

To Our Advertisers.

We desire to call the attention of our advertising patrons to the fact that it is now about six months since we have asked them for any coin, or the "equivalent," and that their accounts will be made out and presented in a few days, at which time we trust they will be ready to pay up.

Brief Bulletins.

The Golden Rule hotel at La Grande is for sale.

Mrs. Dr. Strange is visiting friends in Baker City.

Miss Maggie Howell has been very sick during the week.

Prof. Setzer is engaged in teaching another writing school.

Drop in at the Walla Walla Beer Depot and be sociable.

The La Grande post-office has been moved to the new town.

The town of Joseph has a singing school. W. A. Leslie is the boss warbler.

This notice is written and printed especially for you. Pay at once your Cove drug store bill.

Rev. Shields has organized a Presbyterian church in Joseph, with a membership of twelve.

Henry Rinehart, Register of the La Grande land office, takes hold of the work like an old hand.

A stage line has been established between Ontario, on the railroad, and Burns, in Harney Valley.

The Portland Weekly News is among our exchange list, and is replete with good wholesome news.

Messrs. Nunan & Keyte have bought the Heppner Times and moved the outfit to Lexington, the prospective county seat of Morrow.

S. O. Swackhamer returned to Union to reside, yesterday. Mr. S. has been residing in La Grande for the past nine months.

Married.—At the residence of L. J. Boothe, Jan. 13, 1886, by A. C. Craig, Judge, Mr. Gus Hutchinson to Miss Mary C. Simpson, all of Union.

A social dance was given Thursday night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cook. A pleasant time was experienced by all who attended.

Quite a number of parties are replenishing their stock of ice in order that the parched tongue may be cooled during the heat of summer.

H. B. Drake has purchased the entire stock of goods, at the old Brainard store, owned by Willis Skell, Esq., and will hereafter carry on the trade.

R. Eakin and wife went below on Thursday. He goes to attend the Supreme court, and she to visit relatives and friends in the Willamette valley.

Married.—At the residence of Horace Eaton, in Union, Jan. 13, 1886, Mr. Frank S. Johnson to Miss Anna Kuhn, both of Union. Rev. H. V. Rice, officiating.

J. T. Outhouse spent a few days in Union this week. We do not know whether he doctored that famous document known as the "Expert Report" or not.

One taken from the forty-foot level in the Royal Purple mine in the Walla Walla, is very rich in silver. The ledge is being cut at the rate of one and one-half feet per day.

Marriage licence granted during the week to D. D. Turner and Minnie Ross; Charles Goodnough and Mary Henderson; F. S. Johnson and Annie Kuhn; E. L. Saunders and Mary Dement.

Mrs. D. P. McDaniels and Mrs. Harlan Stewart will start next Wednesday for Vacaville, Cal. to make a visit to a daughter of Mrs. McDaniels, who resides there. They will be gone about a month.

A few days since, the West bound passenger train came near meeting with an accident, while rounding a curve near Hilgard. A rail broke, but luckily the train passed over without damage.

Jas. H. Rinehart was in Union a day or two ago. He goes soon to Portland, Tacoma and Seattle in the interest of the Anna-Lulu mills of Summerville, the floor of which is finding a ready sale.

D. P. McDaniels, president of the Pine creek road commissioners, left for Portland, on Thursday last, on business connected with the road. Dr. Strange accompanied him. They will be back in a few days.

At the sheriff's sale, Tuesday last, of the Centennial Hotel, Mr. J. H. Smith bid in the hotel property for Mr. Hale, and Robbins & Benson bid in the old hotel property, fronting on A street. Both bids were purchased at the judgement price.

Sheffman & Raily, of the Kentucky Liquor Store, are fitting up the building on the corner of Main and F streets, formerly occupied by Jones Bros., and will move into it in a few days. It is a much better location than the one they now occupy.

Some dastardly villain attempted to take the life of Mr. D. H. Thomas, editor of the Pacific Farmer, published at Forest Grove. Mr. Thomas was going to the depot on Saturday morning last for the purpose of taking the 6:30 o'clock train for Portland, when some one fired three shots at him, two of them making slight wounds. He knows of no reason why his life should be attempted. The villain fled, leaving his pistol.

