

THE OREGON SCOUT.

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The Oregon Scout has a large circulation as any three papers in this section of the State, combined, and is correspondingly valuable as an advertising medium.

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Union and Vicinity.

Owing to unavoidable circumstances he did not go to the Park, Sunday.

Thanks to E. H. Miller, of the Centennial hotel, for a bottle of fine beer.

The Standard Oil works at Hoboken, New Jersey, have nearly all been destroyed by fire.

Bob Cavanaugh was held in the sum of \$800 to appear before the next grand jury of Baker county, for horse stealing.

Jo Wright, the boss hardware and tinsmith, is adding to his already large stock, a full line of dry goods and groceries.

An altercation took place between several parties in Union last Saturday, which enriched the city's treasury several dollars.

A full supply of insect powder, in cans, bulk and guns, also fly paper—sticky and poison, just received at the Cove drug store.

We learn that the jury in the Wiggins case have been threatened with almost utter annihilation. That is too utterly horrid for anything.

Would like to know if our Prosecuting Attorney reached Baker without any bodily injury. He went on the same train with—your know.

Sperry & Co., of Portland, shipped on Wednesday, over the Oregon Short Line, 100,000 pounds of Eastern Or. wool. The shipment was consigned to a Boston firm.

We understand that Mr. John Hardin, prosecuting witness in the Wiggins case, was treated to a chastisement, last Sunday, at the hands of a Mrs. Dwyer of North Powder.

The teachers of our public school for the ensuing year are Mr. and Mrs. Owen, Mrs. Henry, of Island City, and Mrs. B. F. Wilson. It is expected school will commence the first Monday in September.

Considerable fruit has been brought into town this week. It finds ready sale at very fair prices. The most of it comes from the Cove, which is one of the finest fruit growing sections in Union county.

The members of the Episcopal church of this city are going to make some extensive improvements on their church property, ceiling and painting the building and repairing the fence. This will be a good move.

Mr. Frank Hall, who has just returned from a trip to the Pine creek mines, reports times as lively as the development of work will permit. He thinks the mines good, and the future prospects for that section of our county flattering.

A man named Blackburn was arrested in Yamhill as being the leader of the party who lynched Oscar Kelly, the wife murderer. Others of the lynching party have become alarmed at the arrest of Blackburn, and have fled the country.—Ex.

Huckleberry parties are being talked of by a number of citizens, and that delicious fruit will be gathered in large quantities by the old folks, while the fair damsels and their escorts will attend to the minor details of camp life. Of course you could not expect one to have a good time any other way.

Sydney Dell, editor of the Portland Evening Democrat, was cowhided by one Mrs. Maharky a few days ago for publishing something which did not accord with her views of justice. Editor Dell simply took the instrument of torture from her and walked away. You see there, where his gallantry came in.

A young woman, in Portland, on hearing a burglar who was ransacking the house, attempt to open her door, became frightened and opened a window, jumped out, and alighting square upon her feet on the ground thirty feet below, ran to a neighbor and gave the alarm. She was considerably shaken up but received no serious injury.

We learn that Robt. Coshaw, Sheriff of Wallawa county, intends to resign his position about the first of September, the office not being remunerative enough to pay for the responsibility connected with it. We'll bet a nickel that Sheriff Coshaw never run a country newspaper. If he had he would have learned to hold on to anything he could clutch.

State Treasurer Webb has begun to distribute to the treasurers of different counties their proportionate share of interest which has accrued during the past year on the irreducible school fund. The amount being disbursed is \$87,409, just \$1 for each person of school age in the state. The school fund now amounts to \$1,209,000 and is increasing at the rate of from \$15,000 to \$20,000 per month.

A farmer in Washington county placed a log across the railroad track running through his premises, which had the effect of bringing the passenger train to a short stop. When the conductor and postal clerk attempted to raise the blockade, he appeared upon the battle line armed with an ugly looking shot gun, and caused the officers to stand flat, but afterwards allowed the train to pass on to Portland. Complaints were filed against him for obstructing the U. S. mail and officers sent to take him in. He said he had never been paid for the right of way through his land and that no trains should pass until he was paid.

ETCHINGS.

