

THE OREGON SCOUT.

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NOTES.

The pre-emption, homestead, timber culture and desert land laws remain in force. Congress adjourned without action upon them although they were long under discussion. A bill passed, however, to protect homestead settlers within the limits of railroad grants.

Baker City has organized a board of trade. This is a move in the right direction and the first, most important step toward prosperity and the upbuilding of the place. We trust the business men of this place will rouse themselves to the need of the times, and do likewise.

The prospects for an abundant yield of wheat and other cereals are very flattering in this section of the State, and farmers are consequently in good spirits. The mining prospects of Union county are also extremely good. No doubt there will be a large influx of immigrants this year, who will invest in lands and aid materially in building up the country. Taken altogether the indications are that Union and adjoining counties will witness a prosperous year.

The glorious Fourth of July will soon be here. We notice that the preliminary notes for a celebration on that day are being sounded by our exchanges in neighboring towns, and no doubt some of them will get up a full blast presently. We shall not pipe any this year on this subject. The last celebration held in the valley was at this place and largely attended by the denizens of nearly every section of the county. It is our place now to reciprocate. We are ready to get full of enthusiasm, yell, and show our patriotism in divers ways, if the opportunity is offered.

The following from a San Francisco paper look as if the people of California had a notion of getting around the Inter-State Commerce law by taking a short cut through the air. Articles of incorporation of the California Aerial Steam Navigation Company have been filed. The corporation is organized for the purpose of building and constructing air ships and equipping them with machinery, machines and appliances for exhibition and navigating the air; for making ascensions; for transporting passengers, goods, wares, merchandise and other property through the air by means of the same.

The O. R. N. Co. and the Union Pacific have fixed a rate of 55 cents per hundred on lumber from Portland to Denver, and from Portland to Omaha, Kansas City, Council Bluffs, St. Joseph and other Missouri River points. This is a reduction of nine cents a hundred to Denver, and five cents to the Missouri river, from last year's rates. The rate from Chicago to Denver is the same as from Portland, and this will place the lumber men on an equal footing with the great lumber market of the world. The new rates will be permanent, at least this season, and all the saw mills in Oregon will no doubt find a ready market for their entire output.

Recently J. G. Blain took cold and a slight chill or two ran down his spinal column. There was nothing very peculiar in that, but a very curious phenomena in connection therewith is brought to our notice while reading our exchanges. There can be no doubt that when one of the aforesaid chills crept down his spine, it affects the vertebra of a large number of the populace in a similar but more aggravated manner. We presume this is due to the remarkable "magnetism" of the plumed knight. Now, Cleveland never made anybody feel like that, unless it was when he vetoed some rascally pension bill, or excommunicated some post-master, and then the sensation seemed to be lacking in quality or something. He's no good, and hasn't the proper magnetism. Magnetism is what we want.

A number of our exchanges seem to feel grieved at the loss of their "free pass" over the railroad. The newspaper man who says he had a "free pass" acknowledges the utter worthlessness of his paper as an advertising medium. It would be supposed that he paid for all he got. We advertised for the railroad company last year to the amount of \$60, and charged them up on the ledger with the same. During that time we find them credited with one ride—\$2.00. Thus it will be seen that they got advertising to the amount of \$58, for nothing. To be sure we could have taken up that amount and much more in riding if we had desired to do so. Not one newspaper man in twenty has occasion to ride more than his advertising amounts to—providing he attends to his business, and his paper is worth a continental—and this being the case we can't see where the free pass came in.

An Exploded Myth.

The following poem is published by request. It was written by Mr. O. P. Mason, a prominent attorney of Portland. While it is not exactly in our line as a general newspaper, it contains truths that should be heralded to every land under the sun. We give it currency with pleasure:

"There is no Hell!" Great wonder! wonder!
That long hath furnished Christian thunder.
"There is no Hell!" exclaims Ward Beecher,
The greatest living Christian preacher.
The thought sweet consolation brings—
"There is no Hell!" it rings, it rings
Through all the land. Now pulpit blessing
Is sounding without hell for dressing.
Ah happy man! how sweet to tell—
"There is no Hell!" no Hell! no Hell!

In boyhood's days I used to think,
That standing on the grave's dark brink,
With vast eternity before—
A plunge! Now "on the other shore"
Are sweetest flowers of varied hue,
Elysian fields are brought to view.
All lovely as a summer's morn,
And fragrance on the air is borne,
And cherubim with snowy wing
In dulcet strains there sweetly sing.
While harps of gold the anthem swell—
And just below a brimstone Hell!

