

CRACKER CREEK.

A Mining Camp that Gives Excellent Promise.

A ROAD FROM NORTH POWDER.

Brief Mention of the Principal Mines
--Cracker City.

NORTH POWDER, June 20, 1889.

EDITOR SCOTT:—
In company with a friend we corresponded left this place for a visit to the mines on Tuesday last, via the North Powder road over the mountains. We found a comparatively good road for a mountain country as far as the summit, for vehicles, but it could be greatly improved by another outlay of \$800 or \$1000. The contractor, Mr. Bobier, surely earned the amount paid him as is plainly obvious in traveling over the road. At the summit the road divides, a trail only leading down the canyon to Cracker City following big Cracker creek all the way down some three miles. The wagon road here is continuous with a partly gravel road to the Cable Cove some five miles. We followed this grade and came out at a mine called

THE INGERSOLL.

Little work has been done here, yet prospects well, and the owners are sanguine of gold in paying quantities. We were shown samples of ore taken from this mine which we were informed would pay \$200 to the ton, besides some free gold extracted from the same that would almost confirm the assertion. Just over the divide and adjoining on the west side is located the

GREY EAGLE.

Owned by Messrs. Young & Co., of Baker City. They have worked this mine some six months and have tunneled into the mountain side some 220 feet. Have about 400 tons of ore on the dump which they estimate would go \$40 to the ton. Some samples range as high as \$400. Work is now suspended, but preparations are being made to resume operations again the coming week.

CABLE COVE.

Lies still further west near the head waters of the Powder river. No work is being done here at present. From this place a wagon road leads down the river and intersects with the Baker road at the mouth of Cracker creek where we found a collection of a half dozen houses all for rent or sale, with the exception of a boarding house the proprietor of which owns a mine in the vicinity. Bourne City is the cognomen of this deserted village. One mile and a half up Cracker creek is located

CRACKER CITY.

It contains a population of probably 300 or 400. Has three business houses of general merchandise, three good hotels, one chop house, one company boarding house, five saloons, one barber, one laundry, one livery stable, one lodging house, a public hall and a school house. Cracker City is a lively thriving business place, a supply point for the various mines in the vicinity, and will eventually become a second Leadville should the mines prove a grand success.

THE KUREKA AND EXCELSIOR.

Is located about half a mile from the town above. The ledge is some twelve feet in width and the mine lies on both sides of the creek, while the tunnel penetrates the mountains on each side on a level with the creek bottom so that the cars used in bringing ore to the surface can be utilized in either drift, being on a continuous track. The melting works will be erected a few hundred yards below the mine. The superintendent now has a force of 125 men in his employ engaged in excavating for the foundation which covers a large extent of ground. The mill machinery is being hauled in from Baker and the roads are lined with teams. It will require five or six months time yet before the mill will be ready to operate. In the meantime ore is being taken out and at this time it is estimated enough is on the dump for six months continuous work. Altogether Cracker Creek mines is a lively place at present and prospects fair for a continuation of the same. Several parties from this place design emigrating to that region in the near future and it is hoped that fair fortune may await them in the undertaking.

AJAX.

SUMMERVILLE.

Interesting Happenings of the Week Told in Spicy Paragraphs.

Siwashes in town with horses to sell.

John Whitmore, of Wallowa county, is visiting friends and relatives in this locality.

Road work is all the go in this locality and well it should be, as the roads are not in first-class condition.

Married.—Somewhere in Idaho during the past week, Mr. W. H. Berry and Miss Maggie Williams, all of Summerville.

George Wier, traveling man for Staver & Walker, is in the vicinity looking after the interests of the house. George is a good salesman.

Ed. Eckley, of the Gazette, is in town during the week. Ed. is one of our boys and makes all feel happy as he comes. Come again.

Our corresponders are now camped cry "stard" and will soon be in comes "g O" by will no doubt come to its final "d" mill which will give

Judge Goodall gave us a pleasant call during the past week. Say what you please of the Judge, but one thing is certain, he is looking after the interests of the taxpayers and don't you forget it.

