THE COUNTY NEWS

The "East End" as Reflected By Our Exchanges.

S. R. M'LAREN IS DEAD

Taken Suddenly With Ill While Hauling Wood.

[WESTON LEADER.]

Miss Hetty Reynolds is enjoying a sojourn at the sea coast.

Mrs. D. D. Earp and family are up from Touchet on a visit to relatives.

Powers says he found no gold standard men in Pendleton on yesterday's trip except county officers and government pensioners.

A. Vinson is here from Walla Walla, putting iron fences around the graves of W. M. Steen and Elmer E. Brown, in Weston cemetery.

H. B. Nelson intends starting the Weston brickyard in operation soon, on a limited scale. The yard is now out of brick, and a small kiln will be burned, in anticipation of orders.

'Squire Powers drove to Athena the other day to inform Justice Smith that in case his legal services were needed he could be notified by telephone, and would drive over immediately. But his hopes for practice in the law courts of our sister town died in the shell, for he found four lawyers in Athena.

The heading and threshing crew of Wm. Leach, W. A. Barnes and Wm. Kilgore is at work in the Barnes field west of town. They have just finished harvesting Mr. Kilgore's field beyond Athena, and found that the hot weather had damaged it considerably. The yield was about thirty bushels to the acre of somewhat shriveled grain.

Weston people were called upon to waste much sympathy last Monday. News came that an unfortunate farmer near Blue Mountain, Joe Kauffman, had lost 2000 bushels of barley through fire, and everybody who heard the report spoke his regret. Later the intelligence was modified into 100 sacks. Still later the true news came that a setting caught fire, supposedly from the carelessness of smokers, but that it was extinguished with the loss of only six or seven bushels However, an excited school teacher drove a good horse to death upon being sent after a plow to prevent the fire from spreading in the field.

Wrestling with the water problem made Marshal Logan sick for a couple of days last week; but after giving it the work and attention he usually bestows on matters relating to his duty as "chief of police and street commissioner" he solved it satisfactorily. The waterworks system has been out of joint for some time, resulting in the little unpleasantness between the mayor and street committee mentioned last week, when his honor attempted to sprinkle the street. Water was growing scarce, and Herman Hessel figured on ordering gallons—yes, barrels and tanks—of Mrs. Stahl's best beer. His patrons also figured on consuming it. But the city marshal's wits and hands were never idle, and finally by putting in another air pipe at the proper place he largely increased the flow of water into the reservoir. Now it remains at three feet or more, and in spite of leakages, furnishes an ample supply for all purposes. We have a flagpole 98 feet high, and a stream of water was sent several feet over it through the nozzle of a fire hose attached to a hydrant near by.

Last Tuesday a box car tourist struck Weston, and shortly afterward secured employment at "jigging sacks," to begin work the following day. He carried with him an innocent looking bundle, which he carelessly handled. In the afternoon he was seen to hide it beneath the sidewalk near M. A. Bryson's residence, and it was afterward resurrected by the city marshal, who refrained from opening it until the following morning The bundle contained some black silk handkerchiefs, gloves, two cyclometers, several razors and a few articles of jewelry. A letter from City Marshal Ardrey, of La Grande, showed that they had been stolen from an Island City store, and Marshal Logan then commenced a search for the hobo—a broad faced, square-jawed, smooth-shaved fellow, with light hair and eyes. He had not taken his job in the harvest field, and could be found nowhere. It is supposed he went after the bundle in the night, and finding it missing, concluded that discretion prompted an immediate departure for other climes.

[MILTON EAGLE.]

Another little child of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Perkins, of Freewater, died Monday and on Tuesday was buried in the city cemetery.

The identity of the slayer of Keith still remains a mystery, as does also the whereabouts of the body of D. J. Woodward. There are secrets that the mountain fastnesses refuse to divulge.

W. E. Lees, an attorney at law and stenographer, who has been located at Baker City for some time past, is in Vale at present making preparations to locate permanently. Lees practiced law in this city a number of years ago.

Hollister D. McGuire, at present state game protector, stands a good show to secure the office of chief of police at Portland. Another aspirant for the position is Charlie Henry, a former real estate dealer of Walla Walla.

The Peacock mills of this city have recently shipped 3000 barrels of their celebrated flour to Japan. This excellent flour is becoming very popular in the Orient and henceforth the Peacock mill may reasonably expect a marked increase in its foreign trade.

Since the attempt to kill himself young Estoup has been unable to take sufficient nourishment to sustain life, owing to the bruised condition of his neck, and the vital spark of life ebbed away until it finally went out altogether. The remains were buried in Valley cemetery on Sunday.

