

THE OREGON SCOUT.

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Union and Vicinity.

No, I never splatter.—H. Pendleton has a kindergarten school. The Portland Mechanics fair opens Oct. 6th. Barrett's circus will probably visit this section soon. A wholesale paper warehouse has been started at Tacoma. Call at Mrs. Summers' for one of those coil wire bustles—only 25c. Money to loan at a low rate of interest.—F. F. Baker, Union, Oregon. The fire company meet next Monday evening. All the members should be present. Insure your property. Delays are dangerous. F. F. Baker, agent, Union Oregon. Four divorce cases are on the docket for the first session of court in Wallowa county. Dr. Harmon, the oculist will remain in La Grande one week and will then go to Pendleton. Senator L. B. Rinehart left here, Monday, for Malheur county, with about 50 head of horses, which he will turn out on the range. F. F. Baker's large safe arrived from Chicago, Monday. It is very large, and was not without considerable difficulty placed in position. Mr. Fred Heggate agent for R. L. Polk & Co., publishers of the State Gazetteer, was in Union, soliciting for the work, during the week. Farmers should bear in mind that the New York Store, La Grande, is the best place to purchase supplies. A visit to this store will convince them of the fact. Rev. G. J. Burchett, general missionary for Oregon, of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, will preach in the Cove Monday night Aug. 29th at 8 o'clock. The Wallowa Signal came out last week in a new form and considerably improved in appearance. It is an excellent paper and creditable to the county in which it is published. A festive and beligerent son of Erin was captured by our marshal one night the fore part of the week, and lodged in jail. He made a contribution to the recorder next morning and was allowed to depart. The Christmas term of Ascension school will begin on Monday Sept. 5th, and the Preparatory department of Leighton Academy on Monday 12th, and not on the 16th as erroneously stated last week. The Dalles Publishing Company has been organized at The Dalles for the purpose of publishing a Democratic local newspaper. The company will either buy the plant of one of the Dalles papers or establish a new one. Prof. Perkins and wife gave a very interesting musical entertainment in the Presbyterian church last Monday evening. They were successful in securing thirty-five pupils for their school of music. Our best people are attending. Last Monday evening, a son of Mr. Taylor Green, of North Union, about ten or twelve years of age, was thrown from a horse he was riding, and it was thought for a time, seriously injured. Under the care of physicians, however, he is recovering. A post office has been established at Medical Springs, with Mrs. Dunham Wright postmistress. No doubt the offices at Park and Sanger, which have been petitioned for, will soon be established. A stage line will then be put on between this city and Cornucopia. We return our thanks to the State Board of Agriculture for a complimentary ticket and invitation to attend the State Fair at Salem, commencing September the 12th, 1887. The fair promises to be an unusually interesting one this year, and we shall attend if possible. From the county records we learn that Messrs. Bolles, Senor, Merritt, Reeves and Usher, have sold or bonded the "Way Up" "George" and "Comet" mines in the Granite district, Pine creek, to Theodore Comiotti, of Louisville, Ky., for \$20,000. They enter into a bond to give a deed to the property upon receipt of the money, which is to be forthcoming by the 15th of Feb. 1888. A grain in each mesh of wheat in this year's crop was completely destroyed by either cold weather this spring or the three exceedingly hot days of May. There are from three to five grains in each mesh, and the killing of one grain of the three or five cut down the yield in proportion, which would have been unprecedented if the destruction had not occurred. The most intelligent farmers cannot attribute the cause directly to either the cold or heat.—E. O. We are in receipt of the program of the fourth session of the Idaho annual conference of the M. E. church, to be held in Baker City, Sept. 21st to 25th, Bishop Foster presiding. The Idaho conference includes the counties of Union, Wallowa, Baker, Malheur and Grant, in Oregon, and all that part of Idaho Territory lying north of the State of Nevada, and west and north of the Salmon river range of mountains. Provisions will be made for the entertainments of all who attend.

ETCHINGS.