The authorities are on to the young man who mutilated the fresh painted school house and unless he comes forward and makes amends he will be put through at the next sitting of the grand jury.

George Patten has bought, of D. Sommer, and moved into the house occupied by Mr. Fugate. Consideration not known. It is a fine property and George has done well in buying it at any price.

Jimmy Cutter and J. O. Smith, of Island City, were in town, Sunday, and while away several happy hours. J. O. is agent for the celebrated McCrae stacker and is finding quite a good sale for his goods.

Justus Wade will sell at public auction in Summerville, Saturday, June 29th, twenty-five head of good American horses of all classes and fifteen head of good cattle, some graded stock. Terms of sale one year's time.

Our school will close in a few days when the little ones can have a rest and the teacher, Miss Thornton, can while away a month or so before she commences our Fall school. The lady has given entire satisfaction and has the respect of all her patrons.

Mr. W. W. White, representing the Pacific Express of Portland, is now in our town, writing up the country. It is to be hoped that it may be shown that there is more than one town in our country and we can establish the fact that Summerville is surrounded by the finest farming lands of any in the State, no valley or location excepted.

Mr. Crego met with an accident at Oliver's saw mill the other day. He was running the edger and by accident one of his hands came in contact with the saw and was lacerated in a fearful manner which necessitated the amputation of one finger, which was skillfully done by Dr. Kirchoffer, a rising young physician of this place. At present the patient is doing fine. It is to be hoped that the young man may soon recover the use of his hand as he is a very hard working and upright boy.

Messrs. Devine and Huffman, of Enterprise, will, in a short time, begin the publication of a newspaper in our burg. We hope that the gentlemen may meet with the encouragement they deserve from our business men and the surrounding country. As we have said before there is no better field for a country newspaper than Summerville, and should the boys give the people a live journal they will, instead of receiving rutabagas for their pay, as has been intimated by one of this place, make money and plenty of it. Welcome gentlemen.

CUT-MOUTH JOHN.

NORTH POWDER.

News of the Week as Noted by Our Regular Correspondent.

June 20, 1889.

Mr. McKune, contractor on stage route from Baker City to Cracker creek, is in town.

Capt. Jarvis, of "G" company, Centerville, is here in the interests of a Life Insurance Company.

Robt. Lloyd will move to the mines about the first of next month, where he goes as a carpenter.

Born.—Wednesday, June 12th, to the wife of Henry Gorham, of North Powder, a daughter.

E. Whitehead, who shot himself last week, goes to La Grande to-day to place himself in the hands of a physician and surgeon.

A case of malignant diphtheria is reported near town. Rigid quarantine should be enforced.

Ed. Charnas has about recovered from his enforced ride of a few days since and is at work again.

"K" company, as well as all other companies in the regiment, will soon receive new guns.

Mr. Pearson and family are preparing to move back to Morrow county. They leave the latter part of the week.

It is reported that Mr. Venable will take a position, soon, as clerk for Messrs. Gorham & Rothchild. A wise selection.

Mr. Tracy Davidson is agitating the erection of a creamery at this place. A good move for farmers.

It only costs one dollar to have a first-class lie published about one's self in mushroom journals.

"K" company has been assigned a place in the parade at Baker on the 4th, but have not accepted it yet.

Mrs. Farsey, wife of the well known butcher here, is dangerously ill at her home in Seattle, W. T.

The North Powder baseball club have improved their grounds of late and meet for practice now.

AJAX.

The Verdict Unanimous.

W. D. Sult, druggist, Blippus, Ind., testifies: "I can recommend Electric Bitters as the very best remedy. Every bottle sold has given relief in every case. One man took six bottles and was cured of Rheumatism of 10 years' standing." "The best selling medicine I have ever handled in my 20 years' experience, is Electric Bitters." Thousands of others have added their testimony, so that the verdict is unanimous that Electric Bitters do cure all diseases of the Liver, Kidney or Blood. Only a half dollar a bottle at Brown's drug store.

