

**THE OREGON SCOUT.**

AMOS K. JONES, EDITOR.

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 30, 1887.

**Union and Vicinity.**

Council meets January 2, 1888. Turkey dinner at the Centennial hotel, Sunday, only 50c.

Mens' ladies and boys caps reduced in price at Jo. Wright's.

We wish all our patrons a happy and prosperous New Year.

The winter so far throughout the State has been very pleasant.

Remember the Baker City I. O. O. F. ball to be given January 3rd.

Please call and settle your account at the Cove drug store by Jan. 1st.

Sheriff Hamilton is now ready to receive taxes. First comic, first served.

Don't go cold when you can get an all-wool suit of underwear for \$2.50 at Jo. Wright's.

Considerable of that dreaded disease—diphtheria, is prevalent throughout the State, this winter.

Died.—In La Grande, Dec. 24th, 1887, of brain fever, Miss Mollie McWhirter, aged 17 years.

Snow badly drifted in lanes running east and west, making it in some places difficult traveling.

Milton Oregon is going to have a four story, full roller flouring mill, with a 100 barrel capacity.

Advertise in THE SCOUT; it pays. It will reach more readers than in all the other papers in the county.

Great reduction in boots at Jos. Wright's, to make room for a mammoth shipment on the way from Chicago.

After 12 o'clock midnight Saturday, date your instruments etc., 1888. Let the man who never makes a mistake take note.

Now is the period of a man's life made happy, as he serenely walks into this sanctum and says "I'll take THE SCOUT for one year."

New railroad enterprises are projected almost every week in some parts of Oregon or Washington territory. Railroads must be paying property.

The New York Store at La Grande keeps everything, and sells at prices that cannot be competed with. When in La Grande, don't fail to visit this store.

C. M. Bennett, a contractor at Pendleton, has been and is now having considerable unpleasant experience with Oregon laws. "The way of the transgressor is hard."

Senator Mitchell has introduced a bill authorizing the secretary of the treasury to establish two life saving stations on the Oregon coast and one at Gray's Harbor, Washington Territory.

Pod. Smith handled the ribbons over John Elliott's four-in-hand, Wednesday, and reined them around as if he was accustomed to swinging the silk in days of old time stabling.

It was reported on the train Sunday morning that a man had fallen from the train somewhere in the Blue mountains, while the train was in rapid motion. We did not learn anything definite.

If you want any thing of an enterprising nature done, call on the citizens of Union, and they will do it for you. Recent developments prove this assertion beyond the shadow of a reasonable doubt.

"Col." Frank J. Parker of the Walla Walla Statesman, "wants to be appointed warden of the penitentiary." If there is any office that the brave "Col." would not like to have, we don't know what it is.

The members of the Democratic State Central Committee of Oregon, will meet in Portland January 11, 1888, for the purpose of naming the time and place of holding the Democratic State convention etc.

Mr. A. J. Goodbrod, of the Centennial hotel, is preparing an excellent dinner for New Year's day. All are cordially invited, and those partaking may rest assured that they will never regret having done so.

Conductor Leslie, of the Cascade division of the N. P., slipped, as he went to board his moving train, and was thrown under the wheels and instantly killed. The train ran eight miles before the accident was discovered.

Christmas in Union passed off very pleasantly. Several private Christmas trees were had. Christmas dinners were indulged in, to which the time honored turkey shed his blood, that we might eat and pronounce this world good.

The ball at Wright's hall last Friday night was well attended, and every thing passed off pleasantly. Fifty-three numbers were sold. The supper at the Centennial hotel was excellent and reflects much credit upon Mr. Goodbrod, the genial landlord.

Some parties attended the Sunday school concert, last Sunday night, and having neither the fear of God in their hearts, nor respect for His followers, neither respect for themselves, nor others made themselves quite obnoxious to the rest of the congregation.

The senate of this great country spent a whole day arguing whether they should "shut up shop" for the holidays or not and then did not come to a conclusion. Men, who give to time so little value, should be elected to stay at home. As servants of the people they are useless.

