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It is hard to believe that Grover Cleveland is against expansion. However, in his own person he represents so much in that line it is possible he is actuated by professional jealousy.—Chicago Post.

The Baker City Record has been coming to our table the past three weeks, but has been overlooked in a way. We are pleased with its clean, businesslike appearance and will gladly exchange, wishing Messrs. Bowen & Gregg, its publishers, the success their efforts deserve.

The inhabitants of Pinar del Rio, the province west of Havana, Cuba, must feel as though the United States is going to be and has been its friend after the words of General Davis, the commander of that district, that, with their assistance, and co-operation, he would "turn the trochias and forts into homes and the matchets into implements of labor." It is reported that fully one-half the population have died off, or been killed, in the past three years, and this assurance comes none to soon.

SENATOR MORGAN on December 12th called up his Nicaragua canal bill, which now has exclusive right of way in the senate until disposed of. He says he will push it until it is passed. There is no doubt of its passage as soon as a vote is reached. This bill makes this government, Nicaragua, and Costa Rica, the sole owners of the stock of the Maritime Canal Company, which holds a concession to build the canal, a majority of the stock to be held by this government, which is to guarantee \$100,000,000 in the bonds of the company, to be used in the construction of the canal, with the exception of \$5,000,000 to be paid to the present stockholders of the company, for their cooperation in recompensing them for money they have already spent on the canal. The president alone will have authority to issue these bonds, and he may suspend their issue at any time he deems it prudent to do so. There is a strong lobby in Washington working against this bill, both openly and secretly. The secret work is the most dangerous, because it is apparently in the interest of building the canal, and only against this particular bill; in reality it is against the building of the canal.

FIREMEN'S BALL.

A Delightful Time Was Had and Their Funds Were Swelled.

On Friday night last the firemen of our city gave a ball which was one of the most enjoyable occasions of the season. The music furnished, composed of Wm. J. Riel as pianist, Robt. Baell, as banjoist, and J. E. O'Reilly, violinist, was splendid, and was complimented on every side.

The dance was continued until about 1:30 in the morning when it broke up with every one satisfied with the evening's entertainment, while the firemen realized the neat sum of 40 odd dollars.

A VISIT TO IONE.

Two Days Agreeably Spent in the Thriving Little City.

Saturday evening, accompanied by the family, we reached the town of Ione and were tendered the hospitality of the Ione hotel, under management of our old time friends and associates, Mr. M. M. Hunter and estimable wife, who have, during their short reign, made this hostelry an asylum of rest and recuperation second to no other hotel in Eastern Oregon. The addition of its southern wing makes it commodious, while the thorough renovation and furnishings make it agreeable to the most fastidious, and we found its every available space in demand. The Sabbath was quiet and enjoyably spent under circumstances most agreeable and interesting with a delegation of towns people, professional and traveling gentlemen who appreciate the hospitality of its management.

We found the business concerns of the town rearranging stock at the conclusion of a season of marked prosperity, trusting to favorable conditions for another prolific year, which means for them an increase in population and business houses which will place their little town along the line of progress and recognition as a leader in Eastern Oregon. This season has encouraged building and many new business buildings have been erected, which are all taken.

This week E. M. Shutt launches a newspaper, a branch of the Heppner Times, in the little city, which the citizens herald with enthusiasm and have pledged its support, feeling that a newspaper is a necessary adjunct to a thriving town. Another ambitious newspaper man by the name of Geo. S. Parker, with an eye to business, comes in on the heels of Mr. Shutt and invites the people of Ione to give him an opportunity to compete for supremacy in the journalistic field, and after submitting his proposition a meeting of a number of the representative men was called, and at the conclusion of a discussion they decided that they had already pledged their support to Mr. Shutt to the extent of their ability, and in consequence culled in form of a resolution to give him their undivided support, which naturally placed a "jamper" on the enthusiasm of the competitor, as he felt that discrimination had been drawn. However, upon a personal canvass of the town, explaining the inducements for selection of that field for the newspaper venture in shape of support, cast a different light upon the subject, and while the business men are not disposed to waiver in their pledged support to Mr. Shutt, they feel that from a business standpoint Mr. Parker is entitled to courtesy and a chance to establish himself on his merits and business ability along the lines upbuilding the town. Now it remains to be seen whether Mr. Shutt will start his paper and if so which news paper man will win the confidence and permanent support of Ione's business community.

