

# THE OREGON SCOUT.

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## A NICE STATE OF AFFAIRS.

The following extract from the leading republican paper of Portland shows the manner in which our public lands—the heritage of the poor man—are being wrested from the government by organized bands of perjurers and thieves:

A conspiracy to rob the Oregon and Washington public of the finest timber land in the northwest has been formed by eastern capitalists, and unless measures are taken to checkmate the thieves, they will be successful in their bold game. Last Monday twenty-five men arrived in Portland under wages from a syndicate, to pre-empt government timber lands, and for a small consideration turn the property over to their employers, in the manner heretofore done by a well known Portland capitalist. The late arrivals are the last of three hundred, who preceded them, engaged by the same parties. Should the robbers continue, it will not be long before the finest timber in this section is in the hands of a monopoly.

We doubt not that this statement is true in every respect, and do not wonder at it. The only wonder we feel in reviewing the matter is at the hypocrisy displayed by that journal in howling about a state of affairs that it has done every thing in its power to bring about. When that honest, unbending democratic official, A. J. Sparks, was commissioner of the general land office, he saw how matters stood, and in his endeavors to check such wholesale robbery, incurred the enmity of every rascal in the west, and chief among them was this same blatant windbag that is now howling so loudly for something to be done. The same things have been done and are being done in Union county, and in every other county in the west, although on a smaller scale. What are we going to do about it? Where is the official that will dare to lift his voice against it? What can be expected from our present rulers who were placed in power by means of the money furnished by these monopolies and trusts, which now expect to get in their work unmolested? We protested against it last June, when our protest would have been effectual if seconded by a majority of the people, but it wasn't seconded. Now we shall protest no more. The people can rule the country whenever they get ready to do so. In the meantime let monopolies grow and flourish; let trusts combine and organized thieves delight in plunder; let misrule run rampant, and wealthy knaves grow fat and insolent, while hunger knaws at the vitals of the poor man's children. It will only hasten the time when the masses will acquire wisdom and assert their God-given prerogatives.

## NORTH POWDER.

May 21, 1889.

Capt. White is foreman at Kellogg & Pumph's mills.

Mrs. Eaton, of Union, visited friends here during last week.

Mr. H. Starbird came up from Hilgard a few days since.

Lettie, infant daughter of Mrs. Short, is seriously indisposed.

Mrs. Vandecar, of Walla Walla, left on Saturday after a brief visit.

A residence is being erected near the Baptist church, for the pastor.

The M. E. concert will take place to-morrow evening at Spencer's hall.

Mr. Joe White's index finger is out of repair on account of an accident of late.

Our new P. M. has an entire new and nobby post office fitted up in the latest improved style.

Wm. Riggs, of Clover creek, has disposed of his farm, taking in exchange horses and cattle, and left for Dakota Territory.

Mr. John Brady, of Clover creek, returned from California last week, accompanied by a brother-in-law with wife and daughter.

Unfortunate Thos. O'Bryant will be returned to the asylum again this week, his infirmities necessitating this action by his family and relatives.

Mr. Tracy Davidson brought down a wagon load of milk cans from Baker, on Saturday, and will collect milk in this vicinity for the Baker creamery.

A deputy sheriff from Union was in town on Saturday, hunting up some petty thieves wanted by the authorities for recent violations of the law.

We learn that Mrs. White and Wiggins have leased Mr. H. O. Gorman's old drug store building on the corner and will open out a restaurant soon.

Mr. Kellogg, of the Anthony Mill & Flume Co., has purchased a thirty horse power engine of a quartz mill company on Burnt river. Teams will start this week to bring the property over to the mills where it will be set up and run in conjunction with a smaller power now in use. The company have entirely discarded the patent water wheel, it being of an inferior make and misrepresented. Hereafter, steam will supply the motive power, and when in running order again, will equal in capacity any mill in Powder river valley. The gentlemen comprising this firm have labored under many difficulties and financial losses since engaging in the lumber enterprise, but are in a fair way to make amends, having a new invoice of merchandise, some three miles of flume completed, and, when the mill is complete, one of the best mills in the country, with plenty of timber and lumber accessible to market.

On Saturday last, Nevi Olsen, a native of Copenhagen, Denmark, a sheep herder in the employ of Messrs. Tombleson & Brooke at Magpie, some six miles east of town, in Baker county, after a protracted drunken spree of two weeks or more in this place, was induced by Mr. Brooke to return to camp. He was laboring on the verge of delirium tremens when he went away, and on the next day, while alone in camp, procured a gun and deliberately killed himself. Olsen, in conversation with the writer a few days before his death, maintained that "death was an eternal sleep," ignoring a judgment or future resurrection, hence how easy it was for this poor, blind, deluded mortal to hush himself into the valley of the shadow beyond without fear of having to answer for the crime of self-murder. Such doctrine almost invariably (with strong drink as a concomitant usually) leads to a bad termination. Mr. Olsen was a quiet, peaceful, honest and upright citizen, and his tragic end can be traced to a false doctrine together with a diseased brain. Baker county authorities held an inquest and buried the remains.

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## SUMMERVILLE.

Trade of all kinds looking up. Weather fine and warm after the showers.

Tonberry, Wheeler & Co., photographers, are in town for a few days. They do good work.

Dan Sommer, our pioneer merchant, is making some very substantial improvements on his business house.

Sam Foreman, agent for Staver & Walker, was in town during the week looking after the company's business.

Everybody and the cornet band will go to Union on the coming Fourth of July, as everyone considers it is Union's turn.

Messrs. Johnson & Logan, who built Mr. Kirchhoff's business house, are first-class workmen, and those who contemplate building would do well to call upon them before making arrangements with other builders.

The people of this vicinity have made up about one hundred dollars for S. Atkins who had his horse shot after being condemned as having the glanders. The people here will not soon forget the treatment Mr. Atkins has received from the county board in this matter.

The gypsies paid this place a visit during the past week and carried away many a dollar of the people's hard-earned money by telling fortunes. It seems people are bound they shall be bilked in some way, and I suppose it is just as well this as any other.

The people, in meeting assembled at the hall, last Saturday, made arrangements to have the graveyard enclosed with a nice woven wire fence, something that speaks well for any community. We have the nicest place to bury our dead of any in the county.

Mr. G. H. Taylor, of Elk Flat, bought of Staver & Walker through E. B. Mordlock, their agent at this place, an artesian well boring rig, capable of sinking a hole 100 feet. Mr. Taylor will use his machine on the flat during the summer where he has contracted enough work to keep him busy during the season. This is a new enterprise, and those who have a scarcity of water on their ranches will find that with a small outlay they can get water that is everlasting, and many a place that is laying idle now on account of a scarcity of water will be made to bloom in the future.

Miss Mathieu, the expert dressmaker, can be found at Mrs. Rinehart's millinery store after the 15th inst. Ladies wishing first class dressmaking will do well to give her a call.

## Renews Her Youth.

Mrs. Phoebe Chesley, Peterson, Clay county, Iowa, tells the following remarkable story, the truth of which is vouched for by the residents of the town: "I am 73 years old, have been troubled with kidney complaint and lameness for many years; could not dress myself without help. Now I am free from all pain and soreness, and am able to do all my own housework. I owe my thanks to Electric Bitters for having renewed my youth, and removed completely all disease and pain." Try a bottle, only 30 cents at Brown's drug store, Union, Oregon.

## NOTICE.

Owing to change in my business I am wishing to balance all accounts on my books, and would respectfully request all owing me to call and settle.

E. E. CLOUGH.

SPARTA, Oregon, May 13, 1889. 5-25.

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