

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, February 3, 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.

Vale, Malheur county, wants a newspaper.

Pay your city dog tax immediately and save costs.

Baker City is discussing the advisability of having a street railway.

The men who "are in the hands of their friends" are getting more numerous every day.

Peach Bros., of Island City, recently purchased from E. B. Hill, 15 head of pure bred Cotswold lambs.

Those in need of fruit trees should not fail to carefully read H. J. Geer & Son's advertisement in this paper.

Read carefully the new advertisements appearing in THE SCOUT each week. It will be to your interest to do so.

The smallpox is prevalent in Portland and it is quite probable that the disease will be carried to interior towns.

Mr. Al. Goodbrod, of the Centennial hotel, will give a turkey dinner next Sunday. A reduction will be made for families.

Stockmen in Baker valley are turning their cattle out on the hills near Burnt river, the snow having disappeared entirely in that vicinity.

Sheep men in the vicinity of Ladd canyon we hear have met with considerable loss this winter. Mr. Howard is out about 1000, and Dan Lucas 300.

J. W. Virtue, of Baker City, has sold his cabinet of ores and collections to Fred. Dill. It is one of the most valuable collections to be found on the coast.

Mr. Al. Gardner, the jeweler, has had his place of business overhauled, repainted, and painted this week, which adds much to the appearance of things.

The snow has disappeared from this section of the country, and the weather for several days past has been mild and balmy. The streets of Union are dusty in some places.

David Woodward, of Milton, who has been toll keeper on the Walla Walla and Summerville wagon road ever since the road was opened, has become insane on the subject of religion.

Williamson & Rogers have over 700 fat beef steers at their stock ranch near La Grande. They are being fed for the Portland and Sound markets and will prove dainty morsels for the lower country epicures.

Died.—In this city, Tuesday, January 31, of consumption, Mrs. J. R. Haynes. Deceased leaves a husband and several children to mourn her loss. The remains were interred in the Union cemetery on Wednesday.

Mrs. Malloy, the evangelist, who was quite prominent in the religious revival at Baker City last winter, is now suffering martyrdom in a murder trial in Missouri, in which she is thought to be a prominent factor.

A supply of Lauderbach's catarrh remedy just received at the Cove drug store, pronounced by those who have tried it to be the most effective remedy yet discovered. Call at the Cove drug store and get a complete sample treatment free.

"It is worth its weight in gold," is a common expression. But, while the value of gold is easily affected, the worth of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, as a blood purifier, never depreciates. It will eradicate scrofula from the system when everything else fails.

Herman Sattler and family departed for Walla Walla the first of the week, where he goes to accept a position on the Journal. He has given up the notion of going into the newspaper business yet awhile.—Centerville Home Press. We presume Summerville will not have a newspaper after all.

The Baker Tribune says: "Five candidates for sheriff on the Democratic county ticket have announced themselves as such, and there are nine more that are known to be willing to serve the county in that capacity. The next campaign promises to be lively, and the Democratic convention exceedingly so."

Some eight or ten new subscribers received this week. There is plenty of room for more, and now is the accepted time. The few in Union county who are not already taking THE SCOUT should lose no time in sending in their names. The political campaign will open in a few weeks, and you cannot afford to be without the paper.

The Main street bridge at Pendleton, which spans the Umatilla river, broke down, last week, while some cattle were being driven across it, and fifty head of cattle, and ten boys and men were precipitated, a distance of fifteen feet, to the ice beneath. Several of the cattle were killed, but the only persons seriously injured were George O. Scully, a young man lately from St. Louis, who had his left leg broken twice near the ankle; Joseph Beugal, right arm broken; Frank Morris, aged about 12 years, head and lip badly cut and bruised; A. D. Wirt, dislocated shoulder.

CLEVELAND CLUB ORGANIZED.

The Democratic citizens of Union met at the court house on last Tuesday evening for the purpose of organizing a Cleveland club.

In the absence of the chairman of the county central committee, Geo. E. Owen, secretary, called the meeting to order, and, on motion, T. H. Crawford was elected temporary chairman.

Owing to the fact that the call for the meeting had not been as fully circulated as was desirable, it was wisely decided not to effect a permanent organization until the next meeting which will occur next Tuesday the 7th inst.

On motion the chairman appointed a committee of five, consisting of B. F. Wilson, Turner Oliver, J. B. Thompson, L. B. Rinchart and O. P. Goodall, to prepare a constitution and by-laws to be submitted at the next meeting. The meeting, on motion, afterward added the name of the chairman to that committee.

It is understood that the club is to consist of all citizens desiring to join who favor the re-election of President Cleveland, and is to take no part in county politics. An organization of this kind will include not only Democrats but many Republicans who favor the main administration of President Cleveland.

A TREAT IN STORE.

