

AT HOME.

A Paragrophic Record of Recent Happenings in and Around the City.

Thanksgiving Day. City election next Monday. The holidays are near at hand. Printing in colors a specialty at the Scott job office.

"Satisfaction or no pay" is our motto-Scott's job office. Don't forget the city election next Monday. It is your duty to vote.

G. W. Hunt lost 15,000 cords of wood recently by the burning of his mill at Cleelum.

Holiday goods are being received at Jones ros. They will have, as usual, a fine display.

David Emile has purchased the Wilson ranch on Big creek for a consideration of about \$4,000.

The Sturgill Bros. are delivering hay from their Lower Powder ranch to the Sanger mines.

At the school meeting last Saturday it was voted to levy a 6-mill tax for the support of the school.

The fire wardens took a round of the city last Friday. Too much care cannot be exercised to prevent fire.

At 6 o'clock anything in the way of bribes will consult their own interests by patronizing the Scott job office.

Let every man who has an interest in the city attend the election next Monday and vote for himself, competent men.

Mr. C. C. Coffinberry has sold his blacksmith business in this city to Mr. Driver, a brother of Rev. Driver, who arrived here a few days ago.

Oregon is as large as New England and Indiana united, and twice as large as England. It settled as densely as England it would have a population of 40,000,000.

The business men of Joseph have decided to organize a board of trade. If they do so and take an interest in the organization it will be a benefit to the town and county.

Eggs, butter and wood taken in exchange for goods at Mrs. Rinehart's millinery store. She will, also, take time checks on the O. & W. T. railroad company for goods.

Mrs. Summers has just received an elegant line of hats of the very latest styles, direct from the eastern factory. Ladies, call and see them before purchasing elsewhere.

The mines on Paddy's Paradise belonging to the W. W. M. Co., have been closed for the winter, it being found difficult to run the arastra on account of the water freezing.

The people of Summerville are organizing a debating club. Union could not do better than follow suit. Nothing is more instructive for those who participate in it and it is a good way for all to pass a pleasant evening.

The well just east of Benson's meat market is certainly well patronized, as the populace residing within a radius of 500 feet of the same draw their water supply from it. The water contained therein is pure and clear and is about the best to be had in town.

A correspondent writing from Meddium says: "The tie and lumber business is slightly on the wane. It would be sicker still if Uncle Sam's agents were working for the Cleveland administration." It will be but a very short time till the lumber business of that section will be a thing of the past.

A Kentucky newspaper man dunned a delinquent for a bill of job work which had been standing two years. He answered: "Don't be in such a hurried hurry. I will have another job next spring and will pay you for both together." We have likewise asked scores of people for cash on bills of long standing who failed to do so.

There is no denying the fact, says an exchange, that butter and eggs are a scarce article in the market. We only wish our farmers would raise more of what we need at home, and less what has to be exported to find a foreign market. There is no earthly sense in raising wheat to be shipped to Liverpool and then send for ham, bacon and lard to Chicago, for our butter to California, and our eggs to Portland. Thompson's cow could do no worse.

The East Oregonian of the 20th inst. says: "It is learned that at present the Northern Pacific Elevator Company will not buy wheat at any price along its line. The outlook is gloomy. Quotations are down to 50 and 52 and buyers do not seem anxious to purchase at this figure. When wheat begins moving on the O. & W. T., however, it is expected that the market will revive. The elevator companies and local dealers will then re-commence buying."

A row occurred at the Lyceum theatre in Baker City on Wednesday evening of last week, between Eck McCarty and a man by the name of Wainwright. McCarty struck Wainwright with an instrument of some kind breaking both limbs of the skull, causing death in a few hours. The attack is said to have been unprovoked and McCarty will doubtless go to the penitentiary for a long time if his neck is not stretched. He was held, without bonds, to appear before the grand jury.

A business meeting of the Single Rail and Saddle Car railroad company was held in this city last Thursday evening, at which time the election of officers took place. J. B. Mahanna was elected president and general manager; Prof. Nolde, first vice-president; L. B. Rinehart, second vice-president; W. T. Wright, treasurer; E. K. McCann, secretary; J. W. Shilton and L. J. Davis, directors. Considerable interest seems to be manifested and there is quite a demand for stock, which is about all taken.

Mr. Mahanna will take east with him a splendid model which shows in perfect detail the workings of this remarkable invention. That it will prove a grand success is confidently believed by all who have investigated the matter.

Remember the dance tonight. A good time is assured.

It is reported that there are a number of cases of influenza in La Grande.

You can save money by having your election tickets printed at the Scott job office.

The Atlas, published at Vale, Malheur county, has suspended publication on account of lack of patronage.

