

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 10, 1888.

Union and Vicinity.

Farmers are commencing to plow. Still the good weather continues. The roads are getting in good condition. "Good smoking cigars" at Jones Brothers. Several interesting articles crowded out of this issue. Circuit court convenes in this city next Monday. J. E. Tuttle, Agt, for the O. R. & N. Co.'s land, Union, Oregon. Joseph, Wallowa county, is trying to organize a militia company. Playing marbles and pitching horseshoes seems to be the favorite outdoor sports just now. J. E. Tuttle has money to loan in sums to suit. Call and see him at office of City Recorder. The mails have arrived quite regularly of late. There are no objections made to the arrangement. Farmers, bring along your chickens and eggs to the Centennial hotel where you can always get the highest market price. The "State" baking powder received at Jo Wright's, this week, is ahead of anything ever brought to the town. Try it. Remember the K. of P. ball on Friday evening of next week. It will be the event of the season. Don't fail to attend. A protracted meeting under the supervision of Rev. R. H. Boyles will commence in the Cove to-morrow evening, and continue over two Sundays. Do not forget T. G. Cook's auction sale to take place on Big creek the first of March. The stock and all that will be offered for sale we are told is first class, and the terms easy. The Oregon Gold Mining company at Cornucopia have shut down their mill for the present, owing to the trouble of getting tunnel timber for use in the mine while the deep snows continue. Don't fail to purchase one of those beautiful valentines at the Cove drug store and mail to your innamorata. No doubt, it being leap year, she is contemplating favoring you in the same way. It is reported, says the Pendleton Oregonian, that Peter the Poet, editor of the Long Creek Eagle, had been shot by Tom Wilson, whom he had assailed in his paper. No particulars could be ascertained. No other medicine is so reliable as Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, for the cure of coughs, colds, and all derangements of the respiratory organs. It relieves the asthmatic and consumptive, even in advanced stages of disease. "My little son, three years of age, was terribly afflicted with scrofula. His head was entirely covered with scrofulous sores, and his body showed many marks of the disease. A few bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla cured him."—W. J. Beckett, Hymara, Ind. Two young ruffians named Duff King and Frank Miller were tried in Baker City this week on a charge of burglary and the assaulting of Mr. R. McIntosh in his residence on Feb. 1st. They were held to appear before the grand jury with bonds fixed at \$1000 each. The Wallowa Chieftain says: Several ledges will be opened up in the mountains near Joseph early this season. It is already promised that reduction works will be erected here as soon as there is enough ore in sight, and that is also one of the possibilities of the coming season. 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. No news has been received from mining operations in the Pine creek district for several weeks, but there is a great confidence among owners of properties there that the coming summer will mark great activity in that camp. On account of the immense depth of snow the camp is at this time of year about bottled up. Mrs. Mathews, a lady recently from Paris, France, will open a dressmaking establishment next week in the building adjoining the Mortgage bank. Mrs. Mathews is an accomplished milliner, and will employ an entirely new system for cutting and fitting dresses and wraps. Her advertisement will appear next week. Information wanted of Benjamin M. Rothery. He has passed all the chairs in Odd Fellowship and also in the A. O. U. W. lodge. His postoffice address or his whereabouts sent to the editor of the Wasco County Sun. The Dalles, will be thankfully received by his suffering, aged mother. All Oregon papers please copy. Read carefully H. J. Geer & Son's tree notice. They will dispose of their entire stock of fruit trees at death seeking (to them) low prices, as the stock must and will be dug. Persons who ever expect to set out an orchard will never have such an opportunity again. Come with team and get what you want at your own price, (almost.) If they are not sold they will be burned.

CALL FOR A MEETING TO ORGANIZE A BOARD OF TRADE.

Believing that a concert of action is necessary to the prosperity of any town or city, and that by a united effort of its citizens, may our city hope to attain that degree of importance, eminence and prosperity as a commercial and manufacturing center that its natural advantages and resources entitle it to occupy:

Therefore, we, the undersigned citizens of the city of Union, call upon our fellow townsmen to meet with us at the court house on Saturday evening, Feb. 11th, 1888, at the hour of 7:30 o'clock for the purpose of discussing the situation and organizing a Board of Trade:

George Wright, A. Levy, Geo. F. Hall, B. F. Wilson, J. M. Carroll, John R. Criss, A. K. Jones, C. M. Jones, C. H. Day, C. Vincent, Geo. A. Thompson, A. N. Gardner, J. M. Johnson, Wm. Raley, Geo. Gignac, Ed. Remillard, John S. Elliott, Wm. Wilson, J. C. Summers, H. B. Drake, Jos. Wright, D. B. Rees, J. H. White, N. Howland, P. B. Wilson, R. E. Prake, F. E. Foster, F. F. Baker, L. B. Rimhart, A. M. Benron, A. J. Goodbrod, George Baird, A. E. Eaton, O. P. Jaycox, R. Eakin & Bro., B. Chancey, J. W. Sledton, W. D. Beideman, T. H. Crawford, C. L. Blikstein, L. J. Boehle, F. S. Johnson, W. E. Wright.

