

ATTEMPTING IT AGAIN

From the manner in which the Baker City papers have been "taffying" the people of the southern end of the county during the past few weeks and endeavoring to delude them with an imaginary branch railroad to tap that section; wagon roads by way of Powder river and Sanger; daily stage lines and other visionary projects, the following letter received a few days ago from a prominent citizen of that section was not unexpected.

Dec., 31, 1890.

DEAR SCOUT:— I write in haste. Baker City "ghouls" are canvassing our end of the county, as railroad magnates, etc., talking annexation to Baker county and circulating petitions. Warn the people. So far as I am concerned I am satisfied with Union county. If Baker City builds her "wind" road to the Seven Devils there is time enough after completion to say what we want. Yours always

Our friend very aptly designates the moving parties in the above mentioned transaction as ghouls, yet with all their ghoulish qualifications they certainly have one merit—persistence. For the past four or five years, just before the convening of each legislature, they have tried the same game and in every instance the people of this city have taken the trouble to see that remonstrances were circulated and each time the fact has been demonstrated that four-fifths of the residents and tax payers of that section of the county are strenuously opposed to any move of the kind. That the same sentiment, only more intensified, now exists, we are fully assured. As the citizens of that section of the county are an intelligent and wide awake people they are competent to take care of their own interests and no doubt will do so. We do not think they will allow the sharpers of Baker City to pull any wool over their eyes and annex their rich farms and prosperous mines to bolster up the fortunes of a tax-ridden and almost bankrupt county. To prevent this, however, it may require some little exertion on their part and they should at once circulate a remonstrance and forward it to our representatives in the legislature who will attend to the matter. We do not believe that either of our representatives would be directed in his duty regarding it, for if he did he would be eternally damned so far as the people of Union county, with a very few exceptions, are concerned. THE SCOUT is the people's paper and is as much a part of Cornucopia, Eagle and Pine valleys, and every other section of the county, as it is of the city of Union. It believes in the majority ruling. If it thought that the people of the southern portion of this county desired to be annexed to Baker county it would have nothing to say against it. But we know this is not the case and we dislike the unscrupulous methods adopted by parties in Baker who would by misrepresentations and intrigue compass that end. They have no idea that a railroad will be built out from Baker City, but if they can make the people believe so it will answer their purpose just as well as a real road. We know, and we believe the people of the southern portion of the county know, that if they are ever blessed with a railroad and better transportation facilities it will be by the building of some transcontinental line which must, of necessity, pass through that section. The Hunt road seems to be in status quo, but the Seattle & Salt Lake is vigorous enough and we predict that inside of two years, one or the other of these roads will pass through the southern portion of this county. It will then be time enough, as our correspondent says, for the people of that section to decide what they want, and it is to be hoped they will not decide before, or allow the Baker City "ghouls" to decide for them.

THE Baker City Reveille says: A petition will be presented to the next legislature of this State asking that body to set Baker county outside of the Sixth judicial district, for the reason that there is no criminal prosecution and seemingly no chance for a change. Civil cases will be settled by arbitration. This is a move in the right direction, as under the present state of affairs there is no protection to the residents of the county, and the taxes are piling up with wonderful rapidity. Every taxpayer should sign this petition. And still they have the assurance to ask the people of the southern portion of this county to annex themselves to Baker and participate in that sort of thing.

PUBLISH THE LAWS.

An effort will be made at the coming session of the legislature to have a law enacted providing for the publication in the newspapers of all the new laws so that the people at large may know what they are required to obey. We believe it is a good move and one that will be favored by the people in general. Following is an outline of a bill providing for further publication of county expenses:

A bill for an act, entitled an act, to authorize the publication in county newspapers of the proceedings of county courts and fix compensation therefor.

Be it enacted by the Legislative assembly of the State of Oregon.

Section 1. The county court and commissioners shall cause to be made out and published in one newspaper, if there be one in the county, and, if not, by posting on the court house door, a schedule of the expenditures of the county, which shall state the names of all claimants, the article or service for which payment is claimed in each bill, the amount allowed if ordered paid, or whether the claim has been continued or rejected.