Or Impressions Made on the "Scout" by Passing Events

LIBERAL LECTURE.—As per announcement the gifted orator, Samuel P. Putnam, Secretary of the American Secular Union, lectured on Wednesday and Thursday evenings of this week, in this city. The lectures were largely attended by the intelligent and progressive people here, and were greatly enjoyed, being a veritable feast of reason and flow of soul. On the subjects, "Universal Mental Liberty" and "The New Heaven and Earth," Mr. Putnam fully sustained the high reputation that had preceded him. He is one of the most logical and persuasive reasoners it has been our good fortune to listen to, and no one can sit under the sound of his voice and not be impressed with the correctness of his views or carried away by the sincerity of his vehement and eloquent utterances. We regret that he could not remain with us longer, and that our limited space forbids a more extended notice in these columns. His work in this city, though brief, will not fail of beneficial results, and no doubt the seeds he has sown will take root, and grow, and blossom in soil nurtured to aught of beauty heretofore, and come to full fruition in the sunlight of that universal mental liberty, that is near at hand. It is a noble work to knock the shackles from the feet of toiling bondsmen everywhere, but nobler still is the work of freeing the mind of man from the superstition and fear and darkness that has so long enshrouded it. In this work we are quite sure that Mr. Putnam, no matter in what part of the world he may be, will be found laboring faithfully and well. The best wishes of many friends go with him. He will lecture in Baker City this evening and tomorrow evening. MURDER WILL OUT.—From the Boise City Statesman we learn that John Strode, a wealthy cattle man who lives about a mile below that city, and his foreman, John Thurman were arrested in Caldwell on Sunday for the murder of a sheepherder by the name of Rich. About a year ago Rich was engaged in herding sheep for Bateman & Juner, on Sucker creek, than Baker, now Malheur county, Oregon. Sucker creek empties into Snake river. The missing sheepherder was a mystery at the time, and foul play was suspected, as there was a bitter feeling between the cattlemen and sheepmen, but no clue to the herder could be learned. Two weeks ago a young man by the name of Hans came to Caldwell and stated that he was at work for Strode, herding and taking care of his riding horses, and that he saw Strode and Thurman shoot the sheep herder Rich, on Sucker creek, and that he could go to the place where the remains could be found. Dan Brown, constable at Caldwell, and June, of the firm of Bateman & Juner, went with Hans to look for the remains of Rich. Hans took them to the place he had described on Sucker creek, where they found the spinal column and other bones and a foot in a shoe, and a coat with a bullet hole in it and brought them to Caldwell. Strode, Thurman and Hans were taken to Vale, the county seat of the county where the offence was committed, by Dan Brown yesterday, on their voluntary offer to go there for examination into the offence as stated by Hans. DISCOVERY OF PLACER MINES.—The parties who were out prospecting near the head of Grande Ronde river, returned last week. From one of the party we learn that very promising placer diggings were discovered between Anthony creek and the head waters of the Grande Ronde river, which is about 30 miles west of Union. They made a number of locations, and spent a week or two in constructing a flume to carry water onto the claims. When completed a trial was made, and from a strip of ground about ten feet square one-half an ounce of gold was obtained. It was of excellent quality and valued at \$19.35 an ounce. Fifty cents to the pan of dirt can be washed out most anywhere. Our informant says there are other excellent prospects on the head of Wolf creek, and thinks that quartz ledges will be discovered in that region as there is every indication of their existence. The party, which consisted of Jerry Thompson, John Eaton, Chas. Robins, Jr., Chancey Clark, Fred Young and Mr. Brown, returned to the mines last Tuesday, with full supplies and will probably not return for a month or so. Eugene Chase, the surveyor, accompanied the party for the purpose of locating some ditches and flumes they have in contemplation. SHOOTING AFFRAY.—Last Thursday afternoon, in Ladd canyon, a dispute arose between Sam Newman and a man known as "Curly Bill" over a piece of land, which resulted in a fight with "Curly Bill" and John Green on one side, and Sam and Clark Newman on the other. Several shots were exchanged, one of the balls slightly wounding Green on the hip. Clark Newman had an arm broken and otherwise injured by being struck with a gun in the hands of Green. The parties went to La Grande for medical treatment. We have not heard of any arrests being made as yet. CAPTURED.—Thos. Waldrop, who, it will be remembered was arrested a month or so ago for stealing horses from a man in Harney valley, and was put under \$500 bonds to appear at the last term of court, and who forfeited the same by lighting out for parts unknown, was captured in Weiser city a few days ago, by the sheriff of Baker county, who was advised of his whereabouts by Sheriff Hamilton. It seems that Waldrop returned to this valley and was seen by several parties while here. Sheriff Hamilton being advised of it, kept track of him with the above results. He will not get bail so easily next time.

Social Scintillations.

Paragraphs Pertaining, Principally, to the Peregrinations of the Populace.

"THE WORLD DO MOVE."

