

Local and General.

FIRST CLASS.—The entertainment given by Rentfrow's Pathfinders, at Wright's hall last Wednesday evening, was not largely attended, but was pronounced first class by all who witnessed it, and better than any troupe that has visited Union for some time. The price of admission charged by the majority of troupes that visit us, is entirely too much, and it is not in accordance with the times, and if they are not greeted with large audiences, the reason should certainly be obvious to them. The troupe that have recently visited this place, have been composed of the cheapest kind of five cent men, who, when in the east, would not think of charging more than 25 cents admission, yet will visit the west, bringing their parsimonious habits with them, and expect us to pay them a dollar admission. This country is fast getting on a level with the Eastern states in methods and manner of doing things, and the sooner these itinerant showmen and their kind are better it will be for them.

IT DIDN'T WORK.—Our friend Joe, Yewell, of Pyle canyon, likes to keep things in good shape around his premises, but candor compels us to admit that he is not a success in some things. He put in the full day Tuesday, blacking his harness, with an original mixture of his, composed of lamp black, tallow, tar and several other ingredients which he thought would be good. Wednesday he hitched up his bay and white critters and started to town. When he arrived back his friends were surprised to see Joe driving what appeared to be a brindle mustang from the pampas of South America, and a beautiful black and white zebra from Africa. Upon closer investigation, however, the ingredients of his mixture were established and the true cause of the peculiar appearance of the animals explained. Joe was a little hot in the collar and his friends forbore putting any unnecessary questions. He will probably discard this new method of blacking in the future.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—On Friday last Mr. Chas. Wilson, while riding near Mr. Connor's residence, between here and High Valley, met with a very serious accident. The horse he was riding became frightened, and starting to run, stumbled and fell on top of Mr. Wilson, crushing his shoulder blade and collarbone in a terrible manner. He lay in an unconscious condition for some time, but was finally discovered by Mr. Connor, who conveyed him to his house. Dr. Capps was sent for and elevated the sufferer of the unfortunate man, who is now getting along as well as could be expected. Mr. Wilson is a poor man, and has a family, which makes this misfortune all the harder to bear.

PROPOSED O. R. & N. LEASE.—A dispatch dated New York, June 22, says, one of the directors of the Oregon & Transcontinental company yesterday sent the following message to this city: "The prospect of leasing the properties of the Oregon Railway & Navigation company to the Northern Pacific and Oregon Short Line jointly has not yet been considered by the Northern Pacific people. The lease deal will probably be made in the course of time, but the Oregon & Transcontinental directors only can approve of it, which they are not very likely to do in advance of their meeting."

DONATED LIBERALLY.—The committee of ladies appointed to see who will contribute provisions of different kinds to the celebration dinner, have been very successful. A few small-souled individuals refused to give anything, but the majority donated liberally. No pains should be spared to have plenty to eat, as there will be a vast multitude of "strangers within our gates" on that day, and it would be a pity for any of them to go away hungry.

LOST BOY.—Mrs. Isabella Sheets, of Naples, Scott county, Illinois, writes to the Oregonian as follows: "My son, William Sheets, left home for the West six years since. He was then 16 years old. I have not heard from him since, but I understand that he and the company with him were going to Oregon. Any information in regard to his whereabouts will be very thankfully received by his anxious mother."

RICH STRIKE.—A rich vein was struck in the Red Boy, in the Pine Creek district, last Tuesday by the owners, Tartar & Osborne. The rock is fine milling and goes about \$10.00 to the ton. Campbell & Thornley own the extension of this mine and feel highly elated over the recent find. We wish them success. —(Sage Brush.)

PINE CREEK ROAD.—D. P. McDaniels was in town Wednesday and reports that work on the Pine Creek road is progressing nicely. He says they will probably reach Cornucopia by the 4th of July. The contractors will then discharge most of the men, and with a picked force come back over the road and finish it.

GOON MUSIC.—On Thursday evening last, the Union Silver Cornet Band, seated in Elliott's big passenger wagon, were driven around town and delighted the residents with some choice selections of music. It is to be hoped they will favor us often in the same manner.