Some more of the Pine creek mines have been sold lately.

A. Maccham returned from a business trip to La Grande, I. J. and Summerville, yesterday.

Mrs. M. L. Brannan, formerly of the Cove boarding house, has opened a like hotel at Burns, in Grant county.

Mr. F. S. Johnson and bride returned from Summerville last evening. He reports Summerville in good condition.

It is probably that the Portland Board of Trade will raise \$5,000, if necessary, toward the construction of the Pine creek road.

Well, now that's about the size of it. The nation will be astonished. Miss Cleveland has forbidden smoking in the hall. Good girl.

Why, boys! Do you know that Cal's great wail renewed sickness is coming to Oregon next summer? Fact—get your nickels together.

We are in receipt of an interesting communication from "Chris," of New Bridge, but it came too late for this issue. It will appear in our next.

Salem has an ordinance which prohibits boys under 16 years of age from smoking cigarettes. The marshal will enforce the law. We think it a pity that the boys can't have any pleasure whatever.

Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, has introduced bills to appropriate \$160,000, for the improvement to the entrance of Yaquina Bay; \$160,000, for the improvement of Coos Bay; and \$750,000 for the completion of the Cascade locks.

Mr. E. L. Thorp lately connected with the Standard, has assumed charge of the editorial and news department of the East Portland Vindicator. W. R. Scruble retiring. The change will no doubt prove a benefit to that paper.

Put the average small boy out in the yard, with his little sling, and he will do more damage than any animal of the same height and vitality in existence. This is evidenced by the errand demolished windows in any house that happens to be vacant for a time.

A German by the name of F. Henzli, who was engaged in digging a well for David Moomaw, at Baker City, the other day, was suddenly buried alive, by the walls caving in on him. He was soon recovered from beneath the debris, in an unconscious condition, but from last accounts it is thought the man will recover.

Notwithstanding the "occasional blizzard" that comes around once in a while, to fan our heated brow with its gentle but somewhat chilling breath, our winter has been thus far all that could be expected. So far no severe cold weather or deep snow have been experienced, and the winter is too far advanced to be very had in the future.

There will be a Grand Ball given by the Fireman of this city Feb. 22, but we have not been able to find out much about it. We hope an interest will be taken in the matter, as we understand the proceeds are to go towards equipping the fire company. We need better facilities for extinguishing fires, and any measure to procure assistance should be liberally encouraged by our citizens.

Quite an activity in real estate throughout the State, prevails, and the signs of the times indicate that the coming season will be one of unusual activity. Immigration is thriving in this direction in larger numbers than ever before, and with it will come capital, intelligence and industry. Every portion of the State will receive the benefits consequent to such an addition, and we shall prosper more than ever. Union county will draw her share of the harvest, and we shall awaken from our long sleep into a wide awake and prosperous future.

Pursuant to adjournment the Pine creek road commissioners met in this city on Monday the 11th, at eleven o'clock A. M., a full board being present. The object of the meeting being to open the bids, and award the contract to build the Eagle creek bridge.

The bids were opened, which were as follows: Lewis L. White, \$178,500; Royal St John, \$129,100; T. M. Hughes & Co., \$180,000; D. Keele, \$152,900; M. F. Holbrook, \$123,000; Yanis & Hamm, \$197,500; Shaw & McLeod, \$129,500; E. A. Webster, \$137,500; Kibby & Ostrander, \$150,000; W. R. Johnson, \$120,000; S. S. Bail, \$19,500; C. M. Kellog, \$22,500; W. R. Johnson, of Union, being the lowest bidder, was awarded the contract, for the sum of twelve hundred dollars, and that his bonds, which were duly approved by the board, and entered into the required contract. After allowing sundry bills, the board adjourned, subject to the call of the chairman.