Or Impressions Made on the "Scout" by Passing Events

DOLPH IN UNION.—U. S. Senator Dolph is on a tour through Eastern Oregon, looking after the wants, needs and necessities of this great inland Empire. He made a short speech at the court house in this place, to a quite large and attentive audience, Tuesday evening. His address was free from political partisanship. He said that the great and most important things wanted in Eastern Oregon and Washington was cheap transportation, and that wherever there was a free waterway along the lines of railroads, water transportation regulated the freight rates of railroads; and although there were being constructed at the Cascades on the Columbia river, a boat canal, which would open the river to free competition from the Dalles to the sea, there still remained a gap of about fifteen miles above The Dalles, over which either a canal and locks must be constructed at an enormous expense, or else a boat railway, and that as we could not hope to receive appropriations for that object only once in two years, it would yet take about fifteen years to open the river to free navigation by the construction of locks; that he was in favor of a boat railway; that the expense would be much less and work of opening up free river transportation would be sooner completed. He touched upon the land question, and thought the days of giving large tracts of land to settlers had gone by; that 100 acres now was all that any settler should have under ordinary circumstances, but believed in the mountainous districts where only small amounts of table land were found, he was in favor of 320 acres being given. He was in favor of protecting our commerce, and guarding our coasts, and to that end he believed that the government should awaken to the necessity of constructing coast defenses; that we were wholly unprotected; that almost any nation could in a short time demolish any one of our important seaboard towns or force them to pay tribute to them; that the United States is without any defenses that would cope with the modern improvements of naval warfare, even from an improved eight pound gun; it was extremely necessary when there were hundreds of millions of dollars at stake that the government should protect the interests of its people, and the time had come when the people would not remain idle in this important matter, but would force the government to take action in the matter of self-protection against a well armed foreign foe; that the true military principle of any nation is the offense, "that in time of peace prepare for war." He closed by stating to the ladies present that he believed in and advocated the cause of women suffrage, and should be glad when they had their rights in that measure.

ARRIVED FROM MEMPHIS.—Tuesday last the sheriff of Lyon county arrived in Baker City, and in company with Deputy Sheriff Smith, arrested Richard Harcater on a charge of murder. Harcater stated to a reporter that in February 1875 he had an altercation, in a ball room, with one Daniels in Illinois; that Daniels was boisterous and ungentlemanly, and that after enduring some insults offered to his (Harcater's) partner, he remonstrated with Daniels, when Daniels struck him with a sharp shot, which knocked him down, and was in the act of striking him a second time when he drew a pistol and shot Daniels through the neck, killing him instantly. Finding Daniels' friends, Harcater came to Oregon where he has since resided. He says he does not fear the result of his trial and thinks that he will be honorably acquitted by the court. Harcater, or Hamilton, came to Baker county about a year ago, and has borne the reputation of an industrious and upright man while here, and it was a surprise to all when he was placed under arrest. He has a wife and a bright little five year old girl to whom he is very much attached. He will remain in jail until the sheriff of Illinois, arrives.—Daily Democrat.

WANTED.—We want 2000 population in Union within the next 18 months. We want 500 of this number to invest in something that will be of substantial value to themselves, as well as a permanent improvement to the town. We want all our present and future population to be energetic, wide-awake rustlers. We want our business men to draw trade to (which they are doing) Union, instead of driving it away. We want a board of trade composed of good men; men who have broad and liberal views, who will use all honorable means to build up our city. We want more and better buildings. We want a better city government. We want men of progressive ideas to take the place of ones covered ones. We want factories of different kinds. We want a good fire department. We want the persons coming to Oregon to know that no section under the sun has better advantages than Union county, and that no town in the county possesses better future prospects than Union.

IMPORTANT.—Commissioner Sparks in his circular in regard to desert land says: "Before final proof shall hereafter be submitted by any person claiming to enter lands under the desert land act, such person will be required to file a notice of intention to make such proof, which shall be published in the same manner as required in homestead and pre-emption cases.

If you want a fine pair of shoes or boots, call on Mr. C. Vincent, who has just received a large assortment of latest styles from the east. He will not be undersold for cash. Try him.

Social Scintillations.

Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to the Perceptions of the Topicalities

"THE WORLD DO MOVE."

Mrs. Benson, of Cove, was in town during the week.

James Harris, of Summerville, was in town this week.

Postmaster Hall returned from a trip to Cornucopia, Tuesday last.

Mr. Springer, of North Union, has built quite a barn on his place.

S. O. Swickhamer made a flying trip to Baker City the last part of the week.

Postal clerk Ed. O'Connor is at the St. Vincent hospital under treatment.

Rev. John Fisher will preach at the court house this evening and on Sunday morning.

William Roth returned, Thursday, from Denver, Colorado, where he has been with a band of horses.

Andy Wilkinson dropped into our sanctum this week and ordered a copy of the Scout sent to relatives in the east.

Senator J. N. Dolph made a favorable impression during his stay. He was the guest of Mr. W. T. Wright.

Dr. H. B. Drake and wife have returned from Portland where they have been spending a week visiting friends.

Frank and Charles Williams, of San Francisco, are in the city visiting relatives, Mr. and Mrs. McDaniels of Catherine creek.

Deputy Sheriff Williamson returned from Salem, Thursday. He thinks the trip a disagreeable one at this time of the year.