Grand Master D. Herrin, A. O. U. W., with whom we trained in "early days" as a schoolmate, we found at the Ione hotel and passed the time pleasantly rehearsing the "tricks we used to play." Mr. Herrin's mission was to institute a lodge of twenty members, conferring the degree of Princess of Castles, Tuesday night. He anticipated a large attendance from the Heppner and Arlington lodges.

Sunday night one and one-half miles this side of Ione, T. J. Carl the lively man, and U. G. Rudd met with a disastrous runaway, the horses upsetting the buggy throwing them out with sufficient force to bruise them seriously. The team disappeared in the darkness, and a farmer happening along at that time brought them to town suffering intensely. While Mr. Carl's injuries were not serious Mr. Rudd's condition seemed uncertain. Dr. Hunlock, having just driven in from below town was called and pronounced the injuries not of a serious nature and left prescriptions which put Mr. Rudd upon his feet again. The team and rig were found next morning piled up in a ravine a short distance from where they started somewhat dilapidated.

Mr. Thompson, the inventor of the

Summary of the Assessment of Morrow County, Oregon, for the Year 1898.

During the past few weeks County Clerk Crawford has been busy fixing up the assessor's returns, and, as they were finished only a day or two since, we print them below, which seem to be a very good showing considering the number of non-tiltable and non-deeded or patented lands.

These figures may be changed some by the board of equalization, but they are practically what they will be after the board has gone over them.

Table with columns: Description, No., Total Value, As Returned by Assessor. Includes items like Acres of tillable land, Improvements on deeded lands, Town and city lots, etc.

Thompson acetylene gas machine, was in the town looking after several machines he had there, which were in idleness, owing to an absence of carbide. While the machines are an experiment as yet and are causing more or less trouble, the business men are inclined to believe if properly handled they are a success. They propose testing them to their full capacity.

FROM CANYON CITY.

The City Being Inhabited and a Condition of Comfort Apparent.

Attorney Phelps and Mr. Wm. Long returned from Canyon City last Friday evening where they went to arrange for the settlement of the estate of John Long as mentioned in last issue. Mr. Phelps was appointed administrator for the estate, a considerable portion of which is located in Grant county, while valuable property is located in San Francisco and other parts of California. Unfortunately the papers of the deceased were consumed in the Canyon City fire necessitating considerable trouble on the part of Mr. Phelps to locate. He will leave about the first of the year for California to locate and look up titles of property there. Both Mr. Phelps and Mr. Long were quite enthusiastic in declaring Canyon City had the most hospitable and cheerful class of people it has been fortunate to meet. Rebuilding of the city is going steadily ahead, and the people seem to be well provided for and grateful for the consideration of the outside world. The frozen condition of the roads made their ride a thrilling one, as the mountain grades were covered with ice, and the horses urged to the top of their speed to keep clear of the coach at times. The trip was made in twenty seven hours, and he spoke highly of Mr. Miller's efficient stage service.

A Mother's Devotion.

Jan. R. Kinney who has charge of Thos. Quade's sheep tells a story of chaste devotion that appeals to our tender impulses. Changing camp from one mountain range to the next, the shepherd, three miles distant, during a snow storm, the mother of five little Scotch colliers, 17 days old, was compelled to leave them in the deserted camp to help in the drive. That night when the sheep had quieted down and her responsibilities at an end, she hurried to her babies, but true to her master she was at the sheep corral in the early morning remaining during the day and at nightfall was back to the little ones. Finally at the lapse of the eleventh day her master noticing her absence, felt some uneasiness when a little later he saw her approaching the house carrying one of her pups in her mouth, having struggled the distance of three miles that bitter cold morning. This touching illustration of motherly devotion proved too much for Mr. Kinney and the first part of that day's program was to hitch up the team, and that night the poor old mother had a snug nest with her six little loves close to the hearth in the old farm house.