IMPORTANT TO TEACHERS.

Mr. Hindman, our county school superintendent, informs us that he is greatly retarded in the proper discharge of his duties, on account of the indifference, and apparent ignorance of the school laws on the part of many teachers and district clerks. He is required to make a report by the 1st of April of each year, and this he cannot do unless the teachers of the various districts file their reports, which should be done not later than the 15th of March. The Superintendent desires us to call the attention of the various district clerks to subdivisions 5th and 10th of section 54, Oregon school laws, wherein it is plainly stated that the clerks in making the annual census shall not enroll the names of any but those who are actual residents of the district, as in no other way can a correct enumeration be obtained. Also that the clerk of each district is required to keep back the last month's wages of the teacher until the teacher's report has been examined, approved and filed. Mr. Hindman says he will not approve the reports of teachers hereafter unless they are presented properly and according to law. In this we think he is quite correct, for it is important that our school matters should move harmoniously, that the best results may be obtained. Teachers who have not enough interest in their work to study the laws governing them, and comply promptly and cheerfully with its requirements, can hardly be considered to have the proper qualifications as teachers.

FIENDISH OUTRAGE.

A Colfax dispatch of Tuesday says: "The 18 year old daughter of J. M. Hughes, editor of the Palouse City News, was drugged and outraged by Dan Conroy, a railroad foreman. Ten of his men also ravished the unfortunate girl and she is not expected to live. Conroy was arrested at Spokane Falls. Officers are on the trail of the other miscreants and will not rest until all are in irons." If as reported, this is a case where courts and laws are of no use, and should be disregarded. There is no punishment possible that is fitting the enormity of such a crime, and if caught they should be treated to the barbaric torture to which Indians subject their captives before they permit the foul fiends to die.—Union. LATER.—Conroy, who committed the rape made his escape while en route between Spokane and Palouse. He was in charge of deputy sheriff Callison. It is reported that when the train left Marshall he jumped from his seat and off the train. The sheriff endeavored to stop the train, but instead they increased to the utmost speed until they reached Sprague.

A HORRIBLE CRIME.

Wm. Landreth, an inhuman monster murdered his step-daughter, Symeonia Antle, 18 or 19 years of age, at Independence, Sunday morning Jan 29, and is now confined in the Salem jail. Facts elicited at the inquest, show that Landreth had been unduly intimate with his step-daughter, and fearing future consequences, murdered the girl to cover up his beastly crime. Mrs. Landreth testified that her daughter had long been made the victim of his damnable lust. The murder was committed with a huge knife, and no less than fourteen frightful gashes were cut in the girl's head and body by this incestuous demon.

The Baker Democrat says: We learn that on Thursday last J. W. Gray, Wm. Kinsey and four other persons left Hain's station, mounted on snow shoes, bound for the mines on Cracker creek in the Blue mountains. The party intended following up the south fork of the north fork of Powder river to the summit of the mountains and then cross over to Cracker creek, a distance of about 25 miles from the railroad. They had with them blankets, provisions and other supplies necessary for such a trip. It takes considerable nerve for a party of men to undertake such an excursion at this time of year, and we hope they reached their destination without accident or great hardship.

Try the new baking powder at Jones Brothers. Only 35 cents a can. Warranted as good as any powder in the market, or money refunded.

Social Scintillations.

Paragaphs Pertaining, Principally, to the Perceptions of the Citizens.

"THE WORLD DO MOVE."

Next Tuesday is St. Valentine's day. Mrs. Saunders, of the Cove, visited Union recently.

County School Supt. Hindman called on us this week.

"Paddy" Miles, of Big creek, was on our streets Wednesday.

Dr. J. W. Strange, of La Grande, visited Union this week.

Attorney Jos. Baker, of La Grande, took in our town this week.

Mr. J. W. Earle, of Ladd canyon, was in town a few days ago.

Mrs. Warild, of the Cove, visited Union the fore part of the week.

Miss Lillian Kennedy is still absent from school on account of sickness.

Mr. W. G. Neville, of the Sand Ridge, called on us the fore part of the week.

