

THE OREGON SCOUT.

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

Friday, December 23, 1887.

Union and Vicinity.

We're a minute longer to-day. The snow has about all disappeared. "Git onto" Jo. Wright's 5c. handkerchiefs.

Fresh milk cows for sale.—Apply to W. T. Wright.

Ladies and gent's high top monitor over shoes at A. Levy's.

Remember the ball at Wright's hall to-night. A good time expected.

A few more men's Alaska fur overcoats, just received by express, at A. Levy's mammoth store.

School will close Friday until Monday, Jan. 2nd. Only one week vacation. "too bad" say the little folks.

While Eastern Oregon has been having fine weather, though somewhat breezy, the Willamette Valley has been drenched with rain.

A Baker city exchange says that scarlet fever is quite prevalent in that city, and suggests that the schools be closed for a time.

Dr. Clements, who was granted a new trial by the Supreme court, was discharged by Judge Ison, the prosecuting witness not being available.

The cold nights of the past few days have frozen ice thick enough for the boys to skate, and every little seven by nine pond is occupied by the juvenile skaters.

The county has purchased from the State the large safe formerly used by the State land office in this city. It now adorns a corner in the county clerk's office.

The East Oregonian says it is rumored that Bob Beatie, of Pendleton, a prospective son-in-law of the new U. S. Marshal, is to have a position as one of the deputies.

Time of the west bound passenger train was again changed Sunday in order to meet the demands of the traveling public for fast time. The present time is 3:30 o'clock p. m.

Go to the Cove drug store and get your girl a nice book of poems. She will then propose to you immediately after 12 o'clock Dec. 31st, when leap year grants her the privilege.

No tax levy yet received from the State authorities. This will make it very unpleasant for the sheriff's of Eastern Oregon counties, as it throws the time of collecting the taxes in the precincts way into the winter.

We have not heard of any preparation being made this year for a Christmas tree. Heretofore there has been a Christmas tree, and the wee folks looked forward to that event as one of the happiest periods of their little lives.

At Pendleton's city election, Monday, the following officers were elected: Mayor, W. F. Matlock; marshal, C. O. French; recorder, W. E. Crews; treasurer, Lee Morehouse, councilmen, J. Murphy, R. Sargent and J. T. Slaughter.

The L. O. O. F. dedication ball at Baker City on January 3rd, 1888 promises to be the grandest of the season. The dedication ceremonies will take place at 2 p. m. All persons attending will be cordially and royally entertained. Remember the time and don't fail to attend.

A crank waited on Secretary Lamar recently and demanded a million acres of Western land on which, as he said, "to establish the millennium and provide for the unborn lamb." The crank's demands were reasonable! As much as one million acres were given to corporations why not to a crank? They are just as deserving.—E. O.

A wager of \$25,000 has been made by the San Francisco Chronicle and Examiner as to whose press can print the greatest number of papers in a given time. The money will be given to charitable purposes by the winner. Those sheets might have informed THE SCOUT of their intentions and let it into the bet, and made the "pot" \$37,500.

Next week will be the time when many of our people will set themselves to work preparing a new programme for the incoming year. These programmes are always made out on the finest tinted, gilt-edge paper, with perforated corners turned down, and the "whereases" and the "therefores" and "be it resolved," copied after the most approved style of modern obituary literature.

It seems that the editor of the Centerville has been surprised. "Man's inhumanity to man," is the cause, to wit: One of the stockholders in the paper sold the plant without the knowledge of the editor, and left the Ed. in a somewhat surprised and unexpected position. Editors, though, are generally equal to any emergency, except the sheriff's,—and he immediately ordered a new plant, and will continue the business.

A gentleman says the cars run so fast between here and La Grande that the brakemen now call out the La Grande station before the train leaves the Union depot, and by the time the passenger understands he is landed in La Grande. We don't know how fast the cars run now, but we do know that a man could travel the world around, serve out a life sentence in Siberia, take in the next centennial exposition, and still be trying to get through his brain what an O. R. & N. Co.'s brakeman says when he calls the name of a station.

UNION TO CORNUCOPIA.

Washington Dec. 19.—Some time since, upon recommendation of the Oregon delegation and the personal representations of Senator Dolph, then in Washington, the second assistant postmaster-general advertised for bids for mail service from Union to Cornucopia, Oregon. It was proposed, however, by the department, if such service was established, to discontinue a part of the present service. To-day Senators Dolph and Mitchell personally presented the matter to the second assistant postmaster-general and secured an order for immediate services from Union to Cornucopia, and a promise that there would be no discontinuance of any present route or diminution of the present service.

AGENCIES DISCONTINUED.

In order to simplify matters and for a more economical administration of business, the state board of school-land commissioners has decided to discontinue its local agencies in every county in the state. It has been customary heretofore for the board to have deposited with these agents, usually the county treasurers, a fund of money, and when a loan was granted by the board the money could be paid to the borrower by the agent. It has been found, however, that this method involves a great amount of correspondence and delay which can be dispensed with by the method just adopted. It must not be imagined that the board has also discontinued the services of its attorneys, of whom it has one in every county in the state but three. To these attorneys application can be made for loans, and the money will be loaned directly from the state treasurer.—Statesman.

