

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, March 17th, 1888.

Union and Vicinity.

Buy your harness of Beidleman. Hardware and groceries at Drake's. Picture frames of all kinds at Jones Bros.

The flouring mill at Weston is to be rebuilt.

Why are the street lamps not lighted these dark nights?

The finest line of jerseys ever carried in Union at Mrs. J. C. Sommers'.

A landslide near Meacham, on Monday night, caused the ditching of a freight car.

Remember the Board of Trade meeting next Saturday night and all come to the court house at 7:30 o'clock.

Lost.—A watch charm, inlaid with colored stone. Finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving it at this office.

A Pendleton exchange says the west-bound passenger train ran into a band of horses, on Monday night, killing 14 head.

An immense stock of clothing at Levy's. Step in and get you a nobby suit. You will be sure to find what you want.

A fresh supply of the celebrated California Liniment, the best known remedy for man or beast, just received at the Cove drug store.

Ladies, it will do you good to call at Vincent's and examine the elegant assortment of shoes just received.

Rare chance for a good home.—The Moore gardens, of Union, Oregon, will be sold reasonable if applied for at once.—M. Wilinski, Portland Oregon.

Mr. C. Vincent received, this week, 24 cases of boots and shoes of the latest styles, which will be sold at bedrock prices. Drop in and inspect them.

Anthony Earhardt, an old pioneer of Baker county, was found dead in his cabin on Elk creek, last week. His death was the result of heart disease.

A militia company, with a membership of 48, has been organized in La Grande. Let Union get in and do likewise. We have plenty of material here for soldiers.

Vice President T. J. Potter died at Washington, D. C., last Friday. In respect to his memory the station houses of the various railroads will be draped for thirty days.

The O. R. & N. Co.'s taxes in this county for the year 1887 amounted to \$7,554.68. Mr. J. D. Biles, the company's tax agent, was in Union this week and paid the same.

Ayer's Hair Vigor stimulates the hair to a vigorous growth. It contains all that can be supplied to make the hair beautiful and abundant, removes dandruff, and renders the hair flexible and glossy.

Mr. A. Levy, of Union, carries the most complete stock of general merchandise of any store in the county. People at a distance cannot do better than send to him if they want their orders filled promptly.

Drake is a poet as well as a dealer in groceries at bedrock prices. Read what he has to say in this issue. He will not take offence if you conclude that his ad. contains more truth than poetry and act accordingly.

The I. O. O. F. of North Powder will celebrate the anniversary of the order (April 26th.) in an appropriate manner. A grand ball will be given at night. Their advertisement and a full program will be published in our next issue.

Mrs. Cox, of Island City, was examined last Monday and pronounced insane. She was taken to the asylum by Ed. Cates and Al. Goodbrod. This is the second or third time the unfortunate woman has been sent to the asylum from this county.

A few evenings ago some young men who were passing down the street just behind some of the school girls, amused themselves by trying to step on the heels of the young ladies. Their impudence should have received a severe rebuke from the girls.

An excess of animal food and a partial closing of the pores of the skin, during the winter months, cause the system to become filled with impurities. These can be removed and the blood purified and invigorated by taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Price \$1.

A mail route has been established from Alder to Anatone, W. T., by way of Lost Prairie and Paradise valley. This route has long been needed, as there is a large settlement in that part of the county, who have heretofore been entirely without mail facilities nearer than Alder.—Wallowa Signal.

Our reporter, last week, while laboring under an hallucination of some kind, mixed up the marriage notice of Mr. L. L. Cross and Miss Martha A. Riggs, of Summerville, in a fearful manner. We are sorry that the mistake should have occurred and offer apologies to Mr. Cross and his most estimable wife.

Hon. W. M. Ramsey, late of Salem, who took up his permanent residence in Pendleton a few days ago, yesterday formed a partnership for the practice of law with J. P. Wager and E. R. Skipworth, heretofore practicing under the name of Wager & Skipworth. The new firm name will be Ramsey, Skipworth & Wager.

MYSTERIOUS HERMIT.

Eight years ago a handsome man of dignified bearing and refined appearance passed through St. Helens, Columbia county, and took up his abode in a deserted cabin on the Nehalem, says the Astorian. He lived like a hermit. A beautiful dog which accompanied the stranger into the woods died about five years ago, and the fashionable clothes which the recluse wore when he made his retreat were replaced by coarse fabrics and strong country shoes. Twice each year the hermit was visited by a woman of graceful form and easy manners, who always dressed in black and was thickly veiled. No one knew who this woman was or whence she came. She remained with the hermit about an hour, and for three or four days after her departure the recluse remained within his cabin. When at last he appeared he looked much sadder and more aged than before. Last Tuesday morning the cabin was found in ashes. The hermit was not to be found. His mysterious visitor called on him about a week ago. He may have burned with the cabin, but there is no trace of him to be found.