Under the head of "Rich Strikes" the Portland Sitings says: "Oregon has as rich mines toward the South as any on the coast. It has been illustrated by years of output of the precious metal. Why would it not have been wiser for the State to appropriate money in building roads and developing that section, than to have wandered off into the Pine Creek country to spend \$190,000? Such an utterance denotes great ignorance on the part of the author. The mines of Pine Creek are more extensive than those of any section of the Southern part of the State; the natural supply of them for the mines are in the State, and thus a benefit is to be reaped from the investment. Again, the amount mentioned by our contemporary is \$25,000 in excess of the appropriation. Probably the "Sitings" has a hazy notion, and had an apprehension been made for the Southern part of the State instead of for Pine Creek, it would have entered a protest in favor of the better point of exchange."

The West Side.

The January number of the West Shore (Portland, Oregon), is a work of art. It contains sixteen full pages of illustrations of Portland, which far design and execution rank with the best work produced anywhere. A large colored supplement of the splendid high school recently completed accompanies the number. It is most artistically executed, and is of itself well worth a year's subscription. The number contains a description of Portland and the usual amount of choice matter and useful information about the Northwest. The publisher promises other colored supplements during the year and a general improvement upon even the present high standard, of which the January number is ample evidence. The people of the Northwest should feel proud of such a splendid representative of the West Shore which richly deserves the liberal support it receives. We are pleased that the great improvement being made indicate an enlarging subscription list and a corresponding increase of benefit to the Northwest from this extension of its influence.

Land Commissioner Sparks has made an important decision affecting the claim of the Northern Pacific railway company to a grant of land from a point on the Columbia river near Portland, Oregon, and Tacoma, on Puget Sound in Washington territory. This decision affects the odd number of sections of land eighty miles in width for a distance of 106 miles, aggregating some 2,500,000 acres, estimated to be worth \$2,500,000. The claim of the railroad company to these lands has long been disputed by settlers, large numbers of whom are in occupation, claiming the right to enter under the public land laws. The case of Donald McCree and J. O. Beck vs. the Northern Pacific railway company brought out the decision. Appeal will at once be taken by the railroad company, to the secretary of the interior. Commissioner Sparks seems to be a pretty hard pill for railroad monopolists to swallow. He seems to be the right man in the right place.

Chlor Piles. Piles are frequently preceded by a sense of weight in the back, loins and lower part of the abdomen, causing the patient to suppose he has some affection of the kidneys or neighboring organs. At times, symptoms of indigestion are present, flatulency, uneasiness of the stomach, etc. A moisture like perspiration, producing a very disagreeable itching after getting warm, is a common attendant. Blood, bleeding, and itching Piles yield at once to the application of Dr. Bosanko's Pile Remedy, which acts directly upon the parts affected, absorbing the Tumors, slaying the intense itching, and effecting a permanent cure. Price, 50 cents. Address, The Dr. Bosanko Medicine Company, Piqua, O. Sold by J. T. Wright, Union, Oregon.

Infantile. Mr. Chaney Akin, who resides on Trout creek, in the Walla Walla, met with a very serious accident a few weeks ago. He was splitting some stove wood, holding the stick with one hand and striking with the other when his foot slipped and the axe came down on his wrist, nearly severing the hand. His life was barely saved till Dr. Cobb could be summoned from Alder. This accident renders him helpless, both bodily and financially, and what makes matters worse his wife was stricken with paralysis of the right side, a few weeks before the accident. Mr. Akin is an old resident, and well known throughout the county.

Married. At the residence of Ed. Johns, near Boise City, Jan. 6th, 1886, by Rev. G. H. Davis, Wm. Ross and Miss Rosa Dodge, both of this place.

The ceremony was witnessed by a few personal friends and relatives who after partaking of an elegant supper, repaired to Temple Hall where a dance was in progress and tripped it lively until almost break of day. The wedded couple immediately "went to house-keeping" followed by the best wishes of a large circle of friends.—Idaho Democrat.

Successful Stage Robbery. General Howard, of the department of the Platte, received a dispatch from Fort Robinson to the effect that the stage was stopped and robbed of \$5000, on the 13th, near Dawes City, in broad daylight, by eleven men in masked suits. The money was in gold and was intended for the payment of troops. The cavalry at Fort Niobrara was sent out, and telegrams were sent to Deadwood, Laramie, Sydney, Cheyenne and elsewhere. It is believed they cannot escape.