Long years ago some thousand years—
The priests made Hell to augment fears.
In it poor souls were cast and burned;
'Twas made of course for the unlearned;
For those who could not read or write,
To force submission by the fright
Of that dread place—for men were taught
That sinning mortals to it brought,
Would whithering groan, in chains, in pain.

Through endless time—in vain, in vain—
For their release, at any cost,
Would plead—forever, ever lost,
With tender eye to heaven would look,
And see a sweet and purring brook,
Placed there, no doubt, their pangs to quell,
And add more torments to their Hell.

Oh horrid place! in it were cast
Unnumbered souls so vast—so vast!
Go count the sands on ocean's shore,
And multiply them o'er and o'er,
And still the number will not tell
One half the souls condemn'd to Hell!
And yet 'tis said, "since Adam's fall,"
There's room—ah, yes!—in Hell for all!

And more beside—for young and old,
For high and low. For we are told
That king, and prince and beggar man,
"And child that measures not a span,"
O'er that dread Hell profusely strown,
For Adam's sins—and not their own!

Ah, yes 'tis said there side by side,
Are mothers grey, and lovely bride,
And little babe, and aged sire,
Distorted in that liquid fire.
There, too, that throng of heathen races,
With horrid eyes and demon faces,
Who in their earth-life never heard
Of Gospel truths—one single word;
But all reduced to common level,
Presided over by the Devil.
Eternal ages there to dwell,
Without relief—in Hell!—in Hell!

Some thousand years, I said, or more,
This Hell's been preached to rich and poor.
To high and low, to small and great,
In heathen land, in Christian state,
Till it became the common tether
That held the Christian creeds together.
The corner stone in every creed,
The germ of faith, the Christian seed,
A mighty weapon in the hand
Of priest and preacher in the land,
A terror that was ever ready
To use with skill on the unsteady.
That none might be left in the lurch,
'Twas made a dogma in the church,
And he who doubted brimstone Hell
Was styled, alas! an infidel!
But now the wondrous revelation,
Attending to a Christian nation—
"There is no Hell!"—oh glorious thought!

Is from the Christian pulpit taught,
Away goes Hell as flies a pigeon,
And leaves but heaven in religion!
On man new hope begins to dawn—
The Devils dead his business gone!
As every dolt must know full well,
The Devil's useless without Hell.
Oh blissful thought!—for rich and poor.

For knave and rogue, and many more,
Who strive to live by way of cheating,
With them 'twill have a happy greeting
Now they'll rejoice; their voices swell—
"There is no Hell!" no Hell! no Hell!
Rash man! stop here!—go not too fast,
For you must find a Hell at last.
Stay the mad thought, for nature true
Deals ever honestly with you.
For every wrong that you commit
Some punishment must come, most fit;
For every crime that e'er befel
There is meet punishment in Hell—
Not brimstone Hell with horrid Devil,
But Hell proportioned to the evil.
Go where you may on land or sea,
From Hell—from Hell—you cannot flee.
For Hells are many, great and small,
And carried in the breasts of all;
They're banks upon which Nature draws
Her checks to pay for broken laws.

Active, Pushing and Reliable.
J. T. Wright can always be relied upon to carry in stock the purest and best goods, and sustain the reputation of being active, pushing and reliable, by recommending articles with well established merit and such as are popular. Having the agency for the celebrated Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, colds and coughs, will sell it on a positive guarantee. It will surely cure any and every affection of throat, lungs or chest, and in order to prove our claim, we ask you to call and get a Trial Bottle Free.

Elgin Echoes.

April 19, 1887.

Our farmers are nearly through seeding. Gardens are doing nicely, although the nights are cold. There are several buildings going up here this spring. R. E. Stevenson has his new barn up. It is a fine frame. Dr. Snyder will soon commence the erection of a dwelling house.

Health is good. Peace and plenty abound, but items are scarce. Sheriff Hamilton paid us a short visit recently, buying heavy horses. Rev. Johnson, of Summerville, preached for us last Sunday evening. Elgin is still improving. We have a new blacksmith firm—Thompson & Alford. Success to them. Mr. McCully and Mr. Galloway are running daily stages from La Grande to Joseph and are doing a good business.

We are still expecting to have a railroad in the near future. Who will be the first man to avail himself of the finest mill privilege in Union county?

We are at last in communication with the outside world by a daily mail, which commenced on the 16th inst. We can now get your valuable paper on Monday after its issue.