BUTTER IN CHINA.

Mr. Wm. Dunbar, who lately returned from China, has orders to sell several tons of Oregon butter over there as soon as the price is low enough. There is a market over there for a large quantity of butter, which is supplied chiefly at present from Holland and Italy, being put up in tins. This coast being so much nearer, should supply the market, but Oregon is not likely to do much toward it, as we are importing large quantities of California butter at present. When Oregon can manufacture more than enough butter to supply the home demand, a profitable trade can be built up with China for the surplus.—Portland Telegram.

DIFFERENCE IN WHEAT.

The relative merits of the different varieties of wheat in withstanding the freezing weather of last winter is being discussed. An observant farmer friend of ours remarked to us that he could see no difference in varieties. He had a field of blue stem that was uninjured, and another of ordinary club that was entirely killed. A neighbor of his had two fields, and exactly the reverse was the case with him, his blue stem was destroyed and the club is an excellent stand. He informs us that the difference is in the time of sowing. Early sown wheat that was well along in growth was the greatest sufferer from the cold weather.—Weston Leader.

A "BUSTED" COMMUNITY.

Cowlitz county, W. T., at the present time, is in a somewhat demoralized condition. The county treasurer was, some time ago, "held up" by robbers for the county funds, \$805.20, and school funds to the amount of \$1,679.58. The treasurer's bondsmen have been asked to make the money good. The new treasurer cannot find bondsmen, as the people of Cowlitz are a little shy of putting their names on paper. The school superintendent is the only officer in the county that receives pay, and as all the money is gone, he will probably strike.

NOT A CANDIDATE.

As a number of my friends have urged me to be a candidate for the office of sheriff of this county, in the coming campaign, and as my name has been used without my consent in this connection, I take this method of thanking my friends for their kindness, which is fully appreciated, and to state for the information of all concerned that on account of various matters of business which claim my attention, it would be impossible for me to serve if elected. For this reason I respectfully but positively decline to be a candidate. JOHN S. ELLIOTT.

ANOTHER SAM JONES.

The Rev. Samuel Clawson, an old-time Virginia mountain preacher, is reported to have said in the heat of a revival sermon: "Thank God, the day is not far distant when you sinners will be chained down to hell's brazen floor, and the devil, with his three pronged harpoon, will pierce your sinful, reeking hearts and pile up the red-hot cinders of black damnation upon your blackened souls as high as the pyramids of Egypt, and fry out the fat of your pride to grease the gudgeons of hell!"

WILL PLAY IT ALONE.

An old maid out in Illinois, whom every man had neglected or gone back on, on account of her near approach of the serene and yellow leaf and numerous anatomical angularities, has lately fallen heir to seven acres of land; and now all the marrying men for miles around think she is just too cunning for anything, and wonder why they never thought of marrying her before. The old gal says she has stood it so long, that now she can play the game out on a lone hand.

LA GRANDE CITY ELECTION.

The election in La Grande last Monday passed off quietly and resulted in the election of the following officers: Mayor, Ben. W. Grandy; councilmen, first ward, Jos. Palmer and W. J. Snodgrass; second ward, Wm. Erickson and John Fawley; recorder, C. W. P. Ellsworth; marshal, M. V. Tufford.

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Social Scintillations.

Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to the Perceptions of the Population.

"THE WORLD DO MOVE."

Mr. D. B. Hilt is much improved in health.

Mr. E. T. Foster, of the Cove called on us Tuesday.

J. W. Norval, of Summerville, was in town Wednesday.

Hon. J. H. Hendershott, of the Cove, was in town yesterday.

Mr. W. H. Huffman, of Pyle canyon, visited Union yesterday.

Bud McAllister, of Island City, was on our streets yesterday.

Mr. J. A. Rumbley, of the Cove, visited Union Wednesday.

County Clerk Neill is confined to the house with a severe cold.

Mr. James Bloom and wife, of the Cove, were in the city Wednesday.

Mr. John Brooke, of Telocaset, is sojourning for a few days among us.

Mr. Joseph Shepard, of Pine valley, made us a pleasant visit last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Truesdale, of La Grande, visited our town this week.

Miss Mary Cochran, of Island City, was visiting in this city a few days ago.

Quite a number of our citizens are on the sick list, but all are improving.

Postmaster Hall left the fore part of the week on a business trip to the Sound.

Judge Brainard has so far recovered from his recent sickness as to be out again.

Mr. Burke, of Dayton, has been engaged as editor of the Baker City Reveille.

Mr. B. M. Lombard, of the Oregon Investment Co., was in Union several days this week.

Miss Mattie Strange, sister of J. W. Strange, has been engaged to teach the Hilgard school.