The public school will reopen Monday, January 2nd.

Read the ad. of the New Year's ball to be given in this city.

Get your umbrella and gum boots out for you may need them.

The Union mills are running night and day in order to supply the demand for their flour.

Look out for the grand drawing, to take place at Jones Bros., Saturday, December 31st, 1887.

The "Victor" safe has a non-pickable combination lock. F. M. Slocum, Agt., Union, Oregon.

Soon be time for the political pot to bubble and then we shall have a time equal to the last spike celebration.

The Atlas, formerly published at Vale, has been moved to Ontario, and will hereafter be issued from that place.

Yesterday, a Chinook took in the valley, and with the assistance of a gentle rain, made things extremely moist.

County Clerk A. T. Neill is busily engaged in counting up the tax roll, having received the State levy after so long a time.

The O. & C. railroad has reduced the price of first class unlimited tickets from Portland to Sacramento and San Francisco from \$50 to \$25, and limited tickets from \$22 to \$20.

The rate for all tax purposes this year is 21.7 mills. This does not seem to be decreasing taxation much, but we hope the time will come when such high rates will not be necessary.

A most excellent Christmas dinner was served at the Centennial hotel. We did not dine there, but sampled some of the cake. Mr. Goodbrod as landlord is the right man in the right place.

Quite a number of swains and their (mo) lasses have been promenading our streets this week. Glad to see them out for it recalls pleasant recollections of times gone by when our eyes are filled with tears.

Mr. S. O. Swackhammer's residence caught fire, from some coals falling out of the stove in one of the rooms, last week. It was only by extreme promptness and persistent effort that the fire was placed under control.

Mr. Pod Smith left, yesterday, on the evening freight train with two car loads of horses, for Bakersfield, Cal., where they will be fed up and placed on the Southern California market. J. Q. Shirley sent a car load of horses to Petaluma, Cal., last Tuesday.

Los Angeles has been selling eliminate at \$40 a quint, and now has got to throwing in a clear bonus in the shape of a hurricane that killed several and destroyed much. Wonder how the eastern Lazaruses like their purchases there.—Pocket

Moses Neill shot a Swede on Sheep creek, Wallawa county, over some trouble about Neill's wife. The ball struck the Swede in the neck. The wound is not considered necessarily dangerous. Neill was arrested, but as the prosecuting witness did not put in an appearance, Neill was turned loose.

There was a Sunday school concert given by the M. E. Sunday school, last Sunday evening, which was very entertaining to all. The little folks did admirably well and the singing and music was excellent. The members of the Presbyterian church assisted. Next Sunday night the Presbyterian Sunday school give a concert in which the M. E. folks will return the courtesy.

We learn that the journalistic industry has been troubled with by the editor of the Garfield Enterprise, who suddenly shook the dust from his pedal extremities, at Assotin W. T., and left for other parts where ed repeated duns could not harass the peacefulness of his mind. He regretted very much to leave, but he saw no more chances to borrow little sums of money etc. But like the roses of summer, he has flown and to the supreme disgust of his creditors, he has withered from their gaze.

Two suspicious looking characters were seen prowling around a certain office on Main street, last Tuesday night about 11 o'clock. Being watched from a secluded spot, one of them, after having cast the light from a dark lantern held in his hand, upon a safe that was in the room, said: "It is a 'Victor,' we may as well move on." Their intentions, evidently, were to rob the safe, but undoubtedly having had, at some previous time, a little experience, with this particular make, gave it up as a bad job. The owners of the safe may congratulate themselves on their wise purchase.