Mr. Wm. Snyder will soon commence building a house 20x22 feet, two stories, to be used by himself and wife. Part of it will be used for a barber shop, and part as a millinery store. We hope they will do well. ALPH.

High Valley Happenings.

Too cold for grass to grow.

School opened with thirty-two pupils.

Strong indication now for a dry spring.

Farmers have got about half their crops in.

Wilkinson and Swager moved their cattle out to Thorne creek, on better range, for the summer.

This is a many sided world, and we get our share of the good and bad, the bitter and the sweet, as we advance. Hold fast to all that is good, and do not weep when no trouble is. We thought thus as we finished up surveying with Mr. M. Austin. Crooked things were made straight, the deputy to the contrary not withstanding, who, we hope, went home from here a wiser and a better man. Mr. Austin is the most competent surveyor or Union county has ever had, and we know whereof we speak. We will say to anyone wanting surveying done to send for Austin and satisfaction will be got. Measure everyone by their good works and not from the abundance of what the mouth speaketh. ROSIE.

Syrup of Figs.

Manufactured only by the California Fig Syrup Co., San Francisco, Cal., is Nature's Own True Laxative. This pleasant California liquid fruit remedy may be had of all druggists, at fifty cents or one dollar. It is the most pleasant, prompt, and effective remedy known to cleanse the system; to act on the Liver, Kidneys, and Bowels; gently yet thoroughly; to dispel Headaches, Colds, and Fevers; to cure Consumption, Indigestion, and kindred ills.

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All orders entrusted to us for DRY GOODS, will be strictly filled in accordance with this creed.

OLD & KING.

186 First Street, Portland, Oregon.

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Four tined Hay Forks	75c.
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Fork, Rake, and Hoe handles	25c.
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Wash Boards	25c.
Hand Saws	75c.
Spades	75c.
Snaths	87 1/2c.
Powder	50c.
Hammers	50c.
Eureka Wringers	\$2.50.
Steel Traps	25c.
Towel Racks	25c.
Single trees, ironed	\$1.00.
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W. D. BEIDLEMAN, Proprietor.
Keeps constantly on hand a full assortment of everything in his line, manufactured of the best material obtainable. He is now offering for sale the

Best lot of saddles, at lower prices than were ever offered in Eastern Oregon.

LEAD HARNESS from \$25. to \$30. per set. HORSE BLANKETS \$1.25 each. CURRY COMBS 12 c.

Also a FULL ASSORTMENT of SPURS, WHIPS, AXLE GREASE, HARNESS OIL, ETC., ETC., ETC. In fact everything usually kept in a

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FOR SALE.

A ranch of 340 acres in the best part of Grande Ronde Valley—the garden spot of Eastern Oregon. Ninety acres well set to timothy; 100 acres good farming land, the balance good pasture, well watered, and near timber. A very desirable place, and will be sold cheap for cash. No reasonable offer refused. Call on or address: J. A. RUSSELL, Cove, Or, or J. W. HILL, Drawer 17, Portland, Oregon.

NOTICE TO STOCKMEN.

New Bridge, Union Co., Oregon.
To ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:—North of Powder river and east of Eagle creek, the stockmen are going to use saltpetre in their salt on the range for their horses and cattle, and parties that are dealing in stock that this is poisonous to, had better be careful where they drive their stock. E. L. YL. STOCKMEN.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

LAND OFFICE AT LA GRANDE, OREGON.

April 19, 1887.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at La Grande Oregon on June 2, 1887, viz: FRANCIS M. STEWART, Hd. No. 2435, for the NW 1/4 Sec. 15, Tp. 8 S., R. 40 E., W. 3 M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Luther Lloyd, Caleb Moxley, Selby Leep, and James V. Leep, all of Pine Valley, Union county, Oregon. HENRY RINEHART, Register.

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Administrator's Notice of Appointment.

In the matter of the estate of Thomas Culver, deceased.
To all persons having claims against the above entitled estate: You and each of you are hereby notified that the undersigned has been by the County court of Union county, Oregon, duly appointed administrator of said estate. You are therefore hereby required to present your said claims with proper vouchers, within six months from the first publication of this notice, at the office of Baker, Shelton & Baker, in Union, Oregon. All claims not presented within said time will be postponed and deferred until the claims presented within said time are paid and satisfied in full. D. L. CARROLL, Administrator.

BAKER, SHELTON & BAKER, Attorneys for the Estate.

WIND MILLS.



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