

TO ADVERTISERS. The SCOUT has a much larger circulation than any paper in this section of the State, and is, therefore, the BEST ADVERTISING MEDIUM.

Location Notices. We have for sale at this office a number of blanks for location of mining claims.

LETTER LIST. Remaining uncalled for at the Union post-office, the month ending Mar. 1, 1886.

Gloves of all kinds at Jones Bro's.

City Council Proceedings. At the meeting of the city council, last Saturday evening, Wm. Wilson was granted liquor license for one year.

CATARH CURED. health and sweet breath secured, by Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy. Price 50 cents. Nasal Injector Free.

Announcement. North Powder, Oregon, Feb. 28th, 1886. To the Voters of Union County: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the Sheriff's office, subject to the will of the people.

A Reliable Article. For enterprise, push and a desire to get such goods as will give the trade satisfaction.

Millinery Goods. An immense assortment of new millinery goods just received at Mrs. Corbin's. School hats for 37 1/2 cents, and all other goods in proportion.

WYANDOTTES. The only Wyandotte chicken eggs in the valley, are for sale by B. R. Craig, at the Cove. Call and examine them.

SHILOH'S COUGH and Consumption Cure is sold by us on a guarantee. It cures Consumption. For sale by R. C. Greig.

Read This. C. Vincent has just received a splendid lot of boots, shoes, etc., which he will sell at a great reduction on former prices.

WHY WILL YOU cough when Shiloh's Cure will give immediate relief. Price 50c and \$1. For Sale by R. C. Greig, Union.

Keystone to Health. Health is wealth. Wealth means independence. The Keystone is Dr. Bosanko's Cough and Lung Syrup, the best Cough Syrup in the world.

Farm for Sale. I will sell one of the cheapest and best grain, hay, and grazing farms ever offered for sale in the Cove.

Duck Eggs For Sale. Anyone desiring duck eggs, from the finest breeds of ducks, can procure the same by applying to Mr. Al. Goodbrod, of this city.

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

Eagle Cooper Shop. S. B. Ayles, manufacturer of butter barrels and kegs, has always on hand a good supply of the best quality, and will sell them at reasonable prices.

CROUP, WHOOPING COUGH and Bronchitis immediately relieved by Shiloh's Cure. For sale by R. C. Greig, Union.

Cure for Piles. Piles are frequently preceded by a sense of weight in the back, joints and lower part of the abdomen, causing the patient to suppose he has some affection of the kidneys or neighboring organs.

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

Brief Bulletin.

"Above the Clouds" to-night. Several communications crowded out of this issue.

This section was visited by a good rain, last Wednesday.

County court proceedings will be published next issue.

Blanks for quartz and placer locations at J. H. White's.

The Rod and Gun Club will meet next Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Minnie Odell, of Rye valley, is visiting friends in this city.

Mitchell's Kidney Plaster for sale at Wright's drug store. Try it.

Reserved seats for the entertainment to-night, for sale at the postoffice.

New assortment of felt and straw hats just received at J. H. White's.

Mrs. McFarren, who has been very sick for some time past, is getting better.

A full supply of blue vitriol, blasting powder and fuse just received at Cove drug store.

The genial Dan Beybridge, of North Powder, paid us a visit the fore part of the week.

R. Eakin left, Monday, on a business trip to Chicago. He will be gone three or four weeks.

Read the ad. of Sommer & Hamilton, merchants of the new town of Elgin in Indian valley.

A. Levy and family went over to La Grande, Monday, to attend the Blum-Sommer marriage.

The Pine creek road commissioners will receive bids for the construction of the road, next Monday.

Mr. Partridge, photographer, was in the city, yesterday, and expects to make a short stop at Union, soon.

Services at the Presbyterian church to-morrow at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Text in the evening, "It is the last time."

Great reductions in hardware. Joe. Wright is selling garden hoes and rakes at 50 cents. Other tools greatly reduced.

Marshal Cates gathered in two d's last Wednesday, and furnished them apartments, provided by the city, to cool off in.

The West Shore for April is at hand. This publication is a credit to the state, and Oregonians should be proud of it.