The current number of the West Shore is one of unusual interest, being filled with descriptive articles, fiction and poetry, and containing many beautiful engravings of Western scenery, from California to Alaska. It is accompanied by a supplement, in the form of a large picture commemorating the recent union of Oregon and California by a railroad long under construction. The West Shore is the only illustrated magazine on the Pacific coast, and is so excellent in its literary contents and engravings, and covers the entire field so thoroughly, that it seems to have no opening for a rival. It is the only publication containing engravings of the beautiful scenery of the West, and the only one giving fresh and reliable information about that entire region. It also contains choice fiction, poetry and sketches of Western life and events. With the January number the publisher promises to send to all subscribers, for 1888 a grand obitography of the "Entrance to the Columbia River," printed in nine colors. The West Shore is sent postage paid for \$2.50 per year, or 25 cents per number. L. Samuel, publisher, Portland, Oregon.

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**Social Scintillations.**

Paraphrases Pertaining, Principally, to the Verifications of the Populace.

**"THE WORLD DO MOVE."**

J. B. Sims, of Big creek, was in town this week.

Mr. Win. Koenig, of the Cove, called on us this week.

Mr. Hughie Lynch visited us the fore part of the week.

Mr. Andrew Christiansen, of Elgin, called on us Thursday.

Mr. J. W. Earles, of Ladd canyon, was in the city this week.

Mr. Ira Smith made this office a pleasant visit last Saturday.

Mrs. J. D. Carroll has about recovered from her recent illness.

Mr. George McDaniel, of the Cove, was on our streets this week.

Miss Christina Kennedy is visiting friends in the Cove this week.

Mr. Eugene Mason, of Island City, visited Union a few days ago.

Mr. V. W. Plummer, of North Powder, called at this office Tuesday.

Prof. Owen and wife are visiting relatives and friends at La Grande.

Peter Kuhn, one of La Grande's business men, was in town this week.

Mr. W. H. Huffman, of Pyle canyon, took a peep at Union the other day.

Mr. H. W. Lee, of Keating, was in the Metropolis this week attending to business.

Judge J. W. Shelton returned from a business trip to the Willamette valley last Saturday.

Mr. Wm. Cranmer, of Elgin, visited Union recently. He will read THE SCOUT hereafter.

Mr. Robert Knight and family, of Summerville, were among the visitors in town this week.

Mr. Samuel V. Dearth, of Cornucopia, was married last Thursday evening, to Mrs. Green, of Union.

Frank Johnson and wife went to Summerville to spend the Christmas with the relatives of his wife.

N. B. Harris, of the Oregon Investment Company, was over from La Grande on a business trip, last week.

E. P. McDaniels, J. Gephart, James Payne and W. R. Holmes all of the Cove, were in town Tuesday evening.

Miss Hettie Stevenson is spending the holidays with her parents in Elgin. She is missed by her many friends in Union.

The Misses Viola and Mary Wilson, of the Cove, sisters of Mr. B. F. Wilson of this city, were visiting in Union last week.

Mr. Turner Oliver, our efficient and accommodating deputy clerk, spent the holidays with relatives and friends in Summerville.

Mr. Frank Hoberg, formerly of Lafayette Oregon, but now of Baker Co., has been in Union several days visiting acquaintances.

Mrs. Hattie Carlyle, of Portland, sister of the Jones Brothers, of this city, was here during the holidays on a visit. She returned home Wednesday.

Married.—In this city, on the 24th inst., Mr. E. E. Wallace of Tehama county, California, and Mrs. Mary Pritchard, of Union, J. B. Thomson, J. P. officiating.

Mr. M. L. Carter, of Island City, made us a welcome visit this week. Mr. Carter is nothing, if not original, and has a happy faculty of keeping everybody in a good humor.

Horace Eaton, of the Half-way house, on the Union and Cornucopia road, was in town this week. He says the road to Sanger is in good condition, and that a comparatively small outlay would place the part of the road built by the State in equally as good shape.

**DIPHTHERIA IN LA GRANDE.**

We understand that two of Mr. Wilby's children died of diphtheria, last week and that another case in the town has proven fatal. Every precaution possible should be taken against the spreading of this disease, more so as these cases all seem to have been of a very malignant type.

