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THE COVE.

News Items From the Pen of Our Regular Correspondent.

April 7, 1887.—Robert Cochran has gone to Pine Valley, and will ranch it on his own plantation this summer.

Seed time is at hand. In nearly every field plows and harrows are at work. Weather favorable and land in good condition for a large acreage being sown.

The Cove boys are wondering who among their number are entitled to the "good advice," by "Sister June," in last week's SCOUT. Perhaps all would be benefited by her sound dictations, but the real victims seem to be lying low.

The Cove crack rifle club is indignant that it should be intimated that they could use a wash tub for a target without injury to said tub, and want it understood that they can trot out among others a shoemaker, a tanner, a knight of the yard stick, and a welder of the birch, who can everlastingly knock a tub—a large one preferred—into splinters too fine for kindling wood. High Valley papers please copy.

Lorn Fugh has gone to Pine Valley, where he will accept a position as engineer in a steam mill. Public school having closed in Island City, Misses Nellie and May Stevens have returned to their home in the Cove.

Advertised letters remaining in Cove postoffice, April 1st: Miss Emma Briggs, Miss Lulu Briggs, Nathan Blank, John Makin, A. Waldrum, L. Shelton, S. J. Tompson.

It was a mistake; the other one was the victim of an April fool joke.—C. Don't look lonesome; my comrades have all flown.—W. M. I can hit a goose now every time, and don't you forget it.—D. L. Me too.—J. F. I have a good mind to chastise you yet.—J. Well, here I am, so go it.—G. I am sadder when alone.—M. Wonder when my girl will come down from Union and take me a buggy ride?—L.

E. P. McDaniel has gone to Cour d'Alene on a business trip. Eagle Valley Etchings. Plowing, gardening and ditching is the business now.

Mrs. Beck has been dangerously sick but we understand is now growing better. Spring has come in earnest, and many stock men are rejoicing. The hills are green, and horses and cattle can get a good bite any place.

Our literary died a natural death, but not without doing a great deal of good. Several very important questions were discussed very ably.

R. B. Makinson returned from the East, where he went about a month ago with a band of horses. He expects good demand and prices for horses.

A great many of our ranchers are planting large gardens this spring, anticipating a good price and demand in the Cornucopia market. We hope they will not be deceived.

The Neut, Young ditch is undergoing a grand improvement. This is the third year the new company have tried to fill their contract. We hope they will be successful this time.

Our little valley is undergoing a great change by way of improvements and immigration. Several new houses of good style were built last summer and we understand many more will be built this year.

Chas. Yewing, who went East last winter, has returned, accompanied by a bride, father, mother and thirteen others. Charley, we wish you a long happy life. Come, old batches, let us all go East, maybe we can do as well.

Our Sunday school is on the wane and unless it receives assistance soon it must surely go as did our literary. Wake up, both young and old, take an interest in this grand and noble cause. Put your shoulders to the wheel and it will move gracefully and easily.

Recently, during services at the school house, (Dist. No. 47) some of our most prominent young men behaved so very rude that the minister, (Mr. Boyle) had to allude in a very round-about way concerning such behavior, while several older and more refined people looked with contempt upon them. Now, boys, our Sunday school and meetings are held, not for the purpose of merriment as you seem to think, but for a great good. If you will listen to the sermons and to the teachings of the Bible, it will elevate you and make such men of you as people love to have around. If you can't behave don't go, for you are liable to get into trouble. JACKO.

Our Mines.

Spring Work Commencing—Hospital to be Established—Extensive Preparation on the Whitman.

AN EMBRYO NASBY. Cornucopia, April 4, 1887.

The snow has settled to 5 feet in our town. W. R. Usher is again rusticated at the "Way up."

The pay roll of the Louisville Company was over \$2500 for the month of March. Stages are now arriving on time, the road having been shoveled out to an average depth of 18 inches.

D. C. Marchand, book keeper for the O. G. M. Co., has resigned his position on account of failing health, and goes to Baker to-day.

Alberson & Gaylord are doing a fine business and will lay in a heavy stock for the spring and summer trade. Mr. Alberson starts to Portland to-morrow.

R. C. Warriner was appointed Justice of the Peace at the last session of the County court. The appointment gives general satisfaction to all law abiding citizens.

Steps have been taken to organize a hospital company here and a committee consisting of Jos. Luce, J. T. Bolles, and H. Curran were appointed to raise funds for the same.