Health is Wealth. Wealth means independence. The Remedy is Dr. Bosanko's Cough and Lung Syrup, the best Cough Syrup in the world. Cures Coughs, Colds, Pains in the Chest, Hoarseness and Primary Consumption. One dose gives relief in every case. Take no other preparation and I stamp the feet. Sold by J. T. Wright, Union, Oregon.

Exchange. An exchange trembles with apprehension since it has been ascertained by a German chemist that "first-rate brandy can be made from sawdust." "We are friends," it says, "of the temperance movement and want it to succeed, but what chance will it have when a man can take a nip now and then and get drunk on a fence rail?"

A Justice's Article. For enterprise, push and a desire to get such goods as will give the trade satisfaction, J. T. Wright, the druggist, leads all competitors. He sells Dr. Bosanko's Cough and Lung Syrup, because it is the best medicine on the market for coughs, colds, croup and primary consumption. Price 50 cents and 50¢. Sample free.

Dr. J. T. Wright. The trial of Norman H. Camp, for embezzling some \$12,000 of the bank's cash, while superintendent of the Idaho City assay office, resulted in a verdict of "guilty as charged" in the indictment.

For the Ladies. Mrs. Coffin has just received a large stock of Fancy Goods, and new styles of hats. Ladies are invited to call and select at their leisure.

Correspondence.

North Townsend, Jan 8, 1886.

Weather cold—degrees below zero.

Prof. Scott is teaching our village school.

The young people are having a round of social dances.

James Welch is shipping several car loads of lumber to Shoshone, I. T.

Our merchants, Kellog & Punch, and Gorham & Rothchilds, are doing a fair amount of business.

James Hutchinson is selling saw-just at 50 cts per wagon load, to residents of this place, for putting up ice.

Kellog & Punch are shipping several car loads of cord-wood from this place to Baker City and other points further east.

A gentleman from Portland bought and shipped three car loads of fat cattle from this place to the Portland market this week.

Welch's sack and door factory is turning out a large lot of sack and doors for the spring trade, in Union and Baker counties.

Mr. Stanford, an old gentleman of this place, sustained some severe bruises one day this week, by falling off a ladder, none of a serious character, however.

Gorham & Rothchilds are building a large fine warehouse near the depot. It will be, when completed, the finest building of the kind in Eastern Oregon, outside of Baker City. J. W. Kimball has charge of the work.

The wife of N. S. Blank has been languishing ill for several weeks past, and while the neighbors (mostly friends) have been giving the family their sympathy and (substantial aid,) some of the self-styled christians are trying to have Mr. B. indicted for pulling the ox out of the mud on Sunday.

JUDY.

WHISKEY CREEK, Jan. 6, 1886.

The past few days have been cold.

The sleighing is very poor. Only our or five inches of light snow.

All settlers prophesying mild winter with very little snow. Well, brace up, everybody, and try and stand it.

Rev. J. A. Hunter and wife celebrated the thirty-third anniversary of their wedded life, by the reunion of all the members of the family, at an oyster supper, on Dec 2nd.

Mr. P. G. Buford, lately from the Willamette Valley, has bought a tract of land in Lost Prairie, and will probably move thither in the spring, and engage in stock raising. Mr. Buford thinks that is a fine stock country.

At the dance at Driden's on New Year's night, two of the participants came near going on the war path, and settling their differences a la John L. Sullivan, but through the eloquence of the floor manager, the pugilistic exercises were indefinitely postponed.

Christmas and New Years was celebrated with the usual number of dances. One Christmas eve, another on Christmas night, also on New Year's eve and night, with two or three between, made things joyous for those who delight to "trip the light fantastic" till the "wee sma' hours."

Mr. S. W. Bunnell invited a number of his neighbors to partake of a dinner in commemoration of his father's twenty-third birth day. Mr. Bunnell, Sr., came on from Missouri last fall. He is hale and hearty for his years, and all he wants is a chance at the beer and bear of which he had heard so much.

This neighborhood now has two lycetums in working order, each with a good attendance. This is a good chance for would-be orators, and judging from some of the speeches, there are some who may yet send their names thundering down the ages with Cicero and those other fellows. Keep trying, boys. "If at first you don't succeed," etc.

ANAS.

