

Oregon Scout.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1891.

NOTICE.

On account of the change made in the management of this paper, all accounts due up to Jan. 15, 1891, must be settled without delay. Those knowing themselves indebted to the paper are requested to come in and pay up without further urging.

AT HOME.

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

James Morton, of Elgin, called on us last Tuesday.

J. S. Vandervanter, of the Park, called on us Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Mitchell, of Antelope, is visiting in this city.

H. J. Geer, of the Cove, was a visitor to Union last Saturday.

All kinds of job printing done at this office, Call and get our prices.

W. J. Townley, of Sanger, was in this city the fore part of the week.

J. S. Vandervanter made the Sanger office a substantial visit Tuesday.

Attorney J. M. Carroll paid a flying visit to Baker City last Saturday.

Sigle Coffman, of Medical Springs, made us a pleasant call yesterday.

John Graham, Jr., of Elgin, made our office a pleasant call last Tuesday.

J. L. Lindlar, of the Hot Lake, made our office a pleasant call this week.

Judge Blackstone has placed a neat and attractive sign in front of his office.

Frank Graham, of Elgin, sent in this week and subscribed for THE SCOUT.

It is said the Chinese population of Oregon is diminishing at the rate of about 5000 a year.

Are you owing on subscription to this paper? If so, please call at once and settle.

Attorney A. J. Lawrence, of Baker City, arrived in town last Thursday to attend court.

The plat of Imbler, a new town on the Sandridge, has been filed in the recorder's office.

Mrs. Mary Biggers, of La Grande, is visiting in this city, the guest of Mrs. L. B. Rinehart.

Rev. S. M. Driver made our office a pleasant call, Tuesday. He will read THE SCOUT hereafter.

Dan F. Moore, of Cornucopia, was in this city last Friday, shaking hands with his many friends.

W. N. Gachner, of North Powder, was visiting friends and relatives in this city a few days ago.

Don't forget to drop in at THE SCOUT office and pay your subscription, while in town attending court.

During the past six months over 100 timber claims have been taken up in Washington by young ladies.

Last Sunday was Chinese New Year, and was observed in an appropriate manner by the celestials of this city.

A new supply of Dickens' works and Mammoth Cyclopedias just received at this office. Call and see them.

The Pendleton Hardware and Implement Company have made an assignment. Assets \$12,703.13; liabilities \$28,457.20.

Your girl is expecting you to remember her with a nice valentine. Call at the Cove drug store and make a selection.

A. J. Harry committed suicide at Yoncalla, Oregon, on Sunday evening of last week, by shooting himself through the head.

County court did not convene Monday owing to the absence of the judge, and there will be no term till March 2nd.

The first storm of any consequence we have had this winter was last Monday, when the snow was drifted quite bad.

G. T. Perry, one of the prosperous farmers of Eagle valley, is in the city attending court. We acknowledge a pleasant call.

Hon. Henry Rinehart and R. E. Bryan, of La Grande, are conducting a real estate, loan and insurance business in this city.

James Bloom, the jovial manufacturer of soda water, was up from the Cove Tuesday. We acknowledge a pleasant and substantial visit.

You need not work more than four days out of the week and can go fishing the other two days, if you trade at O. P. Jaycox's cash store.

Fred Warnell, of this city, called on us yesterday and subscribed for THE SCOUT. To be sent to his mother, Mrs. S. B. Warnell, of the Cove.

A suit of clothing that formerly cost \$16 is now \$12.50; and a pair of French kid shoes that were \$4 are now \$3.20 at O. P. Jaycox's cash store.

The west-bound train which was due here at 6:30 Monday evening did not arrive until Tuesday evening, on account of a snow blockade at Cheyenne.

Wild Wright, of the Cove, who has been visiting in the eastern states, returned home last Monday. He looks as though the trip had agreed with him.

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Mrs. G. M. Irwin fell on the sidewalk at Salem last Saturday, and was quite seriously injured about the head and neck. She was unconscious when picked up.

Sampson Roy, the mine owner, is seriously ill at Sanger, being afflicted with the erysipelas. Dr. Cromwell, of this city, was sent for and went out to see him.