Mrs. Biggers, of Jefferson, Marion county, mother of Dr. Biggers of this city, is here on a visit and will remain for some time.

Miss Maggie Bell, who has been visiting friends and relatives in the Willamette valley, for the past two months, returned yesterday.

Mr. Herman Waldick, of Elgin, made us a pleasant call on Wednesday. He brought us two or three new subscribers from Indian valley.

Sheriff Dealy, of Baker county, had his left arm broken close to the shoulder, last Tuesday, by a horse he was riding rearing up and falling on him.

John Blize and Charley Miller took their departure for Umatilla county, last Tuesday, and will figure around among the sheep herds for a month or so.

Mr. Sare, of Falls City, Nebraska, is sojourning in this section at present, and thinks of sending for his family and taking up his permanent residence here.

Pony Stevens, whose announcement as candidate for sheriff will be found elsewhere, writes us that he is not an independent candidate, but a republican, and subject to the will of the people.

On Friday evening, the End. Inst., Rev. Baird, who was about to start on a tour through the country, to be gone several weeks, was the recipient of a surprise party gotten up by his many friends. The evening was spent very pleasantly.

While the passenger cars were passing each other at Haines in Baker county, Tuesday last, the sleeping car of the west bound train was thrown off the track, and damaged to such an extent that it was left at North Powder. The train arrived four hours late on account of the mishap.

Read the ad. of Mulholland & Co's. Purchasing Agency of Portland. Will Mulholland, one of the firm, was formerly a resident of Union, and is well and favorably known as a reliable and trustworthy young man.

E. H. Clingan, formerly of Union, but now a sturdy rancher of Pine valley, came down the fore part of the week to recuperate in his old haunts. He will remain here a week or two. He says the snow is all gone from the valley and farmers are busy at work. Travel to the mines is becoming rather brisk, and mining prospects extremely flattering.

Johnson & Wilson returned a few days ago, having completed the Eagle creek bridge, and also the bridge across Paddy's creek. Two or three of the party stand to prospect that section for placer mines.

Mr. Johnson thinks there are placers on Eagle creek that will pay well for working. He says that some day there will be a flourishing town near the bridge site.

Mr. Dolby, of Iowa, a brother of Jo. Dolby of Big creek, arrived in this county, recently, and is looking for a business location. Mr. Dolby is said to be a thorough machinist, and we understand he contemplates the erection of a foundry in Baker City. Mr. Dolby will do well to visit this city before he makes up his mind to locate permanently.

AN OPEN LETTER.

To J. F. Outhouse, Late Export, and O. F. Bell, his Clerk or Assistant.

GENTLEMEN:—As we are on the eve of an election, and it is very important that we should have good and reliable officers to serve us in a public capacity, and as the late export's report has been published and very severely criticised, and believing as we do, that that expert report will figure more or less in the county election, we think the public should know the true inwardness of that report, and to what extent it is reliable; we therefore ask you, and both of you, to answer the following questions, and make such statement in reference to the report as you, or either of you, may deem of interest to the public, and we request that the same may be done under oath:

1st. Why were you not sworn to an oath of office, before entering upon the discharge of your duties? Was not your attention called to the necessity of this?

2nd. How were the figures showing the county indebtedness arrived at?

3rd. How were the annual expenditures set forth in the report, arrived at?

4th. Was there any way by which the correctness of those figures could be arrived at, and was it done?

5th. What are the real facts in regard to the Supreme court decision, that so much has been said upon?

6th. Did you, or either of you, enter upon or conduct the investigation with any ulterior view other than to obtain the information the public had called for, or do either of you know of any such object in the other, either by words or acts?

7th. If there were any enemies to punish, tell us who they were?

8th. Have all the books and papers used by you or made by you during the investigation, been returned to the County court?

9th. Please give the public a general outline of how the investigation was carried on?

By having this information we may be able to arrive at a better understanding of our county affairs and the correctness of the expert report.

Do this and oblige, MANY CITIZENS.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's parents in La Grande, Monday, April 5th, 1886, Mr. Nat Blum and Miss Lena Sommers, Rev. Dr. J. Bloch of the Congregation Beth Israel of Portland, officiating.