A REWARD.—James O'Neil, of Boise City, offers \$1,000 in clean cash for information as to his wife's whereabouts. We would advise Mr. O'Neil to blow in about \$75.00 in procuring a brain new helpmate, and then have a high old time on the remaining nine twenty-five.

REDUCED RATES.—A request has been made to the railroad authorities to carry passengers from the different railroad points to this city on the 5th, at reduced rates, and no doubt they will comply with the request, in which case we will give the rates in our next issue.

FOREIGNERS.—Senator Dolph's wagon road forfeiture bill passed the senate. It includes the Eugene, Albany and Dalles wagon companies, requires the courts to declare all lands not claimed by the proper building of the roads forfeited.

BASE BALL.—We understand that the La Grande and Baker City baseball clubs will play a match game in this city on the 5th. It would be a very interesting game, and we are in hopes the encounter will take place.

ACQUITTED.—Young Gardiner, of Sand Ridge, who had a hearing this week before Justice Thomson, on a charge of perjury, was acquitted.

FOR SALE.—4080 acres of land, all in one body. Also a block in Union, by Bell & Tuttle.

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. He means what he says. Try him.

For Sale.

An excellent place adjoining this city for sale at a bargain. It contains 40 acres of splendid land, good dwelling house and outbuildings, and the best orchard in the country. For further information apply at this office.

The Kimball organs have no equal.

Brief Bulletins.

RAID FOR THE 3RD.—On the 5th of July Jesse Hardsy left for Cornucopia, last Thursday.

We wonder what is being done about that "contest."

Why don't the young men of Union start a bicycle club?

The contract for building the Island City mill, has been let.

A gang of professional beggars were in the city this week.

Two quart fruit cans \$1.25 per dozen at J. O. Wright's big shop.

Read the ed of the celebration to be given at Elgin on the 3rd.

Rev. Watson will preach, to-morrow, in Telamaset at 12 o'clock.

A. T. Neill, our next county clerk, will move over in a few days.

The new "court house ring" will take charge of affairs, July 5th.

Services at the Presbyterian church, Sunday, June 27th, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

A grasshopper to be composed of small boys, is being organized in Baker City.

Mrs. E. Mathews took her departure, last Monday, for her home in Moscow, W. T.

Several parties of young people from this city spent Sunday last in the mountains.

Fred Weigman was found dead in his cabin near Sumpter, Baker county, on the 15th inst.

Several thunder showers during the week, but of short duration and but little benefit to the crops.

Billy Wilson has a couple of gold fish in his saloon. They are beauties and attract much attention.

The Summerville Brass Band will in all probability take part in the celebration in this city on the 5th.

Fire crackers, fire works, cartridges for shot guns, oranges and lemons at Cove drug store on the Fourth.

The ladies of the M. E. church will give a sawdust and ice cream festival, on the evening of July 3rd.

The bills of our advertising patrons will be presented in a few days. A prompt settlement is requested.

Jesse Applegate, a well known planter of Oregon, is rapidly losing his mind, and has to be continually watched.

George Stafford, this week painted an elegant sign for Ed. Remillard's "Good Templar Billiard Hall," at the Cove.

Chamberlain, the man who was shot by Woodruff, in Lower Wallowa valley, on election day, is slowly improving.

A Haverhill woman refused to shoo her hens because her husband, a shoemaker, was on a strike. —(Lowell Citizen.)

Our present county board have finished their labors, and the finances of the county will, henceforth, be in other hands.

Frank Bro's, Implement Co. of Island City lead all others. There is nothing pertaining to farm machinery they do not keep.

Rev. Booth will occupy the pulpit in the M. E. church, to-morrow morning. There will be no services at that church in the evening.

Al. Goodbrod has a company of young soldiers in training. When out on parade they present a very formidable and warlike appearance.

Union Lodge No. 39, I. O. O. F. will install their officers for the ensuing year, next Friday evening. All members should be in attendance.

