

HAS LARGEST CIRCULATION OF ANY NEWSPAPER IN THIS COUNTY.
Official County Paper.

Local News.

—The Van Items were mislaid and did not reach this office until too late to be news.

—M. R. Bigge is profuse since his return from a visit to his old home in Missouri, in his praise of old fashioned "corn pone and possum."

—We call attention to one resolution passed by the Democratic Central Committee, and which was omitted in our report last issue: Resolved that voters must vote in their own precincts at the primaries in the election of delegates to the County Convention

—DIED—On the 15th inst in the afternoon, little Bertha Goodman age 5 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Goodman.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Goodman desire their friends to know that they appreciate the attention and kindness shown them in their recent affliction.

The following are the list of Patents received at the Burns Land Office the 19th inst: Edward Ashley, Obadiah Borton, C. W. Circle, S. Cawfield, J. B. Cawfield, C. J. Durbin, J. A. Diton, J. D. Fairman, Geo. A. Hickey, Emmett Johnson, D. C. McDonald, A. J. McKinnon, John McNulty, Ward Moore, J. W. Thomas, S. S. Smith, J. A. Sizemore, A. B. Smith, J. H. Woodman, P. D. Athcum, L. J. Zosenburg, John Bodyfelt, Chas. C. Crawford, J. Campbell Martin, Guv. C. Dickenson, Richard Dauby, Richard Euler, Dan'l W. Fisk, Geo. Hulse, Julia A. Hayse, Sarah Ivey, Frank Metschan, August Muller, Edward McCann, Dave Newman, Geo. M. Stovall, Wm. Sherry, J. L. Sitz, Geo. E. Sollinger, R. M. Templeton, Jno. A. Wickstrow, E. A. Whittier, Sarah A. Whittier.

J. B. HUNTINGTON.

YOU

Are invited to visit the Art gallery situated between the Offices of Herald and Items in Burns. Don't stop to ring the bell walk in and be seated please. I may be busy in another room.

J. J. PIERSON.

Evidence Given in the Contest Case.

J. C. BUCKLAND—Testified that he had been a resident of Harney precinct, Harney co., for 4 or 5 years; was in Happy Valley on day of election, June 2, 1890; that Happy Valley was not in Harney precinct; that he voted in Harney Valley for the town of Harney for permanent county seat.

A. C. WORTHINGTON—Testified that he was clerk of the election at Burns, June 2; that he was acquainted with C. F. McKinney and he saw him around, and immediately at the polls during the day, and that he was in the room while the votes were counted. That Mr. McKinney challenged votes and his challenges were respected by the judges of election. He testified that C. H. McPheeters challenged C. L. Lowe and then the young man declared his age to be over 21. The young man's father was called and said that the statement made by the boy was correct that he was 21 years old. Ed Brink approached the polls and his vote was challenged by C. F. McKinney; he (Brink) did not vote, although it was possible he was of age. He also testified that C. F. McKinney was not prevented from approaching the polls, and that J. C. Garret requested that McKinney be admitted into the room while the votes were being counted as a representative of Harney, which request was granted; he further testified that no irregular or unfair proceedings were allowed at the polls and that no drunk man had been led to the polls to vote.

—The Boot and Shoe Store kept by Lunaburg & Fry, guarantees satisfaction both in prices and quality of goods. You can obtain from them any style of boots and shoes, ladies and gents ware, gum boots, overshoes etc., etc.

HARNEY COUNTY.

Area Sq. Miles, 12,000. Population 1,559.

From Holliday edition East Oregonian.

Harney county lies directly south of Grant, and was formed of the southern two thirds of the territory. This constitutes Harney the largest county of the state. A spur of the Blue Mountains extends into the more northern part of the county and bordering upon the slopes of these an abundant supply of timber is afforded for building and fencing purposes. South of the lands of this character begin a succession of numerous valleys large and small which in the aggregate are a vast body of desirable lands for settlement, extending into ranges of grazing land almost unlimited in extent and capacity to support herds of cattle, horses and sheep, with a growth of natural pasturage unexcelled in East Oregon. Harney Valley, the largest of these, is situated about centrally in the county. It is some 60 miles long and 35 wide and is watered by the Silvies river. Magnificent meadow lands are to be found here affording abundant grass the year round. Wheat, oats, rye, barley, in fact all the productions in the most diversified farming are easily and prolifically produced. The hardier fruits and berries and vegetable grow in profusion. Agriculture has, however, advanced no farther than to supply the local demand, attention here, as so often noticed elsewhere, centering in stock horses and wool production, in which this whole region excels. Happy Diamond, Silvies and Silver Creek valleys are others lying in various directions, all awaiting settlement with fine opportunities for the immigrant. No county in the state presents so vast a quantity of unoccupied lands of greater fertility and with better climate conditions.