For a Christmas gift there is no small dry good article that is so desirable as a pair of kid gloves. No matter how many pairs a lady possesses one or two more are always acceptable. They are always in demand, are useful, of medium cost, and sure to please, if you get a pair of those Francis T. Simmons gloves at Minor & Co's.

G. A. R.

Rawlins Post No. 51, has an interesting Meeting.

At the last monthly camp fire of this post there was a good attendance, and, as a consequence, a good time was had. Among the business transacted was the nomination of officers and the passing of the following preamble and resolution of condolence:

Whereas, It has pleased the Supreme Commander to call by death our respected comrade, Dr. L. F. Shipley, to a membership in that post beyond the grave, and to which we are all hastening; therefore be it

Resolved, That by his death Rawlins Post No. 51, department of Oregon, G. A. R. has lost a faithful member, friend and comrade, and his family a loving husband and father; Resolved further, That this post tender to the bereaved relatives of our comrade, our heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement, that these resolutions be spread in full upon the records of this post, and that a copy be furnished to each of the Heppner papers for publication, and also a copy be sent to the family of the deceased.

G. W. REA,

J. C. BALL, FOSTER ADAMS, Committee.

The officers nominated were as follows: Commander, G. W. Rea; S. V. C. R. D. Hill; D. V. C. J. G. Hart; auditor, G. W. Smith; N. D. J. C. Ball; Q. M., N. S. Whetstone; S. D. Shaner; Q. G., H. D. Mikesell; C. B. A. D. Stevenson; delegate, A. D. Stevenson; alternate, A. Reed. There will be a joint installation of members with the W. B. O. on January 21, 1899.

Christmas Services

Usual services at M. E. church, South, next Sunday. A Xmas sermon, "The Divinity of Christ" at 7 p. m. Welcome for all. The following will be the Epworth League program at M. E. church, South: Song, prayer, scripture lesson, song, discussion of topic by the leader, Mrs. J. D. Brown, assisted by Judge Bartholomew, Bertha Adkins and others, solo by Prof. Akers.

The Epworth League of the M. E. church, South, elected following officers at the December business meeting: P. M. Howard, president; Miss Maggie Adkins, first vice president; Mrs. Thorough man, second vice president; Prof. W. C. Howard, third vice president; Miss Jennie Bartholomew, secretary; Miss Pearl Basey, treasurer; Miss Florence St. Clair, organist. The league has taken on new life and will arrange for some socials, concerts, literary entertainments, etc., during the winter.

TREASURER'S NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL outstanding Morrow county warrants registered prior to and including Sept. 10, 1897, will be paid upon presentation at the office of the treasurer of said county. Interest ceases after the date of this notice. Dated at Heppner, Or., Dec. 22, 1898. M. LICHTENTHAL, Treasurer of Morrow County.

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COUNCIL MEETING.

There was a regular meeting of the city council on Tuesday, at which the officials were all present except Alderman Roberts. The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved. Elisha G. Sperry tendered his resignation as alderman, which was accepted, to take place with the new year. L. W. Reed was granted a license to run a saloon. The following bills were allowed and warrants ordered drawn for payment of same:

Table with columns: Name, Amount. Includes Heppner Transfer Co., George Thornton, etc.

The meeting then adjourned to meet again at its next regular night in January, 1899.

The O. R. & N. Co's. new book on the Resources of Oregon, Washington and Idaho is being distributed. Our readers are requested to forward the addresses of their Eastern friends and acquaintances and a copy of the work will be sent them free. This matter all should be interested in, and we would ask that everyone take an interest and forward such address to W. H. Hariburt, General Passenger Agent, O. R. & N. Co., Portland. 81-1f

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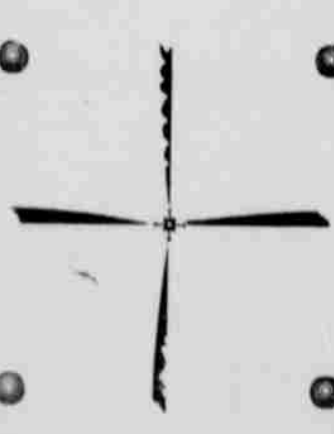
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