, but whether it will amount to more than a kick no one knows.

The Hotel of Salem.

The Chemekete Hotel at Salem has lately come under the management of C. H. Monroe and J. K. N. Bell and has furnished and thoroughly changed from top to bottom, the kitchen having been entirely rebuilt and the lobby and rooms overhauled and put in first class order for the coming session of the legislature. The prices of accommodation will average from \$6 to \$15 per week according to room and location. The patronage of the public is solicited.

What a Noted Physician Says.

CHICAGO, Jan. 31st, 1888. W. M. Wisdom, DEAR SIR:—As you requested I have examined the formula of your toilet preparation, called "Robertine." I can assure you that the ingredients are both bland and harmless, and that the compound would form an excellent application in irritated conditions of the skin.

Yours truly, ARTHUR DEAN BEVAN, M. D. Prof. of Anatomy Rush Medical College and P. A. Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

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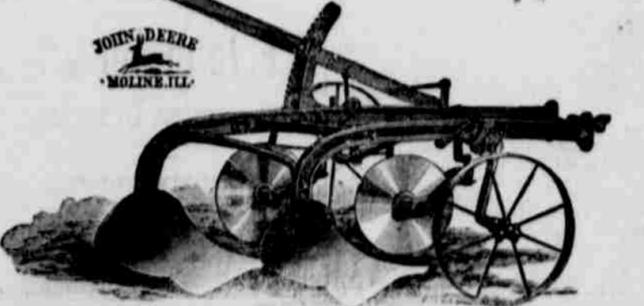
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