

FOR DIVISION OF GRANT COUNTY. HARNEY COUNTY. FOR TEMPORARY COUNTY SEAT. BURNS. FOR LOCATION OF THE HARNEY LAND OFFICE. BURNS.

THE HERALD failed to get its daily San Francisco Examiner by Tuesday night's stage. NINE days after the election, and the latest paper received by us is the East Oregonian dated Nov. 6!

POLITICAL news of the latest date received in Burns, brought in by notes from friends in Canyon City and by the Yale-Burns stage driver, give all, everything but New Jersey and a couple of the Southern States, and the Republicans. This is an extreme—but were it so, THE HERALD being a democratic American institution, in the true sense of the term, submits to the situation, accepting all the good that may come of the new form of administration, condemning all the evil, but through all and everything, remains the unchangeable advocate of that Law and Order upon which the safety of the country, from county to nation, depends.

Mr. J. A. DOUTHETT, the gentlemanly editor of the Ochoco Review, one of the best democratic weeklies in East Oregon, was married Oct. 28th, to Miss Vina Dunham, at the house of the bride's parents on Hay creek, Judge Sumner officiating.

If the people want to be heard on the subject of county division, the columns of THE HERALD are now open and its interested readers anxious to learn all there is to be said on the subject. Let the matter be fairly and fully inquired into and discussed by all the people and harmonious action taken by them; and not permit it to be prematurely manipulated by a petty clique whose only aim is to parcel out among themselves the expected new offices. "Let there be light."

THE EAST OREGON HERALD again asks in the name of common-sense, why did the agent of the Interior department recommend the location of the Harney Land Office at Drewsey, a town in name only, having but three or four houses?

Did Major Brockenbrough select Drewsey simply because it is the geographical center of the new Land District—would he as readily have recommended the barren top of any one of the mountains in the District because it chanced to be the geographical center? And yet so absurd a location would not be more open to censure, than, under present conditions, the recommendation of a town on paper, not easy of access by persons for whose accommodation the District was created, not in the midst of the vacant lands, and out of the line of trade and travel.

The town of Burns, to which the gentleman can offer no objection as an available point for the proposed location of the Office, is a town already established, is near enough the geographical center for all practical purposes, is on the line of the military, county, and post roads, in other words the centre of trade and travel; is surrounded on all sides by vacant lands, and is easy of access to all claimants from every section. We will emphasize that the mail facilities of Burns are unsurpassed within the bounds of the new Land District, it being the main distributing point. Why were these facts ignored by Major B.?

As will be seen on our local page another man in our county has let the too ready pistol settle a difficulty that was within reach of the better and easier settlement by law provided. The habit of carrying a pistol is as dangerous to the man who uses it as to the victim of its use, as it places him in a false attitude toward his fellow-man, for in this brief notice of a wide-spread evil, we refer to the two-thirds who "tote" the deadly weapon "because others do" and accept alibi for murder. Of where there are yettings we have birch and an unit two months growth of willows so handy taken.

THE Ochoco Review says "People over on the other side evidently have faith in the future of the O. P. railroad, as all land that is available along the line is being settled."

THE London Times advises the British Government to select a successor to Lord Sackville, instead of discussing the adoption of retaliatory measures towards Minister Phelps.

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HOME-SEEKERS. Preston Armstrong, S. S. Armstrong, and George Fiddler, with their families, came from California into Harney valley about six weeks ago, to find a home. These men are all practical farmers, such as this valley needs, and it is to the interest of every citizen, merchant, stockman, and farmer, alike, to encourage them to settle here, by showing them where to find vacant lands upon which they can make a good living which is all they desire. They do not want to spend time and money in contesting the titles of other men to land. They want to enter good tillable land.

These men have prospected for a location every day since their arrival, and have been informed "all the land about Burns is taken up"—is such a fact, who knows? We directed them to make inquiry of J. Nat. Hudson, Dr. Embree, Geo. S. Sizemore, and P. F. Stenger, as parties best informed about vacant lands, of which Burns is in the midst.

Should they get the homes they came here to seek, fifteen farmers with their families will follow them in the spring from Shasta county, two of them having exhausted land rights will have ample means to purchase farms.

Like other would-be settlers these new-comers were led to believe that the electioneering-pettifoggery-affair of last Tuesday had some foundation: that those so-called "warning-notices to leave the country forever" had been issued to good citizens by some kind of organization. The explanation appeared satisfactory.

And THE HERALD herewith takes an opportunity to assert that the people of the Harney country is a peaceable, law-abiding people; that like in other places, a restless element among them is brought to the surface by designing men, which gives a false impression to strangers regarding the social condition of the resident citizens. Farmers intending to locate homes in the Harney country have no more reason to fear interference from this source than an uprising of the fifty poor Indians that frequent the valley, who, while having the will, doubtless, to injure, are too limited as to number to do more than scare the timid, to whom fifty camped on a hunting seems five hundred on the warpath, and is so reported.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS. —J. G. Roberson is in Burns looking around for a location in Harney Valley.

—Snowed slowly in and around Burns during the past 36 hours. The temperature has stood at about 32 deg. F. —Thanksgiving is once more the day of observance by the American people.

—"Bone," the crazy man belonging to troop "F," 2d cavalry, it is said lost his mind about a woman in Texas that loved him till he had no money; he took the loss so much to heart that when abandoned he went into hermitage, and has been known as "Bone, the crazy soldier," ever since. This is the romance that comes from Bidwell in connection with him. Poor human nature!

—Advertise in THE HERALD if you want to sell anything. —For all kinds of Stationery go to W. E. Grace's drug store. —See in this issue notice of final proof of E. K. Meader, T. J. Morrison, and Louis Perry in this issue.

Presidential Vote of 1884. We give the following tables of the Presidential vote of 1884, that THE HERALD's readers may compare them with the returns of 1888 as received:

Table with columns: State, Cleveland (Popular vote), Blaine (Popular vote). Rows include Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

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