

AT HOME.

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

Merry Christmas! Holiday goods at cost.—Jones Bros. In consequence of the McKinley bill, yeast is said to be raising everywhere.

Glassware, lamps, and holiday goods at cost and less than cost at Jones Bros.

A branch of the Farmers' Alliance is to be organized at Lostine in Wallawa county.

C. M. Foster, the Baker City surveyor, is engaged in laying out an addition to Union, for S. O. Swackhamer.

If you want to be astonished at the cheapness of holiday goods, visit Jones Bros' store and learn their prices.

The Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society meets at the Presbyterian church, Friday, Dec. 26th at 2 o'clock p. m.

The Davis grist mill will be finished by the time threshing commences instead of by the time threshing is finished, as reported in our last issue.

Mrs. Alger, at the postoffice store, has a nice line of holiday goods which she will sell at very reasonable prices. Before selecting your presents call on her.

Next week and the new year will begin. Leave off from all your bad habits and evil ways, pay your Cove drug store account, and go on your way rejoicing.

A general meeting of the board of trade will be held at the hall on Monday evening, Dec. 29, 1890. All members are earnestly requested to be present.

Remember that Mrs. Rinehart leads in the millinery business and is always up with the latest fashions. For everything you need in that line call on her.

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.

The neatest and most stylish millinery goods constantly being received at Mrs. Rinehart's millinery store. Purchasers should always bear this in mind.

Marriage licenses were issued to the following parties during the week: J. W. Chaffin and Daisy L. Settlement; C. C. Fowler and Annie Hurst; E. J. Couper and Ida A. Davis.

Presbyterian services next Sabbath at 11 a. m., "A New Year Sermon." At 7 p. m., "The Present Profit of True Religion." All are cordially invited to attend.—W. J. Hughes, Pastor.

It is rumored, says an exchange, that the division terminus of the Union Pacific is to be removed from The Dalles to Squally Hook, a point thirty-two miles east of that place.

Charles Fisher, the baseballist, who lost his leg in a railroad accident last spring, has associated himself with Mark D. Scott, in the cigar and confectionery business in La Grande.

County Commissioner John McDonald visited Elgin recently for the purpose of inspecting the bridge across Grande Ronde river at that place, which is said to be in a very dilapidated condition.

The masquerade ball to be given in this city tonight gives promise of being a very enjoyable affair. A large number of tickets have been sold. Spectators will be charged 50 cents admission.

If you want something real nice for a Christmas present don't fail to call on Jones Bros. They always lead in matters of this kind, and will be sure to suit you. Their prices this year are lower than ever.

While cutting timber in the mountains last week, Mr. Gus Johnson had the misfortune to severely cut his foot with an axe. By the use of a cane he is enabled to make slow progress upon our streets.

Major Hendershott, the Rappahannock drummer boy, was honorably acquitted of the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, for which he was arrested and bound over, in Portland a few days ago. The major was evidently unjustly accused.

Sheriff Bolles has put up a telephone line between his office at the court house and his residence. It is a great convenience, enabling him to carry on a conversation with his folks at home and still be at his office performing his official duties.

G. W. Bartness and wife, of La Grande, were thrown from their wagon Wednesday evening and were both badly bruised. Mrs. Bartness' right wrist was broken and Mr. Bartness' leg recently broken was again hurt. Surely, misfortunes never come singly.

What might have terminated in a disastrous conflagration was discovered in Summerville, under the sidewalk near the old livery stable, last Thursday night. Some careless individual dropped a cigar or villainous cigarette which started the fire. Men and boys should not expose that or any other town to destruction with such things.

Articles of incorporation of the Elkhorn Motor and Railroad Company were filed with the secretary of state last week. The incorporators are Messrs. A. P. Campbell, a capitalist of Denver, T. F. Campbell and D. W. C. Nelson, of Baker City. The object of the company is to build and equip a railroad or motor line from Baker City to North Powder, a distance of 18 miles, by way of Rock and Pine creeks. The capital stock is \$300,000, with 300,000 shares at \$1 per share.