Ed. Gates experienced a severe trip to North Powder Monday, being compelled to face the blinding snow in order to save some papers on parties at that place.

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OUR COUNTY OFFICERS.

A Visit to Their Places of Business—Competent Men at the Helm.

A Scout reporter visited the court house last week, and while there was shown through the different offices of our county, and the manner in which they are kept by our county officials.

The clerk's office, which is now in the north wing of the building, up stairs, has lately been fitted up in first-class style, with all modern improvements in the way of desks, patent steel roller book shelves and other furniture, making it one of the most convenient and well arranged offices in the state, and we doubt if there is a county in the state that can boast of so well and systematically arranged system of keeping their records as that now employed by County Clerk, our present county clerk. Everything pertaining to county business is so arranged and simplified that anyone with common sense can understand how the records are kept, and it is an easy matter to find any paper or document desired. In view of the above facts it is clearly evident that Turner (Thor) is the right man in the right place.

The recorder's office, which is presided over by John Elliott, is located in the room formerly occupied by the clerk, and has also been thoroughly overhauled and fitted up in good shape by Mr. Elliott and his efficient deputy, O. E. Bell. Everything is in apple pie order and they are always ready and willing to show you anything in regard to the records desired. The vault has lately been supplied with Barnard's patent steel roller book shelves, etc., where all the books and records are kept safe in case of a fire.

We next dropped in on Judge Brainerd, our county treasurer, and found him comfortably situated in his office, enjoying a cigar, and devouring the contents of the morning paper. The judge is a great hand to read, and keeps posted on the issues of the day, but never neglects to keep a correct record of the money taken in and paid out by him for county purposes, and can tell you in a minute just how the books stand.

J. D. Guild, our assessor, has a neat office in the south part of the building, and we found his deputy, H. L. Deacon, busy at work on a large plat book of real estate in the county, which he has nearly completed. Everything pertaining to the office is kept in good shape. Mr. Guild has made a good assessor, which is evidenced by the fact that he is now serving his second term in that capacity.

We next visited the sheriff's office and found Mr. Bolles and his deputies, W. R. Usher and A. H. Gildewell, busy at work. They have been making strenuous efforts to collect the delinquent tax list and are succeeding admirably under the circumstances and will make a good showing. Mr. Bolles has had hard luck since taking the office in keeping prisoners confined in the jail, but no blame can be attached to him as he has done everything in his power to hold them. The fault is with the building not being sufficiently secure. The difficulty, however, will soon be obviated as the court is now negotiating with different firms with a view to lining the corridor with a chilled steel plating. There is now confined in the jail four prisoners pending trial at this term of court, but Mr. Usher informs us that it is not likely that any of them will be convicted as none of the prosecuting witnesses can be found. The names of the parties in custody and the charges against them are as follows: Pierre Hathaway, larceny; Frank Mitchell, larceny of whiskey at Telahast; W. H. Day, assault; W. O. Ray, assault and battery, serving a sentence of ten days.

Notwithstanding the fact that some of the Baker Cityites have circulated the report in the southern part of this county that the court house was about to fall down and that Judge Sanders had already moved out, we find that he has fitted up a neat office up stairs, in the south wing of the building, having furnished it with furniture, brussels carpet, etc., and seems contented and happy in his new office.

THE LEGISLATURE.

Doings of the Solons as Reported by J. P. Wager in the East Oregonian.

The fate of the assessment bill, which was under discussion in committee of the whole house two or three days, hangs in the balance. The chief bone of contention is the much discussed question of deductions for indebtedness. A large number of members consider this the most important feature of the bill, and will not care if the bill is defeated unless it is a part of it; others are willing to accept all other provisions of the bill, but will vote against it as a whole if this feature is retained, as it is. The committee, on Friday, by a vote of 27 to 26, the others being absent, adopted the no deduction clause—except the deductions for real estate mortgages.

The "no deduction" feature had at the most 28 supporters, four or five being absent. If three of these vote for it, or if any converts are made, it may pass, otherwise not, as its opponents are out-poken in declaring that they will vote against the whole bill if this feature is retained.

