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### RESOLUTIONS PASSED

#### Protesting Against Leasing the Public Domain

The mass meeting held October 18th, at Vale, for the purpose of taking action looking to the defeat of the bill which is said to be introduced at the next session of congress to lease the public domain, was largely attended, says the Vale Herald.  
The committee on resolutions presented the following which were adopted:  
Whereas, It is said a bill will be introduced at the next session of congress looking to the leasing of the public domain; and  
Whereas, If such a bill should be introduced and passed it would be utter ruin to the stock and other industries of Malheur county; therefore,  
We, the undersigned citizens of Malheur county, Oregon, protest against the passage of the bill, and request our representatives in congress to use all honorable means and oppose any steps looking to the passage of the measure relating to the leasing of the public domain.  
A committee of one for each precinct in the county was appointed to secure signatures protesting against the passage of the bill, and the petitions will be forwarded to our representatives at once.

#### PEN AND SCISSORS.

Alas! that from happiness there so often springs pain.—Goethe.  
A chill air surrounds those who are down in the world.—George  
All the wit in the world is thrown away upon the man who has none.—Bryere.  
Judging from the warmth of his reception wherever he goes, Col. Bryan is as popular as he was in 1896.  
One's morning indolence is soon gone when one has once persuaded one's self to put a foot out of bed.—Goethe.  
The old adage says "Money is the root of all evil;" a new one might truthfully say, "Gold is the root of all British wars."  
At the laying of the corner stone of the Parnell monument, at Dublin, Ireland, cheers were given for "Gallant old Kruger."  
Georgia has one county every resident of which was born in America. It is doubtful whether there is another in the United States.  
Our ancestors are very good kind of folks; but they are the last people I should choose to have a visiting acquaintance with.—Sheridan.  
Lexington, Mass., is already making preparations for an elaborate celebration it is intended to have April 19, 1900, of the 125th anniversary of the battle there.  
On the day of the resurrection those who have indulged in ridicule will be called to the door of Paradise and have it shut in their faces when they reach it.—Mahomet.  
The intention of the Earl of Dunmore to explore New Caledonia is said to be not wholly unconnected with the reports of marvelous gold discoveries in that colony.  
Some idea of the enormous growth of trusts in this country may be gathered from the official figures showing that two thousand of them, authorized to issue stock to the amount of three and one-half billion dollars, have been chartered in New Jersey in the last year.  
Captain Boofish, of the steam whaler Beluga, just arrived at San

### INTERESTING ITEMS

#### Called From Exchanges Surrounding Burns.

(Malheur County Herald, Oct. 18th.)  
The grand jury was in session five days and returned four true bills of indictment and two not true bills.  
Judge Clifford and Atty. Rand left for their respective homes immediately upon adjournment of circuit court.  
Will R. King left for home Thursday. He was the last one of the legal lights to depart, urgent business retaining him.  
Sheriff Lacey departed for Salem Wednesday having in charge Oscar Arnold and J. S. Hawkins, who were convicted of larceny and both sentenced to 18 months in the penitentiary.  
P. C. Peterson, the sheep man, was in the city the first of the week on his way to Boise. He purchased 700 ewes and will winter his entire band in Anderson Valley, Harney county.  
Hon. J. H. Aitkin and Editor Northy came over from Huntington last Sunday, the former on business connected with the Steel & Adams case, and the latter on a visit to ye editor and family. The gentlemen returned home the same evening.  
(District Silver Advertiser, Oct. 18th.)  
Attorney Jno. W. Biggs was in the city Sunday, returning from a trip to Caldwell. The Advocate acknowledges a pleasant call.  
Manager E. H. Test of the Oregon Forwarding Co. left last evening for Portland about four days.  
Supt. Milligan left for Jordan Valley Monday, and will spend some time paying official visits to the schools in the southern part of the county.  
Dick Rutherford brought in a lot of strawberries, fine large ones, fully ripened, that he picked from the vines at his ranch a few miles from Ontario, Saturday. This is the second crop picked from his patch this season, and the same patch produced two crops last year.  
(Grant County News, Oct. 18th.)  
Miss Florence Lewis of The Dalles is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Frank Sels.  
John Hopper, a well known rancher and cattle man of Silver valley, was in town this week.  
Mrs V. G. Cozad and Miss Jo Cozad went to the Blue Mountain springs last Monday, returning Tuesday.  
Messrs. Livingston and Clark are putting in a foundation for a frame building, south of the Stephens & Clark building.  
Frank Metschan and wife, Miss Metschan and Otto Metschan departed for Portland last Friday. Mrs. Metschan will go on to California and Miss Annie and Otto will return to their home in Salem after visiting the exposition.  
It may be that those army officers who are opposing the establishment of civil government in Porto Rico, are actuated by selfish motives; it is said to be a delightful place to spend the winter.  
The owners of excursion craft in New York harbor are not doing any kicking on account of the numerous attempts to pull off the international yacht races; every attempt puts dollars in their pocket books.  
The Central Pacific Railway Company has deposited in the United States treasury \$47,000,000 in 4-per cent. gold bonds to secure the government that amount of notes due the government on the purchase of the road last January, and in pursuance of the contract made at that time.  
The annual meeting of the Oregon Short Line stockholders was held at Salt Lake on the 17th inst. A board of directors was elected as follows: Oliver Ames, Francis S. Bangs, H. G. Burt, S. C. Carr, T. J. Coolidge, jr., W. D. Cornish, W. E. Glynn, G. J. Gould, E. E. Harriman, T. R. Jones, O. H. Kahn, G. M. Lane, J. Loeb, O. Mink and W. S. Pierce.

### GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

The great \$10,000,000 Transylvania stake was won by Lord Vincent.  
Bradstreet says there are 16,000,000 less beef cattle in the United States than there were seven years ago.  
The Transvaal, South Africa, gold is worth about \$15.40 per ounce. The production of the Rand district for the first seven months of 1899 aggregated \$55,079,427.  
Admiral Dewey's salary amounts to \$37.50 per day. President McKinley's is equal to \$131 per day; cabinet officers, the vice-president and speaker get \$22.25 a day; senators and congressmen \$13.90, and the chief justice of the supreme court \$29 a day.  
The fact that the British government at Cape Colony has issued a proclamation declaring that "all persons abetting an enemy in a state of war with Great Britain will be guilty of high treason," indicates embarrassment of the British government in South Africa through active sympathies of the Boer inhabitants of the British dominions with their countrymen of the Transvaal. Here is one of the serious dangers of the English situation.—Oregonian.  
The sheepmen of Lake county are jubilant over the prospects for 1900. Two prominent woolgrowers of Lakeview, in conversation with the Examiner representative a few days ago, declared that next year would bring advanced prices for wool and sheep over the prices of this season; that in their opinion the price of wool would pass the 15-cent mark, and it will not be surprising if it reaches 18 or 20 cents.  
The chamber of commerce of Portland "by request" has adopted resolutions urging congress to abandon the proposed boat railway at The Dalles and build a portage railway instead, says the East Oregonian. Portland and Portland people have never been in earnest regarding at open river and this resolution is not in good faith.  
A young lady of Long Creek sat on the front porch for two hours the other night waiting for the kissing bug to come along, says the Eagle. After a while, when her parents were safely in bed, the bug came. He was five feet some inches tall, weighing about 135 pounds and smoked cigarettes. Her lips were not swollen a bit the next day.  
While in San Francisco, General Grant was asked about the thought have some good fighters there and some pretty good shots, but the majority are poor marksmen." While some of the Philippines were intelligent, he did not think they were capable of self-government.  
This year's corn crop, says Secretary Wilson, will be one of the largest in our history. Estimated total yield, between twenty-three and twenty-five hundred million bushels. The high prices offered for meats will incline the farmers to save their crops for feeding purposes.  
Nebraska is still shouting about her 300,000,000-bushel corn crop, without a sign of huskiness in her voice. It is only when the enormous bulk sheds its husks and assumes a liquid form that it produces this effect, and the corn crop is yet in the fields and bins.—Oregonian.  
East Oregonian: On the Umatilla reservation are about 80,000 acres of tillable land, and more than one-half of this will be in crop for the next year. Prices for leases range from \$1.50 to \$2.50 a year, or from \$2 to \$5 for each summer fallow crop.  
A man named Brooks, of Canemah, Oregon, returned home a few nights ago, and found Frank Freeman with his wife. He shot at Freeman and the ball struck the woman, entering the abdomen, perforating the intestines and lodging in the right hip bone.  
Helix Homestead: The farmers around Weston who were supplied with sugar beets for experimental purposes have just shipped a car load of beets to the La Grande factory. They were paid \$3.50 per ton for the beets delivered at Weston.  
On October 15th the Southern Pacific Co. inaugurated a "Day-light Express," leaving Portland at 8:30 a. m. and reaching San Francisco at 7:45 next evening—only one night out.  
The steamer Teas, which brought \$50,000 in gold from Alaska, reports that a stampede is now on from Dawson to Cape Nome. The Klondike river steamers being left without crews.  
Dawson City will soon be a deserted mining camp if the rush to Cape Nome is not headed off.

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