

THE GAZETTE.

HEPPNER, THURSDAY, FEB. 21, 1884.

LAND GRANTS.

We are glad to be able to announce the fact that the Dalles Board of Trade has sent resolutions to Washington showing why our so-called railroad lands should be immediately turned over to settlers, to whom they belong.

RAILROAD RESOLUTIONS.

Adopted by the Board of Heppner Hivings.

Special meeting of the Pine Board of Corporation, Collar-wearers was held last night in a hall on N. 24 Tintop Alley, between the slaughter house and blacksmith shop, a full quorum of serfs and suckers being present.

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Mr. Hannibal H. Hiveling arose from his seat on a nail-keg and offered the following:

Whereas, The Northern Pacific railroad company has the privilege of charging settlers \$7.50 per acre for all the odd section dirt in the Heppner Hills; and

Whereas, A corporation ought to have anything it wants; and

Whereas, The company threatens to move its water-tank from Ainsworth if we don't stand in; therefore, be it

Resolved, That our politicians at Washington be requested to give the railroad company anything it wants, whether it has earned it or not.

Mr. Settlers Right arose from his seat on his overalls and in opposing the resolution, offered the following as a substitute:

Whereas, The Northern Pacific railroad company could afford to spend \$150,000 to give a lot of Hessian princes and European lords a grand last spike splurge, and then present its president with \$10,000; and

Whereas, Settlers in the Heppner Hills have had to pay double price for their government lands on account of the railroad grant which the company has never earned; therefore,

Resolved, That the people cannot afford to give the railroad company the privilege of selling them their own land at \$7.50 an acre, and the grant west of Wallula should be forfeited;

Resolved, That the suckers who have been living high on railroad pap be requested to sell their jewelry to relieve the company's financial embarrassment, and that the hat be passed around among the princes and lords upon whom the \$150,000 was spent.

Owing to the prevailing influence of railroad collars and railroad gold, the substitute was laid over under the table, the rules and justice were suspended, the original resolution was passed, and a special pack-train was immediately started for Washington via the Malheur country, with a copy engraved on a wool-sack. We hope the train will get drownd in Snake river. Meantime, the whole gang struck out to get little petty offices from the railroad company in consideration of distinguished services rendered.

Badly Crippled. One source of revenue has been cut off from the Gazette which is badly crippling its treasury. Last summer, when many pressing debts hung over the office, several small schemes calculated to take advantage of the weakness of human nature had to be resorted to to raise the wind. There was one little dodge that seldom failed. When the paper owed a dollar to some one and had no dollar to pay with, a brief item was immediately written to the effect that Mr. P. L. Paine had presided at the church organ with grace and dignity. And as sure as fate he would be around to buy some extra copies of that paper to send to friends in the East, so that some man got a dollar he was justly owed, and Mr. Paine, (whom Squire Mallory has said was a thief, a cur and a pettifogger), got a little soft soap. But now, strange to say, although he gets free pulls every week, he buys no extra copies to send to Eastern friends, and the Gazette's treasury is considerably crippled.

THOSE STOLEN CHICKENS.

THE SWEAT HOUSE, LOOSE ROCK, Feb. 6, '84.

ED. GAZETTE: My attention was drawn to an article in your columns signed "Plymouth Rock," wherein the statement was made that a company of young bushwhackers who live in a sweat-house on Bob street were the only people in town who had not had chickens stolen from them for the reason that they had no chickens, etc.

It always has been customary among the wicked to make slurring remarks about the good and righteous who, shunning the evil ways of the wicked people, devote their time to good works and the gaining of a glorious reward in the great hereafter.

Because the young men of the town council do not participate in the wild orgies that curse our devoted town and meet in secret conclave for the sober discussion of scripture and the moral improvement of our community, the blasphemous slandering element have even resorted to publishing innuendoes vaguely suggesting that we would sully the good name of our temple by stealing chickens.

If the author of that defamatory article was known, legal redress would immediately be sought for this attempted defamation of the character of the Sweet House colony by slandering for about \$10,000 damages.

The town council at their own expense and by their sole efforts, have removed an ornamental edifice from its heretofore hidden site and moved it far up on the hillside in a commanding position and placed upon it the memorial sign of our honored mayor and council, the inscription might remain there a "thing of beauty and a joy forever." Last summer, when partially ripe watermelons threatened to cause an epidemic among our children, the town council removed all cause for fear. These are only a few of the many good works I could mention, and it is only the basest ingratitude in any one claiming to have the good of our town at heart to attempt to sully the morals of the town council.

FROM LOSE ROCK.

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ED. GAZETTE: All froze in our town. No excitement. No sickness. No misery. Money scarce. Provisions high. One would almost think that the Heppner Refrigerator Company had taken a special interest in our town with freezing-out intentions.

Born—At Lose Rock, Feb. 13, to the wife of Jay P. Lucas, a son. All doing well.

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A Nicely-Mixed Case.

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A legal case of considerable interest was decided as we went to press last week. It seems that Uncle Charlie Cochran had a note against Bro. Welch, of Thorn creek, the energetic hypocrite who allows his daughter to suffer for food. Charlie sent this note for collection. Dave Herren had a mortgage on Welch's property. Squire Mallory told Dave that he thought there was property enough there to satisfy both mortgage and note if things were properly handled, and if Dave would remove his mortgage from file, he, the squire, would agree to make Dave's mortgage good. Trusting to the squire's word of honor, and not dreaming of any sharp practice, Dave removed his mortgage from record, and gave power to the squire. The latter then went ahead and sued on the note he had lost, and had some of Welch's horses sold, but not subject to Dave's mortgage, as the law and justice called for. After waiting a reasonable time, Dave went after Squire Mallory for the portion his mortgage called for of the proceeds of the sale, but the squire explained that after deducting his fees and costs he had turned over what was left to Charlie Cochran, and now Dave could get his money. Dave reminded the squire of his agreement to make the mortgage good, but the squire had forgotten all about any such agreement, and repudiated it. Disgusted with such sharp practice (to use a mild term), Dave took the squire's advice about getting his mortgage back by attaching the sold property. Of course Squire Mallory thought this could not be done, and that Dave was badly led. Acting on bad legal advice, Charlie Cochran, who had bought in some of the horses, gave bonds to stand unit for the rights of property. The case was tried before Squire Julius Keithley, and was decided in favor of Dave. Governor Rea, who acted as counsel for Dave Herren, completely won Mr. Pettifogger Paine, counsel for Uncle Charlie. So Charlie Cochran had to satisfy Dave's mortgage, and now Charlie ought to get in and sue Squire Mallory to make himself whole. And Governor Rea ought to get in and sue Pettifogger Paine for the rights of property. The case was tried before Squire Julius Keithley, and was decided in favor of Dave. Governor Rea, who acted as counsel for Dave Herren, completely won Mr. Pettifogger Paine, counsel for Uncle Charlie. So Charlie Cochran had to satisfy Dave's mortgage, and now Charlie ought to get in and sue Squire Mallory to make himself whole. And Governor Rea ought to get in and sue Pettifogger Paine for the rights of property.

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