Mr. Blum is an estimable gentleman, late of San Francisco, but now one of the mercantile firm of Sommer Blum & Co., of La Grande. Miss Sommer is the accomplished daughter of A. Sommer, the old pioneer merchant, who has been a resident of this county since 1864.

The occasion of their marriage was celebrated by a host of friends, who gathered from various sections of the state to witness the ceremony, which was performed according to the beautiful and impressive rites of the Jewish church. The bride and groom were attired in most elegant costumes, as were, also, many of the guests. After the perfunctory supper was served, and the guests repaired to the hall and spent the remainder of the evening in dancing and merriment, some sixty couples participating. Following is a list of presents received by the happy couple, during the evening:

Black walnut marble top bedroom set, Mr. and Mrs. A. Levy, Union; decorated china chamber-set, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilson, Union; silk plush cover, artistically painted, Miss Ida Wertheimer, Portland; spanish bed spread and lace pillow shams, Miss Hattie Goldstein, Portland; two wall statues, Mr. and Mrs. J. Baer, San Francisco; set of silver spoons, knives and forks, in plush cases, Mr. and Mrs. Blum and Mr. and Mrs. Hart, San Francisco; musical album, Mr. Adolph Colman, San Francisco; angora robe, Mr. and Mrs. J. Colman, San Francisco; silver urn, M. and E. Rothchild, San Francisco; silver tea set and tray, Mr. Moritz Marcus, San Francisco; pair silver napkin rings, Mr. Ike Eisenbach, San Francisco; set of silver knives, Mr. W. H. Brown, San Francisco; two statues, Mrs. Cohnrich, San Francisco; silver cake stand, Mr. and Mrs. Sam. Frank, Baker City; silver cake stand, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bamberger, Baker City; silver card receiver, Mr. Carl Dielsheimer, Baker City; dwelling house and furniture, Mr. and Mrs. A. Sommer, and Mr. and Mrs. D. Sommer, Summerville; parlor chandelier, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bloch; silver castor, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Marx; large silver cake, fruit and nut stand, Mr. Mox Sommer; set silver knives, forks and spoons, Mr. and Mrs. Mox Bloch; silver castor, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Palmer; silver butter dish, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Rogers; ivory carving set, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bryant; flower stand, Mr. Jas. Clayborne; pair of vases, Mr. and Mrs. D. Chaplin; glass set, Mr. and Mrs. Cothero; plush album, Mr. Isaac Vogel; plush album, Misses Rosa, Fanny and Mary Sommer; painted banner, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Finn; silver butter dish, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Dwight; set of silver tea spoons, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Slater; majolica pitcher and plate, Mr. Jas. Slater; velvet slipper case with set of scissors, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sondgrass; set of silver spoons, Mr. Julius Wertheimer.

At the Republican Primary election of this precinct, last Tuesday, the following named delegates were chosen to attend the County Convention: D. F. Moore, C. E. Davis, W. T. Wright, J. W. Strange, Wm. Young, A. J. Goodbrod, and A. C. Cook.

Correspondence Croppings.

April 4th, 1886.

Geo. Benson arrived from Baker City, Thursday.

A. L. Blacker has been in town several days, disposing of some provisions brought from Union.

John Canady came into town astride of one of Alberman's mules, Tuesday. Jake makes a good D. D.

B. Messier brought in a load of bacon, Friday. There being no sale for it here, he took it back to Ailen and stored it.

There were eight new arrivals by last evening's stage. All remained in Ailen, there being no lodging accommodations here.

R. C. Warinner returned to Grande Ronde the fore part of the week. It is understood he will return soon and open a restaurant here.

We have a new society here, composed of the more aristocratic class, called the K. of L. (Knights of Leisure). Some of those who have been blackballed, maliciously call the society the "Knights of Laziness."

Reporters and workmen positively not admitted. Contracted meetings held at the corner grocery, where empty boxes and nail eggs are handy.