The telephone line between La Grande and Island City, was struck by lightning a few days ago, and a number of the poles utterly demolished.

We are informed by School Supt. Hindman that a public examination of teachers, will be held at Summerville, on Monday and Tuesday next.

Saunders has just received, from the East, a large assortment of men and boys' shoes, which will be sold at the extremely low price of from \$1 to \$2 a pair.

Hoppper was selected as the county seat of Morrow county, at the recent election. The Lexington people are hostile and will probably contest the election.

Haying will soon commence, and farmers will be in need of oil for their mowers. John Wright, the druggist, of this city, carries a fine line of lubricating oils.

Mr. Newhard, proprietor of the hot lake, has added several bath rooms to his hotel, and otherwise increased his facilities for making his patrons comfortable.

Sage Brush: The quartz mill across the river crushed sixteen tons of ore from the Tom Payne mine, near Paochontas, last week, which gave very favorable returns.

Valuable assistance would be given by the road growers of this section, towards building a wooden mill in this city. If any competent person would take the matter in hand.

It is now only one week till we celebrate. The various committees should lose no time in perfecting their arrangements, and leave nothing undone to make the celebration creditable.

Special rates have been offered by the O. R. & N. Co. to members of the G. A. R. and their families, who wish to attend the Grand Encampment at San Francisco, which convenes Aug. 2nd.

An extensive vein of cannel coal has been discovered on the Grande Ronde river, about twenty-five miles from its mouth, by the Harbin brothers, of Astoria, Washington Territory. —(East Oregonian.)

With this issue we close volume two of the SCOUT. Those who have not paid their subscriptions to this volume are requested to do so at once. In case of delay, bills will be made out and fifty cents extra will be charged.

The members of the hook and ladder company are requested to meet at Jones Bro's store this evening, for the purpose of making arrangements to take part in the celebration, to be held in this city on the 5th. All should be in attendance.

The Chief says, "The Legore brothers and John Row are working on their mine, on the mountains just south of town. They have tapped the "Pine Leaf" at the 75-foot level and the ore shows to be much richer in gold and silver at that level than on the surface."

The Baker City Sage Brush kicks because men, boys, and women are in the habit of bathing promiscuously together, in broad daylight near the bridge crossing the slough in that city. A peculiar state of morality must prevail in Baker. We presume "Old Shep" don't swim.

In some parts of Wyoming, sunflowers are used for fuel. The stalks, when dry, are very hard and make an exceedingly hot fire. The seeds are said to be equal to hard coal for heating purposes. An acre of sunflowers will furnish sufficient fuel for one stove for twelve months.

Judging by the way the "Twin Poets" of Summerville, whose effusion appears in another column, are enthused, we conclude that the people of that section are chuck full of patriotism, which will bubble up and overflow, at the celebration to be held at Elgin, on the 3rd. Whoopurup!

Summerville Letter.

ELGIN SCOUT.—It has been decided that Elgin will celebrate.

"And there'll be tumult in the air. The first shrill note, the drum's loud beat, And through the wide land everywhere The answering tramp of hurrying feet."

Then will the American eagle shake his tail, spread his wings, and, soaring into empyrean realms, gloriously and happily typify the irresistible, mighty, and mystic onward sweep of one grand occidental—of one grand occidental—ahem! of this great country.

Then will the piercing screams "like an arrow cleave the air," and strike terror to the pusillanimous anatomy of the sanguinary lion, whose fiercely glaring optics and couchant attitude are a perpetual menace to those inestimable, blood-bought liberties for which our ancestors, fought, bled, phlebotomized and deceased.

On that day, the purely patriotic politician will proclaim the party policy "played," and will prepare the people for perpetual pleasure, provided they place him in plenary power.