Stockholders of the Single Rail and Saddle Car Company will be pleased to learn that Mr. Mahanna has filed four patents, covering thirty-one claims, and having passed inspection full patents will be issued on Wednesday, March 21st, says the La Grande Chronicle. His system is pronounced in the patent office to be the grandest hit that has been made for years in railroading. He says that the stock will sell at its face as soon as patents are issued. This system covers operation by both electricity and steam. Speed will reach 75 miles per hour and cost of construction and operation about half the present cost.

Circuit court convenes in this city on the second Monday in February. The docket is already sufficiently large to require two weeks to dispose of it, and if cases continue to be filed it will be one of the largest dockets in the history of the county.

The Spokane National Bank, one of the oldest institutions in the city of Spokane Falls, closed its doors last Wednesday morning. The cause of its distress is the failure to realize on certain securities from the mining districts surrounding there.

G. W. Hunt has leased and will soon begin to operate the fifteen miles of Northern Pacific road between Hunt's Junction and Pasco. This will give the traveling public quick connections for points east and west on the Northern, will be better for shippers, and will enable the O. & W. T. to better accommodate local travel. A new time card is looked for.

The residence of Abe Johnson, situated about four miles north of Summerville, was completely destroyed by fire about one o'clock last Thursday night, the 11th inst. The fire originated from a defective stovepipe. Mr. Johnson had put up most of his winter provisions and his total loss will be nearly \$800. The family apparel and household goods were all consumed.

During the remainder of the holidays all kinds of holiday goods, including glassware, lamps, jewelry, etc., will be sold at actual cost and many articles will be sold at less than cost at Jones Bros' store. They do not intend to carry over anything in that line, and if the goods cannot be sold they will be given away. Drop in and you will be astonished at how cheaply you can buy things.

In the habeas corpus case of John Denney vs. J. P. Denney, in which the plaintiff seeks to secure the possession, care and control of his minor child, Henrietta Denney, who had heretofore been given into the care and custody of the defendant for a specified time, which time is yet unexpired, the decree of the court was that the child remain with the defendant, J. P. Denney, who is its grandfather. It is a complicated case, involving many intricate questions of law, and it is not altogether improbable but that the supreme court will have to pass upon it before a final decision is rendered.

Aaron Updyke, a resident of Pine valley, was adjudged insane by Judge Sanders last Tuesday. He is 31 years of age and is a farmer by occupation. He came to Pine valley from Indiana and has made that place his home since leaving his native State. The cause of his insanity is said to be hereditary to a certain extent, being afflicted with spasms at irregular intervals. He shows no disposition to be violent, and it is thought by his relatives that he can be greatly relieved, if not entirely cured by the skill at the State hospital for the insane. Sheriff Bolles conveyed the unfortunate man to Salem by last evening's train.

The Seattle-Boise Railroad.

Editor McComas, of the Chronicle, is very enthusiastic as to the future of the Single Rail and Saddle Car railroad, and makes a great offer to the incorporators of the company who propose to build a road from Seattle through the Seven Devils country to Boise City. His ejaculations are as follows:

A line of railroad is completed, the incorporation is formed and surveys are in the field to locate a railroad from Seattle to Spokane Falls, thence through the Palouse country to Lewiston, thence through the Seven Devils country to Payette and Boise City. The citizens of Baker City are somewhat excited over this new enterprise headed by such men as Jo Pankham and J. E. Fulton. People who know the country from Lewiston to Seven Devils will at once recognize the fact that from Lewiston to Elgin, up the Grande Ronde river, thence over the Hunt grade to Union, thence up Pyle canyon to Baker City, thence to Seven Devils is the only practicable route. Over this route the Chronicle will undertake to secure the Hunt grade for almost nothing and to furnish the Single Rail and Saddle Car system for a limited amount of stock and to guarantee it to do the carrying and cost less than one half for construction and operation. That is the best route for a paying road that could be found on the Pacific coast, and the Single Rail and Saddle Car system is the only road that can be built, equipped and operated at a profit over anything but through lines, and some of you who don't know anything about this system are cautioned right here to not forget what we say, as it will come handy for future reference.

