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Allyn, T. J., Ione, Or. Horses GG on left shoulder; cattle same on left hip, under bit on right ear, and upper bit on the left; range, Morrow county.

Armstrong, J. C., Alpine, Or.—T with bar under it on left shoulder of horses; cattle same on left hip.

Allison, O. D., Eight Mile, Or.—Cattle brand, O D on left hip and horses same brand on right shoulder. Range, Eight Mile.

Adkins, J. J., Heppner, Or.—Horses, JA connected on left flank; cattle, same on left hip.

Baird, D. W and son.—Horses branded D B on the left hip; on the same on left flank, crop off rig t ear, undercrop in the left. Range in Morrow County.

Bartholamew, A. G., Alpine, Or.—Horses branded 7 E on either shoulder. Range in Morrow county

Bannister, J. W., Hardman, Or.—Cattle branded B on left hip and thigh; split in each ear.

Brenner, Peter, Gooseberry Oregon—Horses branded P B on left shoulder. Cattle same on right side.

Burke, M St C, Long Creek, Or—On cattle, MAY connected on left hip, crop off left ear, under half crop off right. Horses, same brand on left shoulder. Range in Grant and Morrow county.

Brosman, Jerry, Lena, Or.—Horses branded 7 on right shoulder; cattle B on the left side. Left ear half crop and right ear upper slope.

Barton, Wm., Heppner, Or.—Horses, J B on right thigh, cattle same on right hip; split in each ear.

Brown, Isa, Lexington, Or. Horses IB on the right stifle; cattle same on right hip; range, Morrow county.

Brown, J. C., Heppner, Or.—Horses, circle C with dot in center on left hip; cattle, same.

Brown, W. J., Lena, Oregon. Horses W bar over it, on the left shoulder. Cattle same on left hip.

Boyer, W. G., Heppner, Or.—Horses, box brand on right hip cattle, same, with split in each ear.

Borg, P. O., Heppner, Or.—Horses, P B on left shoulder; cattle, same on left hip.

Brownlee, W. J., Fox, Or—Cattle, J B connected on left side; crop on left ear and two splits and middle piece cut out on right ear; on horses same brand on the left thigh; Range in Fox valley, Grant county.

Carsner Warren, Wagner, Or.—Horses branded O on right stifle; cattle ☰ (three bars) on right ribs, crop and split in each ear. Range in Grant and Morrow counties.

Cain, E., Caleb, Or.—Y D on horses on left stifle; U with quarter circle over it, on left shoulder and on left stifle on all colts under 5 years; on left shoulder only on all horses over 5 years. All range in Grant county.

Cate, Chas. R., Vinson or Lena, Or. Horses H C on right shoulder; cattle same on right hip. Range Morrow and Umatilla counties.

Corrigall, M M, Galloway, Or—Cattle crop out of each ear and underbit, wattle in forehead; horses half circle C on left stifle. Range Morrow and Umatilla counties.

Curl, T. H., John Day, Or.—Double cross on each hip on cattle, swallow fork and under bit in right ear, split in left ear. Range in Grant county. On sheep, inverted A and spear point on shoulder. Ear markoa ewes, crop on left ear punched upper bit in right. Wethers, crop in right and under half crop in left ear. All range in Grant county.

Cook, A. J., Lena, Or.—Horses, 90 on right shoulder. Cattle, same on right hip; ear mark square crop off left and split in right.

Currin, R. Y., Currinsville, Or. -Horses, 22 on left stifle.

Cox Ed. S., Hardman, Or.—Cattle, C with E in center; horses, CE on left hip.

Cochran, R. E., Monument, Grant Co., Or.—Horses branded circle with bar beneath, on left shoulder; cattle same brand on both hips, mark under slope both ears and dewlap.

Chapin, H., Hardman, Or.—Horses branded C on right hip. Cattle branded the same. Also brands CI on horses right thigh; cattle same brand on right shoulder, and cut off end of right ear

Douglass, W. M, Galloway, Or.—Cattle, R D on right side, swallow-fork in each ear; horses, R D on left hip.