Friday afternoon, while George Litz green, clerk and assayer at the White man mine, was working in the shop near the mine, 1500 feet of lumber, held by cleats overhead, slipped from its fastenings and struck him, knocking him down. Had it not been for the work truss in the shop, which caught and held the lumber, he probably would have received fatal injuries. As it was, he escaped with a few slight bruises. Some workmen had dug the bank away from the side of the building, causing it to spread and throw the lumber from the cleats.

CLIMAX.

High Valley Hash.

Our school opens on the 12th, with Seymour Corpe as teacher.

Wilkinson Bro's have moved their stock from their tule rancho out to the edge.

Mr. Ed. Robinette and several others went to Pine valley, recently, and more will follow shortly.

Getting our crops in, seems to be a heavy drag. May will find some not entirely through seeding.

Elder Morrison started for his Malheur rancho a few days ago—our loss till November comes again.

A bran new organ with vocal attachment has been received at the home of Doc. Robinette. They have not named it yet.

Owing to disabled fingers the "High Valley hash slinger" has not appeared for some time, but here goes for items, both new and old.

Mr. Cline, who left here four years ago, and went to Missouri, returned last week with his family. He thinks Oregon is good enough for him.

Some men go headlong through the world, and may hurt his more plodding neighbor, yet his energy often acts as a stimulant to his weaker brother. Others go steadily onward, knowing no stop, the base ingratitude of man to man makes angels weep. The parasite at the bottom of the ditch that is always trying to pull down, must, himself, sooner or later, sink into oblivion. Our efforts often seem hopeless, but men always appreciate the good will of neighbors and friends.

HOMO.

Elgin Echoes.

Weather very changeable.

Salmon are caught in Clark's creek now.

The travel to the Willowa through Elgin is increasing.

The Misses Kennedy, of Union, attended our Literary Society Wednesday evening.

Mr. Frank Wilson and Mr. Kennedy, of Union, were in town Wednesday and Thursday.

Dr. McNaughton and wife cut sixteen cords of wood, and are now engaged in fencing their lot.

Mr. W. B. Hamilton, who was sick for a couple of weeks, is regaining his strength, and will be around soon.

R. E. Stevens has put up a plank fence around his residence. A nice little gate in it, attracts the travelers attention.

The Elgin Literary and Debating Society has adjourned till next winter. The last question was one of great interest—"Resolved, that the doctrine of original sin, vicarious atonement, and eternal punishment is true, and in accordance with the principles of justice."

Another Republican.

Born.—To the wife of W. T. Wright, Thursday, April 8th, a son. Tom says he will never go back on humanity, or the republican party, and will spare no pains to perpetuate the former and furnish recruits to the latter. Hurrah for Tom!

From Washington Territory.

A correspondent writing to us from Ellensburg, W. T., says: "Work has commenced on the Cascade tunnel, they are in about twelve hundred feet. A new town has been started, about three miles from the tunnel, called Georgetown. It contains 7 saloons, 10 stores, 3 blacksmith shops, 5 hotels, 2 livery stables, 3 bakeries, 3 shoe shops, 2 saddle shops, 2 barber shops, 3 drug stores, 1 bank, 2 printing offices and 2 butcher shops. Yakima city is about the size of Union, and Ellensburg about a quarter as large."

FROM IDAHO.

The Snake River Basin—A Vast Region For Stock Growers—Graphic and Vivid Pen Pictures.

Boise City, Mar. 30, 1886.

Ep. Scout:—We seem to have suddenly been metamorphosed from a mountain-locked valley to a wind-swept plain, to have merged from the semi-tropical climate of our own Pacific zone, to a blizzard wracked mesa of Dakota. For one week—seven solid days—we have had one continuous never-let-up-a-minute blow. We never before fully appreciated what it was to be blown with restless violence round about the pendant tent. It is not a "chinook," either, but is most decidedly chilly, coming from the north-west.

The month of February generally witnesses the breaking up of winter here, and it usually starts with a "chinook" (coast wind) blowing very softly at first—never feebly in gusts—but with gradually increasing force. To one who has never witnessed the action of a "chinook" on the snow, it is a marvelous sight. It sometimes lasts twenty-four hours, the thermometer will rise to 55 and the snow and ice rapidly disappear. The streams may be fast locked in icy fetters, the landscape, one dazzling expanse of snow, the air filled with rippling frost, but a "chinook" has any business in that quarter, it don't hesitate on the order of its coming, but comes at once, and in a few hours knocks that winter scene so far along into spring that you wouldn't recognize it.

