

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

IN AND ABOUT TOWN.

Picked Up Here And There By The Chieftain.

Winezines mixes meat at the E. M. & M. Co. store.

Peter Beck returned Monday from trip to Elgin.

Sausage meat and spare ribs at the E. M. & M. Co. store.

If you want the last cross-cut saw go to the E. M. & M. Co.

If you want wood saving machinery see the E. M. & M. Co.

See the new sleighs at the E. M. & M. Co. store before purchasing.

Travelers report the snow as being 12 inches deep on the Flora-Paradise road.

School started again Monday morning after a vacation since Wednesday noon.

All rubber goods are guaranteed to be first grade at the E. M. & M. Co. store.

All goods guaranteed to be just as represented at the E. M. & M. Co. store.

Almost any kind of bed blankets at the E. M. & M. Co. store at the right prices.

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Want ad. A good solicitor for a good position at good wages. Inquire at the Chieftain office.

Liz Wright and Geo. Harris of Cincinnati arrived in the city Tuesday evening on a business trip.

A shoe that be its them all for style and quality is the American Lac, shown at the E. M. & M. Co. store.

A marriage license was issued Monday to Arthur Post and Mrs. Sue Isaacson both of Lower Valley.

Oliver Hallerth came in from the range on Cheddins Tuesday. He has been herding his horses at Biggs.

Charlie Lockwood deputy county recorder's mailman to Wallowa the first of the week and returned Tuesday.

As usual the E. M. & M. Co. will be head quarters for holiday goods. Look out for a big stock now on the way.

If you want a superb heating or a medium price buy one of the Garden Acorn at the E. M. & M. Co. store.

Geo. Mitchell has purchased the interest of G. C. Baldwin in the El. Mountain saw mill and is now owner and proprietor.

There are no more new cases of smallpox and those who have been afflicted are progressing rapidly toward recovery.

O. A. Garner who has been man for Peter Beck on the hotel building took his departure for Elgin Wednesday morning.

The marksmen met in Enterprise on Wednesday of last week and contested for Thanksgiving turkey. Fred Mackin walked off with five.

The E. M. & M. Co. have been butchering hogs every few days and preparing the bacon for use in the sheep camps during the next year.

Lost between Enterprise and Swam Creek, one small package containing a pocketbook and song "Just bring the news to Mother," and other articles. Finder please leave at Chieftain office.

The E. M. & M. Co. will place sale in a very few days an elegant stock of Ladies, Misses and Children Cloaks, Jackets and Fur sets at prices that will please the purchaser. We will see them before buying winter wraps.

The numbers of the Christian church are earnestly requested to be present at the church Saturday, Dec. 6, at 2 p.m., to decide as to having a minister.

R. L. Day sold a hog to the E. M. & M. Co. last week that weighed 534 pounds and consequently brought him quite a neat sum. The hog was bought out of the Vest Bros. stock when quite young.

The well known firm of McDonald Bros. have dissolved partnership. The four brothers John, Hector, Duncan and Peter, met at Wallowa the first of the week and agreed on a division of the property. John and Hector divide the interest in Wallowa county and Duncan and Peter divide the property in Union county.

The hay market in Wallowa county has some resemblance to the corn and wheat pits of Chicago. On a dark stormy day the "ulls," the producers get the upper hand and try to force the price up. On a bright clear day when the prospects of a hard winter are so evident the bears get the upper hand and the price of hay is at a standstill or lowers a notch or two.

G. A. Nerhood treasurer of the Kureka Mining, Smelting and Power Co. arrived in the City Friday from Lewiston. He came across on horseback accompanied by a friend. Mr. Nerhood is very enthusiastic over the Imnaha copper district and says that his company is expending a large amount of money in developing the region, but have no doubt whatever that they will soon receive it all back out of the mines.

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other plants we call weeds are eaten by some people.

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Our Army at the Minimum.