Major R. H. Hendershot, the drummer boy of the Rappahannock, assisted by some of our best local talent, will give an entertainment at Wright's hall in this city next Monday evening. The Portland, Me., Argosy in speaking of the Major, says: "Robert H. Hendershot, the drummer boy of the Rappahannock, the most noted drummer of the age, gave an exhibition of his wonderful skill with the sticks, at Greenwood Garden, before a large audience which, notwithstanding the unpleasant weather, had assembled to hear him. He played on the solid silver drum with the gold tipped sticks, presented to him by Horace Greely, and it is no wonder audiences are delighted to hear him. Such drumming has never been heard in Maine. One of his selections last evening was an imitation of a battle, and old soldiers who have passed through battles in all their fearful reality know how real are his imitations." Mr. Hendershot is accompanied by his son, an expert fifer, and with the assistance of our local talent will, no doubt, give an excellent entertainment. Admission 50cts; children 25cts; reserved seats 75cts, for sale at the Centennial hotel.

JOINT LEASE UNLAWFUL.

It is now claimed that the proposed joint lease of the O. R. & N. railroad by the Union and Northern Pacific railroads is prohibited by the interstate commerce law and the companies may be enjoined from carrying the lease into effect, as interpreted from the following clause:

"That it shall be unlawful for any common carrier subject to the provisions of this act to enter into any contract, agreement or combination with any other common carrier or carriers for the pooling of freights of different or competing railroads, or to divide between them the aggregate or net proceeds of the earnings of such railroads or any portion thereof; and in case of an agreement for the pooling of freights as aforesaid, each day of its continuance shall be deemed a separate offense."

MAILING LETTERS ON CARS.

An item is going the rounds of the country press which must have been started by some persons wholly ignorant of the rules of the railway mail service, although it purports to give the latest ruling of the department, says the Portland Telegram. Almost every one knows that a letter can be mailed upon any train or boat that carries a railway mail clerk, but the item above referred to states that "all clerks are now compelled to turn such letters over to the first office passed en route, where they will be stamped and sent on the next day." Inquiry of Chief Clerk Henry, of this department of the railway mail service, elicits the information that there is no foundation whatever for the above statement, and that letters can be mailed on the cars and go to their destination without any delay.

THE SPARTA MINES.

Captain Clough, owner of the Sparta canal, is preparing to put in a flume by which means the water will be raised 125 feet higher, carrying it over the powder river divide, making available thousands of acres of the richest placer ground on the Pacific coast. Several hundred miners can find profitable employment at Sparta next summer after the completion of the 3,500 foot flume. During the past summer the rich quartz mines of that vicinity have attracted general attention and much work is being done in this direction. The quartz veins are numerous, large and well defined, and average \$10 to the ton in free gold and more than double that value in sulphurets.

ARM BROKEN.

Mr. W. A. Blain, who has been working for Mr. Draper on his ranch below town, had the misfortune to slip on the ice, while leading a horse to water, on Wednesday evening of last week, and broke his left arm just above the wrist. Dr. Day reduced the fracture, and the patient will no doubt get along all right.

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

Social Scintillations.

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

"THE WORLD DO MOVE."

John A. Tucker, of Big creek, was in town this week.

Chas. McClure, of La Grande, called on us last Monday.

Mrs. A. L. Saunders is visiting on Lower Powder river.

Mr. Frank Collins, of Summerville, was in town recently.

Mr. S. S. Newman, of Ladd canyon, was in town, Wednesday.

Attorney Cage Baker, of La Grande, was in Union this week.

Mrs. Queener, sister of Mrs. Al. Gardner, is visiting in this city.

Mrs. E. J. Martin, of Summerville, was visiting in Union this week.

Mr. Seig Baer, of Island, was visiting friends in Union this week.

Mr. Jap Stevens, the genial Cove druggist visited Union a few days ago.

Mrs. Remillard and Mrs. Averill are visiting friends and relatives in Baker City.

Hen. James Hendershot, of the Cove, made us a pleasant visit this week.

Mr. Tom Foster is in-apacitated for work by an attack of the erysipelas in his left hand.

N. C. McLeod and Angus Shaw, of Summerville, were in Union during the week.

Mr. Ammi Rundall, of the Cove, called on us, Monday, and subscribed for THE SCOUT.

Miss Lillian Kennedy has been quite sick for the past week, but is now convalescent.

Mr. D. B. Hilt has been confined to his bed with rheumatism, but is somewhat better now.

N. B. Harris and J. O. Kuhn, of the La Grande Journal, visited Union the fore part of the week.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will meet at Mrs. Deering's this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mr. T. J. Chandler, of Elgin, made us a very pleasant visit a few days ago and added his name to our subscription list.