Miss Laura Saunders, who has been teaching school on Lower Powder, returned home a few days ago.

Mr. Wm. Miles, of Lower Powder, was in town a few days ago. He will read the Scout hereafter.

James Galloway is ably superintending the affairs of the Centennial hotel during the absence of Mr. Goodbrod.

Attorney Burleigh took his departure for Joseph, Monday, for the purpose of moving his family to this place.

Joseph Dolby and James Turner, of Lower Powder, were in town Wednesday. We acknowledge a pleasant call.

Major Hendershott has accepted the challenge to a drum contest by George Elston, and it will take place in Denver sometime next May.

Mr. H. W. Lee, of Powder river, passed through town, Tuesday, on his way to make final proof on his homestead, at the land office.

Mr. Turner Oliver, of this city, accompanied by his sister, Miss Katie, who is attending the Ascension school in Cove, visited their parents in Summerville last week.

Mr. Wm. Wentworth, of Banner, Idaho, who has been visiting friends in this section for several days, returned home Tuesday. He thinks of moving his family back to the Cove next October.

Johnny Clark, of Island, was in town Wednesday and called on us. He said he was stirring around on business, and the republican central committee had nothing to do with bringing him here.

We noticed W. J. Snodgrass and J. F. Baker, of La Grande, D. W. C. Nelson, of North Powder, and G. W. Allen, of Island City, in attendance at the republican central committee, Wednesday.

Senator Rinehart returned from Malheur county the fore part of the week. He was engaged in having the town of Vale platted and surveyed. Vale promises to be a place of considerable importance before long.

We are in receipt of an interesting letter from W. D. Knowles, concerning the late railroad accident, but as we have already published a letter from Miss Summers, descriptive of it, we reluctantly omit this one.

Attorney J. R. Crites took his departure yesterday for a few months visit among relatives and friends in the Eastern States. He will visit Philadelphia and when he returns, will be able to grapple with the most intricate questions of law.

George Elston, of Bellevue, Idaho, has challenged Major Hendershott, the drummer boy of the Rappahannock, for a drum contest for the championship of the Pacific Coast and \$250 a side, the contest to take place either at Denver, Colorado, or Portland, Oregon. Elston has deposited \$50 forfeit in the bank of G. A. McCormick, of Bellevue.

BORN.

WAELETH.—At Summerville, March 12th, 1888, to the wife of Albert Waeleth, a son, weight 9 pounds.

MARRIED.

OLSEN—MILLER.—In this city, Wednesday, March 14, 1888, by Rev. Irwin, Mr. Chas. Olsen and Miss Rachel Miller, both of the Cove.

NOTICE.

Miss Mathieu will be in Cove until further notice, every Monday afternoon, and will remain about two days. All those wishing dress-making, etc., will please govern themselves accordingly.

Just received at Mrs. J. C. Summers' a fine line of ladies' hats. Call and see them.

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Road petitioned for by J. N. Smith et al; viewers and surveyor appointed.

Road petitioned for by J. L. Roe et al; viewers and surveyor appointed.

Road districts 31 and 37 consolidated and J. A. Denney retained as superintendent.

Proposed change in road, petitioned for by M. A. Stevenson; viewers and surveyor appointed.

Report of superintendents for districts 2, 3, 8, 10, 12, 13, 17, 18, 24, 25, 28, 29, 32, 33, and 34 received, accepted and ordered placed on file.

Road petitioned for by John Stoddard et al; viewers and surveyor appointed.

Judges and clerks of election appointed as follows:

Union.—J. T. Wright, A. F. Benson, M. S. Warren, judges; J. M. Carroll and Geo. Beidleman, clerks.

La Grande.—F. M. Bartemess, M. S. Bloch, B. W. Grandy, judges; R. E. Bryan and A. Warnick, clerks.

Island City.—Joseph Anson, James Halley, M. A. Harrison, judges; J. S. Clark and A. C. McClelland, clerks.

Cove.—Mark Stevens, Frank Mitchell, C. M. Jamison, judges; Eugene Foster and E. P. McDaniel, clerks.

Summerville.—J. W. Norval, Justice Wade, J. T. Woodell, judges; B. D. Hubers and John R. Oliver, clerks.

Indian Valley.—Joel Weaver, Chas. Holgarth, John Elliott, judges; A. R. Tuttle and J. D. Guild, clerks.

Hilgard.—W. R. Banks, Robert Young, D. H. McWaters, judges; Ed. Staples and S. S. Apple, clerks.

Starkey.—L. C. Marley, J. J. Cline, T. Loftus, judges; Wm. Bunnette and J. P. Yost, clerks.

Camp Carson.—J. Hopper, J. L. Curtis, L. A. Tolcott, judges; Louis Corbett and C. B. Van Housen, clerks.

