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CORNUCOPIA. Letter From Our Regular Correspondent Concerning the Pine Creek Mines.

Freighters are receiving two cents a pound for freight from Baker City. Pine Valley ranchers are supplying the mines with potatoes at 2 1/2 cents per pound.

It will be two months before some of the lodges can be got at to work, on account of snow. The Oregon Gold Mining Company are at work on the foundation for their twenty-stamp mill.

Cornucopia has five hotels and eating houses, four saloons, one brewery and three general merchandise stores. Some eyes are a common affliction with outdoor laborers here now, for which the snow and bright sunshine is to blame.

Parties are trying to band six mines for \$60,000, belonging to the Pine Valley company, but they have not succeeded as yet. It is expected that some extensive sales will be made of mines in the Basin before long, as there are parties negotiating for the mines.

Pine Valley has a millionaire?—that is, the gentleman asks five million dollars for his mining interests in the Pine Creek mining district. Bert Gaylord says he is going to get him a pair of spurs, white hat with fancy leather band, and a pair of shaps, then he thinks he can stand in.

The snow having been shoveled out of the canyon road so that it leaves only from one to two feet of snow in the roads, makes it passable for teams. Dr. Woods, our popular physician, is going to establish a hospital for the benefit of persons who pay monthly dues to help keep the institution in running order.

Mr. Bolles, one of our Cornucopia merchants, has been to Pine Valley, "rustling up" bacon and eggs, as grub in that line is getting rather short with some of the boys. The increase in his business with the expected rush into camp this spring has caused R. C. Wariner to rent the hotel building formerly owned by Wm. Young, with which Mr. Wariner will have better facilities to accommodate his guests. All persons stopping with him will be assured of plenty to eat and good treatment.

Our Cornucopia artist, Miss Rea, while out taking views of the snow-clad mountains, came very near meeting with a serious accident. While on the steep mountain side she slipped and losing her balance, tumbled down the mountain some 150 yards or more before she could stop. Luckily outside of a good scare there was no damage done.

A correspondent for the SCOUT says "It's a wonder someone does not go crazy writing spring poetry, as it has begun to resemble spring somewhat." I should suggest a remedy for such afflictions, that the patient be sent to this country for a short time, and will warrant a quick and sure cure, if nature covered with from four to twenty feet of snow will do it.

I see that a county commissioner has been appointed from Pine Valley, to fill the vacancy in that board and hope Mr. commissioner will take some interest in roads leading into Cornucopia, as the interests of the whole county would be affected for the better if a little money was appropriated on the Pine Creek canyon road, and have no doubt but what he will help us all he can.

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Lost Prairie. A Picturesque and Secluded Valley—Primitive Life in the Mountains of Oregon.

The following interesting extracts were permitted to take from a private letter written to Judge Goodall, from Lost Prairie, in Wallawa county, by Dr. Mason. That we still have some wild and unsettled regions in Oregon will not be questioned.

"The 3rd of this month I scribbled you a few lines and started them out by way of Assotin, but doubt very much whether they ever reached you. I write this not knowing how or when I can send it out.

About three weeks ago two young men started from Paradise prairie to Lostine, on snow shoes, for the mail. They were out six days, on two day's rations, got lost and had hard work to get back. Two more young men then started and went through, but brought back letters only. Geo. Allen crossed the canyon and brought our letters over the fore part of Nov, but no newspapers.

Snow is reported 6 to 10 feet deep between Red Fir springs and Mud prairie, which will keep us corralled for a long time. We have had a very rough winter, but not cold with the exception of the first three days in February. A good deal of rain and snow with an occasional Grande Ronde breeze. Snow on our stock range fell from 4 to 8 inches deep and lay 26 days. Horses came through without a bite of hay, and my cattle on one-half ton a head. Have not heard from the outside except Assotin and on the river below the Indian gardens, where the loss of stock is heavy. The ground is now bare and the stock kicking up their heels on green grass, and everything is lovely except to tobacco-chewers, the weed being *non est*.