The following figures are from the assessment returns of 1891:
Land, 368,227 \$ 718,573
Horses, 8,305 229,460
Cattle, 28,062 338,692
Sheep, 32,633 48,050
Swine, 195 798
Gross property valuation, 1,760,056

The returns for 1891 show the school population to be 792 and the amount expended for the maintenance of public schools in the county was \$7,662.63.

THE TOWNS OF THE COUNTY.

Burns is the largest town containing 400 inhabitants. It is situated in the northern part of Harney Valley on one of the proposed routes of the Oregon Pacific railroad, and on Silvies river, the largest water course in the county. Burns is now the temporary county seat, and its situation is such that will probably always be the leading town of the county because of its natural advantages. The United States Land Office of this district is located at Burns. There are two more good towns in the county, Harney, 14 miles north of Burns, and near the gold mines recently discovered on Trout Creek, and Drewsey situated on the Middle Fork of Malheur river both surrounded by an excellent farming and stock country.

The gold and silver mines recently discovered in the county will in the near future be of great benefit in the way of inducing immigration, which will develop the resources of both the towns and country.

THE PIONEER FIRM

AND

Leading Merchant

Of Harney County.

N. BROWN,

Burns, Oreg.

GRAND MASQUERADE BALL.

MONDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 15 1892.

AT THE TOWN HALL, BURNS OREGON.

Grand March at 8.30.

The Grand March will be the special feature of the evening. Tickets including supper at the Burns Hotel, \$2.50.

—BRING IN YOUR WHEAT.—John Sayer announces he will grind your wheat at a half cent a pound, or fifty cents per hundred and guarantees good flour from good wheat.

Price of Meat.

From and after this date the following prices will be charged for meat:
Boiling beef .06 Shoulder stk .07
Shldr boil .08 Beef roasts .10
Corn beef .06 Mut rst & stk .12
Rnd & Sr stk .10 Mut & vltew .06
Vlstk & rst .10 Pork chops .12
HENRY CALDWELL.

GRATIFYING TO ALL.

The high position attained and the universal acceptance and approval of the pleasant liquid fruit remedy Syrup of Figs, as the most excellent laxative known, illustrate the value of the qualities on which its success is based and are abundantly gratifying to the Cal Fig Syrup Company.

County Court Proceedings.

The matter of voting booths, all bids rejected and ordered that notice be given for sealed proposals to build booths with wooden frames covered with cloth.

A proposed county road commencing at the SW corner of sec. 4, Tp. 24, R 31 East, said point being on a public highway running east, and ending at the NE corner of sec. 6, Tp. 22, R 31 East. Said proposed road rejected because of the impracticability of road and cost to the county of at least \$2,000.

A petition for a road from Saddle Butte to the Narrows. The court appointed as viewers, N. O. Ord, Ted Hayes and A. S. Swan.

In the matter of the petition of M. J. O'Connor, A. Hendricks and John T. Bailey, to change the Burns-Blitzen county road on the line between their respective claims. It was ordered that H. Elliot, Simon Lewis and R. T. Hugbet be appointed viewers and T. A. McKinnon, county surveyor, view and survey said said change Jan. 11, 1892.

In the matter of the report of the viewers and surveyor on the proposed change in the county road beginning at or near the Robbins & Purrington store in the town of Drewsey and ending at a rock marked 37 miles from Burns; the change granted.

A list of persons selected from the assessment roll to serve as jurors for the year 1892.

All the election precincts, except Lake, Harney, Pine Creek and Drewsey, each constitute a Road

District; those excepted each constitute two.

Stock Inspector for ensuing year, David Carey.

Judges and clerks of election in the different precincts of the county:
Judges. Clerks.

CURRY.

T J Shields, J A Williams,
R J Baker, J B Craig,
W E Smith.

BURNS.

D L Grace, C W Byrd,
E B Reed, J M Vaughn,
G W Young.

HARNEY.

R Drinkwater, Joe Morris,
T B James, C H Burdick,
G F Haines.

SILVIES.

J L Cross, C C Kilbourn,
John Craddock, I Jewitt,
A Wintermier.

PINE CREEK.