COVE, Jan. 13, 1886.

A quantity of fine ice is being stored at the Ascension school, for winter use.

Miss Pearl Payne and Lou Payne returned from a pleasant visit in Pendleton, Saturday.

Sleighting has been very fair, to the joy of the young people, but now is about worn out in the roads.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McDaniels, of Iland City were in town the first of the week, at the bed side of Mrs. Elsworth.

Prairie chicken shooting through the suburbs of the city, is very fashionable, and large numbers of the toothsome have been secured.

A large concourse of young people "tripped the light fantastic" till a late hour, at L. B. Haggett's mansion, Monday night.

Prof. A. J. Hackett has finished his school near Summerville. The Professor's mode of teaching and discipline, was eminently satisfactory to the people of that district, and they are proud in their praise of his ability.

Died—Sunday eve about 6 o'clock, Ellen, beloved wife of James Fulp. Deceased was a daughter of John Wagler. Funeral services were preached by Rev. Wm. R. Powell, Tuesday, at 11 o'clock A. M. At the conclusion of the ceremonies, a large number of sorrowing relatives and friends followed the remains to their last resting place in the cemetery.

Hayward Hand Grenades are the best.

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60000 fall at the lower end of the valley, Thursday night, to the depth of six inches or more.

Bro. Clegg, Jan. 11, 1886.

The debating and literary society still continues, and the "Jamstown Budget" furnishes amusement for the old as well as the young.

Lively times during the holidays. The hall at Wright's hall on Christmas night, was well attended—48 numbers sold. On New Year's day a turkey shooting at Mr. McGarvey's, and at night a ball at the school house for the benefit of the school. The supper was prepared by the ladies of the school district, and to say it was good, is hardly doing the case justice.

Mr. Thomas Keating, of Lower Powder, met with a sad loss on the 8th inst. His barn, some 60 tons of hay, 4 horses, 1 mule, several sets of harness, and 4 saddles were destroyed by fire. The loss to Mr. Keating falls very heavily on him, as he is wintering a great many cattle and horses. The fire is evidently the work of an incendiary, and was discovered about 11 o'clock at night. No clue, so far, as to who the guilty parties are. A mow and rake were pulled out from under the burning hay. It is to be hoped the perpetrators of this fiendish crime will be speedily brought to justice.

VERITAS.

SLEEPLESS NIGHTS, made miserable by that terrible cough, Shiloh's Cure is the remedy for you. For sale by R. C. Greig.

Union Literary Society.

The Literary was largely attended last Monday night. With but few exceptions good order was maintained. Rev. Mr. Rice acted as chairman pro tem. The exercises were as follows: Declaration, M. F. Davis; Song, Misses Mary and Tina Kennedy and May Miller, and Messrs. J. M. Carroll and P. B. Wilson; Recitation, Miss Mary Jeffries; Solo, T. H. Cooper; Select Reading, Rev. Mr. Watson. "Shall Silver be Demanded?" was discussed on the affirmative by B. F. Wilson and J. R. Crites, on the negative by T. Oliver and J. Hardisty. Decision rendered in favor of the negative. Quartette, "Jolly Johnathan," J. M. Carroll, T. H. Cooper, E. S. Johnson and P. B. Wilson. The following is the programme for Jan. 18, 1886: Committee on Music, J. M. Carroll, Miss Maggie Walker and P. B. Wilson; Select Reading, Geo. Beideman, Miss Susie Moore and Frank Johnson; Recitation, Ed. O'Connor and Robt. Gorey; Essay, J. M. Carroll and R. Eekin; Debate, Question—"Did the Crusades benefit Europe." Leaders, C. E. Davis and M. F. Davis.

WHY WILL YOU SUFFER with Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint? Shiloh's Vitalizer is guaranteed to cure you.

RATHER MIXED.

The following interesting letter was received by Frank Benson, from a gentleman who resides in Harney Valley, a few days ago, which for terse of diction, is seldom equaled and never will be surpassed:

Union, December 29th, 1885.