We have talked with several parties who are accustomed to railway travel, and are on the road almost every day, say that the way the cars speed along over some parts of the road is certainly most dangerous. The speed on level or straight road does not amount to much, but when coming down Pyle canyon, or going through the Blue mountains it will make one's hair stand on end. In many places the curves are short, and often compound; high trestles and high embankments are numerous, but nevertheless, very little slacking in speed is made at these dangerous places. Fast time over bad parts of the road should not be tolerated. Human life certainly has some claim over fast time, but we suppose that railway officials think if the people want to travel, they must speed along at the rate the officers dictate, or stay at home.

**PERSONAL.**

Mr. N. H. Frohliehstein, of Mobile, Ala., writes: I take great pleasure in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, having used it for a severe attack of Bronchitis and Catarrh. It gave me instant relief and entirely cured me and I have not been afflicted since. I also beg to state that I had tried other remedies with no good result. Have also used Electric Bitters and Dr. King's New Life Pills, both of which I can recommend. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, is sold on a positive guarantee. Trial bottles free at Wright's drug store.

**THE NEW YEAR.**

Next year promises to be one of unusual prosperity in this county. Many enterprises will be opened up in the spring and we shall have a real business boom. There will be a greater influx of population into Union county than ever before in her history. Men of means are coming here to settle, and make their permanent home. New life will be instilled into every branch of trade, and business will be increased a hundred fold. Men of enterprise are just beginning to find out that Union county is one of the best counties in the state for safe investments, and next summer will witness some grand strides towards achieving the grand ends, for which this county is so admirably adapted. Now put your shoulder to the wheel, gentlemen, and help build up everything that will advance our interests.

**PENNOYER ON TOP.**

The lawyers ridiculed Pennoyer's inaugural message to the legislature, wherein he commented upon the acts of federal courts, in Oregon, in interfering, by legal process, with collection of the revenues of a State. Pennoyer can now place his thumb to his nose and wiggle every finger at them, as the supreme court has just decided a case in point, that "A federal court has no authority or power to pass upon the question of a State's collection of taxes or revenue." Pennoyer was right.

**FAMILY RE-UNION.**

A family re-union occurred last Christmas day at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Osborne, at Wingville, at which were present his sons and daughters and their children and numerous other relatives of the aged couple; in fact all their relatives on this coast. It was a very happy event for Mr. and Mrs. Osborne, and will long be remembered by all present. Mr. and Mrs. Osborne are the parents of Mrs. M. S. Warren, of this city.

**ATTENTION U. S. C. B.**

Annual meeting and election of officers, Tuesday, January 3rd, 1888. All members requested to attend. J. C. SUMMERS, Pres.

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 THIRTY-FIVE CENTS A CAN.

The Milk-line Baking Powder, full pound cans, warranted as good as any in the market. For sale at Jones Bros. Try it.

**NEW THIS WEEK.**

**LOST. LIBERAL REWARD.**

Between Union and High Valley, last Tuesday, a buckskin purse containing a five-dollar gold piece, a silver ring and a ten-cent piece. The finder will be suitably rewarded, by returning the same to me or to the office of THE OREGON SCOUT.

GUS. D. JOHNSON, Union, Oregon.

**LOST. \$5.00 REWARD.**

From the range on Ladd hill, last April, one iron-grey mare, branded A L on right side, five years old. Five dollars will be given for her return, or information as to where she is. Address: J. W. EARLES, La Grande, Oregon.

**TO-NIGHT.**

**NEW YEARS BALL!**

A grand New Year's Ball will be given at Davis' hall, Union.

Friday, Dec. 30, '87.

EVERYBODY INVITED.

Tickets, including Supper, \$2.00.

Supper at the Centennial hotel.

MARION F. DAVIS.

**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 foot white, branded 74 on left shoulder. STEPHEN GARDNER, 12-23 Union, Oregon.

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

One buckskin colored horse, 7 years old, branded A C on left shoulder. Also, one bay horse, 4 years 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. 19th, 1887. W. T. WRIGHT, Cashier.

**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.

Stop! Go no further till you read this ad.

**GREAT REDUCTION IN DRESS GOODS**

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

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