Mr. Wm. Wilson, of Keating, called on us this week. Mr. H. N. Corey is on a business trip to Walla Walla. Thos. Ruckman, of Sand Ridge, was in Union this week. Mr. and Mrs. Corbin returned to town last Thursday. Miss Winnie Wilkinson's school at Telocast closed last week. Stephen Connor, of Catherine creek, was in the city Wednesday. Mr. James Sparks, of Pendleton, was in this city, Thursday. Mrs. Fanny Goodspeed returned from Yaquina a few days ago. Rev. Powell, principal of the Cove school, called on us Thursday. Attorney J. W. Shelton is attending Circuit court in Wallowa county. Miss Vada Swackhammer and Mrs. Rosa Ross visited La Grande this week. D. B. Rees will probably take his departure for California in a few days. H. H. French, of the Cove, was in Union, Wednesday, attending to business. Frank Wilson, who is now rusticiating in the Cove, made Union a visit this week. Andy Wilkinson and Louie Lamere, of High valley, were in the city, Wednesday. Mr. Daniel Chandler and wife, of Indian valley, visited the metropolis this week. Rev. Watson, of La Grande, came over last Thursday. We acknowledge a pleasant call. Mrs. T. D. Parker is now on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, of Ladd canyon. Marriage license was issued this week to Perry A. Strom and Britta Scott, both of La Grande. Miss Hettie Stevenson of Indian valley is now in this city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton. County Clerk Neil returned from the East last Wednesday, and is now busy at work in the office. Judge Brainard, who was quite sick last week, has fully recovered and is attending to business again. Charley Miller will take his departure for Salem next week, for the purpose of completing his course of studies. Mrs. C. M. Averill, the wife of the druggist who is engaged in Wrights drug store, arrived a few days ago. Mr. Wilbur Davis returned from Pine creek, last Monday. He reports everything flourishing in that section. C. S. Barton, of Beulah, Malheur county, passed through this city, Wednesday, on route to Farmington, W. T. Mr. J. H. Smith, the railroad contractor, was in Union during the week, looking after his extensive interests here. The Wright brothers, families, who have been rusticiating in the mountains for some time, returned the fore part of the week. Mr. John Phy and family, who have been visiting in Auburn, Baker county, passed through this city on his way home, Thursday. Prof. C. W. Perkins and wife will teach their music class in this city, next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. The wife of Mr. F. F. Baker arrived from The Dalles a few days ago to join her husband, who has located permanently in business here. Mr. S. B. Borroughs, of the Cove, passed through this city, Tuesday, on his way to the Lily White mine, where he will be employed for several weeks. Mrs. Lou Eaton took her departure, this week, for Wallowa City, where her husband is engaged in business. They will probably remain there some time. Attorney J. R. Crites, in addition to his already extensive library, received this week the U. S. Supreme Court Reports—120 volumes in all, costing \$200. Mr. Alta Benson, our meat carver, is now in Cornucopia, looking after some mining interests he has there. He will probably not return for a week or two. Mr. D. B. Hilts, who went up to North Powder the first part of the week with a load of fruit, was taken ill while there, and had to come back on the train. He is improving at present. James O'Meara, a Journalist well known in Oregon, who for the last few years has been in California, now has charge of the Portland News. He will no doubt make a better paper of it than it has been. Mr. E. T. Merwin and family, of Lower Powder, came down to this city, Wednesday. They will take their departure, next Monday, for a pleasure trip to Yaquina bay, and will perhaps be gone a month. Prof. Tuttle, who has been introducing the Acme washing machine in La Grande for the past two weeks, has met with flattering success. The machine is a good one and talks for itself, whenever you give it a chance. The oldest pioneer of Oregon is said to be Jean Baptiste Garnier, who arrived in this State in 1819. The address of Mr. Garnier is Florence, near the mouth of the Sladaw, Lane county. Until this pioneer was heard from in Marion county thought she sported the oldest in the person of Jean Baptiste Gobin, a resident of French Prairie, who came to Oregon in 1825. Mr. Gobin came with the Hudson Bay company from Canada.

Local Lines.