Mr. J. T. Outhouse, Receiver of the U. S. Land office at La Grande, has been quite sick for some time. He was a little better at last accounts.

Horace Eaton and wife came down from the Half-way house a few days ago. Mrs. Eaton will remain in Union for a couple of weeks, visiting friends and relatives.

Post master Wm. Cates, of Telocaset, took in our town last Wednesday. He informs us that the SCOUTS for that office did not arrive last week. They were sent from this office at the regular time.

Mr. C. F. Beeler, of Marble Rock, Iowa, an old friend of Mr. Ostrander, of this city, was here during the week. He came out to look at the country and visit relatives in Washington Territory. He expresses himself as highly pleased with the country.

Major Hendershot, the drummer boy of the Rappahannock, will give an entertainment at Wright's hall in this city, next Monday evening, for the benefit of Preston Post, No. 18, G. A. R. He will be assisted by local talent.

A Mr. Schiltz and another party who are directors of the Oregon Gold and Silver Mining Company of Cornucopia, recently arrived from Louisville, Kentucky, and are now on a visit to their properties in Pine creek district. We understand they intend doing a great amount of development work on these properties the coming spring and summer.

We are very sorry to report, says the Baker Democrat, that Mrs. Lucy Mahaffey, mother of Mrs. L. O. Stearns, is lying dangerously ill at the residence of the latter, four miles south of this city. Mrs. Mahaffey is a highly esteemed and much beloved old lady, is a pioneer of Baker and Union counties, in both of which she has many friends. We sincerely hope she may recover from her present severe sickness.

GOOD ADVICE.

If you do not believe Bill Nye to be a level-headed philosopher, read the following from his pen, and be undeceived hereafter:

Don't attempt to cheat an editor or to play him false in any way. Cheat the minister, cheat the doctor, cheat anybody and everybody, but if you have any regard for future consequences don't fool with an editor. You will be put up for office sometime, or want some public favor for yourself or some of your friends, and when your luck is "a thing of beauty and joy forever," the editor will open upon you and knock your air-castle into a cocked hat the first fire. He'll subdue you and then you'll cuss yourself for a driveling idiot.

AUCTION SALE.

I will sell at public auction, at my place on Big creek, on March 1st, 1888 at 10 o'clock a.m. the following personal property: Three large work horses, one saddle horse, some brood mares and colts, cows and yearlings, one lumber wagon, one hack, one set harness, plows, harrow, and other farming tools, household goods, stoves, chairs, bedsteads, tables, cupboards, bureau, carpets, sewing machine, dishes, and many other things too numerous to mention. Terms of sale: All sums under \$5.00, cash; \$5.00 and over, 9 months time; sums of \$25 and over, 22 months time. Must be good, endorsed and approved notes, with interest.—T. G. Cook.

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

Wanted.—A first class dressmaker. Apply at Mrs. Corbin's millinery store, Union.

J. E. Tuttle has money to loan in sums to suit. Call and see him at office of City Recorder.

Jack Fickle recently purchased three fine Berkshire pigs, bred by Mr. Stone, of Guelph, Ontario, and brought here by E. B. Hill.

The "Victor" safe is absolutely fire and burglar proof, and is provided with a non-pickable combination lock. F. M. Slocum, Agt., Union, Oregon.

Mr. Goodbrod, of the Centennial hotel, has just fitted up a very neat and convenient sample room for the accommodation of traveling salesmen, and they all pronounce it the best in the State.

Ayer's pills cure constipation, improve the appetite, promote digestion, restore healthy action, and regulate every function. This medicine is pleasant to take and gentle in its operation. See article in Ayer's Almanac.

We learn of the death of Mr. John Stout, which occurred at the Ferguson farm, near North Powder, last week. Mr. Stout was but recently married. He was only sick a few days, his illness commencing with a sore throat.

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.

Croup, whooping cough, sore throat, sudden cold, and the lung troubles peculiar to children, are easily controlled by promptly administering Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. This remedy is safe to take and certain in its action.

The friends who have rendered their kind assistance during the prolonged illness of the late Mrs. J. R. Haynes, and who have sympathized with the bereaved relations in their sorrow, have the sincere thanks of the heart-broken father and children. "A friend in need is a friend indeed," and their acts of kindness will never be forgotten.

This space is reserved for the ad. of H. J. Geer's

Grand Prize Ball,

to be given on Wednesday evening, Feb. 22, 1888.

Further particulars later on

GRAND

Anniversary -- Ball!

—To be given by—

Blue Mountain Lodge No. 28,

K. of P.

At Wright's Hall, Union, Ogn.,

Friday, Feb. 17, '88.

COMMITTEE ON INVITATION:

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

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

Cove.—E. J. Thomas.

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

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS:

Jos. Wright, Geo. F. Hall, B. F. Wilson, M. M. Hall, A. N. Hamilton, F. S. Slater and Geo. Gignac.