Ely, Bros., Douglas, Or.—Horses branded ELY on left shoulder, cattle same on lefthip, hole in right ear.

Emery, C. S., Hardman, Or.—Horses branded O, reversed C with taill on left shoulder; cattle same on right hip. Range in Morrow county

Florence, L. A., Heppner, Or.—Cattle, LF on right hip; horses F with bar under on right shoulder.

Florence, S. P. Heppner, Or.—Horses, F on right shoulder; cattle, F on right hip or thigh.

French, George, Heppner, Or.—Cattle branded WF, with bar over it, on left side; crop off left ear. Horses, same brand on left hip.

Gentry, Elmer, Echo, Or.—Horses branded H S, with a quarter circle over it, on left stifle Range in Morrow and Umatilla counties.

Hiatt A. B., Ridge, Or.—Cattle, round-top 4 with quarter circle under it on the right hip, Range in Morrow and Umatilla counties.

Hinton & Jenks, Hamilton, Or—Cattle, two bars on either hip; crop in right ear and split in left. Horses J on right thigh. Range in Grant county

Hughes, Samuel, Wagner, Or—⊥F (T F L connected) on right shoulder on horses; on cattle, on right hip and on left side, swallow fork in right ear and slit in left. Range in Haystack district, Morrow county.

Hale, Milton, Wagner, Or.—Horses branded -O- (cattle with parallel tails) on left shoulder Cattle same on left hip also large circle on left side.

Howard J L, Galloway, Or.—Horses ⊤ (cross with bar above it) on right shoulder; cattle same on left side. Range in Morrow and Umatilla counties.

Hall, Elwin, John Day, Or.—Cattle E H on right hip; horses same on right shoulder. Range in Grant county.

Hughes, Mat, Heppner, Or.—Horses, shaled heart on the left shoulder. Range Morrow Co.

Hausaker, H A, Wagner, Or.—Horses, 9 on left shoulder; cattle, 9 on left hip.

Humphreys, J M Hardman, Or.—Horses, H on left flank

Huston, Luther, Eight Mile, Or.—Horse H on the left shoulder and heart on the left stifle Cattle same on left hip. Range in Morrow county.

Jones, Harry, Heppner, Or—Horses branded H J on the left shoulder; cattle branded J on right hip, also underbit in left ear. Range in Morrow county.

Junkin, S. M., Heppner, Or.—Horses, horseshoe J on left shoulder. Cattle, the same. Range on Eight Mile.

Johnson, Felix, Lena, Or.—Horses, circle T on left stifle; cattle, same on right hip, under half crop in right and split in left ear

Kenny, Mike, Heppner, Or.—Horses branded KNY on left hip cattle same and crop off left ear; under slope on the right

Kirk J. T., Heppner, Or.—Horses 69 on left shoulder; cattle, 69 on left hip.

Kirk, Jesse, Heppner, Or.; horses 11 on left shoulder; cattle same on right side, underbit on right ear.

Kumberland, W. G., Mount Vernon, Or.—I L on cattle on right and left sides, swallow fork in left ear and under crop in right ear. Horses same brand on left shoulder. Range in Grant county

Loften, Stephen, Fox, Or.—S L on left hip on cattle, crop and split on right ear. Horses same brand on left shoulder. Range Grant county.

Lieuallen, John W., Lexington Or.—Horses branded half-circle JL connected on left shoulder. Cattle, same on left hip. Range, near Lexington

Leahey, J. W Heppner Or.—Horses branded L and A on left shoulder; cattle same on left hip, wattle over right eye, three slits in right ear.

Lord, George, Heppner, Or.—Horses branded double H connects Sometimes called a swing H. on left shoulder.

Maris M. C., Heppner, Or.—Cattle branded circle on right hip; horses same on right stifle. Range in Morrow county.

Minor, Oscar, Heppner Or.—Cattle, M D on right hip; horse, M on left shoulder.

Morgan, S. N., Heppner, Or.—Horses, M) on left shoulder cattle same on left hip.