Electric Bitters.

This remedy is becoming so well known and so popular as to need no special mention. All who have used Electric Bitters sing the same song of praise.—A purer medicine does not exist and it is guaranteed to do all that is claimed. Electric Bitters will cure all diseases of the Liver and Kidneys, will remove Pimples, Boils, Salt Rheum and other affections caused by impure blood.—Will drive Malaria from the system and prevent as well as cure all Malarial fevers.—For cure of Headache, constipation and Indigestion try Electric Bitters.—Entire satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded.—Price 50 cts. and \$1.00 per bottle at Brown's drug store, Union.

Take it Before Breakfast.

The great appetizer, tonic and liver regulator. In use for more than 50 years in England. Positive specific for liver complaint. Bad taste in the mouth arising in the morning, dull pains in the head and back of the eyes, tired feeling, dizziness, languor—symptoms of liver complaint. Remedy—Dr. Henley's English Dandelion Tonic. Relieves constipation, sharpens the appetite and tones up the entire system. Get the genuine from your druggist for \$1, and take according to directions. 7-3-91

NOTICE TO SETTLE.

All persons indebted to the undersigned, by note, book account or otherwise, are expected to settle their accounts without further notice. I am compelled to adopt this course on account of my losses by the recent fire in Cornucopia. J. L. ALBERSON. 12-18-90

ONE CHRISTMAS NIGHT.

A Grand Inheritance Left to us by Our Noble Forefathers.

Our nation was in its infancy then. The patriotism of our forefathers had given to Mother England her bitterest draught of disquietude. The grenadiers were guarding with close vigilance every stronghold the handful of patriots had erected. The battles of Lexington and Bunker Hill had been fought. Our glorious Declaration of Independence had been issued. All the colonies were in commotion. The tumult of revolution held sway. Oppression had been defied and dared. The greedy hand of King George III stretched forth across the Atlantic to grasp a new found treasure—but a serpent was hidden among the roses. Its sting was ready to pierce the heart of the one who sought to trample on it.

It was one hundred and fourteen years this Christmas night, that the Delaware river was roaring and rolling madly as scarcely ever before, with masses of broken ice rasping on each other. The wind swept desolately across the stricken land. Fierce blasts of sleet and rain whirled in rhythm to the gale. The British soldiers were feasting in Trenton. Just across the mad river, Washington's handful of patriots were sheltered from the chilling storm in their scantily supplied quarters. The Hessian general in Trenton was drunk in the Christmas revel. He forgot his mission, forgot his master, forgot all but the brimming decanters of wine. In the terrible midnight hurricane, Washington assembled his followers on the bank, and then with hearts stern and steadfast they embarked in frail boats to the other side, to give the drowsy Britains a surprise, for the night was so terrible that even the strategy of war was almost baffled—except in the hearts of men warring for their homes and children. With silent hands and speechless tongues the brave men steered their way among blocks of floating ice, and in the blinding storm to the farther side. Oh, what fortitude, what grandeur of soul! All the gloom, the dread of war hovering low on the horizon, the wild wrath of the elements gnashing its tremendous teeth in their faces, still unyielding, still undaunted they push on where there is no sign of hope glinting. For them the splendor of war is banished—they feel only its burden, but they bear it manfully, when love of home and of freedom lights up their dreary way. With muffled drum and silent files they march into the town, and ere the drunken Britains can rally from their stupor one thousand of them are taken prisoners of war. Swiftly and silently the Americans take the boats, and with their booty, are again steering a devious way through ice and wind.