This has been a most remarkably fine winter for the range cattle, and the loss has been practically nothing. Many dealers have large herds of thoroughbreds on the road from the east. We cannot have too many, for Idaho has 25,000,000 acres of pasture land to offer the cattle grower. Every hill and mountain side is a pasture, teeming and luxuriant with the most nutritious grasses, where, during the summer season, or, more properly, from May to December, stock thrive and fatten. Streams and springs of purest crystal water abound in every gulch and ravine, little groves of quaking asp, choke-cherry and willow furnish shade during the summer heat, and shelter from the storms of early spring and fall. This is the summer range, but for the winter, the stock are driven to the low plains. Snake river basin has less snow fall than any other portion of the territory, and it furnishes to innumerable cattle a warm winter range, with an abundance of white sage, bunch and sand grasses for feed. While snow in the mountain ranges falls to a depth of from one to a dozen feet, according to the altitude, nine winters in ten the fall in Snake river basin will not exceed from three or four inches, and only lies on the ground a few days at a time.

In summer, the basin affords no nutriment whatever to cattle, being parched and dried by the sun until it presents to the eye a gray and arid desert, with no vegetable growth but the spragling sage-brush, and no animal life save the prowling coyote or panting lizard. Between the traveler and the distant horizon, wavering lines of heat rise, trembling and throbbing as if the earth were resolving its self under the fiery rays of the sun.

No object breaks the monotonous gray of the level sweep, save where ever and anon a black, irregular line of lava is sharply silhouetted against the sky. This briefly describes Snake river plains in summer. But, with the first rains of autumn, the whole aspect of the scene changes. Dust, the accumulation of months, is washed from the sage, tufts of bunch and sand grass spring up, green and flourishing, herds of cattle and hundreds of deer, that have been summering in the cool valleys of the adjacent mountains, wander across the plain to their accustomed winter quarters, the sleeping echoes are awakened by the lusty shout of the cow-boy, or the short, whip-like crack of the hunter's rifle, and the scene of desolation and solitude has evidently burst into life, activity and adventure.

From the border along the southwestern portion of the territory, south of Snake river, and extending in an easterly direction around the sweeping bend of that stream, for 300 miles, is an immense tract of winter range, as yet comparatively unoccupied. This section, and indeed nearly all of this great basin will forever remain the undisputed domain of the cattle man. The character of the country is such that a very small portion of it can ever be utilized for agriculture. Its advantages are equally balanced for Eastern Oregon and southern and central Idaho, and the drives from any of these points named, to the great grazing belt, are short enough to warrant the assertion that at no very distant day the enterprising stock men of these sections will have cattle in uncounted thousands, roaming there. And we confess we envy them—the stock men, we mean, for there is no life that offers the peculiar fascination, the irresistible allurements and the wild, free independence of the north-western cattle grower.

W. EARL.

Appreciated.

During Thursday and Friday last, 13 subscriptions to the SCOUT were sent in from various parts of the county, accompanied by the cash. Very good for two days. Our list is increasing at an average of three a day, and has been doing so for months, proving that the SCOUT is, peculiarly, the people's paper. It is the only paper in the county in which political, financial and social questions, affecting the welfare of the masses, can be discussed impartially, and this fact is known and appreciated by the people. Every fair minded man in the county, who is not already taking the paper should subscribe at once, before the opening of the political campaign. We care but little about politics, but in common with the people at large we do want competent men to fill our public offices, and when the proper time arrives we will probably have a word or two to say regarding different candidates, and there will be no indecision about our comments.

Cove Gullings.

April 8th., 1886.

J. Horton and family have moved from Cove and settled on Big creek.

The Laundry Queen men have been doing the place this week, with fair success.

Jno. Magann and family started, Tuesday, for Yaquina Bay where they will reside.

M. Irving has moved from the canyon into town, and is occupying the Wilkinson dwelling.

The cheese factory will probably commence manufacturing for the season, next Monday.