Mitchell, Oscar, Ione, Or.—Horses, 77 on right hip; cattle, 77 on right side.

McClaren, D. G., Brownsville, Or.—Horses, Figure 3 on each shoulder; cattle, M3 on hip.

Moffitt, Frank, Fox Valley, Or.—Mule shoe with toe-calk on cattle on ribs and under in each ear; horses same brand on left stifle.

McKaley, S. S., Hamilton, Or.—On horses, a with half circle under on left shoulder; on cattle, four bars connected on top on the right side Range in Grant County.

Neal Andrew, Lone Rock, Or.—Horses A N connected on left shoulder; cattle same on both hips.

Nordyke, E., Silverton, Or.—Horses, circle T on left thigh; cattle, same on left hip.

Oliver, Joseph, Canyon City, Or.—A 2 on cattle on left hip; on horses, same on left thigh. Range in Grant county

Oller, Perry, Lexington, Or.—P O on left shoulder.

Olo, Herman, Prairie City, Or.—On cattle, O LP connected on left hip; horses on left stifle and wattle on nose. Range in Grant county.

Pearson, Olaus, Eight Mile, Or.—Horses, quarter circle shield on left shoulder and 24 on left hip. Cattle, fork in left ear, right cropped. 24 on left hip. Range on Eight Mile.

Parker & Gleason, Hardman, Or.—Horses 1P on left shoulder.

Pitser, Ernest, Lexington, Or.—Horses branded _E (L E connected) on left shoulder; cattle same on right hip. Range, Morrow county.

Piper, J. H., Lexington, Or.—Horses, JE connected on left shoulder; cattle, same on left hip, under bit in each ear.

Pettys, A. C., Ione, Or.; horses diamond P on —— shoulder; cattle, J H J connected, on the left hip, upper slope in left ear and slip in the right.

Reed, Andrew, Hardman, Or.—Horses, square cross with quarter-circle over it on left stifle.

Reisinger, Chris, Heppner, Or.—Horses, C R on left shoulder.

Rush Bros., Heppner, Or.—Horses branded 2 on the right shoulder; cattle, IX on the left hip crop off left ear and dewlap on neck. Range in Morrow and adjoining counties.

Rooney, Andrew, Lexington, Or.—Horses branded A R on right shoulder, vent quarter circle over brand; cattle same on right hip. Range Morrow county.

Rowe, Wm. H, Dairyville, Or—HR connected with quarter circle over top on cattle on right hip and crop off right ear and split in left. Horses same brand on left shoulder. Range in Morrow Grant and Gillam counties.

Rector, J. W., Heppner, Or.—Horses, JO on left shoulder. Cattle, O on right hip.

Stanfill W. E., Heppner, Or.—Horses shaled J S on left stifle; cattle J S on left hip, swallow fork in right ear, underbit in left.

Sam, Thos., Heppner, Or.—Horses, S A P on left hip; cattle same on left hip.

Shriver, John, Fox, Or.—SU connected on horses on right hip; cattle, same on right hip, crop off right ear and under bit in left ear. Range in Grant county.

Smith Bros., Susanville, Or. Horses, branded H. Z. on shoulder; cattle, same on left shoulder.

Squires, James, Arlington, Or.; horses branded JS on left shoulder; cattle the same, also nose waddle. Range in Morrow and Gilliam counties.

Stephens, V. A., Hardman, Or.; horses S8 on right stifle; cattle horizontal L on the right side

Stevenson, Mrs A. J., Heppner, Or.—Cattle, S on right hip; swallow-fork in left ear.

Swaggart, G. W., Heppner, Or.—Horses, 44 on left shoulder; cattle, 44 on left hip.

Sperry, E. G., Heppner, Or.—Cattle W C on left hip, crop off right and underbit in left year, dewlap; horses W C on left shoulder.

Thompson, J. A., Heppner, Or.—Horses, 3 on left shoulder; cattle, 2 on left shoulder.

Tippets, S. T., Enterprise, Or.—Horses, C on left shoulder.

Turner R. W., Heppner, Or.—Small capital T left shoulder, horses; cattle same on left hip with split in both ears.