Now, "it never rains but it pours" says the old saw—a few of us have left civilization, schools, and nearly all the conveniences of life, and settled in the wildest region in Oregon to build up homes for ourselves and families, and so far have succeeded. We have passed safely through an extremely rough winter, and yet "to a man up a tree" it looks like there were some on the outside with Shylock fingers who think we are worth picking. (Here the writer complains of bad treatment on the part of certain individuals in this city who promised to pay his taxes.) Last fall I went to the place of holding elections to pay my taxes on the day that the sheriff advertised that he or his deputy would be there, but no deputy put in an appearance. Here we are, snuffed in, with a prospect for more delinquent taxes. It's a "bally" chance for our worthy sheriff to rake in some "fat" mileage, if he can travel on snow shoes and is not afraid of cougars and big gray wolves. At the same time there are men here with more property than I have, who are exempt. McCubbin never visited this precinct, but sent Frank Brown. Some of the tax-payers were absent and some evaded through the grossest fraud, which they boast of.

Now, a few more words and I will stop. We have a fine country here—wood, water and grass without end, but the devil of it is (and it's a matter the legislature or county court ought to look after) the six children born in this community since I came, are all girls. Poor show for raising voters. What there is here to produce this phenomenon I don't know.

What we need here are immigrants—men, white men—men with "git up" in them. Good government land is an object, and I suppose there are a great many immigrants arriving from the East. Send them here and I can show them as good quarter sections, with big cold springs on them, as ever lay out of doors. Three years ago Geo. Allen and boy were the only inhabitants here. In August 1885, when I came in, there were 16, now there are over 100, and room for hundreds of families."

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THE COVE. News Items From the Pen of Our Regular Correspondent.

April 14, 1887. F. M. Polley has gone to Pendleton and is working on the water works building in that city.

Mell Campbell, of Rocky Bar, Idaho, has been in town during the week looking after Cove interests.

Mrs. Lou Payne has opened a millinery store in the building between the mill and Foster's store, and is offering for sale a large variety of the latest styles in her line.

Born—To the wife of Wm. Martin, Wednesday, April 14, 1887, a daughter. Mother and child doing well. Billie's smile is so broad that nothing less than a Creedmore target can conceal it.

Mr. Perkins and Miss Shores, of lower Cove, were married this week. The bride being somewhat immature in years the happy couple indulged in an anti-bridal tour to Weiser, Idaho.

John Wagner has sold his dairy cows to the proprietor of a dairy establishment at Helena, Montana. The price paid was \$52.50 per head—a fair sum considering the milchers were of Jersey stock and well broken.

The Cove Cheese Manufacturing Co. recently organized by the dairy farmers of this vicinity, have decided to erect a factory during the summer, probably on Newell's farm. Machinery will be ordered early in the spring and the manufacture of the best grade of butter and cheese commenced.

The latest improved roller mill machinery has been ordered from the East, for the Cove flouring mill, and will be put in place by J. O. Smith, early next month. He will also complete further improvements in the establishment. This mill will then be able to compete with any in the country in furnishing a fine grade of roller flour.

Anyone wanting to know Webster's definition of a "blower," call on me—J. O. S. The description of my case as received the other day, is faulty in some respects.—B. M. I just was sick this week and don't you forget it.—L. C. An overdose of goose is no good for the constitution.—A. J. H. Ain't going to hunt guse no mo' this spring.—D. L. He has gone far away.—L. I have retired from the vocal field.—J.

Joseph Jottings. Our educational barque is going under full sail, with Prof. W. E. Pearson at the helm.

Mrs. Oscar Olson has been dangerously ill for some time past, but is now convalescent.

Mr. William Roup is canvassing the valley for the Chieftain. He is a very successful canvasser.

Our county officers assumed their duties last week. They make a good appearance on the streets of Joseph.

Hill & Gifford have moved their jewelry store down on Main street, next door to Vest's meat market. (Don't take offense, Mr. Hill, we have not located you in the meat market.)

The tide of immigration has already begun, and we expect a mighty increase of population in the next six months. This will of course make a rise in trade, both foreign and domestic.