THE SCOUT is just the paper to send to your friends. Try it.

Treat the Newcomer Right.

Several of our contemporaries throughout the state are giving seasonable advice to their readers relative to their social treatment of newcomers seeking homes among us. We hear frequent complaints from persons who have proven themselves worthy of confidence and respect—newcomers to this valley in recent years—of the utter indifference and apathy manifested by a great many of the old settlers to those who were so unfortunate as not to be pioneers themselves. Surly or contentious conduct we rarely hear of among the pioneers towards recent arrivals, and when chance throws the latter directly upon the hospitality of the old Oregonian he is never lacking in the art of entertainment; but many have found to their sorrow that the wide-souled host or hostess can be as cold, repellant, distant and indifferent a neighbor as ever went through the form of exchanging greetings. A due amount of care and caution in receiving strangers into a neighborhood is not only expedient but commendable, but it is unchristian and inhuman to live within a stone's-throw of the stranger, who in time cases out of ten boasts of being descended from pioneers of the older states, and fail to show interest enough in the welfare of himself or family to even inquire his name for months and even years after his arrival. Such a course would breed discontent and dissatisfaction even in paradise. To a high-spirited American who feels the pride of his nativity, this kind of treatment is more galling than positive suspicion or repulsion, and yet there are some neighborhoods in the country where this course is systematically pursued. Fortunately there are other sections where the considerate pioneers extend the right hand of fellowship to worthy immigrants, and cordially welcome them to a share in their church, school and social privileges, and it is in such neighborhoods we shall see the highest development in material progress and happiness. There was a time when our own pioneers would have been glad to receive such kindly attentions, and the hostility of the savage Indians was not more discouraging to them than is their own indifference to the immigrant of the present day when establishing his future home. Every immigrant who locates among us becomes an integral part of our society; and society is good or bad as contentment or dissatisfaction prevails among its members.—Ex.

A Persistent Solicitation.

If you advertise at all, advertise in some newspaper. You may get out all the circulars you please, and distribute them as you will, but people won't read them; you can find them scattered under foot everywhere, but if you advertise in a newspaper it does work in places you least thought of. A newspaper may be glanced over and thrown aside, but someone else picks it up and there your "ad" looks at the reader straight in the face. It is continually "hobbing up serenely" in the queerest out-of-the-way places imaginable; the housewife puts her husband's lunch in it, and he reads while he eats, and perhaps your "ad" will interest him for some particular reason. Newspapers are used for various purposes, packages are wrapped in them and they travel from one house to another, each time being more critically scanned; they are utilized on pantry shelves, and even the walls of the house are lined with them and they are used in a hundred and one different ways and forever staring at one is the persistent advertisement; you must read it, it commands your earnest attention; you see the formation of the words, the letters, the manner of spelling, &c., until at last you have it, like a school lesson. And when anything is needed in the line, your thoughts immediately follow your well known "ad," and you can go and see the man who offers you rare inducements. Rome was not built in a day, neither do business men get rich from the profits of one week or one month's advertising. It is the constant dropping of water that wears away the hardest stone; and it is the persistent advertiser that reaps the golden harvest.—Portland Commercial Advertiser.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

LAND OFFICE AT LA GRANDE, OREGON, June 14, 1889.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on July 23, 1889, viz:

WILLIAM H. BOWMAN.

Hd. No. 371, for the NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 34 and SW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 35, Tp. 7 S., R. 41 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

F. M. Dean, G. W. Mathis, Haner Lee and Danham Wright, 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 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.

HENRY RINEHART, Register.

6-20-wt

Notice of Final Settlement.

In the County Court of Union County, State of Oregon.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned has filed his final report as Administrator of the estate of J. N. Donnell, deceased, in the above entitled court, and that TUESDAY, the 2nd day of July, 1889, has been appointed for hearing objections to the same. All persons having any objections to the approval of said report are required to present the same on or before said day.

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Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Union County.