Gambie made a clinching argument in favor of no deduction by quoting the figures since 1875, by which he showed that the proportion of deduction for indebtedness, as compared with "money, notes and accounts," had steadily and rapidly grown until instead of being one-half, it was now double the last item; that is, instead of "results" returned to the assessors being twice the indebtedness, it was now only one-half, showing a fraudulent loss of taxable property in the state of nearly a hundred million dollars.

Butler of Polk also made very convincing and clear-headed statements of the manner in which banks evaded and escaped taxation through this deduction feature. Miller of Deschutes and Hall of Multnomah were the main champions on the other side. Butler has introduced an important bill, which if passed will be very beneficial. It provides for funding county debts, and the location of bonds, making the county to pay cash. That they will pay only perhaps 4 per cent. interest, whereas now, with over-bills and discounts and interest they pay from 15 to 20 per cent.

The bill is looking the horticultural and favored commission were up for reading

in the senate Friday evening. They gave Veatch an opportunity for the display of his wit, sarcasm—and it must be said, a good deal of sense, too—in their advocacy. The horticultural bill went over without a vote, but the bill to abolish the railroad commission was defeated by a vote of 14 to 15. Two things in this vote are noticeable: first, all the democrats voted to abolish the commission; and for once Tongue and Simon voted together. The democrats evidently agreed with Veatch and Weatherford, that the commission was of no practical value, and therefore the state was squandering \$10,000 a year for nothing; if it had power so it could accomplish any good it would be different. But unless three senators change their opinions and votes, the railroad commission will be retained for two more years at least.

The "Australian ballot bill" is a law—or will be when the governor signs it—notwithstanding the apparent danger of its position during the past week. The senate receded Friday from its amendments, having incorporated them in a separate bill, which the house will pass, though it refused to do so until the senate had receded from its position. No one wanted to take the responsibility of defeating the original ballot law, without amendments, and so the senate concluded to "give in."

The John Day-Long Creek wagon road bill, sealed down from \$5,000 to \$2,000, has passed the house, and will pass the senate. Mr. Dustin thinks this will be sufficient to finish the road.

Matlock's bill to provide for a state law library at Pendleton failed to pass.

Butler's bill to make incurable insanity a ground for divorce passed the house.

A number of other bills of an important nature, and several others failed to pass, the house.

The senate committee on commerce has reported favorably Raley's postage railway bill, and it will pass the senate.

The first wagon road bill to pass was Blackman's bill for \$300,000 for a road from Monument to John Day City.

Willis' bill making more stringent regulations regarding the observance of Sunday, was defeated in the senate, only a very few votes being cast for it.

Myers' bill to punish railroad corporations for negligence also failed to pass.

Norval's bill providing that cities may appropriate water of adjacent streams, etc., for municipal purposes, passed.

Council Proceedings.

At the regular meeting of the council last Saturday evening the following business was transacted:

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

On motion the street committee was empowered and instructed to regulate the street lights, and add such additional lights as they thought proper.

The following bills were read and referred to the finance committee:

A. Johnson, marshal salary \$33.00

A. Johnson, fees for attendance 10.00

E. C. Brainerd, treasurer's fees 35.25

A. Levy, mileage 2.50

N. F. Ficklin, street committee 19.02

On motion a vote of thanks was tendered to the state senators and representatives of Union county for their good work in securing the passage of the Union charter bill.

On motion Wm. James was given until Wednesday, February 11th, to file his new bond.

The First Step.

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W. J. HUGHES,
Pastor.

MARRIED.

CHANCEY—LOWE—At the residence of the bride's parents in this city, Wednesday, February 11, 1891, at 8 o'clock, Mr. B. Chancey and Miss Lizzie Lowe, Rev. S. M. Driver officiating.

MCINTOSH—MERER—On the 4th day of February, at the Centennial Hotel, by Rev. J. P. Morris, Mr. George McIntosh, of La Grande, and Miss Dora Mercer, of Illinois.

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