W F Moffit, S W Miller,
Wesley Keeton, D A Miller,
R A Miller.

DREWSEY.

Thos Howard, J Daly,
N E Duncan, Chas Gibler,
L N Stallard.

HAPPY VALLEY.

M H Drake, Geo Stanclift,
Sylvester Smyth, J H Neal,
John Mahon.

ALVORD.

D M Logan, Wm Gore,
J. Horn, Bart Cronin,
J S Devine.

WILD HORSE.

H E Lavton, S D Defenbangh,
H Sturgeon, LC Chamberlain,
Cash Macy.

CATLOW.

W H Shirk, Wm Heron,
Thos Walls, N Sweitzer,
P S Crowley.

POISON AREEK.

Chas Zeigler, Ellis McKinnon,
J C Wooley, Geo Hagey,
E D Newsome.

CRANE CREEK.

David Carey, A Venator,
C R Peterson, Frank Stauffer,
C Bonnett.

EMBREE.

Bent Embree, Wm King,
J H Bunyard, M B Hayes,
Scot Hayes.

SADDLE BUTTE.

Herman Lauen, J A Ord,
R R Sitz, Henry Lyons,
J P Dickenson.

LAKE.

Geo Marshall, Chas Wilshire,
J T Ware, A W Hurlburt,
I N Hugbet.

DIAMOND.

W D Helmick, Wm Philips,
W D Huffman, Chas Richardson,
Chancy Cimmons.

—Ladies felt frames from \$1 to \$1.50. At the milliner store.

—The Democratic State Convention meets at Portland on the 19th of April.

—The local in last week's issue referring to the new school building at Drewsey, the word desire appears, it should be deserve.

—Remember Lewis & Richardson when you are in town. They keep the best brands of wines, liquors and cigars.

—Who said you couldn't get a good flavored cigar in town for five cents? Call at the City Drug Store and inquire.

—W. E. Gass received his new billiard table last Sunday, step in and punch the balls they roll nicely.

—The Elite Saloon is furnished with the best brands of liquors and cigars, attentive bar tends etc., etc. Call and taste for yourselves.

—Brenton & Frie are feeding hay at twenty-five cents a head at the White Front Stable. No better accommodation or a more comfortable, well arranged stable is found in Eastern Oregon.

—Our photographer J. J. Pierson has everything in trim in his gallery, a nice, warm, comfortable, and cozy room for visitors etc. His proficiency as an artist cannot be questioned. Call and see him.

—FOR SALE.—Three lots with a fair business building on one, situated in Burns on main street. The price asked is low considering the advantageous position of the lots for business. Terms cash. For further particulars call on W. C. Byrd & W. Y. King Real Estate Agents Burns Oregon.

HAY AND PASTURE—Hay for sale with pasture gratis. Marion Bunyard, six miles south of Burns, of hay to sell from 150 to 300 tons of hay at three dollars a ton with good pasture thrown in. The pasture is efficient without feeding any hay until deep snow. He also offers the privilege of feeding on the premises. Water plenty.

P. L. Shidler, H. E. Thompson, Chas. Kenyon and Ed. Stauffer aspirants for the office of county clerk. W. E. Albersson, Lytle Howard and J. C. Garret for sheriff. All of the parties given are representative men and have many friends. As yet we are not informed of aspirants for the offices of Treasurer, County School Superintendent, Assessor and Commissioner.

MARRIED—At the Burns Hotel, on the evening of the 13th, Chas. W. Johnson and Minnie R. Reed, were united in marriage. J. C. Parker officiating. The following is a list of presents received by the happy couple: Mr. and Mr. L. M. Caldwell, water set; Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Smyth, fruit stand; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Caldwell, cake stand; Mrs. D. Jameson, fruit stand; Mrs. E. B. Reed, set of sauce dishes; Brown Bros., caster; E. B. Hanley and Frank Lewis, clock; Charles Byrd, lamp; Bruss Byrd, butter dish; Lloyd Johnson, lamp; Madge Byrd, set of pickle dishes; Hester Johnson, set of vases; Henry Long, set of silver knives and forks; L. Zosenburg, set of silver table spoons; Harry Welcome, set of teaspoons; Harry Richardson, bed spread and blue shawl; Minnie Ginnia, syrup pitcher; Eldon Johnson, table set; Mr. J. C. Parker, vase; Mr. and Mrs. Gass, wedding cake ornament; Frank Hackman, perfume; Nora Edman, silk handkerchief.