Tempered coil steel wire bustles 25c, at Mrs. Summers', on the corner north of hotel. To rent.—Good barn, well arranged and convenient to water. Centrally located. Enquire of H. B. Drake. Dr. Harmon will be in La Grande until the middle of next week. Those needing his services will take note of this. Farming lands and town property bought, sold and rented, and money loaned on long time at a low rate of interest.—F. F. Baker. 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. Dr. Harmon, the oculist and optician will return to Union and be here during the next term of Circuit court. Those afflicted with eye troubles should make a note of this, and consult the doctor when the opportunity offers. Just received at the Cove drug store, direct from the East, a \$300. invoice of guns. If you are thinking of purchasing a shot gun, rifle or pistol, call or write for prices, 38-55, 40-60 Winchester single shot and repeating rifles, needle guns, and new Winchester repeating shot guns—only \$25. Mr. "Gum" Warren has the thanks of this office for a basket of magnificent Red Astrian apples, which were raised on his place adjoining town. We do not think that the famous Willamette valley can produce finer apples than these. Our farmers should give more attention to the culture of fruits than they do. Do you want the best goods at the least cost? If so, send to Westminster & Lubin, Sacramento, Cal., for their large Fall Catalogue (free). Among other attractions it presents eight pages of finely lithographed Eastern Fashions. Westminster & Lubin are the largest general retailers on the coast, and in busy seasons fill as high as a thousand mail orders a day. Why buy from immigrating agents of whom you know nothing, either of their responsibility or the character of their goods, when there are responsible dealers located near you, who carry full and complete lines of all farm and mill machinery and implements, and whose success it is for your best interests to support with your patronage? Frank Bro's Implement Co. of Island City request your consideration of their claim, and refer you to your neighbors who have had dealings with them. 3 About thirty years ago says the Boise City Democrat, there lived a young Indian on the Umatilla who was noted for his unsurpassed horsemanship. His most remarkable feat was to crawl under the horse's neck while at full speed, come up on the other side and regain his seat in the saddle. Another Indian was wont to ride from Umatilla to The Dalles, a distance of 100 miles, between sun and sun. This was always accomplished on one horse. A man at Wells, Eastern Nevada, is on the warpath. A married lady stopped at his hotel over night and became a mother before morning. This considerably excited the citizens of Wells, but hardly had he done flying around on behalf of the visiting lady before his own wife began to make demands on him in the same line. Again he rushed forth among the doctors and old dames, and in an hour or two it was announced to him that he was the father of twins. His wife had, in gamblers' parlance, "seen" the lady visitor and "gone her one better." The husband swears that no married woman shall hereafter enter his house unless she shall come armed with a physician's written guarantee. He says his wife is so "devilish ambitious" that should any woman stop at his house and give birth to twins she would forthwith call upon him to father triplets.

Cove Cullings.

August 25, 1887.

Ben Owenly started, Wednesday, with horses for Idaho. Good Cowles has returned from Cour d'Alene. He looks as emaciated as usual. Hill, the Vermont stockman, has disposed of his Jerseys and rams, and started home. Heading and threshing is going on throughout this side of the valley. The yield is turning out very fairly. Chas. Olsen started, Monday, for Walla Walla, per cayuse passage. It is supposed he has gone to see his second best girl. Jno. C. Barnes has been granted a U. S. invalid pension, for injuries received during service in the civil war. Allowance is eight dollars per month. Mayor Rees, of Walla Walla and F. C. Rees, wife and daughter, of Kansas, brothers of our fellow townsman, M. B. Rees, spent several days of last week in Cove. Judge Isou, of Baker City, was in town this week. He accompanied Jas. Hendershott, Miss Mollie, and Master Dick Edgar to Joseph, for the purpose of holding Circuit court. Profs. Blanchet and Smith, of Leighton Academy and Messrs Seymour Corpe and Samuel McDaniel started Monday for Joseph where they will attend the Wallowa county teachers' institute held by Superintendent L. J. Ouse. The local mighty ninerods shouldered their muskets this week, and followed by "bar" dogs, scaled the ragged mountains east of town. No doubt to their relief, brim gave them the slip, and the hunters returned empty handed.

NOTICE TO PUPILS.

The first term of the Union Public School will begin on Monday, Sept. 5th. On the Saturday preceeding a preliminary examination will be held at the school house commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. for the proper classification of new pupils and for the benefit of those who desire to advance with their classes, but those who were not present or failed to pass at the closing examination of the last term. It is highly important that all new pupils be present at this examination, and it is equally essential that all pupils who will attend during the year, be present the first day of school. No pupil entering at a later date will be admitted to the classes to which he formerly belonged without first passing an examination in the work performed by them during his absence. Pupils who passed their examination at the close of the last term need not be present at the preliminary examination on Saturday. GEO. E. OWEN, Principal.

Attention Stockmen.

Desiring to go into the stock business, I would like to secure from some stockman about 200 head of cattle to take care of on the shares for a period of three years. At the end of that time the original stock to be returned and half the increase. Stockmen wishing to enter into an arrangement of this kind will please address me at Union, Union county, Oregon. LINDSAY ROBERTS.

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