You surely will not ask for any more time after all these months, but will pay your Cove drug store account at once.

Hereafter the Union postoffice will be open on Sunday as follows: 10:30 to 10:30 a. m.; 1:30 to 2:30 and 8:30 to 9:00 p. m.

T. J. Groves an old and well known resident of this valley, was accidentally killed last week at Hilzaed, by a saw log rolling on him.

We have for sale several more columns of THE SCOUT to be used for legitimate advertising purposes. We do not think that anyone who has anything to sell or buy could do better than invest.

William Koenig, the architect and builder, is putting the finishing touches on the new vault at the court house. It is a very substantial affair and reflects credit upon the gentleman's ability as a contractor.

George Stafford, formerly a resident of Union and well known in this vicinity, died in Tazewell on the 16th inst. He was afflicted with dropsy and other diseases and had been sick for some time. George had many friends here who will grieve to hear of his death.

Last Saturday evening at Happers, Umatilla county, Frank Clifford and Joe Deal had some words over a game that was being played when Deal drew a revolver and shot Clifford, killing him instantly. The shooting appears to have been entirely unjustifiable and the murderer will probably hang for his crime.

The Long Creek Eagle reports that seven or eight drunken redskins from the Umatilla reservation came on a "chime" gunnill to that town the other night, taking possession of the house, drinking choice Chinese tangfoet, and twisting queues by way of amusement. Lo, the poor Indians are quite humorous at times, although one would not think so by looking at his stolid countenance.

The new iron door for the vault of the county clerk's office, arrived last Tuesday and is being placed in position. The office will be ready for occupancy in a few days. It is being furnished with all the modern conveniences, and will compare favorably, in point of system and neatness, with any office in the State. The voters certainly made a wise selection for county clerk when they chose Turner Oliver for that important position.

Early in the season, under the direction of the Oregon experiment station, the sugar beet was planted in different parts of the state under various conditions, with the view of ascertaining important facts bearing upon its general culture in Oregon. The beets thus obtained have been in possession of the station for some time and experiments with them are about completed. Within a short time there will be issued from the station a bulletin giving a detailed account of the experiments and the more important facts developed thereby.—Coville Gazette.

Three railroaders, J. Richardson, C. Coyne and F. Mitchell, of Tazewell, were arrested by sheriff Bolles yesterday and lodged in the county jail here, charged with robbing a car belonging to the U. P. railroad. It seems that they broke the seal of the car and gained entrance thereto, therefrom two or three barrels of whiskey, presumably for the purpose of enabling them to observe Thanksgiving day in a fitting manner. Two or three other men are implicated in the affair and the officers are searching for them. The preliminary examination will take place before Justice Blakesie today or tomorrow.

Pete Murray, formerly of Union, was shot and dangerously wounded at Athol last Monday evening. He had been guilty of some slight misdemeanor, the nature of which could not be learned, and a warrant was sworn out for his arrest. Marshal Fenton and Deputy Marshal Stevens went on a search for Murray who evaded his obligation to resist, and the officers laid hands on him. He struck at Fenton, and was almost simultaneously struck on the head by Stevens with a large game he carried. The officers, seeing with what a samson they had to deal, both drew the weapons and pointed them at the offender, when Stevens' pistol exploded. Murray had his back to him, and the bullet entered under the left-hand armpit, inflicting a dangerous and perhaps mortal wound. Stevens, it is said, claims that the shot was accidental, stating that he and Fenton had no intention of shooting Murray, but merely drew their weapons to force him to submit. He said that when he had his pistol pointed at Murray, cocked and ready for action, some bystander touched his elbow causing him to pull the trigger.

An interesting lecture was delivered at the court house Tuesday evening, by Mrs. Mattie P. Kreckle, secretary of the State Secular Union. The letter giving the date that Mrs. Kreckle would arrive here was not received, consequently but a few hours' notice could be given of the lecture and there was not a very large audience in attendance. The subject of her discourse was "Natural Morality Superior to Theological Restraint for the Progress and Happiness of the World." We regret that our limited time and space prevent us giving a synopsis of the lecture, which was a glittering chain of convincing logic and elevating philosophy. Mrs. Kreckle has a prominent place among the most gifted benefactors of this nation, and merits the proud distinction she has won. Possessing a broad, comprehensive and analytic mind, a well modulated and cultivated voice, which can be distinctly heard by the largest audience, and a most pleasing address and action, she never fails to hold the warm attention of her hearers. An earnest worker she made cause she has a power for good and should receive a liberal support wherever she goes. At the request of prominent citizens of Summerville and Elgin, she left yesterday morning for a visit to those places.

IN THE TOILS.

Baker County's Ex-Clerk, Mix, an Embezzler.

