

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, January 20, 1888.

NOTE.—All those indebted to us for subscription, or on advertising account, are requested to settle at once as we need the money in our business. Don't wait for a bill to be made out and sent you, but come in smilingly and pay up.

Union and Vicinity.

Old newspapers for sale at this office. Mails arrive very irregularly just now.

An immense stock of goods will soon arrive for A. Levy. Spring window shades at Jos. Wright's, only 50 cents.

The Columbia river is blocked with ice above the mouth of the Willamette.

Boise city is making preparations for a Fourth of July celebration. Gosh! Union would be greatly benefited by a complete system of water works. Let us have it.

This has been an extremely cold and blustery week, and but very little business has been transacted.

The weather being so unfavorable, the public school was dismissed last Monday, till it moderates.

Work on the Malheur division of the Oregon Pacific will be resumed in the spring and pushed with energy.

No mail for several days past, and in consequence the letters from our regular correspondents have not been received.

The town of Sheridan, in Yamhill county, had a disastrous fire on the 11th inst. Ten business houses were destroyed.

Politics is getting to be the principal theme of conversation. The campaign this year promises to be an exceedingly lively one.

It is reported that Herman Sattler, formerly of the Centerville, will soon commence the publication of a paper in Summerville.

Wm. Howard, of Ladd canyon, lost 150 head of sheep this week. They were in a shed and the snow drifted over and smothered them to death.

Pass these stormy, winter days away by dropping in at the Cove drug store and purchasing an interesting book to read—"She," Hugh Conway's stories, etc.

If the cold weather continues much longer many of our people will find themselves short of wood. They made no preparations for as severe a winter as this.

We acknowledge the receipt of a complimentary ticket to the first annual exhibition of the Columbia Poultry Association which opens in Portland, Jan. 24th and closes Jan. 27th.

Tom Humes, of Seattle, has introduced a bill making it a misdemeanor for a person to ask or solicit a position on a jury, and a crime for the sheriff to accept him. We want just such a law in Oregon.

United States Marshal Meyers has appointed J. W. Virtue of Baker City as one of his deputies. Mr. Virtue's territory will include the counties of Baker, Malheur, Union, Grant, Walla-walla and Umatilla.

Postmaster Newland, of the Hot Lake, writes to us that the SCOUTS for that office did not arrive last week. We do not know the reason of their non-arrival. They were sent from this office in good condition.

Some dogs got into Jerry Thomson's wood shed, recently, and killed his pet crow. This is to be regretted for the bird was quite a curiosity. He could talk about as well as a parrot, and exhibited a great deal of intelligence.

Gilliam, Walla-walla and Malheur counties will each vote for a county seat next June. In Gilliam county the candidates are Arlington, Fossil and Condon; in Walla-walla, Joseph and Enterprise; and in Malheur, Vale and Ontario.

Buy a rubber stamp and print your own letter heads and bill heads, send to Portland when you want a new hat or a pair of shoes, and then sit around and wish to goodness some capitalist would come along and do something.

When the eyes become weak or the lids inflamed or sore, a disordered system or a scrofulous condition of the blood is indicated, for which Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the best remedy. It invigorates and vitalizes the blood and expels all humors.

A Moscow lover who addressed a love-scented letter to the object of his affections, asking the young lady to become his partner through life, inscribed on one corner of the envelope, "Sealed proposal." The result was he was awarded the contract.

Everyone who reads a newspaper becomes familiar with the business houses whose names appear in it, and naturally they patronize them. Merchants who advertise make many friends through the columns of a newspaper, as their names become as familiar as household words.

By a recent order of the general land office, all applications to file under the homestead and timber culture acts must be accompanied with a non-mineral affidavit, or the application will be rejected. Also, citizens of foreign birth who wish to file on land must furnish record proof of their citizenship, or declaration. These are recent orders which settlers will do well to heed.

BURIED IN SNOW.

From Mr. Steve Conner, who called on us Wednesday, we learn that Michael Stoker, who lives on Catherine creek above town, while driving in with a sleigh loaded with wood, a few days ago, met with quite a mishap. While coming around the grade a short distance this side of Robins' mill a huge bank of snow was precipitated from above which hurled Mr. Stoker to a considerable distance and completely covered up his team. Mr. Conner, who was passing at the time, assisted in hurriedly digging a hole down to the heads of the horses, so they could breathe, when, after about two hours' hard work with shovels, they were liberated, having been but very little hurt. The snow was packed around them so hard that an axe had to be used at times to chip it away. It was a narrow escape.

MUSCULAR THEOLOGIAN.

From the Bunchgrass Blade, published at Lexington, Morrow county, we learn that at church last Sunday evening, just after a very able sermon by Rev. David Wirt, a theological controversy arose between Rev. Mr. Beach and two church members, Mr. W. W. Kirk and H. Farnsworth. Although "the argument" is described as being "of short duration," it resulted in the arrest of the trio, and the machinery of the law was put in motion. After a jury trial, Rev. Beach was fined \$20 and costs. The other two threw themselves on the mercy of Justice Hall, and were fined, each \$10 and costs. Mr. Beach's fine was paid by friends, but Kirk and Farnsworth declined to pay and were lodged in jail. It is not stated whether these brethren occupy the same cell or not. Probably not.