Sec. 2. The county court and commissioners shall at the January session of each year select one newspaper published within the county, having the largest circulation within the county where published, in which the proceedings of said court and commissioners, as entered of record, shall be published at the expense of the county; provided that in counties having five thousand population two newspapers having largest circulation shall be selected, and the county clerk shall furnish such papers selected each a copy of the proceedings and a list of claims.

Sec. 3. Compensation for publication of such list of claims and proceedings shall be as follows: For each square of ten lines of brevier type (newspaper measure) or its equivalent, cents.

Sec. 4. Circulation shall be determined as follows: in case of contest the applicants shall each deposit with the county court on or before a day named by the board of supervisors, a certified statement subscribed and sworn to before some competent officer, giving the names of the several post-offices and the number and names of the bona fide yearly subscribers receiving their papers through each of said offices living within the county, such statements to be sealed envelopes and opened by the county court, and the applicant thus showing the greatest number of bona fide yearly subscribers living within the county shall be the county official paper. In case charges of fraud are made by an aggrieved publisher, the court shall seek other evidence of circulation and the aggrieved publisher, shall have the right of appeal to the circuit court for redress of grievance. Said appeal shall be taken in ordinary action, and in case of appeal, neither publisher to the contest shall receive pay for publishing such proceedings until the case is disposed of in the circuit court.

THE Baker City Democrat says: The time has come when the business community of this city must be active in reaching out for all the trade possible, instead of losing annually thousands of dollars by a lack of energy and enterprise. Other points are straining every nerve to encroach on Baker City's territory and the sooner the business community realizes this the better they will be off. The fact is evident that Baker City's volume of trade is decreasing and how to remedy this is for the business community to determine, and that, too, at once. We have been asleep and we must wake up, or find ourselves cut off at all points. Baker City seems to be in a pretty bad way, and it is no wonder that they want to annex the southern portion of this county, and get the people of Cornucopia and Eagle and Pine valleys to help them out of the toils.

SENATOR STANFORD made a speech in the senate recently in favor of loaning government money on farm mortgages at 2 per cent per annum, in which he certainly made some strong points in favor of the measure, which has been referred to the Finance committee. This committee should act upon this bill and the senate should vote upon it. It is not fair to kill it by pigeon-holing, just because it happens to be an innovation on present financial methods. Everything has to have a beginning, and this would be a mighty slow old world if something new wasn't started occasionally.

THE year 1891 opens with greater confidence in business operations everywhere. It is reasonable to believe that the stringency in the money market is about to cease, and that prosperous times are in store for the whole country.

THE COVE.

Items of Interest From Our Regular Correspondent.

Cove, Jan. 7, 1891.

Miss Addie Bloom was quite sick this week. Her ailment has developed into the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry, Mr. E. A. and Fred Holmes, Mr. J. O. Smith and others from Island City attended the funeral of Eugene Foster.

No change in the business of Foster, Bridges & Co. will be made at present. They will sell strictly for cash until their affairs are decided upon.

Advertised letters remaining unclaimed in the Cove postoffice. Miss Grace Meacham, Miss Mary Sness, Mrs. L. J. Shelton, C. E. Sierman, E. J. Wilds, Mrs. Nannie Turner.

Some wisecracks at our elbow says winter has come at last and that we may now expect snow without stint. The dudes are getting their fancy sleighs out and overhauling them and preparing for moonlight fun.

Mr. H. H. French is particularly unfortunate with his cows this season. In one day recently, he lost five of his best milchers, dying after eating the deadly wild parsnips. In grazing over the meadows, they probably accidentally nip a few stalks of this powerful plant which seems sure death to the cow kind.

Measles is prevalent in Cove. New cases are appearing on every side, but usually of not a very severe type. Ten members of Mr. L. B. Haggerty's family are down and they have established a private hospital of their own. Where the disease came from no one seems to know, but it appears to have come to stay awhile.