SOME STARTLING REVELATIONS.

His Deputies, Peckard, Dals and Silver are Implicated.

The Baker City Democrat of the 22nd inst. says: Disclosures of what is one of the most barfaced and dastardly misappropriations of public money ever attempted in Baker county has just come to light through the fidelity and honesty of county clerk Joseph McKay and recorder Gas. W. Borman, the recently elected officials of Baker county, whereby it is announced that through the instrumentality of ex-clerk E. H. Mix and deputy W. H. Peckwood, Jr., together with accomplices in the persons of Harvey Dale and Edward Silver, as per confession of Deputy Peckwood, county warrants to the tune of \$6812 have been fraudulently issued in "Class L" under the law providing for the payment of bounty on seals.

After the discovery of the fraudulent issuance of the warrants, ex-deputy clerk W. H. Peckwood, Jr., was confronted with the charge by both Clerk McKay and Recorder Borman, and to them he made a statement subscribed and sworn to in which he confesses completely in the transaction, and says that E. H. Mix, ex-clerk, H. Dale and E. Silver were the instigators of the steal. The warrants were written out on the face by himself, that Mix signed the warrants as clerk, Silver created the fictitious names to whom the warrants were to be issued and that Dale was the negotiator of the warrants.

The warrants were made out as said before, in the name of fictitious persons, and while a warrant, for instance, would call on the county treasurer for \$200 or more, the stub in the book from which the warrant was drawn would only show \$2. Thus it was that one warrant after another was drawn, the highest being \$107.

The first warrant bears the date of June last but the greater portion of the warrants was dated from the first to the seventh day of July, the last date preceding E. H. Mix's retirement from office.

The book from which the warrants were issued never became a part of the abstract in the possession of the county court, so we are informed by Clerk McKay, and consequently the county court was entirely ignorant of the existence of the fraudulent warrants and their existence at this time would not have been known but for the alertness of Clerk McKay, brought about by certain revelations that will probably be forthcoming at an early day.

As a sample of the names in whose favor the warrants were drawn, the following will show the fertile imagination of the one originating them. We only give a few on account of lack of space. They are: Chas. Schwarzswelder, \$193; H. Mufelder, \$187; J. R. Scott, \$161; E. H. Gains, \$173; G. W. Snakes, \$107.

On the Democrat reporter's visit to the court house yesterday to ascertain the facts of the fraudulent transaction, both Clerk McKay and Recorder Borman readily gave the statements herein related and said that they would be able to make a more extended statement over their signatures as the experts now employed at the books had rendered a statement. The experts employed are C. H. Whitney and D. W. Campbell and they are industriously employed at their labors.

LATER.—The Democrat of the 25th inst. says: "The bondsmen of ex-Clerk E. H. Mix, Messrs. J. P. Paul, A. Rust, Wm. Babcock and C. M. Kellogg, yesterday waited upon Mix and his confederates and informed them that the fraudulent warrants must be forthcoming at once else they would institute proceedings immediately. The parties stood not upon their choice and began gathering in the flat currency and by evening they had succeeded in securing the whole amount and turned it over to the bondsmen who will see that the warrants are properly cancelled, thus relieving the bondsmen of any liability on account of ex-Clerk Mix's shortage.

The return of the warrants, of course, saves the county any loss, but the fact still remains that a crime has been committed, and it remains for the grand jury to investigate the matter thoroughly in its sess on the coming month. Until then the public will probably have to wait to know the result."

IN ASHES.

Cornucopia is Visited by a Dismalstrous Conflagration.

About 1 o'clock last Thursday, the 20th, a fire was discovered in the upper story of Turner's hotel, and although strenuous efforts were made to suppress it, it speedily got beyond control and the hotel, Turner's store, Albersson's store, and about all their contents were reduced to ashes. We have been unable to ascertain the amount of the loss but it will be considerable. We understand there was no insurance on the property. Albersson's loss will be close on to \$10,000.

The First Step.

Perhaps you are run down, can't eat, can't sleep, can't think, can't do anything to your satisfaction, and you wonder what ails you. You should heed the warning, you are taking the first step into Nervous Prostration. You need a Nerve Tonic and in Electric Bitters you will find the exact remedy for restoring your nervous system to its normal, healthy condition. Surprising results follow the use of this great Nerve Tonic and Alternative. Your appetite returns, good digestion is restored, and the Liver and Kidneys resume healthy action. Try a bottle. Price 50c. at Brown's drug store, Union, Oregon.

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OUR SOCIAL WORLD.

Brief Personal Mention—Epitome of the Week's Amusements.

Mr. A. T. Neill visited Union, Monday. Mr. B. B. Sanborn, of the Cove, called on us, Tuesday. Mr. S. W. Koger, of the Cove, called on us Saturday.