Then amid deafening drums, hooping horns, playing pennons, flapping flags, and the holiday hum of hoedlums, lulling to languor like the voice of many waters; while cycling worlds in realms remote, reverberating, roll sounds of ringing applause, will our orator recount the struggles he has had to uphold the nation's honor; how he has borne brunt of many bitter battles, (bitter bottles); how he has fleshed his falchion, (foiled his followers); and feilded the fiery foe. Then will odoriferous breezes blow, and the sweet perfume of crushed dog-fennel and smartweed, rise as incense sweet to the goddess with the low necked dress. Then will mingle the musical melody of the mellow mixer for the monkey manufactory, the constant roll of incoming and outgoing vehicles, the snap of the ever present fire-cracker and cent-a-grab torpedo, with the stirring announcement that some plulian tropical son of unselfishness will take you "twenty times around the world for the small sum of a dime."

But poverty of speech prevents a recital of the ga-lo-ri-ous time expected.

Youth and beauty will be there. Wit and wisdom will be there. "Mike" and "Tom"—we'll be there. The dude with his cane, and the dogs will be there, and the swing, and goodness knows how many other good things. Then come and be blest.

Let man and woman, dog and dude,—All animate creation,—The hidden fair, the frowning prude, Attend our celebration.

Come hear the speeches, smell the breeze, From clover meadows straying, And watch the gambols, 'neath the trees, Of graceful donkey braying.

"I repeat it, sir, let 'em come!"

MIE AND TOM,

The Twin Poets.

Summerville Siftings.

Grain looking very well.

Showery during the week.

Mr. Herman Waldeck, of Elgin, is in town.

B. D. Hubers and Chas. Holgarth returned from Portland, Saturday.

Some of Summerville's citizens will celebrate at Joseph the coming 4th.

There is every indication of a plentiful crop of huckleberries the present season.

The daughters of Mr. A. Sommer, of La Grande, are visiting at Mr. D. Sommers' of this place.

Mr. D. Sommer has a young son of Germany now clerking in his store. Can't speak a word of English.

M. G. G. Patten and John Tuttle were out hunting during the week, and succeeded in killing a deer.

A petition is being circulated to retain Mr. C. D. McDowell, the present post-master at this place, in office.

Wonder what is the reason the Union club did not accept the challenge sent them by the Summerville Baseball Club.

Ed. E. Cates was in town Sunday morning. He came down with a warrant for the arrest of Neut Gardiner, for perjury.

F. D. McCully, of Joseph, was in town on Sunday. Mr. McCully will run the mail line to Joseph for a few weeks after his contract expires.

Mr. F. B. Collins' school in Iowa district will close July 2nd. Mr. Collins will accept a position in the bank at this place as soon as that time arrives.

Mr. B. D. Hubers has concluded not to have an elevator put in his store, since his visit to Portland, having had some experience in the elevator business while gone.

Mr. N. B. Harris and Dr. W. E. Rinehart were up in the mountains Sunday for the purpose of locating a camping ground, where they, with their families, intend to rest from the multitudinous cares of life, July 3rd. and 4th.

Several of the boys who have been working for Shaw & McLeod on the Pine Creek road, returned during the week. They said they did not mind the work, but did not like to walk four miles to and from it, before and after working hours.

CRANK.

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. Give him a call at his shop, south of the school house, Union.

Farmers and Mechanics.

Save money and doctor bills. Relieve your Mothers, Wives and Sisters by a timely purchase of Dr. Bosanko's Cough and Lung Syrup, best known remedy for Coughs, Croup and Bronchial affections. Relieves Children of Croup in one night; may save you hundreds of dollars. Price 50 cents and \$1.00. Samples free. Sold by J. T. Wright, Union, Oregon.

Cove Gullings.

June 24th, 1886.

J. M. Why and wife visited relatives at Auburn, this week.

Alex. Cochran and J. C. Doney and families have gone to Pine valley on a rusticating trip.

Mrs. Richey, of East Portland, is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mathew Mitchell of Cove.

Rain is greatly needed. Unless a generous supply soon descends, crops will be very short.

Mrs. Lou Ellis and son have ended their stay in Cove, and returned to their home in Billings.

It is said on good authority, that a rich quartz ledge has been discovered within two miles of town.

Miss Rachel Miller has returned to North Powder and will reside with Mr. Parker's family, this summer.

