

THE OREGON SCOUT.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

THE recent elections demonstrate that the campaign of education progresses and educates. They are splendid vindications of the wisdom of Grover Cleveland.

It is impossible for a man of energy and ability to get through the world without running up against someone, and this makes enemies. The good, easy man who never stirs up the bile of anybody is a nonentity and will pass through life without leaving a track of his existence, while the rushing active man will leave an impression wherever he goes.

REV. W. S. WILLIAMS, a Methodist preacher in Pittsburg, in a recent sermon, said: "I challenge the world with unprejudiced mind, to show by scholarship and investigation any word between the two lids of the Bible that, by any force, plain or on the surface, or in the use of the term, teaches any such doctrine as endless punishment in a place of torment." Only recently a Chicago orthodox preacher declared that there is no tenant to occupy hell, we suppose it may as well go too. But lots of folks will be lonesome.

THERE is something essentially rotten in the statutes of Oregon when a state's witness like Lewis Scriber, who had his nose bitten off at Ashland last week, is thrown into jail to await the trial of his assailant, while the miscreant who perpetrated the outrage is suffered to go at large after filing a nominal bail bond. The statutes may warrant the retaining of a prosecuting witness on other than his own recognizance; but it is a most barbaric custom if it does, and the sooner repealed the better. It is certainly adding insult to injury to incarcerate a man who has been the victim of the crime of mayhem in order to bring the criminal to justice.—Jacksonville Times.

WE have not heard anything about the La Grande water works for some time. No specifications as to the way the work is to be done and no advertisement for bids has yet been published. There seems to be a hitch in the business somehow. The money they have borrowed is still deposited in the bank drawing interest. The people are existing on alkali water and still no move is made to hurry things along. Probably the question that is now agitating their minds is whether they can exist on water without the county seat or the county seat without water. We would advise them to blow their bubble in for beer and then move the key (bung) hole down to Summerville and Elgin.

SOME republican papers are now trying to crawlfish on the tariff question. One of them says: "That staunch republican, Daniel Baldwin, of Loganport, is in favor of tariff revision. So are Senator Allison, Senator Sherman, and about every other senator and representative in the republican party. Every platform of the party since the close of the rebellion has been in favor of such reduction. The democratic party itself is no more in favor of tariff reduction than is the republican." Sounds real nice, don't it? But here's what the Chicago platform of 1888 said: "We favor the entire repeal of internal taxes, rather than the surrender of any part of our protective system."

It is quite evident that suit will have to be brought against several parties along the line of Hunt's road between this city and Elgin before the right-of-way is secured, and the sooner they are instituted the better it will be. Circuit court will convene on the 10th, and it is a matter of great importance that these cases should be disposed of during the term. As all cases have to be filed ten days before they can come up for hearing, it will be seen that there is no time to lose. Mr. Hunt must commence work by the first of March, in compliance with the terms of the contract, and we cannot expect him to do so unless we have complied with our part of it. Just what the right-of-way committee is doing or intends to do in the matter we do not know, but it is very apparent that there is much to do and it should be done quickly.

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ELGIN NOTES.

Preparing For the Boom—A Snow Slide Covers up a Band of Cattle.

Jan. 26, 1890.

Roads passable again. The thermometer stands at zero. Nathan Baker is on the sick list. County Surveyor Kimbrell is in town laying out lots in the Elgin additions.

Hay is very scarce and if this weather holds out there will be heavy losses to stock men. The O. R. & N. right-of-way agent was in town Saturday trying to settle with Mr. Tray and Mr. Sommers.

I. Graham sold seven acres of land adjoining town to Mr. M. A. Stevenson last week, consideration \$1,150.

Mr. G. B. Swinchart's school closed the 17th. He taught a five months term and gave satisfaction to the patrons.

All travel goes over the "Punkin Ridge" road to Summerville. The road around C. Holgarth's place is impassable.

There is over three feet of snow here, and the ground is not frozen. Unless all signs fail there will be good crops this year.

Sam'l Parker has bought R. Mudlock's house and five acre lot. Sam. will soon move to Slabtown, and Rube to Pleasant Hill.

During the past four days there has been born to the wife of E. E. Johns a four pound son; to the wife of A. J. Shelton a three pound son; to the wife of R. Bershers a son.

The owners of the saw mill, near Elgin, are getting a fine lot of logs on hand which they will have sawed into lumber ready for the spring trade.

Quite a snow slide occurred a few days ago, on Chas. Shelton's place, one mile northeast of Elgin. It covered up 21 head of cattle that had gathered at the foot of the hill for shelter from the wind.

Theodore McGinnis and party have come out from the Looking Glass where they have been trapping. On their way out they came across two men who were camped in a cabin. It seems they were out for the purpose of trapping when one of them was taken sick and the other was compelled to administer to his wants as best he could for two weeks before aid arrived. The sick man was taken to Elgin for medical treatment. I have not been able to learn his name, but he is from Wallowa county.

PEEKABOO.

TELOCASET TATTlings.

January 27, 1890.

Chas. Tombleson visited La Grande this week.

Why is Union like an Indian's religious belief? Because the only heaven it has in view is that afforded by the Hunt.

Mrs. B. Ashby was called to Baker City last Saturday on receiving news of the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. Emily Gorman.