It was the grandest night's work in American history. When no hired soldier of the crown would creep from his quarters to face the storm, the patriots rallied to the call of their loved commander, and amid all the dangers that life is heir to, surprised and captured the sleeping army. It was not greed that fired their souls with such undaunted zeal, it was not hope for high honors, nor for fame, it was that unflinching love for home and love for freedom, the hatred of oppression, and tyranny. It was the unconquerable will, the force that sees no obstacle insurmountable. Patience that defies eternity. Love and patriotism that laughs to scorn the marks of distinction. A will that is iron wrought. A heart that feels no fear, e'en though the depths of Hades yawn before it. There are two roads to prominence. One merit, one popularity. Merit finds no flowers to pluck. It has its laborious journey to tread. There are thorns by its paths, and often underfoot. Popularity wins the good wills of men by its versatility. Sunshine casts its dazzling hues constantly around. No rocks jut out to mar its pleasantries.

Had it not been for the inborn devotion to home, of our forefathers, this fair land of ours would have worn a different aspect today. Had it not been that on this one Christmas night their noble hearts were nerved with fire, we would have been a different people today.

What a debt of gratitude this glorious century owes to those old veterans, who sleep this Christmas morning beneath the sod of the happiest, grandest land on the globe. Bought by their blood, and given to us an inheritance out of which is springing the noblest republic on earth. Rejoice in pace.

BERT W. HUFFMAN. Union, Oregon.

FURNISHED ROOMS FOR RENT.—Mrs. M. J. Chaney, Corner Second and 8th St. Union, Oregon. 7-17-4.

OUR SOCIAL WORLD.

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

J. M. Selders was up from the Cove, Saturday.

R. M. South, was down from the Park, Saturday.

Hilroy Mitchell, of Cove, visited Union, Saturday.

G. F. White, of Cove, called at this office Saturday.

Miss Chloman came down from Sanger Saturday evening.

Gus Hutchinson, of North Powder, was in the city Saturday.

Andrew Wilkinson made this office a pleasant call this week.

H. L. Moreland returned to Portland on Friday evening's train.

W. R. Usher is spending the holidays at his home in Eagle valley.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Rogers were over from La Grande, Saturday.

Elvardo Draper and family, of High valley, visited Union this week.

J. W. Johnston, the engineer at the Sanger mill, was in town Saturday.

Mrs. Joe Yowell and daughter, of Pyle canyon, were in town this week.

J. B. Gardner and wife, of North Powder, were visiting in Union last Saturday.

Mr. Thos. Shaw, of North Powder, sent in this week and subscribed for THE SCOUT.

T. C. Shea accompanied the remains of the late Wm. Raley from Pocatello to Union.

J. W. Sills and family, of Cove, were in town Saturday, laying in a store of holiday presents.

Uncle Jacob Collins, of Summerville, is spending his Christmas with his son Frank, at Boise City.

Mrs. Ximena Stevens, (nee Sanborn) and Miss Pearl Payne, of Cove, were visiting in this city Saturday.

Colby Knapp came down from Sanger, Saturday evening and reports everything quiet in camp at present.

L. B. Rinehart returned from Malheur county this week, where he has been looking after his stock interests.

Robert Gibson and family, of Eagle valley, came down Saturday to attend the funeral of the late Wm. Raley.

John R. Oliver, our deputy clerk, visited his parents in Summerville this week. We are indebted to him for favors.

M. R. Brown returned from Walla Walla Sunday and took the stage Monday morning for his home in Cornucopia.

H. L. Deacon, Jr., and wife, of Huntington, are visiting their parents in this city. They will return in about ten days.

Geo. H. Foster came down from Cornucopia, Friday evening, and reports a foot of snow and still snowing when he left.

A. J. Goodbrod and wife returned from their wedding tour in the Willamette and Western Washington, last Thursday.

C. M. Foster & Son returned from their survey, Saturday evening, and report two feet of snow at the head of Catherine creek.

Geo. Steel and J. W. Cannady came down from Pine valley Saturday evening, and returned the next day by way of Baker City.

P. C. Reams, manager of the Cornucopia stage line, returned Saturday from a trip over the road, and reports the same in excellent condition, with very little snow.

C. F. Miller left for Albina, Oregon, last week, to be gone about two months. He says: "In order to get the news you may send THE SCOUT to my new address."