S. R. M'LAREN IS DEAD.

Taken Suddenly With Cramps While Bringing Home a Load of Wood.

M. L. Hasbrouck found S. R. McLaren lying by the roadside a few miles west of the Mission about 3 o'clock Friday afternoon. He went to the prostrate man's assistance and was told that he was coming home from the mountains with a load of wood and had been suddenly taken with cramps in the intestines. The pain became so severe that he was compelled to stop his team and lay down on the roadside. Mr. Hasbrouck put the sufferer on his buckboard and started for the agency, but Mr. McLaren begged him to stop as the jar of the vehicle caused more pain than he could endure. An Indian coming up on horseback, Hasbrouck dispatched him with all haste for the agency physician, Dr. Perkins, in the meantime fixing Mr. McLaren as comfortably as possible on the ground. The doctor came with a conveyance in a short time and conveyed the patient to the agency where his suffering was somewhat relieved by the use of anesthetics. Dr. Smith was sent for about 6 p. m. Soon after Mr. McLaren's people arrived and he was taken to his home, two miles west of Pendleton. About 1:30 this morning Dr. Smith was again called. He responded promptly, but found the sufferer in a state of collapse when he arrived. He saw at once that there was no hope for the man, and death relieved his terrible sufferings half an hour later. The case puzzles the physicians and they are not yet prepared to express an opinion as to what caused the man's death.—East Oregonian.

Ridge Items.

Ridge, Oregon, August 4.—The valley is nearly depopulated on account of nearly all the men folks being scattered around in the harvest fields north of Pendleton. The remaining population being principally women, spend most of their time in gathering huckleberries and mourning for their departed loved ones.

Harvest is about completed for this year, and this winter there will be hay enough to feed the principal portion of the cattle and sheep raised in the valley which will be quite a saving to stockmen who have heretofore been compelled to drive their stock to other quarters for wintering.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hall, a few days ago, a ten pound boy. Jim is now the happy possessor of two of the finest boys in the county and he challenges the world to produce their equal.

Jos. McLaughlin came near meeting with a fatal accident while working in his saw mill, caused by a plank which he was carrying coming in contact with the saw. At last account he was getting along all right.

"Hurrah for Bryan" is the general verdict of the people on all sides, ends, bottom, top and middle of the valley. The people here are for silver and are going to vote for a man who has got backbone enough to show his colors. They say McKinley is not strong enough in his opinion, as it seems he wants to get the silver vote and the gold vote and is afraid to stand up straight for either side as he is afraid of the other. As for the vice presidency, there is not much said about it, as the silver forces are concentrating upon one man and that man is Bryan. Three cheers for the next president of the United States, William Jennings Bryan, of Nebraska.

DIXIE.

To Regain the Use of a Hand.

C. P. Davis' son Paul went to Oregon City about July 1 to have an operation performed on his crippled hand, says the East Oregonian. The operation was performed a few days ago and photographs have been sent to his people here showing the "before and after" condition. The result so far is very satisfactory. Before the operation the hand was wholly useless. The wrist was bent so that the hand was at right angles with the arm and all the fingers were drawn down close to the palm of the hand. An incision was made at the wrist joint and a large number of bones taken out and the hand straightened.

Death of E. G. Sloan.

E. G. Sloan died at St. Vincent's hospital, Portland, on Wednesday, July 29, at 3 o'clock p. m. He had been a sick man for a long time, being severely troubled with a chronic affliction of the bladder.

Mr. Sloan came to Oregon along in the 60's. He became a resident of Umatilla, was one of the charter members of the Masonic lodge at that place, and at the time of his death had completed more than 29 years of faithful Masonic membership. He was at one time well known all over Umatilla county and in 1876 ran for sheriff on the democratic ticket, and was defeated by R. Sargent.

Value of Lemons.

Lemons, with their powerful acid, are most helpful frequently in relieving a bilious condition. A whole lemon's juice pressed into a glass of hot or cold water, with or without sugar, and taken before one or two meals or at bed time, will often work wonders for a torpid liver. Such may be the treatment for the first day or two in a marked attack of this nature; then for a few days a half lemon in water will be enough at one time. Thereafter one or two oranges each day will have the milder effect desired.

Woolen Mills to Start Soon.

The work of setting up the machinery in the woolen mills is now drawing to a close, says the Pendleton Tribune. There has been some delay by reason of the management having been compelled to wait for some of the fittings, but sufficient is now here for at least some of the machines to be made ready for operations. There is now great hope that mills will start up sometime before the end of next week.