A family of six young children, the father and mother and a hired girl passed through this week, a la Bob sled en route to Peacohontas. They had a cold ride in wind and drifts.

Miss Maud Tinkham, teacher in Pyle Canyon district has suspended school for a few days till a moderation of the elements takes place. Wading and wallowing in three feet of snow is trying on ones nerves.

Frank G. Carpenter, of Courier Journal fame, is one of America's best correspondents. The pages of a journal are made brighter and fresher by the full flow of his spirited contributions. He is young and full of life's highest hopes.

Chas. F. Hinckley has been sinking a shaft on his mine near the tunnel. The prospects are flattering indeed. The general lay of this section and the croppings lead one to think there are splendid ledges undeveloped yet in the hills of Antelope.

And who woke McComas up? Woe to the man who runs up against a wire fence unless he has got on a buckskin shirt. Images of a dozen graveyards and ghouls will haunt the hapless fellow who digs up real estate business to use as weapons for the "cause." "Alas, poor Yorick."

Two of Pyle canyon's prodigals quitted pre-emptorily the fireside of their fathers last week and bid adieu to the pleasures of home and feather beds. They hied away to the romantic scenes that attend a snow shoveling gang, to find fame and subsistence. If hay holds out we will kill a tolerable fat calf in the spring when they get weary of wandering and short of funds. Boys are boys—who can make them anything else?

The booming angel of real estate in Portland sits by his altar and twangs his lyre in soft beguiling strains as the flood of easterners rushes to this "land of the setting sun." From prospects now, next spring is going to be one of our best for farming, thus offering great inducements to the grand march of home hunters.

(Minister.) "Now my young friends, when you go forth to battle with sin, be strong! Take with you the power that the angel had who wrestled with Jacob. And what power did that angel have?" (Sunday school scholar, who had read a stray sheet of the Police Gazette.) "John L. Sullivan or Holy Ghost, I forgot which."

Victor Hugo said: "The nineteenth century is great, but the twentieth century will be happy." Can we begin to feel the glow of the twentieth century happiness stealing down our land? Prejudice is dying; education is triumphing; invention is penetrating the subtlest depths of the unknown; charity is placing its hand in benediction on every new thought; men are growing to be more tolerant and sensible; all that can lend peace a lustre or give home a charm, is growing to be the aim of our people, and the American heart is brimful of hope.

SIR SINGLE.

Notice of Forfeiture.

Cornucopia, Union County, Or., January 23, 1890.

To A. T. NEILL and OWEN MATHEW:—You and each of you are hereby notified that John Sullivan and C. W. Woods have expended five hundred dollars in labor and improvements upon the following claims, "The Jet" and "The Gold Box" situated in the Eagle Mining District on the west side of the East Eagle creek, and "The Rose," "The St. John" and "The Oregon" situated in the Eagle Mining District, on the east side of the East Eagle creek, Union County, Oregon, as will appear by affidavit filed in the office of James R. Eaton, Justice of the Peace of Cornucopia, Oregon, on January 6, 1890, in order to hold said premises under the provisions of section 2324, revised statutes of the United States, being the amount required to hold the same for the year ending December 31, 1890, and if within ninety days from the service of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditure as such owners, your interest in said claim will become the property of the subscribers, under said section 2324.

C. W. WOODS, JOHN SULLIVAN.

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ESTRAY NOTICE.

Taken up by the undersigned at his farm on the sand-ridge, six miles northeast of Island City, in Union County, Oregon, on December 10, 1889, one roan mare, about 6 years old, about 14 1/2 hands high, with strip in face and right hind foot white, branded T on left shoulder and right hip.

M. McDONALD.

STATE OF OREGON, } ss
I hereby certify that I appraised the above described mare on the 20th day of January, 1890, at \$25.00.

T. E. JONES.

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ESTRAY NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT N. P. Owenby, living about two and one-half miles north of Elgin, Union County, Oregon, has this 2nd day of December, 1889, taken up the following described animal: One white steer with red head, speckled neck and each foot partly red, branded with half circle on left shoulder.

The above described animal was duly posted according to law on December 19, 1889, and appraised at \$25.

J. H. JOHNSON,

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TAKEN UP.

Notice is hereby given that I have taken up, on Dec. 1, 1889, at my place five miles north of Union, the following described animals, which the owners will please call for and pay charges:

One small sorrel saddle mare, white strip in face, tall bobbed off, branded on right shoulder T with O underneath.

Also one roan yearling steer, swallow-fork in left ear; no brand visible.

JOHN BOYD.

TAKEN UP.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I have taken up, on about the 15th of November, 1889, at my place four miles east of Island City, the following described animal:

One small roan gelding, weight about 900 pounds, saddle marks, no brands visible.

The owner of the above described animal will please call for the same, pay charges and take him away.

HENRY STRIKER.

TAKEN UP.

Notice is hereby given that I have taken up on January 2, 1890, at my place two and one-half miles from Pineville, in Pine Valley, Union County, Oregon:

One light buckskin filly, about 3 years old, 11 1/2 hands high, white strip in forehead, white mane and tail, no brands visible. Owner will please prove property, pay charges and take the same away.

JOEL HEWITT.

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