FLOOR MANAGERS:

Geo. F. Hall, A. N. Hamilton, J. L. Lovell.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE:

Frank Slater, O. F. Bell, T. Oliver, A. T. Neill, C. H. Day, Dr. J. E. Thomas, B. F. Wilson, P. B. Wilson, J. M. Carroll, C. E. Tomblinson.

COMMITTEE ON MUSIC:

Mat. M. Hall, J. M. Carroll, James Galloway, Geo. F. Hall.

COMMITTEE ON SUPPER:

W. D. Beidleman, F. Bidwell, J. Blize, S. L. Benson.

COMMITTEE ON PRINTING:

Jos. Wright, J. C. Summers, B. Chaney.

COMMITTEES ON DECORATION:

N. Howland, J. C. Summers, J. Wright, W. D. Beidleman, Wallace Harris, Mat. M. Hall, B. Chaney, Robert Gibson, J. H. Nodine, Geo. Gignac.

The Best of Music will be Furnished.

Tickets, Including Supper, \$3.00.

General Invitation Extended to all.

Attention Fruit Growers

GREAT SACRIFICE.

Must and Will be Sold, the Entire Stock of Fruit Trees, Shrubbery, etc., of H. J. Geer & Son, Cove, Oregon.

In order to procure money, and clear our nursery of the immense stock now on hand (75,000 trees) take this method to bring before the public

Our Determination to Sell.

Heretofore we have employed agents to canvass the country for the sale of our trees, but have concluded to depart from that custom. Now, we propose to reduce the price, so that purchasers can have the

Benefit of the Agent's Percentage.

We will reduce our prices for the spring trade of 1888, 25 to 50 per cent. below our last year's catalogue prices to parties who receive their trees at the nursery. Tree-dealers and nurserymen buying by the thousand, will be allowed 50 per cent. discount on last season's prices.

Our terms are cash on delivery, except by special arrangements.

We are DETERMINED to dig and SELL our ENTIRE STOCK, to make room for an ENTIRE NEW NURSERY, conducted on a different basis; and, in the language of the Hebrew peddler, "Yust come and looks for yourself und see vot a slaughter mill der dross—I almost givs tem away."

WE EARNESTLY ASK ALL WHO INTEND TO ORDER TREES FROM US, TO COME PERSONALLY AND SELECT FOR THEMSELVES. IT IS FAR MORE SATISFACTORY TO ALL CONCERNED.

We have been growing fruit trees for over twenty years in the same locality, and conclude we well know and understand what will most profit the purchaser. Our practical experience in fruit and fruit tree business, is, we conclude, of value to purchasers, and our guarantee cannot be bettered in this country.

Parties will invariably find it better for them to buy at the nursery, thus saving extra handling and unnecessary exposure of roots, as well as cost.

We will exchange trees, shrubbery, etc., for good young horses or cattle.

Any and all orders entrusted to us will have our best attention. Address:

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Cove, Union County, Oregon.

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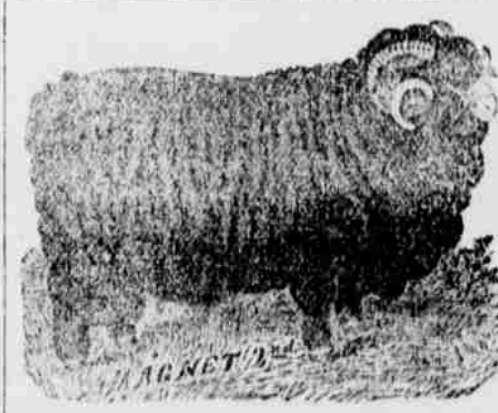
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Over two hundred first class Merino Ewes, from 1 to 3 years old, and a few fine rams, carefully selected from some of the leading flocks. Among them, H. C. Burwell, L. S. Burwell, E. Stickney, C. A. Chapman and others. Descended from and closely related to such noted rams as "Rip Vanwinkle," 35 lbs and 10 oz; "Bunker," 37 lbs and 2 oz; H. C. B. No. 190, 37 lbs and 10 oz; R. Lane, 38 lbs and 10 oz; Jim Blaine (our future president) 37 lbs and 8 oz; Gold Finder, 33 lbs and 4 oz at 2 years old.

See Vermont Merino Register, Volumes 2nd and 3rd.

I can safely say that this is the best lot of Merinos ever brought to the Northwest. I will sell them CHEAP, quality considered, if sold soon. Come and see them at Elliott's stable, Union, Oregon. Stock registered in Vermont Register.

NOTE.—I will go to Kentucky, soon, after a shipment of Short Horns, Holstein and Jersey cattle. Parties wishing any of the same will do well to address me here.

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.