Thornton, H. M., Ione, Or.—Horses branded HT connected on left stifle; sheep same brand.

Vanderpool, H. T., Lena, Or:—Horses HV connected on right shoulder; cattle, same on right hip.

Walbridge, Wm., Heppner, Or. Horses, U. L. on the left shoulder; cattle same on right hip, crop off left ear and right ear lopped.

Wilson, John Q., Salem or Heppner, Or.—Horses branded Jq on the left shoulder. Range Morrow county.

Warren, W B, Caleb, Or—Cattle W with quarter circle over it, on left side, split in right ear. Horses same brand on left shoulder. Range in Grant county.

Wade, Henry, Heppner, Or.—Horses branded ace of spades on left shoulder and left hip Cattle branded same on left side and left hip.

Wolfinger, John, John Day City, Or—On horses three parallel bars on left shoulder; 7 on sheep bit in both ears. Range in Grant and Malheur counties.

Woodward, John, Heppner, Or.—Horses, UJ connected on left shoulder.

Watkins, Lisbe, Heppner, Or.—Horses branded UE connected on left stifle.

Wallace, Charles, Heppner, Or.—Cattle, W on right thigh, hole in left ear; horses, W on right shoulder same same on left shoulder.

Whittier Bros., Huntington, Baker Co., Or.—Horses branded W B connected on left shoulder

Williams, Vasco, Hamilton, Or.—Quarter circle over three bars on left hip, both cattle and horses. Range Grant county.

Williams, J O, Long Creek, Or—Horses, quarter circle over three bars on left hip; cattle same and slit in each ear Range in Grant county

Wren, A. A., Heppner, Or.—Horses running A on shoulder; Cattle, same on right hip.

Young, J. S., Gooseberry, Or.—Horses branded S on the right shoulder

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FROM SINNEMAHONE.

BY ED MOTT.

"I wish to goodness," said the man from over Sinnemahoning way, "that I could remember half what my father used to tell about snakes. I really do. I do indeed. I suppose that if my father had been telling about snakes that lived anywhere else except on the Sinnemahone spread I could have remembered everything. But, Lord! It would take a man with nine memories, every one of 'em phenomenal, to remember even a little bit of what them Sinnemahoning snakes did, because they did so much. They were always doing something, and doing it well. I wish somebody would simply give me an inkling of what there is in that Sinnemahone atmosphere that makes things have so much more snap in them than things have anywhere else on top of earth. Even grasshoppers. Now, I know heaps of places where there is twenty times more grass than is on the Sinnemahone. As for that, Sinnemahone doesn't run particularly to grass. We slash out a good many hoop poles, and we peel considerable of bark. We do a little in the maple sugar way, and our 'taters ain't few to the hill. But we don't brag on our grass. Then why should grasshoppers seem to like to settle down with us so much, and get to be so overpowering smart among us? I give it up. I don't know. But to prove to you that they do, I'll tell you something. I don't pretend to explain these things, mind you. I simply give you the facts.

"You know, of course, that there ain't any better bait for trout along late in the season than grasshoppers. Our Sinnemahone grasshoppers know that well, and I want to tell you that it's a hard matter to run one down and catch him when you want to go fishing. But I used to manage, by various slick bits of strategy, to get enough to fish with, but it was hard work, and so I was delighted one day, being over to the county seat, to see in a store an artificial grasshopper, with a hook concealed about it. The grasshopper was as natural as life, and I saw at once that there wasn't any use of my pitting myself any longer against our smart Sinnemahone grasshoppers to get bait, when I could use the artificial grasshopper to fool the trout with, and I bought it. It worked to a charm. I think the trout went for it better than they did for the real thing, for I have an idea that they knew how smart our Sinnemahone grasshoppers were, and were kind o' fraid of 'em. I used that imitation grasshopper with great success.