R. C. Warriner has leased the Young hotel and will be prepared to entertain visitors in true metropolitan style. Dick is an old hotel man and knows how to cater to the public.

Seventy men were employed in shoveling out the road from Moore's camp to Cornucopia, for two days and a half, the O. G. M. Co. paying for one half the labor and the citizens donating the balance on the job.

One of the funny things which do so much to break the monotony of life in the snow was a letter from a prominent citizen of Telescope, to our worthy post-master, stating that he had attempted to reach Cornucopia, but had learned at Sparta that the roads were impassable. The object of his visit being to obtain the appointment of P. M. for this place. He was perfectly willing to sacrifice his business at Telescope if he could serve the administration at Washington in the capacity of P. M. He gave W. T. Wright and others as references as to qualifications, etc.

The "Whitman" at a depth of 240 feet shows up a fine two foot ledge of high grade ore, and the work already laid out by the company insures the employment of at least one hundred men for the entire summer. Part of the force are now at work excavating for the mill, right into the mountain from Pine creek, one hundred feet wide by three hundred feet deep, with three levels. The expense of building this mill, not including purchase price of machinery and freight, will be about \$30,000. The lumber—200,000 feet, will begin to come in to-morrow, F. W. Kennedy being the contractor for the hauling. The machinery will amount to 225 tons, which will be hauled on wheels from Baker City. The mess house is now nearing completion and will be one of the most substantial buildings in the place. The dimensions of this building is 30x70 feet, built of hewn logs. Prof. Luce, the superintendent, deserves great credit for the substantial manner in which these buildings are constructed.

More anon, "Jumbo."

Antelope Items. Ben. Mache has been on the sick list. There will be no school until the first of May.

Miss Civilla Shoemaker is visiting her folks at the Cove. Jno. S. Clark, of Island City, was in the valley, recently, contracting for barley.

Will Bloom, of the Cove, was in the valley, recently. He did not make his business known, but we suppose he was up to see his darling.

There is a party who has a fish trap in Antelope creek, and keeps it entirely dammed up. We think it advisable for him to open the creek at once. PETER PUS.

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ISLAND CITY.

Fashion Notes Reported Expressly for The "Oregon Scout."

Loveliness never had a better opportunity of being enhanced by dress than to-day, but, alas! it is terribly trying to its possessor—ugliness.

One young lady has a complete summer outfit made of white material in various tints, with a little variation in accessories to her numerous toilets and costumes. One dress is a complete costume of soft, white colored silk, wonderfully embroidered in shaded white, and the roses, and bonnet and small mantle to match, trimmed with lovely maiden-hair fern lace. The parasol matches the dress and has a border of roses in foliage, hand embroidered like the dress and a fall of lace from the canopied top. This costume is to be worn at a rose-fete in June.

Of two white walking dresses, one is cream serge, trimmed with cream silk braid, the front cut in a square trevet shape over a knife pleating at the edge, straight pleated back and pleated bodice, clustered plaits at sides. The basque is short and pointed, the embroidery outlining a vest. An evening dress of gathered gauze over ivory silk, the skirt straight and powdered all over with white violets, the stems of which are passed through a tiny loop in the gauze. This is the first dress of the kind seen here as yet.

Father Hubbards with small tucks in the banner end and slashed up the sides a la Chinese, will be worn the coming summer. Hooped pantaloons are entirely out of style, but bustles are much in vogue and are very becoming to lank spiritualistic individuals when worn with tight fitting pockets or chawhammer coats.

Calico shirts in mud colors will be the fashion for small boys. "Biled" shirts will be made high in the neck and will fasten with a small brass button. Willed collars will prevail the ensuing summer.

It is not now fashionable to carry much money in the pantaloon pockets. Dickies will be worn with two or three studs, according to the pocket of the wearer, and will be greatly prized by those who rarely if ever have their washing done. The new socks bought of the last drummer are a novelty indeed. They have five separate toes and ventilated heels made especially for bachelors and widowers, and will be greatly prized by them. Bob Greenway hats will be the small boys' favorite.

It is very aesthetic to promenade the streets with hands in breeches pockets, and grin like a Cheshire cat, so as to show a quid of tobacco stowed away for their wisdom teeth. When boots are worn with holes in them, and without socks, it is the fashion to black the feet. Chase & Baer have the desired article imported expressly for the purpose by that firm.

NEWS BUDGET. April dawned bright and beautiful. Many are busy making garden.

Business very lively indeed the past week. Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Steele and Miss Caddie Steele are the guests of Charles Goodnough. Mr. Goodnough has of late been making many improvements. Wish we had more such enterprising men in our midst.