Mrs. Pugh and son, Melbourne, have gone to the Willamette valley, to be at the bedside of a sick relative.

A sail boat has been built at the Sand Ridge lake, and the owners enjoy a pleasant sail these warm days.

Miss Maggie Laughlin, late music teacher at the Ascension school, started, Wednesday, for a visit to her home in Fort Dodge, Iowa.

A party, consisting of Mrs. Lou Payne, Misses Merrill and Lulu Foster, and Geo. Hess, started for Walla Walla, Monday, on a pleasure trip.

Miss Sullivan has gone to Spokane Falls, where she will visit friends during the summer. She has accepted a position in St. Helen's Hall, as teacher.

S. B. Burroughs, proprietor of the planing mill, received, Thursday, a severe cut on the head from a flying stick, while working near the busy little buzz saw.

Rev. R. H. Boyles was in town last week, holding services in lower Cove. He has decided to locate at the Pine creek mines, believing that they will prove very rich.

A Fourth of July ball will be given at Wright's hall, Cove, on Saturday the 3rd. Dancing will commence in the afternoon and continue until midnight, with a supper at 9 o'clock.

J. M. Cravens, who went, last January, to San Francisco for medical treatment, has returned with his health greatly improved. He appears and talks as though he might have discovered the fountain of youth.

A large fireworks balloon will be sent up near the Cove drug store, at 9 o'clock July 3rd. It will be worth seeing. If one can be engaged for the occasion, a trapeze performer will make the ascent on the swinging bar of the balloon.

H. J. Geer, laboring under the delusion that he was near kin of Sampson, found out his mistake the other day, when assisting a delicate porker, of some 300 pounds weight, into a wagon. Heman has been carrying his arm and shoulder in a sling, since.

When the mock warrant was served on me in Union, I wasn't scared, oh no.—M. Tra-la. I have got to hurry to catch up.—Ed. Excuse me, but this calf wants a drink now.—J. Cove has lost its charm for me.—Wm. Some advertising signs appear better and more genteel, when finished.—P. & B. Somewhat discouraged, yet still on deck.—H. J. G. Good bye, kind friends. I am compelled to leave you for a time.—E. She said she would go with me to the ball on the 3rd, and I am happy.—W. Wanted.—A nice little wife to transplant in Lost Prairie.—Jo. I'm just as young as I used to be.—J. C. Sad that I was too sick to see her, on my recent trip.—R. These evenings are exquisite for walking out.—A. I am very much afraid she has ceased to see in me anything that is interesting, but I can't help it.—C.

A distressing accident happened last Sunday morning, in which Wilkins Barnes, a young man about 20 years of age, received a severe gun shot wound. With John Jones he had been hunting on the mountains northeast of town, and they were on the point of starting for home, when Mr. Barnes in pulling the rifle towards himself, discharged it; the bullet, of heavy calibre, entering his right breast and passing upward, lodged near the skin in the back. Mr. Jones left the wounded man and hastened for assistance and medical aid. In the afternoon he was carried down the steep mountain to J. T. Jewell's residence, where he has since been lying in a precarious condition. The bullet has not yet been extracted, but probably will be to-day. It is hoped the young man, who is aided by a good constitution, will survive the dreadful wound.

Martial Marauders.

The following circular was received this week from the editor of the Centervilleian, published in Umatilla county, which explains itself:

"BEWARE!"

A couple of religious fanatics who have just finished "doing" the Centerville people are now en route to Weston, and will go to Union county and then back to Walla Walla and the Upper Country. The editor of the Centervilleian takes this method of warning the people along the line. They are a pair of ignorant fools who hope to travel over the country at the expense of the gullible. We had been warned against them by private letter and because we exposed them through the columns of the Centervilleian, they undertook to abuse us on the street and in the church with foul mouth abuse. Again we warn all persons to beware of Col. and Major-General Boyle, and ask all respectable newspapers to give their readers fair warning. They left Centerville while the stars were shining in the heavens, tra-la!"

HARRISBURG, Oregon.

