

A Brief Review of Its Many Advantages and the Present Situation.

Mr. Editor:— Your readers will pardon me if I give a few observations on the present condition of affairs in Union county.

If the people are enterprising enough, and I believe they are, there is no reason that ours should not be one of the first counties in the state.

Our water powers are the Grande Ronde river, Catherine, Eagle and Pine creeks, besides numerous other smaller streams.

Our bodies of timber are on the Eagle creek and Blue mountains, the finest body of timber in the Blue mountains being north and west of Elgin, remain yet untouched.

Our mineral wealth lies in the Eagle creek mountains. At Sanger the C. T. Bradley Mining Co. with a ten stamp mill, have an out put of \$70,000 per month.

Ours is also a stock raising country. While we do not raise as many cattle as formerly, the cattle men have turned their attention to fine stock.

All these resources are the making of a rich and prosperous county. The first thing the people of this county need is cheaper transportation of their produce to tide waters, or what is the same thing, to a better market.

The benefits to be derived from the building of the O. & W. T. road to Union are various. It will enhance the value of real estate out side of the towns, it is safe to say, one-third, while town property in most of the towns will be doubled and probably tripled in value.

The indications are that Union would be a terminus for only a short time and that the O. & W. T. would push on to Boise City to connect with the Chicago & Northwestern and thus give two trans-continental lines.

Another matter that is stirring the people to some extent, although of much less importance than the proposed railroad, is the county seat question. The most important part of this question for the tax-payers to consider is the liability, in the event of the re-location, of throwing the county deep into debt.

The act submitting the re-location provides that the county court shall appropriate not more than \$25,000 and a tax of not more than 2 1/2 mills shall be levied for the purpose of building county buildings, ANNUALLY.

NAPLES, (Italy,) Jan. 20, 1889.

EDITOR OREGON SCOUT:—

A volcanic shimmer seems to grow with the breeze this morning. It is too near the huge volcano of history to be pleasant. One can hardly feel safe for being afraid of an eruption.

Fruits of every southern description grow in abundance, and the place bears a kind of queer feeling. Its history is cracked with earthquakes.

People here are very lazy. Even the energetic American tourists grow into a sort of lazy state after being around among the sombre ruins and the towering peaks of Naples.

The Baboli gardens are like Central Park, New York,—one constant drift of men, women and children. All nationalities find their way to this city.

It was only a few years ago that a fearful earthquake shook the entire valley of Naples from its very foundation. It has recovered, partially, but some remaining traces are still to be found.

Mt Vesuvius is the place to which Spartacus, the Roman gladiator, and his escaped companions, retreated when pursued by the irate emperor.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. LAND OFFICE AT LA GRANDE, OREGON, February, 20, 1889.