DEAR SIR:—I am writing this letter dated 29th day of December and forwarding it to you. I am desirous to acknowledge the number of money which I shall pay you my tax for my real land in district No. 40 in the town of Joseph Union Co. Oregon. I give a question to answer you how much will I pay my tax on my land containing 100 acres in the vicinity of Joseph Union Co. Oregon. I will collect the money from the taxation of me. I need you writing your letter to me as soon as this letter may reach you. I want to know the number of money you will have to collect from the taxation of me. I will pay you immediately that you must write a letter to me to know the number of money. Your information will address to—Camp Harney Grant Co. Oregon.

Yours Truly

From ——— To the Union county treasurer.

For lame back, side or chest, use Shiloh's Porous Plaster. Price 25 cents. For sale at the drug store of R. C. Greig, Union.

SOLD MALDEN'S.

Below we give a list of persons in the county who pay taxes on ten thousand dollars, and over:

Table listing names and tax amounts: Baer & Church, \$19,012.00; Dobbin John, \$12,775.00; Ellworth M. E., \$15,778.00; Eaton A. E., \$22,415.00; Est. National Bank Union, \$45,900.00; Gangle J. A., \$10,735.00; Jones J. A., \$24,500.00; Holgarth C., \$15,500.00; Jasper M., \$10,120.00; Swackhamer S. O., \$17,995.00; Snodgrass W. J., \$10,000.00; Kennedy J. W., \$10,670.00; Mitchell Fred, \$22,235.00; Mitchell Frank, \$13,960.00; Nodine Fred, \$29,650.00; Ogn. Improvement Co., \$15,500.00; O. R. & N. Co., \$262,875.00; Pity J. M., \$13,045.00; Perkins Rufus, \$11,500.00; Rifehart J. H., \$18,500.00; Solters A. & D., \$17,995.00; Wade Thos., \$10,385.00.

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County Court Proceedings.

Road of A. T. Neville—Survey ordered and viewers appointed.

Road of E. P. Cannon—Survey ordered and viewers appointed.

Road of W. H. Winter—Dismissed.

Road of O. H. Fay—Viewers appointed to review and assess damages.

Road of J. A. Tucker—Laid over till next term.

Road of A. B. Courtney—Laid over till next regular term.

Pine creek road ordered opened on the survey.

Road of Jacob Devine—Laid over till next regular term.

Road of J. A. Masterson—Survey ordered and viewers appointed.

Road of Henry Miller—Survey ordered and viewers appointed.

A new road district was formed from portions of districts 17 and 25.

Road of H. H. Breshers—Laid over till Feb. 9th.

Reports of road supervisors from 20 districts were filed and approved.

Supervisors were appointed for the following road districts: J. J. Peober, 2; A. L. Eaton, 3; L. R. Holmboe, 4; J. A. Wilson, 5; Luther Roe, 6; A. Shaw, 7; J. L. Woodell, 8; W. G. Hunter, 9; John Blanchland, 10; S. S. Holcomb, 11; J. W. Munsick, 12; J. S. Gilkison, 16; W. B. Hindman, 17; Wm. Fraser, 18; J. B. Courtney, 19; F. A. Dawson, 20; J. W. Terwilliger, 21; S. S. Brooks, 25; Steve Connor, 26; Wm. Bennett, 27.

Liquor licence granted to S. A. Gray, of Cornucopia, for six months.

The selection of judges and clerks under the new registration act, postponed till February 9th.

THAT HACKING COUGH can be so quickly cured by Shiloh's Cure. We guarantee it. For sale by R. C. Greig, Union.

High Valley. Winter has set in again. Sleighting is good.

A matrimonial epidemic has broken out in High Valley.

The New Year's dance at Hathaway's was crowded beyond convenience.

Politically, I am forced to the conclusion that the silver clause in the President's message, is a stunner to the poor man's welfare.

Father DeRoo, the Catholic priest, of Baker City, held services at our school house last Sunday, to a pretty air congregation. Mr. and Mrs. Jo Bassett's baby was christened.

Wade Shelton and his bride was serenaded by the boys, quite lively. After keeping them out in the rain half an hour, he let them in, and treated to a plentiful supply of pie and cake.

We are told that there is a time for everything; but Sunday night dancing is certainly crowding the thing a little too far. The innocence of the intention abates nothing of the mischief of the example.

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