Some three months ago I was attacked with a severe pain in my back. I bought a package of the OREGON KIDNEY TEA, and by the time I had used one-half of it was entirely relieved and have not been troubled since. I cheerfully recommend it to all who may be suffering from a lame or weak back, as a pleasant, safe and good remedy.

R. J. GRIGSBY.

Antelope Items.

Our crops need rain. Some grain is past redemption already.

Charley Forebare left for Conner creek last Monday, on business.

All the sheep men of this valley have shipped their wool, and secured a good price for it.

Mr. and Mrs. Dolan have left our valley and taken up their abode at Ellensburg.

William Cates has been doing some carpenter work on Clover creek, for Frank Cusick.

Our school at this place is progressing nicely. The parents say their children are learning very fast.

John Blize and Duck Ficklin passed through, to-day, on a prospecting tour. Good luck follow them.

Tom Johnson has sold his interest in the band of sheep that he had on shares with John Dobins, to him.

Mrs. Cromwell returned home from the Willamette valley a few days since, bringing with her Mr. McMaw's sister.

Maude McKiefer was severely hurt by falling from a horse and striking on her head. She was insensible for some time.

Mr. Lynch and family took a flying-visit to the Cove one day this week, and brought Miss Silviah Shoemaker home with them.

One of the Hall Bros., owners of the North Powder saw mill, fell dead while rolling logs in the river up in the mountains.

John Cates left here about two weeks ago, for Wingville, Baker county, where he has taken a contract to manufacture washing machines for Vernon & Nelson.

Mr. J. A. Cates saw quite a curiosity while at Wingville. It was a chicken with four perfect legs. The two extra legs were about one half inch back of the natural ones.

The Hew Bros. and Tomlinson & Crowley have joined their hands of sheep to curtail expenses in herding, and have moved them to Tomlinson's place in High Valley.

If the people's vote of Antelope precinct don't half count in, it can half count out. We are bound to have a count, and if ever another such a trick is played on us, some one will have to pay dear for it.

In the SCOUT, recently, an item appeared, wherein it was stated that the Republicans proposed to patronize the free school system, hereafter, so as to educate their children enough to not be dependent on the caprices of Democratic judges for their votes. In this matter we don't think that one party has any right to crow or dominate over the other, for the republicans were as deep in the mud as were the democrats in the mire. Therefore say no more about it, but let it be the last time that such a trick is played, or some one will pay dear for their fun. Honesty is the best policy, let the count be as it may. Do unto others as you would wish to be done by.

High Valley Hash.

The late showers will insure a fair crop for High Valley.

Everybody getting ready to attend the celebration at Union on the 5th.

Machine agents have been quite numerous here of late, they sold two mowers and one self-binder.

Mr. J. P. Smith has sold his pre-emption claim to Wilkinson brothers, and will move to Pine Valley.

Our farmers here have struck for higher prices, and the gentle cow and prolific hen are ordered to suspend operations until further notice.

The land blockade that has settled down on all fraudulent land entries will create quite a kick when the inspector begins his investigation on all patented lands, and those applied for. Uncle Sam's mills of justice run very slow, but they grind exceeding fine. In every state and territory that has been inspected there has been found thousands of acres of patented lands that was stolen by perjury of witnesses, and every case the patents were cancelled and the land went back to the government. We have been promised this investigation and it is certainly coming. All men who have bought or held patented lands had better look well to the method by which it was obtained, and if any fraud is found, the only recourse is to secure against the patentee, who ever he may be. Even in our little corner can be found several hundred acres of land that has been gobbled up by fraudulent testimony.

HOMO.

For Gentlemen.

We are in position to name bed rock prices on Gents' Shirts, Underwear, Ties, Socks, Gloves, Suspenders, Handkerchiefs, Collars, etc. For 60c. we furnish a first class unlaundried shirt. For \$1.25, best grade of laundried shirts. We solicit the patronage of all buyers of Gents' Furnishing Goods. By writing to us, your purchases will be made economically and satisfactorily. Send us a trial order.

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