We understand considerable building of a substantial nature will be done in Joseph this summer. The Bennett Flaters are also preparing to build extensively, and are expecting to make vast improvements there during the next year.

Times are exceedingly close now, but we have good reason to hope that they will be better in the near future. Spring opens with unusual promise. Stock has come through the winter in good condition, and agricultural prospects are very good for the time of the year. Some few stockmen lost considerable during the winter, but will recover, as the range is refreshing everywhere.

It seems that our apologize did not have the desired effect upon the Great Mogul, but on the contrary it stirred up his ire to the highest possible pitch. So much so that he devoted nearly the whole of his wonderful paper to paying us nice compliments and pet names, for which of course he has our thanks. He thinks a two year old babe would be about our size. Now, is it not surprising that a man of such rare intelligence would notice, much less take offense at the babblings of a two year old babe.

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North Powder. The Old Fellows Will Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Order in America.

April 10, 1887. James Welch is making preparations to move to Idaho, where he has some valuable mining property.

Dr. A. E. Scott has sold his property in this place to H. O. Gorham, of the firm of Gorham & Rothschilds, of North Powder.

Miss Richison is teaching the district school, and is giving general satisfaction. This is her second term at this place.

The semi-annual report of the county clerk, rather knocks the wind out of the agitators of the annexation of this part of the county to Baker.

W. L. Charles returned to his home on Wolf creek, last week, from Britton station, in Baker county, where he has just completed a five months term of school.

The Odd Fellows of this place will attend (as a lodge) the celebration at Baker City on the 25th, which is the 50th anniversary of the introduction of the order in America.

Hall, Eckles & Co. are making extensive preparations to float several million feet of logs down North Powder river, to their contemplated mill site, near town, as soon as there is sufficient water.

While Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Punch were out driving the other evening, their horse became frightened, throwing them out of the vehicle, and causing some bruises and scratches, but fortunately nothing serious.

Wesley Parker will file an injunction on all irrigating ditches on Wolf creek, (except his own) as soon as the people begin to use the water. He claims the oldest water right, (although there may be water (he all) and says he cannot permit, latter comers to use the water after the 15th of May, in each season.

The lease of the O. R. & N. Co. to the U. P. is anxiously looked for by the people of this valley, as it is supposed that if the latter company get possession of the vast tract of land belonging to the O. R. & N. Co., lying between North Powder and Baker City, that they will fix such a price on the land that settlers can afford to pay, and in a short time the valley would be dotted with farms, where it is now (and will remain at the present price asked) a vast plane. The company own some fine farming land, but when people find that they can buy improved farms cheaper than they can improve a farm, (including the price of improved land) they will buy improved land or go elsewhere.

YANK. Indian Valley Items. Farming is the chief business here now.

J. T. Galloway started his mill on Monday, April 14th and everything runs nicely.

We are well pleased with the change in the form of our OREGON SCOUT. Elgin will have a daily mail on the 15th inst. Just what we have been wishing for.

J. S. Darr has removed to Grand Ronde valley. Jesse A. Jackson will commence school again the 18th inst.

Jas. and Mike Farley have recently taken up ranches in this vicinity. The family of Mike Farley removed to this vicinity recently.

Thomas J. Parker will leave for Harney valley soon. Jos. Parker is trapping in the Looking Glass at present.

E. E. Jones had quite a runaway recently, with his team to a plow, breaking his new harness some little. Samuel Parker and John Graham are erecting a shinglemill on Gordon creek, and will have it in running order soon.

Don't Experiment. You cannot afford to waste time in experimenting when your lungs are in danger. Consumption always seems at first, only a cold. Do not permit any dealer to impose upon you with some cheap imitation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, but be sure you get the genuine. Because he can make more profit he may tell you he has something just as good, or just the same. Don't be deceived, but insist upon getting Dr. King's New Discovery, which is guaranteed to give relief in all Throat, Lung and Chest affections. Try all bottles free at J. T. Wright's drug store.

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