"I had a tame trout in a spring near my house. It had been in the spring a year. It was a big one. I had caught it one day on a Sinnemahone grasshopper, and as the hook hadn't hurt it much I put it in a pail of water and got it home alive and active. I put it in the spring and it lived and thrived. A funny thing was that the grasshopper I caught the trout with wasn't killed by the trout nor by the hook. Being through fishing, I took the grasshopper off the hook and tossed it on the ground. It moved away, but was minus one leg. Its eyes were just as bright as ever, though, and as I remember it now, it kind o' shook its head and looked volumes as it limped away, headed straight for my place. I don't know where that crippled grasshopper wintered, but when warm weather came next year I give you my word that grasshopper was the first I saw on my place. It was perched on a saw horse in my back yard. I recognized it at once, and it seemed to recognize me, for it shook its head and had a queer look in its eye as it limped on one leg along the saw horse, tumbled off and stumped away.

"'As long as I've got a place,' said I, 'that grasshopper has a claim on it, and anyone that hurts that grasshopper must settle with me!'

"Well, sir, that grasshopper hung around the place, and hobbled about in a melancholy sort of way, but always with that queer look in its eyes. Every time it met me it settled down and shook its head, spit tobacco juice, as grasshoppers will, and stumped on its way. I know now that that grasshopper had vengeance on its mind, and was only biding its time.

"This was the season I got the artificial grasspopper. I frequently saw the crippled real one sitting on the flat stone over the spring where my pet trout was, glaring down at the trout and shaking its head in a startling way. The grasshopper remembered that this was the trout that had crippled it, and it went to the spring to glare at the trout and show its hate. I used to tremble for it, for my trout just doted on grasshoppers, and I was fearful lest this poor crippled one might tumble in the spring and thus give up the rest of itself to the foe that had bereft it of its leg.

"One day I had been fishing with my artificial grasshopper. I came in, took the leader off my line, with the imitation grasshopper on it, and laid it on the back stoop, being called away for something or other. When I went to get the leader ten or fifteen minutes later it was gone. I looked around, but couldn't find it. Some time afterward I started for the spring to get a pail of water, and as I drew near I saw the crippled grasshopper dragging itself up on the flat stone that covered, or half covered, the spring. I stopped, and then saw that the grasshopper was dragging something up along with it. I started when I saw that it was my missing leader. My first impulse was to go and recover my property, but on second thought I didn't.

"'This unfortunate grasshopper,' I reasoned, 'has some purpose in view. Let us see what it may be.'

"I soon saw. Growing near the flat stone over the spring was a currant bush. With great deliberation the crippled grasshopper took one end of my leader in its mouth and hobbled round and round the bush, winding, as I could see, the leader about it. The artificial grasshopper had been hanging up on the stone and lay there in full view. Having taken a firm hitch with the leader about the stem of the currant bush, the vengeful crippled grasshopper pushed its counterpart presentment along toward the edge of the stone, and when it reached there, shoved it over. The artificial grasshopper fell, and there was leader enough left to let it just touch the water lightly. There was a flash and a splash in the water, and the next instant my pet trout was dashing wildly about in the spring, hooked on the deadly lure and played by the limber currant bush. Oh! but it was a stroke of genius! The crippled grasshopper stood on the edge of a stone, looking over at the vengeance it had wrought, grinning savagely and gloating. I could easily have saved the trout.

"'But no!' I said. 'It is but retributive justice! Let it stand!'

"In a short time the trout was dead. The crippled grasshopper hobbled off of the stone and disappeared. I never saw it again. Will somebody give me an inkling of what there is in that Sinnemahone atmosphere that makes things have so much more snap in them there than things have anywhere else on top of earth? Even grasshoppers. Will some one simply give me an inkling?"

Not even the man in the red, blue, pink, yellow, green and purple mackinaw jacket seemed capable of utterance, and the man from Sinnemahoning way had to go without his inkling.