North Powder.—John O'Bryant, J. E. Carroll, W. J. Goves, judges; J. R. Hardin and D. W. C. Nelson, clerks.

Antelope.—H. Lynch, John Cates, C. H. Prescott, judges; Wm. Cates and T. B. Johnson, clerks.

Big Creek.—P. H. Miles, Justus Wright, Jos. Vandevanter, judges; Jos. Dolby and R. B. Davis, clerks.

Bed Rock.—Wm. Constable, A. T. Merwin, E. P. Cranston, judges; N. C. Love and Thomas Davis, clerks.

Sparta.—Wm. Arble, Ed. Whitney, Wm. Beasley, judges; J. G. Lewis, A. Waldron, clerks.

Eagle Valley.—I. N. Young, P. Simonis Sr, G. W. Bennelhof, judges; C. T. Wise and Geo. Holstine, clerks.

Pine Valley.—Henry Foster, Thos. Proffit, J. B. Wood, judges; A. P. Greener and K. A. Leep, clerks.

Cornucopia.—Jesse Alberson, C. W. Wood, John Clark, judges; S. M. Gilmore and Geo. O. Newcomb, clerks.

Sanger.—W. S. Townsley, Wm. Bloom, Wm. Aldersly judges; Frank McGee and Clarence Coleman, clerks.

In the matter of establishing Hilgard precinct; ordered by the court that all that portion formerly known as Stumptown precinct, embraced in the following boundaries, to wit: Commencing at the SE corner of Sec. 23 Tp. 3 S, R. 37 E; thence W. on Tp. line to SW corner Sec. 33, Tp. 3 S, R. 36 E; thence at right angles north 6 miles to NW corner Sec. 4, Tp. 3 S, R. 36 E; thence at right angles to line between Union and Umatilla counties, where the Tp. between 2 and 3 S, R. 34 E. intersects said county line, between Sec. 31, Tp. 2 S, R. 34 E. and Sec. 6, Tp. 3 S, R. 34 E; thence following said county line to the base line; thence E. on base line to NE corner Sec. 4, Tp. 1 S, R. 37 E; south 18 miles to place of beginning, to be known as Hilgard precinct. It is also ordered that all that portion of what was Stumptown precinct not included in the above boundaries be attached to La Grande precinct.

R. Ackley made a county charge.

Petition of James Hendershott et al, asking for field notes of Grande Ronde Valley, denied.

Road petitioned for by Chas. Goodenough et al; viewers and surveyors appointed.

In the matter of establishing Sanger precinct; ordered by the court that the territory embraced in the following boundaries be hereafter known as Sanger precinct, to wit: Commencing at the NW corner of NW 1/4 of Sec. 3, Tp. 6 S, R. 42 E; thence south to the SW corner of the SW 1/4 of Sec. 15, Tp. 7 S, R. 42 E; thence west to the SE corner of SE 1/4 of Sec. 17, Tp. 7 S, R. 44 E; thence north to NE corner of NE 1/4 of Sec. 5, Tp. 6 S, R. 44 E; thence west to NW corner of NW 1/4 of Sec. 3, Tp. 6 S, R. 42 E. to the place of beginning.

Liquor license granted to Judson Cook.

Road petitioned for by C. H. Craig et al; established and ordered opened as a public highway.

Contract for furnishing bridge lumber let to J. L. McKinnis, for \$6.65 per M. for one year from date.

Road petitioned for by J. A. Denney et al; viewers and surveyors appointed.

Road petitioned for by E. Draper et al; dismissed.

Road petitioned for by M. L. Carter et al; viewers and surveyor appointed.

Road petitioned for by M. F. Houan et al; viewers' and surveyor's report filed. Motion of Thos. McConnell by his attorney to set aside said report was overruled. Claims for damages filed by McConnell et al, aggregating the sum of \$580, Appraisers appointed to assess damages.

Road petitioned for by E. T. Neville et al; continued to April term of court.

In the matter of changing the name of precincts; ordered that Eagle precinct be hereafter known as Sparta precinct, and Lower Eagle to Eagle Valley precinct.

Court adjourned til 1st Monday in April.

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

The New Woolen Mill.

Glad tidings of great joy,
Drake in liegue with the old boy;
Prices lower than ever before—
He moved from the old store.

Come and ask his prices, yourself,
Not forgetting to bring your pelf,
As he always sells for cash, you know,
And puts his prices very low.

Groceries, stoves, boots and "sich"
At same prices to poor and rich.
Dry goods, hardware—crockery too,
And best of all, they're cheap and new.

Drake's cash store; cash is king
For the merry welcome ring; [eyes
'Twill open your pocket, as also you
To examine his stock of merchandise.

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