RAILWAY COLLISION.

A collision of railroad trains occurred near the Hot Lake, last Monday morning. The particulars as near as we have been able to learn, are as follows: The snow plow was coming up from La Grande, to clear the track in Pyle canyon, accompanied by a freight train, a passenger train following, at a considerable distance behind. When opposite the Hot Lake, something broke on the snow plow, which caused it and the freight to stop, the passenger being unable to make note of this in the darkness and storm, came on at the rate of about 25 miles an hour, and crashed into the freight, demolishing several cars, and injuring an engine or two. Luckily no one was hurt. The debris was not cleared away until yesterday.

ENCOUNTER WITH A LION.

Last Tuesday night, Mr. Mose Lore, who resides on Catherine creek, a few miles above town, heard a disturbance in his hog pen, situated a short distance from the house, and upon investigation found that a large mountain lion, probably driven from the mountains by hunger, had entered the pen and was presenting his case to the swine. Mr. Lore, and Mr. Anderson, who was present, arming themselves with shot guns, proceeded to the pen, and firing at the same time, killed the lion instantly. It was found that he had dispatched one hog and torn another one jaw off, besides killing the house cat that by some means had got into his clutches.

SERIOUSLY FROZEN.

Last Saturday a man by the name of J. B. Mayey, says the Baker City Revelle, left this city on foot, for North Powder, and when about a half a mile from that place, he became so cold that he could not walk. He made his way into town, however, by crawling upon his hands and knees through the snow, and found shelter in one of the business houses of that place when it was found that his feet were badly frozen. The unfortunate man was brought to this city on Sunday and placed under the care of Dodson & Ashford, who are rendering all possible medical aid. It is thought that he will lose one of his legs. It is a sad affair.

DOUBTLESS CORRECT.

In trying to find out the truthfulness of a certain rumor that was current in Union this week, we asked a lady of our acquaintance about it, and she said she had no doubt it was true, for the reason that Jo Higgins' wife's sister had told her that she heard Mrs. Brown say that it was whispered around that old Grandma Stevens should have said, that Mabel Jackson had declared she overheard Mrs. Simpson tell Josie Sargent that it looked to her like there was something wrong, and she wouldn't wonder if it were a matter of fact.

ATTENTION FARMERS.

The following, received this week, is self explanatory: Portland, Oregon, Jan. 5, 1888. Mr. H. L. Deacon, Agent, Union. Have your paper announce the fact that hay is retailing at Seattle for \$27.50 per ton. This would allow sufficient margin for heavy shipments from Grande Ronde valley to Puget Sound points. The through rate per ton, is \$7.00. Yours truly, B. CAMPBELL, G. F. A.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

The following officers were installed in Union Lodge No. 39, I. O. O. F., by D. D. G. M. Geo. A. Thompson, on Jan. 6th: P. B. Wilson, N. G.; A. N. Gardner, V. G.; J. T. Williamson, R. S. and P. S.; Geo. F. Hall, T.; A. E. Eaton, W.; A. Levy, C.; G. W. Ames, I. G.; D. P. McDaniels, O. G.; G. A. Thompson, R. S. N. G.; Wm. Roth, L. S. N. G.; A. M. Benson, R. S. V. G.; J. R. Crites, L. S. V. G.

Social Scintillations.

Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to the Peregrinations of the Populace.

"THE WORLD DO MOVE."

J. W. Earles, of Ladd canyon, called on us Wednesday.

Mr. J. W. Minnick, of High valley, called on us this week.

Born.—In this city, to the wife of A. T. Neill, Jan. 18th, a son.

One of Joseph Yowell's boys has been quite sick for several days past.

Born.—At Elgin, to the wife of Chas. Patten, a boy, weighing 12 pounds.

J. H. Turner, of Pendleton, paid Union a visit the fore part of the week.

J. Q. Shirley returned from a bus-trip to San Francisco, last Sunday.

Born.—In this city, Jan. 3d, to the wife of Edward Kiddle, a daughter.

Thomas Nast, the famous cartoonist, is lecturing in the Willamette valley.

The mind reader, Bishop, is mystifying the people of Portland to a certain extent.

Arthur Warnick has resigned his position as clerk in the U. S. land office.

Born.—At Summerville, to the wife of S. L. McKenzie, a boy, weighing 4 pounds.

John Gill, of the firm of J. K. Gill & Co., was married in Portland last week to Miss Dekum.

Fred. Scott, of La Grande, sports a frozen nose. Fred. should draw in his trunk when he goes out.

John Stock, of Baker City and Moses McGrew, of Columbia City, were granted pensions recently.

It is stated that J. M. Sheperd will revive the Daily Sage Brush at Baker City, about the first of February.

Percy Olmsted, son of Judge Olmsted, has been tendered a cadetship in the U. S. naval academy at Annapolis.

Ed. Cates and William Raley went over to La Grande last Monday. They will return when the blockade is raised.

Mrs. E. T. Amidon, post mistress of Sanger, was in Union the fore part of the week on her way home from Baker City.