The Board of Commissioners for the sale of School and University Lands, and for the investment of the funds arising therefrom, of the State of Oregon, Plaintiffs,

vs.

S. A. Mahaffey, Martha E. Mahaffey and John S. Bay, Defendants.

To JOHN S. BAY, THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT:—

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court and submit affidavits in support thereof, on or before the 1st day of July, 1889, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, the first day of the regular term of the above entitled court, commencing next after the expiration of six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, and if you fail so to answer, or want thereof the plaintiffs will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint, to-wit: For a decree foreclosing a certain mortgage given by the defendant S. A. Mahaffey to the State of Oregon, containing the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 and the NE 1/4 of SW 1/4, Sec. 7, Tp. 5 S., R. 39 E., W. M., in Union County, State of Oregon, given to secure two certain promissory notes given by said S. A. Mahaffey to the said State of Oregon, for the sum of \$33.33 each, and interest thereon from April 23rd, A. D. 1878 at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and for a sale of said premises, to satisfy the said notes on said notes, and costs and disbursements of this and other proceedings, and to allow and ascertain and determine your interest and rights in said premises as judgment creditor of the defendant S. A. Mahaffey, and that you may be forever barred of all right, title and interest in or to said premises and every part thereof, and for general relief.

This summons is published by order of the Hon. James A. Fee, Judge of the above entitled circuit court, made at chambers and dated April 9th A. D. 1889.

JOHN R. CRITES, Attorney for Plaintiffs.

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Notice to Bridge Builders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the county courts of Union and Wallawa counties, state of Oregon, will, up to 10 o'clock p. m., on July 20, 1889, at the county clerk's office in Union, Union county, Oregon, receive and consider proposals for the construction of a bridge across the Wallawa river at or near the present bridge across said stream, on the county road leading from Elgin in Union county, to Enterprise in Wallawa county. Said bridge will consist of two spans of about one hundred feet each, with the necessary piers, abutments and approaches; or of one span of two hundred feet, with the necessary abutments and approaches. Each proposal to be accompanied by plans, specifications and strain sheet, furnished by the bidder, and with a certified check in the amount of five per cent of his bid, as a guaranty that the bidder will enter into contract if the award is made to him.

The county courts reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

O. P. GOODALL, County Judge of Union county, State of Oregon.

T. H. YEANSY, County Judge of Wallawa county, State of Oregon.

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Summons.

In the circuit court of the State of Oregon, for Union county.

Thomas E. Hart, Plaintiff,

vs.

Sarah E. Hart, Defendant.

To SARAH E. HART, THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT:—

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court, on or before the first day of the next regular term of the above entitled court, to-wit: On the 23rd day of September, A. D. 1889, and if you fail so to answer, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint, which is for a dissolution of the marriage contract now existing between you and the plaintiff, and for general relief. And you will take notice that this summons is published by order of the Hon. James A. Fee, judge of said above circuit court, made and dated at chambers on the 14th day of March, A. D. 1889.

JOHN R. CRITES, Attorney for Plaintiff.

4-25-w7

Timber Land Act, June 3, 1878.—Notice for Publication.

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, June 10, 1889.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington territory."

MERRITT E. WILKINSON, of Union county, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 119, for the purchase of the SE 1/4 of Section 6, in Township No. 4 S., Range No. 41 East, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the register and receiver of this office at La Grande, Oregon, on Saturday, the 7th day of September, 1889.

He names as witnesses: Bernard Logsdon, J. W. Minnick, R. A. Davis and B. W. Bates, all of Union, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 7th day of September, 1889.

HENRY RINEHART, Register.

6-13-w10

Notice of Final Settlement.

In the County Court within and for Union County, Oregon.

In the matter of the Estate of W. H. Martin, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Lucy J. Martin, the Administratrix of the Estate of W. H. Martin, Deceased, has rendered and presented for settlement and filed in said court her final account of her administration of said Estate, and that TUESDAY, the 2nd day of July, 1889, has been appointed for hearing objections to the same. All persons having any objections to the approval of said report are required to present the same on or before said day.