Churchill Bro's, H. A. Thomas and Al. Crow started for Lost Prairie, Willowa, searching for desirable homes.

Mrs. Fairbanks, of Lower Cove, has, with her own hand, trapped and shot nearly three hundred squirrels.

The local musical talent are busily at work on the opera of Patience and will present it at no distant date.

Both mercantile firms have received fresh supplies of goods, this week, and Cove is not the dullest place in the valley by any means.

The republican primaries were held Tuesday, and the following delegates to the county convention were chosen: M. B. Rees, E. J. Thomas and J. M. Selder.

Candidates for county offices are still coming to the surface. Prof. A. J. Hackett, a graduate of the State University, will be a candidate for school superintendent. He is considered, by his acquaintances, a worthy young man and eminently suited for the office.

The democracy of Cove convened on Wednesday and elected delegates to the county convention as follows: C. M. Jameson, G. Gray, W. Duncan, J. Gephart, T. Jones, H. Harrell, Frank Mitchell and H. L. Daugherty, H. Harrell was nominated for Justice of the peace.

The Bohemian Glass Blowers show was well attended, Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. McDaniel's baby received the prize; for prettiest girl present, Miss Minnie Bloom was the chosen one; for handsomest married lady, Mrs. Eugene Foster. Through a misunderstanding the judges, Mrs. Geer, Jameson and Wright, were laboring under, who thought that the next prize offered was for the best looking gentleman present, Jasper Stevens was awarded the prize intended for the homeliest man. The ladies feel quite grieved over their mistake.

It is whispered that before many moons, the population of the Cove will be decimated by two—four young and highly respected citizens resolving themselves into two. Had my best girl been at the show, she certainly would have received the prize for greatest beauty.—C. Of all catch penny failures, the Bohemians take the bake shop.—W. I was pleasantly disappointed in not receiving the ship for the homeliest man.—B. I will be compelled to go to the rink, after this, and look after my feminine interests.—H.

Antelope Items.

April 7, 1886.

Weather fine.

Farmers most through seeding.

Grass getting good, stock will soon begin to recruit.

Mr. and Mrs. Dolan expect to reside in North Powder, in a few days.

We observed the genial countenance of "Rough and Ready" in Telocaset, this week.

The farmers are now busily engaged killing ground-squirrels—not for the bounty, but to save their crops.

Mrs. Cromwell, of this place, took her departure for the Willamette Valley, to visit relatives and friends, on the 29th. of Mar.

Mr. Hugh Lynch has had another severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism. We would advise him to stay in doors until the weather gets warm.

Tomlinson & Crowley left this week with their band of sheep, for Ladd canyon. We learn that some one has sailed the range north of Antelope. Look out, sheep men.

Mr. Frazier—the old gentleman, came near having a serious loss by fire a few days ago. His dwelling roof caught fire from a stove-pipe, and burnt quite a hole before the flames were subdued.

Mrs. Hugh Lynch, accompanied by her sister, Miss Shoemaker, has gone to visit relatives and friends at the Cove. Miss Shoemaker remains there with her mother. The young bachelors say they will have to devise some plan by which to keep them here. We wish you well, boys, and glory in your judgement, but pity your spunk.

Bill Frazier's team got away from him a few days ago, while unhooking from the plow, running about, one tore loose from the other, ran down into Mr. Lynch's field near by, where his hired man was harrowing, running between the man and the team and by getting snared in the lines, was soon subdued. No serious results.

ANTELOPE RANGER.

Democratic Primary.

The democratic primary election for this precinct, was held on the 7th inst. Willis Skiff and J. B. Thomson were nominated for Justice's of the Peace; J. G. Canady and E. E. Cates for Constables. A. C. Craig was elected member of the County Central Committee, for this precinct. The following named delegates were elected to attend the County Convention, on the 22nd: A. C. Craig, Wm. Hutchinson, T. B. H. Green, Ed. Remillard, J. S. Elliott, D. B. Hitt, Andy Wilkinson, T. H. Crawford, Geo. E. Owen, Stephen Connor, John W. Kennedy, and T. P. Beard, Jr.