The Misses, Lillie and Helen Levy returned, Thursday, from Centerville, where they have been visiting their sister, Mrs. Jacob Bloch.

The Misses Emma and Nettie Osburn, who have been staying in Union for a number of months, leave today for the Willamette valley.

The Ladies Aid Society, of the Presbyterian church will meet at the residence of Mrs. A. E. Benson, Friday afternoon, August 5, at 2 o'clock.

A party consisting of Mrs. James Johnson, Mrs. Collins, her daughter Grace, and others have gone to the mountains for a few days recreation.

Bonnie, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ches. M. Jones, was taken suddenly ill Thursday, and up to the time of going to press, is not much better.

Dr. D. Y. K. Deering leaves today for Albany in the Willamette valley. He goes on prospective business and may remain if arrangements suit him. Otherwise, he will be gone about a month or more.

O. P. Jaycox, of the firm of Foster & Jaycox, left for the east, Tuesday, over the O. R. L. He will visit Chicago and other points east. While absent he will lay in a splendid stock of new goods. He will be gone about a month. His wife, who has been in the east for several months, will return with him.

For harvesting machinery, call on Jo Wright.

Don't wear out valuable machinery for the want of oil, when you can get the best at Jo Wright's.

Glass and stone fruit jars, and a fine line of jelly mugs just received at Jo Wright's. Prices way down. Call and see them.

Smith's walking gang plow, something new and just the thing. For Sale by Frank Bros. Implement Co., Island City.

The ten acres known as the "Dan F. Moore Garden," in the town of Union, Oregon, is offered for sale, together with all improvements, consisting of brick house, gardener's house, hot houses, stables, chicken houses, hog pens, trout pond, fruit trees, etc. The garden is under a high state of cultivation. For price and particulars, apply either to W. T. Wright at the First National Bank, Union, Hyde & Hyde, Baker City, or Willinski Bros. & Co., wholesale dealers in Key West cigars, Portland, Oregon.

SELF EXPLANATORY.

Island City, O., July 21, 1887.

J. A. HEMPHREY, Esq.

Dear Sir:—A duty that I owe to the M. & M. Co. of which I am manager, compels me to notify you that we will not need your services longer. You of course will know the reason for this.

Yours Truly,

CHAS. GOODENOUGH.

THE REASON.

I was called as a witness in the case of Gove & Co. vs. Mercantile & Milling Co., and preferred to testify to the truth rather than a falsehood, and received the above letter which will explain to my friends.

J. A. HEMPHREY.

WILL VISIT LA GRANDE.

Dr. Jas. B. Elkington, surgeon, oculist and aurist, and proprietor of the Sanitarium for Nervous Diseases, Portland, Or., will visit La Grande and be found at Ford's cottage hotel from the arrival of the east bound train (10 o'clock forenoon) Friday, July 29th, to 10 a. m. Saturday, July 30th. Dr. P.'s specialties are all forms of Eye and Ear diseases; all Nervous and Chronic Affections; and Rectal Diseases, as Piles, Fissures, Fistulas, and Rectal Ulcers. During two years past he has treated over 300 cases, curing the most severe and long standing cases, without once resorting to knife or ligature. Any amount of references given on application. Examination free.

Local Lines.

For a really artistic newspaper heading we think the Centerville has it.

The chief of the horse claim department of the United States Treasury is found to be a defaulter to the amount of \$92,000.

N. B. Harris, formerly cashier of the Summerville bank, gave bonds in the sum of \$4000 for appearance at the next term of court.

Farmers, when you visit La Grande, remember the New York store, and call there before purchasing elsewhere. The goods and prices will suit you.

Mr. Lees informs us that the work of transcribing the Wallawa records is progressing finely. It will probably, taken month or more yet to complete the work.

Mrs. Sommers offers her stock of summer hats at cost, to make room for her fall stock. Ladies, don't miss this opportunity, but call at once and secure a bargain.

Court adjourned Saturday night. There were a number of important cases laid over until the September term. Among them was the True creek wagon case.

The old saying, "smoke hay while the sun shines," has been pretty generally observed by the farmers of this section and we understand that in a few days more the hay crop will be saved.

We received a part of the new paper published at Wallawa City in Wallawa county by Gwenty & Pickett. It speaks in converse to the trend under the name of Wallawa Signal and is of democratic convictions.

David Wright, who was sentenced to imprisonment in the penitentiary, last Saturday, for ten years for committing rape upon the person of Arnette Gardner, a virgin, was taken to law last Sunday by Deputy Williamson.

Our streets do not present quite so many cheap, dingy hats and fancy walking canes as on last week, owing to the fact that the learned disciples of Lycurgus here have taken their departure for other pastures ripe with litigation.