Died, at Cove, Saturday 4:30 p. m. of typhoid fever, Eugene Trussle Foster aged 33 years and 5 months. The deceased was born in Lake Mills, Wisconsin Aug. 4th, 1857. His mother died at the same place in 1860. In the spring of 1881, Eugene came to Oregon, and excepting a short time spent in Walla Walla has since been a resident of Cove. His life has been an active one in business circles. He first was engaged as clerk for the old firm of Payne and Jaycox and since has been in business for himself both with his father and Mr. Jaycox of Union. At the time of his death he owned an interest in the mercantile firm Foster, Bridges & Co. also in the Cove flouring mill. A short time before the attack of the dread disease, he went to Eugene to be at the bedside of his brother-in-law, Mr. Union Wilson who was suffering with typhoid fever. Eugene proved himself a faithful nurse and in a few weeks returned to Grande Ronde with Mr. Wilson, but was in poor health himself and when the fever overtook him, was unable to successfully combat its fierce burnings. After a brave struggle lasting over two weeks, with kind and loving friends to administer to his every want, peacefully and almost motionlessly was ended his earthly mission, though it seemed only fairly begun. The funeral took place Monday afternoon and was conducted by the Masonic order of which the deceased was a member. Prominent members attended from Island City and Union. An affecting sermon was preached by Rev. A. LeRoy of La Grande to a large congregation and expressions of deep sympathy for the sorrowing widow and relatives and regrets that so useful a member of society should be called from a life of integrity and well doing.

It does not appear probable that a free coinage bill will be passed at the present session of congress. It is admitted by all well-informed persons that a majority of both the House and the senate are in favor of the bill, but the trouble lies in the fact that those who control the legislation that gets before congress are opposed to it. It is only theoretically that a majority controls in congress. Practically it is less than a dozen men that control its every action, by deciding what legislation shall be considered.

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. 12 18-3m J. L. ALBERSON.

Memento Mori.

"In the midst of life we are in death."

WILLIAM RALEY.

"He is not dead but sleepeth."

Chancellor Commander and Brethren: For the first time in the existence of our lodge we are called upon to mourn the loss of one of our Brothers.

William Raley has left us; having been called from the active duties of humanity inculcated by our order, to the perfect bliss of the supreme grand lodge on high. Our Supreme Grand Chancellor doeth all things well; and whilst we are stricken in sorrow, we must remember that our Brothers loss is his everlasting gain. And since our brother has gone before it is but seemly that we should place a memento on our records and show to his bereaved widow and family, nor forgetting his aged mother, our appreciation of him in life and our regret at his death; Therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by Blue Mountain Lodge, No. 28, Knights of Pythias, of Union, Oregon:

That whilst our Brother may have had the faults of which all of humanity are inheritors, yet he was a man with a large heart, a true and kind husband, a loving father, a dutiful son, and a tried and true friend.

That in the death of Brother Raley our lodge has lost a faithful member, and society a good and enterprising member; and we deeply sympathize with the widow and family of our Brother and to comfort them we can only point them to the Great Ruler of all, who will dry the widow's tears and comfort the sorrowing hearts.

That in remembrance of our Brother the members wear the usual badge of mourning and that our Castle hall and furniture be draped for the usual time.

That these resolutions be spread on a memorial page of our record and a copy of the same be engrossed and sent under the seal of the lodge, to the family of our deceased Brother, and a copy furnished the city papers for publication.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and B. O. F. BELL, M. F. DAVIS, TURNER OLIVER, Committee.

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NOTICE.

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ESTRAY NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that there was taken up by C. A. Gray, on Clover creek in the precinct of North Powder, Union county, Oregon, and posted before the undersigned a justice of the peace for the above precinct one dark iron gray horse, supposed to be 12 years old, 16 1/2 hands high, branded with a capital D (script) on the left shoulder. Appraised at \$35 this January 3, 1891. 1-8-3t JOHN EDWARDS, Justice of the Peace.

THE CRY OF MILLION!

OH, MY BACK! STOP IT NOW. SOON IT WILL BE TOO LATE.

I have been troubled many years with disease of the kidneys and have tried many different remedies and have sought aid from different physicians without relief. About the 15th of April I was suffering from a very violent attack that almost prostrated me in such a manner that I was bent over. When I sat down it was almost impossible for me to get up alone, or to put on my clothes, when kind Providence sent Dr. Healey, with the OREGON KIDNEY TEA, to my hotel. I immediately commenced using the tea. It had an almost miraculous effect, and to the astonishment of all the guests at the hotel, in a few days I am happy to state that I was a new man. I will recommend the tea to all afflicted as I have been. G. A. TUPPER, Proprietor Occidental Hotel, Santa Rosa, Cal.

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