"Oh, yes! Snakes!" said he, suddenly brought to himself. "Lord! I wish my father was here! But he isn't. He couldn't be, very well. He left the banks of the Shinnemahone for the same of Jordan, some years since. My father was a fiddler, and if he is playing the harp half as well as he played the fiddle, he isn't taking a back seat for anybody on the other shore, and I'll bet on it! And how he could tell about snakes! It's a shame the way I've forgot most of the things he used to tell me about 'em, but I remember one that may strike you as a tolerable fair showing as to what Sinnemahone snakes were able to do in the days of my father. Sinnemahone snakes are at the head of the serpent race yet, of course, but in those days they had the benefit of my father, and they simply shone.

"The blowing adder was always a big favorite with my father. The blowing adder, you know, is that interesting snake that has the faculty of flattening out its head to about four times its natural size, then puffing it up, and then blowing a small gale from its mouth for a few seconds. I never knew just what they gained by doing all this, but they do it, and that's enough. The blacksnake was another snake my father liked, but somehow they never liked him, but they feared him, and when he wanted to use 'em they knuckled right down and were used.

"Once my father had a pet blowing adder and a blacksnake that he wanted to be a pet, but which had a feeling against being one, and just wouldn't. It didn't dare to rebel altogether, though, and learned the tricks my father taught it, and did them, but kicked like a steer all the time. The blowing adder, on the other hand, was fonder of the old man than a cat of her kittens, and never lost a chance to show it. One of the tricks my father taught the rebellious blacksnake was to take a match in its mouth, reach back and scratch the match on its scaly side, and then rise up on its tail and light father's pipe as he held it in his mouth. It was a neat trick, and used to please father next to knowing that the little jug with the corncob stopper in it wasn't empty.

"Whenever father went to his cabin in the woods for a hunt he always took Jehosaphat and Prudence with him for company. Jehosaphat was the blacksnake and Prudence was the blowing adder. Once, while out on one of these trips, father was taken sick with rheumatism in his cabin, and lay on his bed of straw, unable to move hand or foot. Jehosaphat cheered up and got chipper at once. He tumbled all over himself, father used to say, he felt so good. And he felt more than that. He had murder in his heart. While father lay there helpless the wicked snake took a match in his mouth, glared like a fiend in father's face for a moment, struck the match on his side, just the way the old man had taught him, and then deliberately set fire to the straw on which my father lay helpless. With one more fiendish glare at my father Jehosaphat fled from the cabin.

"Imagine my father's feelings lying there unable to move, and that fire creeping slowly toward him! He saw no escape from a horrible death. But he didn't know Prudence, the blowing adder. That loving snake woke from a nap in her corner, and soon saw the awful danger my father was in. She dashed over to the burning straw, flattened out her head, and with one tremendous puff blew out the blaze."

"Sinnemahone!" exclaimed the man in the red, blue, pink, yellow, green and purple mackinaw jacket, "let me tell ye sumpin'! That blowin' adder mowt a blowed out that blaze, but there ain't no blowin' adder, nor sweepin' gale, nor howlin' cyclone that kin ever blow out the blaze you'll git into one o' these days, an' when ye git there, jist remember that I told ye so!"—N. Y. Sun.

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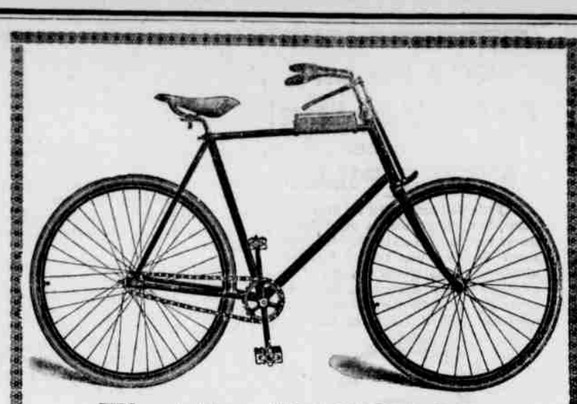

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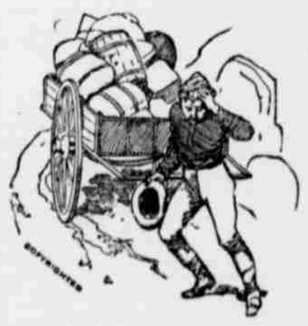

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