D. P. McDaniels and family will move to the lower Cove in a few days.

Riding on horseback is the favorite amusement of the young ladies of Union now.

Rev. Powell, Sam'l Bloom and Jas. Payne, of the Cove, were in Union Wednesday.

Mr. J. A. Woodell and wife, of Summerville, were visiting friends and relatives in Union this week.

Mrs. E. M. McCann came down from Malheur county recently, and is visiting friends and relatives in this city.

Judge W. G. Piper has been appointed by the board of school land commissioners, their attorney for Wallowa county.

Mr. George W. Marshall and N. S. Marshall passed through a few days ago en route for the land office to prove up on their claims.

W. T. Carroll who recently purchased the Schoonover farm will move his family on to it shortly, and try his hand at farming.

A. C. Huntington and family, who have spent the winter in southern California, are expected home the latter part of the month.

D. W. Lichenthaler has withdrawn his stock from the La Grande National bank, and removed to Baker City, where he will hereafter reside.

H. Robbs, J. Zuber and M. Bloch recently purchased from Frank Bro's a complete saw mill outfit which they will set up in the vicinity of Hilgard.

A grand prize ball will be given on the 22nd inst. at Geer's hall in the Cove. Preparations are being made for an unusually good time. See advertisement elsewhere.

Extensive preparations are being made by the Knights of Pythias for their ball which is to take place on the 17th. No doubt there will be a large number in attendance.

"Papa, why do they always call a railroad train 'she'?" "Because it takes three or four men to manage her, my son," replied Mr. Dawdle, glaring at his wife.—Ex.

Major Hendershot, the drummer boy of the Rappahannock, assisted by local talent entertained a large audience at Wright's hall, last Monday evening. The Major can get music out of a drum if anybody can, and may be considered a drummer "from way back."

At Benton, recently, the wife of Wesley Ray, a farmer, gave birth to a quartette of boys and girls, two boys and two girls. This is remarkable as it is the first of the kind that ever occurred in the State. All of the children and mother are doing well. When the nurse first showed them to the father, he probably asked: "Did any of them get away?"—Ex.

Married.—At the Ruby house, Mt. Vernon, by Probate Judge H. Clothier, Mr. James P. Lewis and Miss Minnie Lindstedt, all of Sterling. W. T. Mr. Lewis is the manager of the Skagit Railway and Lumber company's store at Sterling, and is a deservedly popular young man. Mrs. Lewis is a daughter of A. H. Lindstedt, a well-known resident of Sterling. The happy couple start out in life with the wishes of a numerous circle of friends, in which The News concurs.—Mt. Vernon, W. T. News.

Rejoice girls have struck a new and novel plan to get new silk dresses, as follows: They single out some victim and flout his sentiments toward herself, and if they are unfavorable she invites the gentleman to see her. Then he is doomed. Well, he comes: she makes him promise to grant her a favor or pay the penalty, and of course as any gentleman should, he agrees to the arrangement. Then she pops the question. Horrified! Well, she gets the dress. It has been intimated that this practice is about to be inaugurated in Union, and we know of several gentlemen who are willing to pay for silk dresses or—marry the girls.

LOOK HERE.

Those indebted to me on account are requested to come forward at once and settle. If this request is not heeded, I shall resort to some other method of collecting.

W. D. BEIDEMAN.

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—ON—
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There will be four Cash Prizes awarded, to the four fortunate persons drawing the first four numbers from the prize ball, of \$1.50 each (the price of ticket).

Good Music Will be Furnished.

Tickets, including a No. 1 Lunch, and hay for horses, \$1.00.
General Invitation to all.

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—To be given by—
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K. of P.

At Wright's Hall, Union, Ogn.,
—ON—
Friday, Feb. 17, '88.

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Baker City.—G. W. Jett, M. Tracy and Geo. Steffen.
La Grande.—C. H. Finn and Adam Crossman.
Cove.—E. J. Thomas.
Pendleton.—R. 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. Lowell.

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. Tombleton.

COMMITTEE ON MUSIC,
Mat. M. Hall, J. M. Carroll, James Galloway, Geo. F. Hall.

COMMITTEE ON SUPPER,
W. D. Beideman, F. Bidwell, J. Blice, S. I. Benson.

COMMITTEE ON PRINTING,
Jos. Wright, J. C. Summers, B. Chancey.

COMMITTEE ON DECORATION,
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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. Free dealers and nurserymen buying by the thousand, will be allowed 50 per cent. discount on last season's prices.

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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 look for yourself and see vot a shlaughter mill der trees—I almost give ten away."

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