Mr. John Cullen, and daughter, of Joseph, are on a trip to California, in hopes of improving the young lady's health, which has been very poor for some time.

Mr. H. Anson, of La Grande, returned last week from a visit to the Sound. He reports Victoria and Tacoma very quiet, more so than the other towns of that section. He thinks the Grand Ronde is good enough for him.

A. C. Huntington, who left for Los Angeles a short time since with a car-load of horses, succeeded in selling them at fair prices. He will return home probably next month. His family is now at Cornwall, near San Francisco, where they will remain until spring, when they will return to La Grande.

Herman Sattler, our predecessor, left on Tuesday train for Summerville, Union county, where he went with the intention of starting the long talked of Summerville paper. Thursday he returned, after being in a snow blockade for seventeen hours without food.—Centerville Home Press. If a short fast like that is annoying to brother Sattler, he should not attempt the newspaper business in this country.

RECOGNIZED HIMSELF.

A clerical looking gentleman in the hope of obtaining a contribution entered the office of an eastern Oregon newspaper, and finding the editor at the desk, said: "I am soliciting aid for a hightoned gentleman of refinement and intelligence, who is in need of a little money, but is too proud to make known his sufferings." "Why?" exclaimed the editor, "I'm the only man in town that answers that description. What is the gentleman's name?" "I am not at liberty to disclose his name." "It must be me, parson. God bless you in your good work." The editor says that the look the parson gave him as he went out will haunt him to his grave.

POSTAL TELEGRAPHY.

The Pendleton Knights of Labor Assembly have found several signers to the following petition: "We the undersigned, etc., respectfully call your attention to the dangers which threaten our country and institutions through the consolidation of various systems of telegraphy. We ask that the Fiftieth Congress take immediate steps to establish a system of telegraphy, to be owned and controlled by the government of the United States; the same to be operated in connection with the post-office department."

KEEP A STIFF UPPER LIP.

"Talk is cheap." So it is, but it is the dearest kind of a commodity sometimes. It is very expensive when the talk happens to be the whine of an alleged man who gets the ear of a newcomer, a probable investor, and mumbles sad prognostications of possible disaster. That is dear talk to the town. A more profitable kind of talk is to talk up the place, have a good word for it at home and abroad; be enthusiastic about it, its prospects, its people and its future. That is profitable talk, and though only "talk," still it helps greatly.—Ex.

The "Victor" safe will stand a fire, and stand off burglars too; still the price does come no higher, than any others do.

Subscribe for THE OREGON SCOUT.

Loans negotiated by J. E. Tuttle, Union, Oregon.

A clerk who was snowed up in a train during a severe storm telegraphed to his firm in the city: "I shall not be in the office to-day, as I have not got home yesterday yet."

A considerable amount of snow has fallen, which is just what the placer miner likes to see, and it is beneficial to the farmer, for a good crop the coming season will be the result.

The county court of Umatilla county thinks seriously of building a new court house. This matter is all the more urgent as it is very probable that the county will be divided at the next legislature.

In December, 229 car loads of lumber were shipped East, against 118 for November. The direct eastern lumber trade promises to develop into one of the biggest items in Oregon's export list.

We still live at Union City Hotel opposite the court house, near A. F. Benson's livery stable, where the public will find first class meals at all hours 25 cents. Good beds and rooms, 25 cents. L. J. BOOTH, Prop.

Ayer's Hair Vigor improves the beauty of the hair and promotes its growth. It prevents the accumulation of dandruff, cleanses the scalp, and restores a natural color to gray hair. Have you received Ayer's Almanac for the new year?

The statistical and descriptive part of the Oregonian's New Year's issue was a very creditable production. The illustrations may do for people at a distance. Like a little boy's efforts at drawing, the pictures of Portland and East Portland are recognized only by the names attached to each.—East Portland Packet.

James Rowland, an old pioneer of Baker county, was found lying dead in the road about half way between Britton station and Auburn by the Canyon City stage driver on the up trip last Wednesday evening.

In the forenoon of that day Rowland started to walk from Griffin's station to Auburn, a distance of about ten miles; on his way he stopped for a short time at Britton's station. Nothing unusual appeared to be troubling him while there. He proceeded on his way and when about three miles from Auburn death overtook him. When found he was lying on his back in the road, had a cigar in his mouth and held his gloves in his right hand. Appearance indicate that Mr. Rowland died from heart trouble. The remains were taken to Auburn, where J. M. Sheperd, corner of this county, went to hold an inquest yesterday. The jury found that death resulted from heart disease.—Democrat.

Frank Bro's Implement Co., of Island City, carry the largest stock of standard implements to be found in Eastern Oregon. Their terms and prices defy competition. They always have on hand extras and repairs for goods they sell, which is a matter of great importance to the purchaser. LOOK HERE.

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K. of P.

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Friday, Feb. 17, '88.

COMMITTEE ON INVITATION:

Baker City.—G. W. Jett, M. Tracy and Geo. Steffin.

La Grande.—C. H. Finn and Adam Crossman.

Cove.—E. J. Thomas.

Pendleton.—R. Alexander and E. M. Farrow.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS:

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