In December, 1900, the United States Army consisted of 98,790 officers and men. Of the total, 75,000 officers and men were in the Philippines. Before the close of 1901 the army had been reduced to 77,000, and the forces in the Philippines to 32,000 men.

In June, 1902, the army was reduced to 69,437, the minimum contemplated in the army reorganization act of 1901, and the forces in the Philippines was reduced to 25,000. Under date of Oct. 18 an order was signed reducing the army to 59,639. This order will leave us with an army total smaller by 15,000 than the forces we had in the Philippines in December, 1900.

This reduction in our fighting force is the natural result of the peace in the Philippines. There are still fewer 20,000 to 25,000 troops in the Philippines, but only the regiments employed in the campaign against the Moros are engaged in war.

In Luzon and other islands under civil government the Filipino constabulary is the only force acting against the bandits and outlaws. There are no insurgents in the field, and the native Filipinos organized in companies and battalions and fighting under the American flag are preserving the peace and protecting the people against the mountain outlaws who were described by Democratic orators a few months ago as patriots struggling for independence.

In the interest of peace it will be necessary to retain 25,000 American troops in the Philippines and this will leave in the United States an army only a little larger than was our regular force at the time of the declaration of war with Spain in 1898. Experience showed at once the value of this well-trained and disciplined army and its inadequacy in time of actual war.

In one particular, however, the present organization is better than that of 1898. We have fifteen regiments of cavalry, thirty regiments of infantry, thirty batteries of field artillery, and 126 companies of coast artillery, reduced to minimum company strength, but retaining an organization that may on short notice be increased to the maximum strength of 100,000 men.

Dr. Rush also says that the first real gardens in America were made by Hessian prisoners.

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The local land office has also received an important announcement from the commissioners to the effect that the government in the future will reserve the right to appropriate lands on all homestead filings made west of the Mississippi when it is deemed such land can be utilized for water storage or ditch purposes. This step has been taken by the government in connection with the extensive national irrigation plans.

No. 302.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Wallowa National Bank at Enterprise, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, Nov. 23, 1902.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts \$18,176.00

Overdrafts, secured and unsecured 9,466.07

U. S. Bonds to secure circulation 12,300

Stocks, securities, etc. 1,691.71

Baular houses, furniture and fixtures 11,000

Due from National Banks (not reserves) 6,219.50

Due from State Banks and Banks 1,078.24

Due from approved reserve agents 22,793.50

Internal Revenue Stamps 7.00

Checks and other cash items 23.00

Notes of other National Banks 49

Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels and Cents 12.00

LOWDOWN MONEY RESERVE IN BANK

Specie \$8,625.55

Legal Tender Notes 1,000 10,000.00

Redemption fund with U. S. Treasury (per cent of circulation) 625

Total \$39,983.25

STATE OF OREGON, COUNTY OF WALLOWA, vs.

L. W. R. Holmes, Cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. E. HOLMES, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of November 1902.

D. W. HECHTER, Notary Public.

Concord, N. H.

J. M. CHURCH, Geo. W. HYATT, Geo. S. CHURCH, Directors.

He Wants to Return.

London, Nov. 29.—General Schalkenbach and Messrs. Wesseler and Wolmarans, the former Boer delegates, sailed today for South Africa. The General is the bearer of a letter from Mr. Kruger to the Colonial Secretary Joseph Chamberlain, asking that he be allowed to return to South Africa. Messrs. Wesseler and Wolmarans had been refused permission to proceed to the Transvaal Colony, but they hope the prohibition will be rescinded after their arrival in Capetown.

New Caps New Jackets New Skirts

Just Received at

F. D. McCULLY CO.'S CASH STORE

Christmas will soon be here

We have a few suggestions to make which will help you in your purchases. We have a nice line of Jackets, Caps, Collarlets, Bras, Muffs, Fasinator, Silk Handkerchiefs, Mullers, Sweaters, Neckwear, Gloves, Suspenders, Hosiery, Fancy Lamps, Rockers