Mr. C. D. Reed writes to us from Polo, Ill., and orders THE SCOUT sent to George W. Perkins of that place for one year. Mr. Reed will return to Sparta early in the spring.

Corwin C. Coffinberry returned last Monday from a trip to Southern Oregon and the Coos Bay country. He returns very favorably impressed and thinks a grand future lies before that promising land.

A Wonderful Worker.

Mr. Frank Huffman, a young man of Burlington, Ohio, states that he had been under the care of two prominent physicians and used their treatment until he was not able to get around. They pronounced his case to be Consumption and incurable. He was persuaded to try Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds and at that time was not able to walk across the street without resting. He found, before he had used half a bottle, that he was much better; he continued to use it and is today enjoying good health. If you have any Throat, Lung and Chest Trouble try it. We guarantee satisfaction. Trial bottles free at Brown's drug store.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chillsbains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale at Brown's drug store.

MARRIED.

GOFF—TAYLOR.—In Elgin, Sunday, December 14, 1890, Mr. Carter Goff and Miss Martha M. Taylor, the Rev. J. T. Moore officiating.

WALLING—HUTCHINSON.—In this city Sunday, December 21, 1890, Mr. Willard Walling and Mrs. Josie Hutchinson, both of this city.

COUPER—DAVIS.—In this city, Wednesday, December 24, 1890, Mr. E. J. Couper and Miss Ida A. Davis, both of this city.

DIED.

RALEY.—In Pocatello, Idaho, Thursday the 18th inst., at 11:45 p. m., Mr. William Raley, aged 31 years, 9 months and 7 days. The sudden and unexpected demise of Mr. Raley has caused an aching void in the hearts of his many friends in this city and county. The remains were brought from Pocatello last Saturday night and the funeral took place Sunday at 1 p. m. from the M. E. church, the services being conducted under the auspices of the K. of P. and Odd Fellows, of which orders he was a member in good standing.

A NEW DEPARTURE!

CHARACTER OAK advertisement featuring an illustration of a man and a stove. Text includes: 'Said a critical tramp, "I would say Crusts of bread often come in my way, But they're tough now no more Where the Wire Gauze Door Gives the air in the oven full play." IF YOU WANT THE BEST Buy the CHARACTER OAK, With the WIRE GAUZE Oven Doors.'

They are Fully Warranted in Every Particular. We are sole agents for these well known Stoves and Ranges. In BAKING, ROASTING, ECONOMY OF FUEL, SAVING OF MEATS, and DURABILITY, they are superior to any other so-called first-class stove made in America, and we are now selling them FAR CHEAPER than any so-called first-class stove has ever been sold in Eastern Oregon.

HEATING STOVES!

All of the above reliable manufacture. Hardware AND Tinware

OUR TINSHOP is in charge of a first-class workman, and all kinds of repairing and job work done at reasonable rates, and satisfaction guaranteed. Call and examine our goods and prices. SUMMERS & LAYNE, Union, Oregon 4-174

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TO CARRY AWAY BARGAINS, at ADOLPH LEVY'S STORE. —I am overstocked in— Clothing, Dry Goods, and all kinds of Dress Goods, which must be sold REGARDLESS OF COST.

Call Early and Secure BIG BARGAINS! These goods are of the latest styles and importations, but must and will be sold at a sacrifice.

Are You Going to Plant an Orchard?

THE PAYETTE NURSERY, Of Payette, Ada County, Idaho. Has the Largest General Nursery Stock in the Mountain Country—125 Acres. Trees from Payette Nursery will reach Grande Ronde valley in six hours from the time they are taken from the ground. Mountain Crown Trees are Hardy, Vigorous and Healthy. Do not order until you have visited our nursery, seen our agent or got our prices. Wholesale and retail. 6-26-y1

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(OPPOSITE CENTENNIAL HOTEL.) Wm. E. Bowker, - Proprietor. Everything First Class. Terms Very Reasonable. Bus to and From the Depot Making Connection with all Passenger Trains.