The business of Ross & Robbins having changed hands, all parties indebted to them will take notice that they must call and settle by cash or note at once. All accounts not settled by the 15th day of August will be placed in the hands of a collector.

The West Shore, published by L. Samuel, comes to us replete with interesting information relative to Oregon, Washington Territory, British Columbia and the Northwest generally. It is highly embellished with elegant engravings, especially the scenic scenes. This number is unusually attractive. Price \$2.50 per year.

Last Tuesday was the day set apart by Governor Penoyer for hearing application for the pardon of any inmate of the Oregon penitentiary. Quite a number of applications with petitions were presented, which were taken under advisement. This is the first time, we believe, that a special day has been set for that purpose. It is undoubtedly the better plan.

We learn that the teachers' institute held at La Grande was a very interesting one. About forty-twelve of the "bird and rule" were present. The best of feeling existed among the teachers present and all felt they had been benefited by the conference. The teachers were handsomely cared for by the people of La Grande, who evinced more than ordinary interest in the matter of education.

Mr. J. S. Elliott, our liverman, has a variety of teams and vehicles, and can suit the taste of anyone. The liberal patronage he is receiving is well deserved, for no man strives harder to please his patrons and advance the best interests of the community than he. His business comes regularly with all trains, and rain or shine, the traveling public always depend upon John Elliott, and are never disappointed.

Engineer E. H. Mix and corps of assistants will commence the work of surveying the route for the proposed Baker City and Granite Creek railroad the coming Monday. He will start the survey at a point near the depot in this city. The work will occupy about three weeks time. These operations indicate that the incorporation of this railroad means business and that the preliminary work starts off under flattering auspices.—Daily Democrat.

Dr. Harrison, the oculist and optician, is now in Cornucopia. On the 5th and 6th of August he will be at the Cove, and on the 7th will arrive at Summerville and remain one week. Those desiring the doctor's services, in these localities, will do well to remember the above dates and act accordingly. We have no hesitancy in recommending the doctor as a conscientious gentleman, who will not attempt anything he is unable to perform. During his three month stay in this city he gave satisfaction in every case, so far as we know.

It will not be long, we opine, before a line of stage will be put on the Union and Pine creek road. The indications are good for the enterprise. This line will carry passengers and light freight through in about eight or nine hours. The road runs through a fine section of country, embracing the Park, Big creek, the famous Hogen mines, and other points of interest. The rich mineral belt from Big creek through to Cornucopia will make it the favorite one for those seeking investment in, or searching for the hidden treasures with which that section is so abundantly supplied. The absence of an almost arid waste for 70 or 80 miles of hot, dusty ride, as compared with a pleasant shady one of only about 50 miles will secure for this road the most of the travel into the Blue creek mines.

SO SAY WE, ALL OF US.

Prices Speak Louder Than Words!

Full Line of Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes.

Table listing various goods and their prices, including Ladies' shoes, Men's shoes, Shirts, Socks, etc.

Other Goods Equally Low. We mean business. All remnants at cost.

Table listing more goods and prices, including Sugar, Rice, Coffee, Tea, etc.

I keep 18 kinds of Tobacco, also a fine stock of cigars.

WILL SELL OUT MY SUMMER STOCK AT COST!

COME AND SEE MY BARGAINS. Drake's Cash Store, Union, Or.

CLEARANCE SALE!

Preparatory to taking my annual inventory, I have reduced prices on

SUMMER GOODS!

TO ACTUAL COST, 30 For Thirty Days and no Longer. 30

In order to close out balance of my Sewing Machine Baking Powder, I will sell it at 50 cts. a lb. can; regular factory price is 65 cts. Only a few left.

Adolph Levy, - Union, Ogn.

Now, it is our turn, not to "Blow," but to

Dry Goods, Furnishing Goods, Boots and Shoes, Glass and Queensware, Groceries, Wood and Willow-ware, etc., etc.

Which was bought for cash and will be sold strictly for cash, at prices that will "astonish the natives."

The old way of doing business is a thing of the past. Cash men do not want to pay poor debts and long-winded accounts. We expect to re-organize the mercantile business in this valley, not to drum or humbug the people by misrepresentations, not to sell goods less than cost, but to make a uniform cash price on all goods, which means 20 per cent. lower than any man who buys on time can sell for.

Twenty thousand dollars worth of general merchandise bought and sold for cash will make this saving:—10 per cent. for the risk, 6 per cent. discount, cash and \$800 for book keeper, making a saving of \$4,000. Does anybody blame us for starting the ball a rolling?

An early inspection of our stock will convince

The most skeptical that the new order of business is much more satisfactory to all.

JAYCOX & FOSTER, - - Union, Or.