Quite a number of strangers have been in town during the week, and all pronounce it one of the most handsomely located cities of any place they have seen in Oregon.

Passengers over the N. P. arriving at Portland in the night have to walk to the hotels from the depot. The coaches, it would seem, do not meet the right trains. Pleasant, isn't it?

Work on the Malheur division of the Oregon Pacific has been suspended for the winter. Work will again be resumed in the spring and pushed with energy.

The O. R. & N. Co. will build one hundred box cars soon, as the number now on the road is totally inadequate for the demands, and a large number of flat cars are used in shipping grain.

The great tunnel on the N. P. railroad in the cascade mountains is completed for a distance of 7,300 feet, 2,600 feet yet remaining. It is expected that it will be finished some time in May next.

The stock books of the Union woolen mill are open and can be found at the mortgage bank of E. F. Baker. Everything is progressing lively and after while we shall see Union mill fabrics.

If you want to buy goods cheap and get a good article for your money, come to Union, where you can get them 25 per cent. cheaper than any place in Eastern Oregon this side of the Blue mountains.

Bob Cavanna, the young man who stole some horses from a Baker county man, was sentenced by Judge Ison, to the penitentiary for ten years. He has served a term of one year before this for horse stealing.

Stock of all kinds are looking extremely well for this time of the year, and unless the weather clerk takes a snap judgement on us, it is thought stock will come out in the spring in fine condition.

A party of three masked men stopped a passenger train on the St. Louis, Arkansas and Texas road, recently and took the express containing \$40,000 and relieved the passengers of all their money. The postal clerk stood them off, firing several shots, hence the mail was not rifled.

S. O. Swackhamer, J. H. Hendershott, J. A. Jones, John T. Wright, O. P. Goddall and several others went down and appraised the damage in the tules by the late fire, on Fred Nodine's ranch. They placed the damage at \$15,200 but thought it was damaged even more than that amount.

It is stated upon good authority that Jules Ferry, the celebrated French statesman was fired at three times a few days ago. He was only slightly hurt. Union has been fired at several times, but she is still alive and her merchants are selling goods cheaper than any town within a hundred miles of her. If you don't believe it, try and see.

The proprietors of the skating rink have decided to make a change in the management. Hereafter an admission fee of 25c. will be charged all gentlemen who wish to attend, but they will be entitled to skates. Ladies free. Skates 25c. This change is made for the benefit of skaters. The rink will be open Saturday evening.

Owing to the death of stenographer Richardson, the reports of the wagon road frauds which were taken down in shorthand will have to be gone over. Richardson used many individual characters in making up the reports, and which in the absence of explanation makes the testimony taken illegible to other shorthand readers.

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The Best Salve in the World for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Calluses, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale at Wright's drug store.

Social Scintillations.

Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to the Perturbations of the Copulnes.

"THE WORLD DO MOVE."

Mr. J. W. Sills' of the Cove, visited Union Friday.

J. Q. Shirley returned from a trip to Portland, Thursday.

Miss Mollie Lewis spent Saturday and Sunday in Union.

Mr. H. D. Merwin made a flying trip to Baker City this week.

Mr. John McFadden, of Pine Valley, was in town this week.

Mr. James Hendershott, of Cove, was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. James Gilkison, of North Powder, called on us Monday.

Mr. George Miller, of Island City, came over a few days ago.

Mr. Jos. P. Wilson, of New Bridge, visited Union last Monday.

Mr. Abraham Vandevanter, of the Park, called on us Tuesday.

Mrs. Saunders, Mrs. Steele and Mrs. Merwin are visiting in Baker City.

Mr. Barnes, of the Cove, made us a pleasant call on Wednesday last.

Mr. Wesley Duncanson, of Cove, was in the city the fore part of the week.

Attorney J. W. Shelton left, Saturday night for Portland, on legal business.

Mr. Caleb Weaver, of Elgin, visited Union and THE SCOUT office, last Wednesday.

Quite a number of Coyotes were up to "tip the light fantastic" last Friday evening.

Lon Davis went over to Heppner, Wednesday, on a visit to relatives and friends.

There will be a Sunday school concert at the M. E. church next Sunday evening.

Mr. Thos. Ruckman, of Summerville, made us a pleasant and substantial visit this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray, of Vale, Malheur county, were visiting in this city during the week.

The Presbyterians have been holding night services at their church for several nights past.

C. W. James, a solid young democratic man, has been appointed postmaster at Baker City.

Mr. Quincy Mitchell, formerly of Express ranch, but now of the Cove, called on us this week.

Prof's Smith and Blanchet, of Leighton Academy, Cove, made this office a pleasant call, Wednesday.

Mr. J. W. Clumler, of the Cove, called on us Monday and added his name to our list of subscribers.

W. H. Lee, of Lower Powder, was in town, yesterday. He reports everything quiet in that section of country.

Napoleon Davis, clerk of the State school board, was in the city on official business, the fore part of the week.