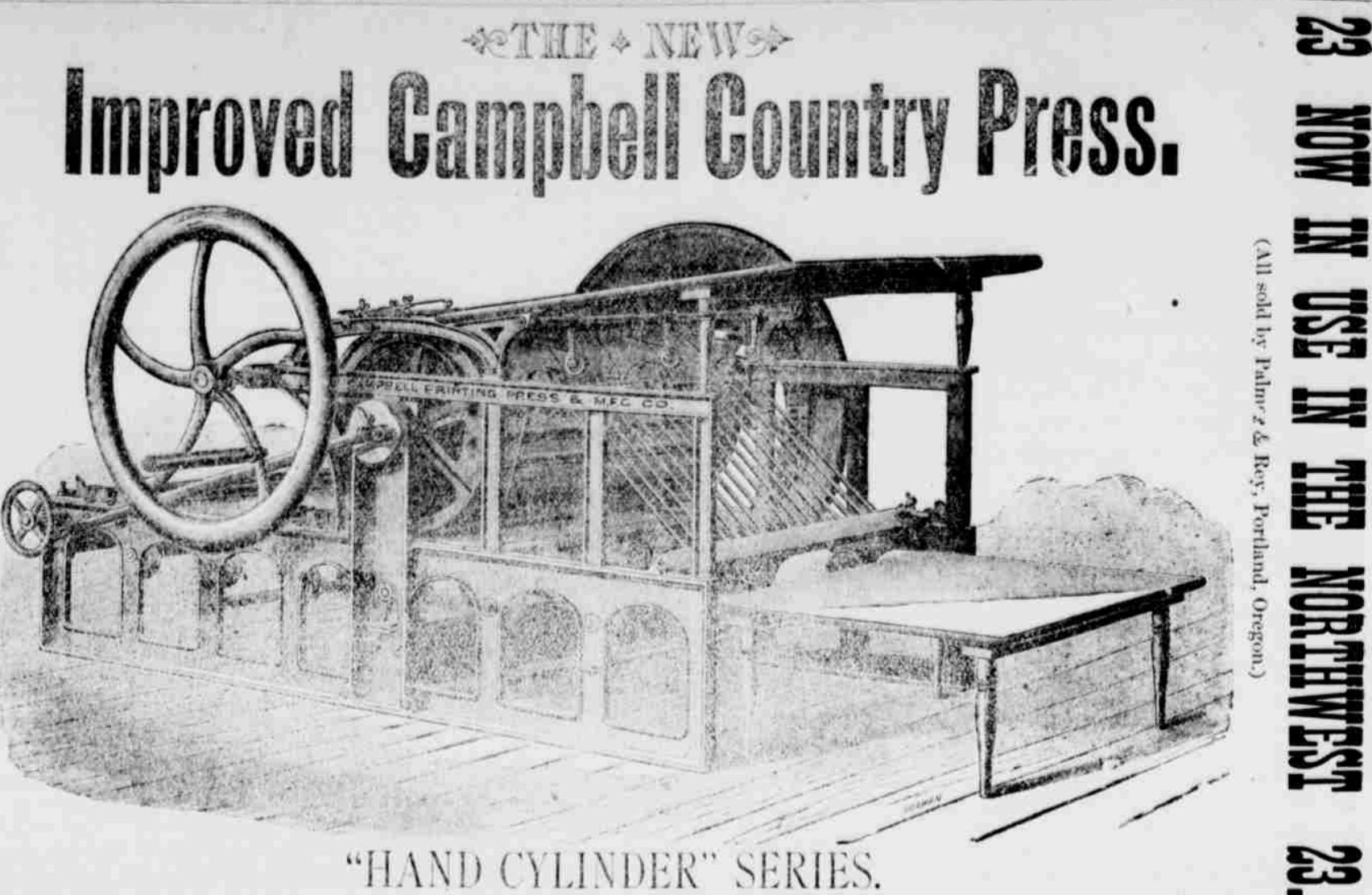
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of her claim, and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on Apr 12, 1889, viz:

DE. No. 7607, for the SW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec 5, NE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 6, NE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec 7 and NW 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec 8, Tp. 7 N, R. 42 E, W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John McCurg, James Hulick, Albert Wright, Seige Coffman, all of Medical Springs, Oregon.

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and the regulations of the Interior Department, why such proof should not be allowed, will be given an opportunity at the above mentioned time and place to cross-examine the witnesses of said claimant, and to offer evidence in rebuttal of that submitted by claimant.

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NOTICE OF FORFEITURE. CORNUCOPIA, UNION COUNTY, OREGON, February 1, 1889.

To W. T. Burdett and Mrs. J. S. Anderson, You are hereby notified that I have executed one hundred dollars in labor and improvements upon the Spot Lode, situated in Granite Mining District, Union County, Oregon, as will appear by certificate filed January 25th, 1887, in the office of the Recorder of said county, in order to hold said premises, under the provisions of Section 2325, Revised Statutes of the United States, before the amount required to hold the same for the year ending December 31st, 1888, and if within ninety (90) days after the publication of this notice, you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditure as to owner, your interest in said claim will become the property of the subscriber under said section 2321.

By J. DUFFEY, Agent, 2-7-3m

NOTICE—TIMBER CULTURE. LAND OFFICE AT LA GRANDE, OREGON, January 31, 1889.

Complaint having been entered at this office by Rivero Draper against Dennis Dunn, for failure to comply with law as to Timber Culture Entry No. 240, dated October 1, 1881, upon the SE 1/4 Sec 1 in 25, Township 4 S, Range 40 East, in Union county, Oregon, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleges that the said Dennis Dunn has not broken or plowed five acres of said land the first year, nor five acres the second year, nor cultivated five acres the second five acres for the third year, nor planted the first five acres to trees, seeds or cuttings the third year, nor planted the remaining five acres to trees, seeds or cuttings the fourth year, the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 10th day of March, 1889, at 10 o'clock A. M., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.