LUCY J. MARTIN, Administratrix of the Estate of W. H. Martin, deceased.

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT. In the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Union.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned has filed her final report as administratrix of the estate of Peter Brugger, deceased, in the above entitled court, and that TUESDAY, the 2nd day of July, 1889, has been appointed for hearing objections to the same. All persons having any objections to the approval of said report are required to present the same on or before said day.

MARY BRUGGER, Administratrix of the Estate of Peter Brugger, deceased.

Citation.

In the County Court for the County of Union, State of Oregon.

In the matter of the Estate of Thomas Culver, Deceased.

To MARY A. CULVER and Bertha Culver, heirs at law of Thomas Culver, deceased, Greening:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF Oregon, you are hereby cited and required to appear in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Union, at the court room thereof, in Union, in the County of Union on Monday, the first day of July, 1889, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day then and there to show cause, if any you have, why an order should not be granted to D. L. Carroll, Administrator of said estate, to redeem the north half of the northeast quarter of section 7, township 4 south, range 49 east of the Willamette meridian, and to satisfy the mortgage thereon in favor of the state of Oregon, for the sum of \$1,187.75, which mortgage was given on the whole of the following described tract, to-wit: The southwest quarter and the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section 6, and north half of the northeast quarter of section 7, township 4 south, range 49 east of the Willamette meridian, and the sum of money now due Fred Nodine, on account of the payment of said mortgage, by said Nodine, amounting to the sum of \$103.68. If it shall then appear that such redemption would be for the interest of said estate and not prejudicial to the creditors thereof, or that if such redemption be deemed not proper, or inexpedient, why this court should not order said lands sold in the manner and with like effect as is provided in other cases of sale of real estate.

Witness the Hon. O. P. Goodall, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Union, with the seal of said court affixed, this 20th day of May, 1889.

ATTEST: A. T. NEILL, Clerk.

By TURNER OLIVER, Deputy. (SEAL)

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

LAND OFFICE AT LA GRANDE, OREGON, May 7, 1889.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on June 23, 1889, viz:

WILLIAM F. BUCHANAN.

Hd. No. 2716, for the NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 4 and Sec. 7, Tp. 18 S., R. 47 E.

ASBON R. CRUBY.

Hd. No. 2567, for the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 9, Tp. 8 S., R. 46 E., W. M.

JOE HEWITT.

Hd. No. 3252, for the SW 1/4 SE 1/4 NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 9, Tp. 8 S., R. 46 E., W. M., and

LOUIS ZORN.

Hd. No. 2556, for the E 1/2 SE 1/4 and SE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 9, Tp. 8 S., R. 46 E., W. M.

They name the following witnesses to prove their continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: J. Buchanan, Asbion R. Cruby, Joe Hewitt, Charles L. Fee, Charles Stewart and J. C. Brooks, all of Pine valley, Union county, Oregon.

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and 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.

HENRY RINEHART, Register.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

LAND OFFICE AT LA GRANDE, OREGON, May 8, 1889.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on June 23, 1889, viz:

BENJAMIN F. FEWEL.

D. S. No. 7811, for the NE 1/4 NW 1/4 and W 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 2 and SE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 21, Tp. 7 S., R. 45 E., W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Wallace Boyles, of Medical Springs; G. T. Perry of New Bridge; N. Boiesy of Conucopia; Thomas Carson of Half Way; Union county, Oregon.

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and 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.

HENRY RINEHART, Register.

5-16-w6

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

LAND OFFICE AT LA GRANDE, OREGON, May 15, 1889.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on July 11, 1889, viz:

WILLIAM H. PORTER.

D. S. No. 8052, for the lots 1 and 2, and E 1/2 NW 1/4 quarter Section 31, Tp. 4 S., R. 41 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: G. W. Simmons, Alex. Cockral, G. W. Ames and M. P. Ames, all of Union, Oregon.

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and regulations of the Interior Department, why