Astoria Regatta.

Astoria will hold its third annual regatta during the week of August 18 22, which will include the state firemen's tournament. The battleship Oregon will be in the harbor during the week, and one of the features will be an ocean race between two of the fastest schooners on the Pacific coast. Astoria is making great preparations for the event, and expects to entertain at least 20,000 people.

Made Sure of Death.

Baker City, Or., Aug. 2.—James Nibley, 60 years of age, committed suicide this morning after cutting his throat from ear to ear with a razor, he jumped into the river. His body was recovered. The deceased was manager of the Oregon Lumber Company's store near this city. He had shown signs of insanity for several days.

Sent It to His Mother in Germany.

Mr. Jacob Esbensen, who is in the employ of the Chicago Lumber Co., at Des Moines, Iowa, says: "I have just sent some medicine back to my mother in the old country, that I know from personal use to be the best medicine in the world for rheumatism, having used it in my family for several years. It is called Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It always does the work." 50 cent bottles for sale by Osburn.

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AFTER THE EDITOR

Curious Action of a "Chunk o' Lightning."

BAD FOR BEN BOWERS

Joe Hudspeth Throws More Light on the Mystery.

Irving McQuary, now of the Silver Hammer, St. Anthony, Idaho, has the following to say of the curious action of a "chunck o' lightning" during an electric storm at St. Anthony recently:

"The Silver Hammer building was a victim of a thunderbolt Tuesday evening and the four occupants of the office at the time received a shaking up that they will not soon forget. The building was struck on the east side of the office about four feet from the corner and the thunderbolt darted through the building spent its force on the northeast corner. Had the bolt went straight through the building it would no doubt have proven fatal to one or more persons. Splinters were blown all around the building from the blow and it is a big wonder that fire was not started. Many people around town noticed the flash strike and for a while many visitors were over to examine the damage and comment upon the phenomena.

"It is presumed that the lightning was hunting for the editor, anyway it pierced the wall at a place where the editor generally rests his weary bones, about that hour, in the perusal of exchanges. No doubt after discovering his absence it intended to sneak through and stab the 'fighting editor' in the back, but the said personage was in close proximity to a congressional library, containing some of Wm. McKinley's silver speeches, and it was so mortified that it sneaked off in the corner, and once outside buried itself in a sand pit.

"The report was as the sound of a monster cannon, and the ball of fire was brilliant and beyond description. N. P. Hanson, of the Teton cheese factory, was in the office at the time, and being nearer to the path of the current, received the most shaking up."

BAD FOR BOWERS.

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[Weston Leader.]

Had the testimony of an important witness now absent from this section been obtained at the Jay Keith inquest, it would have tended still further to connect Ben Bowers with the murder of this handsome young rider of Cherokee descent.

This witness is Joe Hudspeth, who is now in Anderson valley. Hudspeth was a friend of Keith, and was on the Weston mountain at the time the young man disappeared.

In a letter to his brother, Hudspeth writes that Keith and Bowers rode away from the Stark place together, intending to go across the mountains. Keith had bidden a last farewell to Hudspeth, stating that his eventual destination was the Cherokee nation.

On the evening of the day that the two riders left on their trip, Bowers returned to Stark's place alone. Next day he was at Fletcher's mill and attempted to borrow money from Mr. Fletcher, stating that he had killed Keith and wanted to leave the country. On another occasion he was asked what had become of Keith, and replied that he had left the —— —— lying in a canyon. But little attention was paid to Bowers at the time, in the belief that he was a blowhard.

How Keith happened to accompany Bowers into the wild canyon where lies the old "horsethieves' corral," is the strangest part of the tragedy. Possibly Bowers said they might there easily gather up some loose stock, which could be disposed off with safety and profit across the mountains.

Bowers has evidently succeeded in putting many miles between himself and prison bars. So far as known, no trace of his whereabouts has yet been discovered.

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Sunshine

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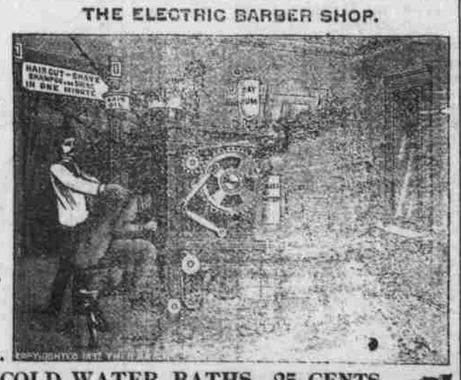

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