We learn that Mr. A. J. Heffing was taken suddenly ill Wednesday night. We have not heard what the trouble was.

Senator Rinehart and family are visiting friends and relatives in Malheur county. They will be gone about two weeks.

Johnnie Nodine took his departure last Saturday night for the Willamette Valley to tend the Portland-Business College.

Attorney John R. Crites went over to La Grande, Tuesday, to act as referee in the case of A. J. Curtis vs. the La Grande Hydraulic Water Co.

Rev. Gunn, of Walla Walla, Moderator of the Presbyterian church for the Walla Walla district, has been in the city for several days on church business.

Marriage licenses were issued this week to G. M. Evans and Melissa J. Hartley; M. T. West and Pearl Mickelson; Caleb L. Weaver and Miss Helen May Waddell.

Married.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Pine valley, Union county, Oregon, Dec. 6, 1887, by C. T. Wise, J. P. William T. Spencer and Miss Ethel Gilber.

Major Hendershott, the Rappahannock drummer boy, will be in Union before long and give one of his entertainments. Major Hendershott is a cousin of Hon. Jas. H. Hendershott, of Cove.

John Dobbins left, Wednesday, for California in hopes that his falling health may be restored. Mr. Dobbins has been failing in health for some time past and thought a change of climate would benefit him.

Miss Mollie, daughter of H. D. Merwin of this city, has been visiting friends in Union this week. She will spend the remainder of her vacation among relatives and friends in Baker City and on Powder river, after which she will resume her studies at the Ascension school in the Cove.

GOOD RESULTS IN EVERY CASE.

D. A. Bradford, wholesale paper dealer of Chattanooga, Tenn., writes that he was seriously afflicted with a severe cold that settled on his lungs; had tried many remedies without benefit. Being induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, did so and was entirely cured by use of a few bottles. Since which time he has used it in his family for all Coughs and Colds with the best results. This is the experience of thousands whose lives have been saved by this Wonderful Discovery. Trial Bottles free at Wright's drug store.

SMITH'S WALKING GANG PLOW.

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

Program handkerchiefs, \$1.50 per dozen, at A. Levy's.

The place to buy your holiday goods is at Jones Brothers.

Finer weather was never seen at this time of year in Eastern Oregon.

Wanted.—A girl to wait on the table at the Centennial hotel. References required.

The New York Store, of La Grande, outstrips all competitors in the way of good goods and low prices. Try it.

Good for this week only.—Every purchaser of \$1 worth or over, at Jos. Wright's, will be presented with a nickel plated lid lifter.

Everyone purchasing \$10 worth of goods or over at Jos. Wright's store this week will be presented with a framed chromo.

Great reduction at Wright's drug store in plush goods, toilet articles, etc. this week. Secure your Christmas present before it is too late.

We have now two day trains—one passenger at 5:30 and one freight at 3 p. m., both west bound. We can't hardly sometimes tell what we'll have next.

NEW THIS WEEK.

TAKE NOTICE.

On and after Jan. 1st, 1888, we will discontinue the credit system, and sell for CASH ONLY.

All accounts due us must be settled by the first of the coming year, or costs will be added. We mean business. BENSON BROS., Proprietors, City Meat Market.

Strayed or Stolen.---\$5.00 Reward.

One black mare-colt, one-year-old past, one hind and white, branded 71 on left shoulder. STEPHEN GARDNER, 12-23 Union, Oregon.

Strayed or Stolen.---\$20.00 Reward.

One black horse, 7 years old, branded A C on left shoulder. Also, one bay horse, 1 year old past, two hind feet white, branded --- three bars on right shoulder. J. M. RICHARDSON, Cornucopia, Union county, Oregon.

Notice of Stockholder's Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Union, will be held at the banking house of said association, on Tuesday, Jan. 10th, 1888, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 3 P. M., Union, Oregon, Dec. 10th, 1887.

W. T. WRIGHT, Cashier.

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Wright's Hall, Union.

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Good Music has been Secured.

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An excellent supper will be served at the Centennial hotel.

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Fine assortment of Toys, Dolls, Blocks,

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Variety.

Finest Cigars Constantly on hand.

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CHRISTMAS. CHRISTMAS.

GRAND Masquerade Ball!

At Occidental Hall, Summerville, Or.

Friday Dec. 23, '87.

No pains will be spared to make this a grand affair, and the event of the season.

Tickets, Including Supper, \$2.50.

All are cordially invited.

BEVIL BROS., Proprietors.

Bargains! Bargains!

To Close Out Winter Goods, FROM NOW UNTIL JAN. 1st., 1887,

AT A. LEVY'S MAMMOTH STORE.

Call Early to Get the Benefit of this Offer.

Parties indebted to me will please settle at once, to save trouble and costs. My books must be closed up by the end of the year.

A. LEVY.

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Fine Cassimere, Silk Suiting, Danish Cloth, 10c. and upwards. Worsteds Goods, of all Descriptions.

Winter Flannels, EASTERN GRADES at 20c. a yard. Fine Line of Gloves just in.



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MY ENTIRE STOCK OF

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