Mrs. George Stewart, of the Cove, visited Union, Monday. Mr. W. M. Vaughn made us a substantial visit a few days ago.

Mills Andross and family are visiting relatives in the east. Mr. Sam'l Truesdale and family visited La Grande last week.

Mr. Frank Hutchinson, of North Powder, called on us Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Justus Wright, of Big creek, visited Union this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mitchell were up from the Cove, Monday. Judge M. D. Clifford and family have returned from San Francisco.

Miss Mollie Foster returned from her visit to Portland a few days ago. Mr. Orin Skiff called on us a few days ago and subscriber for THE SCOUT.

Mr. Fred Dill arrived here from Baker City, Sunday, on his way to Cornucopia. Mr. Adam Beresford, of Summerville, returned from his trip east a few days ago.

Mr. A. Burden, of the North Powder saw-mills, made us a pleasant visit a few days ago. Mr. Peter Mercier, who is now in High valley, sent in this week and subscribed for THE SCOUT.

Mr. J. L. McKinnis, of Summerville, made us a pleasant and substantial visit last Thursday. Misses] Maul Summers and Jennie McGillis made THE SCOUT office a pleasant visit yesterday.

Mr. J. Q. Shirley left Friday evening for the British possessions to look after his stock interests in that region. Mr. Jared Shaw and wife were down from the Park, Monday. Mr. Shaw came down to make final proof on his land.

Rev. B. Wistar Morris made our office a pleasant call Monday. He will spend Thanksgiving day in Pendleton. Miss Ada Chambers took her departure on Tuesday morning's train for Portland, to attend the business college this winter.

Mr. B. D. Crocker, representing the Oregon Improvement Co., was in Union, Monday, attending to the company's business. Mr. W. F. Noble has bought three car loads of sheep for shipment to Victoria. He has employed the services of Wm. Blain who will feed them at the above place.

Mr. L. B. Howd, of the Ada county, Idaho, nursery, called on us the fore part of the week and made arrangements for an advertisement of the nursery to appear in these columns soon.

Mr. Alta Benson has been quite sick for several days past, but is getting much better now. "Mickey" is always missed when he withdraws himself from the public gaze for any length of time. A grand Thanksgiving ball will be given at Medical Springs this evening. Extensive preparations have been made and a most enjoyable time is expected. We acknowledge invitation to attend.

The New England sup per given for the benefit of the M. E. church, last Friday evening, was largely attended and quite a handsome sum was netted. It was a departure from the ordinary run of such things and was much enjoyed.

Mrs. L. M. Sullivan, accompanied by her daughter, Mamie, took her departure for Portland a few days ago for the purpose of placing herself under the care of prominent physicians there in the hope of obtaining relief from the effects of a gun shot wound received many years ago, and which has caused her to lose the use of her limbs to a considerable extent.

Mr. Ferd. Bloch was quite sick several days recently, but is around again as usual. When old Death tucks Ferd he is going to have a pretty hard job on his hands. If Ferd can't argue him out of his purpose he will buckle in and fight as long as there is any hope left. Ferd has no idea of taking his departure just yet, and there are lots of people who would be sorry if he had to.

Mr. Turner Oliver and wife returned from the Sound last Sunday and were warmly welcomed by a host of friends. Turner looks supremely happy. He always did have a broad and comprehensive smile, but that smile has developed into something truly wonderful, and puts all who see it in a good humor. Everybody wishes Turner and his amiable wife all the happiness imaginable.

Mr. J. W. Sillis, of the Cove, called on us a few days ago, while on his way back from Baker county, where he had been for several days previously. He showed us some splendid specimens from the Chloride mine near Haines. Work is being prosecuted vigorously on these mines, although at present it is very difficult to get the ore shipped, having to carry it on the backs of mules and horses for a distance of three or four miles.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Ruckman, of the Sandridge, accompanied by Miss Jennie Allen and Mr. James Vanderpool, made our office a pleasant visit last Saturday. Mrs. Ruckman returned a few days ago from Iowa where she had a most enjoyable visit among friends and relatives. In addition to THE SCOUTS they are already sending away, they ordered the paper sent to Lee Ulrich, Clearfield, Iowa and John Rogers, Cleo, Kansas. From appearances we judge there is going to be a wedding on the Sandridge very soon, but Mrs. Ruckman refused to enlighten us on the subject, which we think is "real mean" in her.

MARRIED.

LOVE—BELL.—At the Centennial hotel in this city, Tuesday, Nov. 25, 1890, Mr. Norval Love, of Lower Powder, and Miss Mary Bell, of Sanger, Judge Sanders officiating.

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