Service of this notice will be made by publishing the same for four consecutive weeks in the OREGON SCOUT, a weekly newspaper, published at Union, Union County, Oregon, and by posting notices as in United States land cases. J. T. OUTHOUSE, Receiver, 2-7-3m

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Estray Notice. THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT ON THE 5th day of January, 1889, J. J. Conley, took up at his place of residence, on the said ridge land precinct, Union County, Oregon, and posted according to law, the following described stray animals, to-wit:

One bay mare and colt. Said mare is eleven or twelve years old, with white strips in forehead, right hind-foot white, and about fourteen and a half hands high; branded with a heel on the left shoulder, and appraised at \$25.

One bay mare, three years old, about fifteen hands high; star on forehead; branded on right shoulder, but not discernible.

One bay mare and colt. Said mare is about thirteen hands high; four years old, with pouched man; branded on the left shoulder, but not discernible, and appraised at \$25.

One dark bay gelding, five years old, about fifteen and a half hands high, with gray legs; no brands to be seen. Appraised at \$20.

One bay filley, two years old, left hind-foot white; about twelve hands high; branded on the left shoulder, but not discernible. Appraised at \$10.

One bay gelding, two years old, about fourteen hands high; left hind-foot white; branded on the left shoulder, but not discernible. Appraised at \$20.

One bay gelding, two years old, about fourteen hands high; right hind foot white; branded on the left shoulder, but not discernible. Appraised at \$20.

I hereby certify that I appraised the above described stray animals at the amounts following each separately described animal, and that said appraisement was made this 10th day of January, 1889.

T. E. JONES, Justice of the Peace for Island Precinct, Union County, Oregon, 2-7-89

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. LAND OFFICE AT LA GRANDE, OREGON, Jan. 30, 1889.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settlers have filed notice of their intentions to make final proof in support of their claims, and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on March 15, 1889, viz:

ALBERT W. MOTLEY, Hd. No. 3249, for the SW 1/4 Sec 31, Tp. 7 S, R. 42 E, W. M. and ALVIN TARTAR, Hd. No. 2461, for the SE 1/4 SW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec 25, and NE 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec 26, Tp. 7 S, R. 45 E, W. M. and EDWIN B. GAYLORD, Hd. No. 2501, for the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec 23, NE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec 25, and W 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec 25, Tp. 7 S, R. 45 E, W. M. and JAMES H. HOOPINGARNER, Hd. No. 2425, for the E 1/2 NW 1/4 and W 1/2 NE 1/4, Sec. 26, Tp. 7 S, R. 45, E. W. M.

They name the following witnesses to prove their continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Alvin Tartar, S. S. Prindell, J. L. Hoopringarner, E. B. Gaylord, James Robbins, John S. Coffey, all of Pine Valley, Oregon.

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and the regulations of the Interior Department, why such proof should not be allowed, will be given an opportunity at the above mentioned time and place to cross-examine the witnesses of said claimants, and to offer evidence in rebuttal of that submitted by claimant.

HENRY RINEHART, Register.

Estray Notice. TAKEN UP by the undersigned, living about 6 miles northeast of Elgin, Union county, Oregon, on the 2nd day of February, 1889, one cream color horse, 8 years old or more, branded (3) on left side.

The above described animal was appraised at \$30.00 by J. R. Johnson, J. P., on the 15th day of February, 1889.

A. RYSDAM, being first duly sworn, say that I am the taker up of the above described animal, and that I posted the same according to law, this 13th day of February, 1889.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of February, 1889. J. R. JOHNSON, J. P.

Estray Notice. TAKEN UP by the undersigned, living about 6 miles southeast of Elgin, Union county, Oregon, this 5th day of Dec. 1888, one sorrel filly, 2 years old past, a little under medium size, no perceptible brands or marks.

The above described animal was appraised at \$25.00 by J. R. Johnson, J. P., on the 10th day of Feb. 1889.

I, A. R. Tuttle, being first duly sworn say I am the taker up of the above described animal, and that I posted the same according to law, on the 8th day of Feb. 1889.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of Feb. 1889. J. R. JOHNSON, J. P.

TAKEN UP. I, G. W. Smith, have taken up, at my place of residence near Island City, on Dec. 29, 1888, one steer described as follows: One red-road steer, 3 years old past, of medium size and build, sit in left ear, no other mark or brand visible.

I hereby certify that I have this day appraised the above described stray steer at \$18.00, on the 15th day of Jan. 1889. T. E. JONES, Justice of the Peace for Island City Precinct, 2-21-89