We hope soon to chronicle the surveying of the proposed railroad. Several have been confined to their homes by illness, but we are glad to say of short duration.

O. Kirkpatrick's house caught fire; cause, defective flue. Damage fifty dollars. Mrs. Beebe is very low with consumption. Her sister from Portland has arrived, and will remain for some time.

School closed for vacation Friday last. Miss Kate Thomas is home from the Cove, where she has been attending school. SALL ANN.

High Valley Happenings. Died.—In High Valley April 3rd, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. La-more.

Fifteen against two in favor of building our imaginary school house on a new location. Willmot and Hacket were here on the 3rd, inst. making preliminary arrangements for setting up Wm. Wilkinson's saw mill.

The advertised duel that was to have been fought on Saturday was no go. The Union city marshal wants the parties to appear before him to answer former charges. HOMO.

"Merry War," "Big Ring" and "Oyster Shell," new brands of tobacco at Jones Bro's. Try them.

Grande Ronde.

Our Magnificent Valley and its Vast, but Unutilized Resources as Viewed by a Stranger.

A FEW GOOD POINTERS. Union, April 6, 1887.

Edron Scott.—In traveling over this lovely Grande Ronde Valley, I was struck with its marvelous beauty, as I gazed upon it from different localities. Its fertility of soil, its prolific and varied productions, and the general thrift of its inhabitants are noticeable on every hand. The many fine farms which dot the valley, with, generally, good substantial farm buildings, gives the idea of future wealth to their owners. Manufacturing interests, except flouring mills, are not represented to any degree, as yet, still the numerous water powers and nearly all the other requisites necessary to induce profitable investments in woolen mills and other manufacturing interests, are to be found within and about the valley.

In looking over your county papers, I find a lack of proper notice given to your county. It would seem to me that if you have any inducements to offer for investments from abroad, for any one or more lines of trade and manufacturing interests, nothing would be of more advantage to you in bringing those interests among you, than a good advertisement of them, thus bringing these advantages to the notice of those seeking profitable investment of money in these very interests you so much need and undoubtedly can have by using the proper means.

Mining interests in the south-eastern portion of your county seems now to be the great El Dorado to which all eyes are turning, and from out of them you all expect the goddess of wealth will empty into your outspread laps her golden treasures from her overflowing cornucopias. It is true there can be no doubt, that your mines will prove a most valuable acquisition to your county, and the hundreds of thousands of dollars which are being invested in them will bring the bread which has been cast upon the waters so many days and return it many fold.

But I think you have a mine representing millions of dollars, which lie almost at your very doors; one which is not so expensive to change the crude into a more convenient commodity; one in which the bowels of the earth are not impudent to give up its treasures; one in which blind ledges are not known. I refer to the abundant forests of as fine timber as can be found in any section of the State, especially that body of timber only a few miles to the south-east of your city.

It can easily be reached with wagons and other conveyances. In these days when great railroad lines are reaching out their arms and feeders into almost every valley and to almost every hamlet in the land, and calling largely upon the forests of the country to furnish the necessary material for building bridges, depots, and for tying the roads, why so fine a body of timber should remain untouched by the titan's axe, is not easily accounted for, when good timber is in such demand, unless it be that you do not bring it sufficiently to the notice of the contractors, who are anxious to find just such timber as you possess. The stream, which running idly by your very doors, and whose rippling waters, like enchanting music, has oft lulled you to sweet repose, could be utilized in floating ties from the timber to within half a mile of the Union depot. The cost of cleaning the stream for that purpose, from ten to fifteen miles, would be but small. Millions of ties could be made and shipped from this forest, thus bringing into circulation thousands upon thousands of dollars. Certain it is, that if you wish enterprises like this to come into your midst, and you desire to reap rewards out of your natural facilities, you must let it be known that you possess these advantages. If it were known to contractors for ties that you have good timber for their use, you would not have to wait long before some enterprising man would pitch his tent among you, build his mills, and make your forests ring with the hum of busy, active life, and the poetic prayer of "woodman spare that tree," would fall as unheeded as autumn's leaves on a chill October morn.

STRANGER. Cheap Boots and Shoes. Ladies' French kid shoes, \$3.50; men's boots, \$2.75; men's two-buckle shoes, \$1.25 at Vincent's. He is closing out his goods regardless of cost before getting in his spring stock. Everything else at similar prices. Now is the time to get bargains.