

TRAGEDY IN WILLOWS

George M. Potts, Well Known in Lakeview, Kills a Man Who Resists Arrest.

Many people will remember Geo. M. Potts, who came to Lakeview soon after the fire of May 22 last, and worked on various store buildings as a carpenter. Mr. Potts left here about two months ago for his home in Willows, Cal., intending to return in the spring with his family and open a bakery and confectionary establishment. Potts was formerly city marshal of Willows for many years, and since his return to that town received the appointment of deputy sheriff.

While acting in that capacity on Christmas morning, Potts hit a man on the head and killed him instantly. The particulars of the tragedy are as follows: One George Parker, a stranger in Willows, was suspected of stealing some bread and Christmas boxes from the residence of C. R. Wickes. It is thought he was under the influence of liquor when he committed the theft. Potts followed the man and in attempting to arrest him was compelled to use force, which resulted fatally. Potts surrendered himself to the Marshal, and the Justice of the Peace released him on his own recognizance.

At 6 o'clock on Christmas morning, C. H. Wickes of the firm of Hoever & Wickes, heard a noise on the front porch of his residence. Going out to investigate, he saw a man running from the house with some packages under his arm. Wickes pursued him, but being unable to overtake him returned for Geo. M. Potts, the deputy sheriff, and together they renewed the search for the man.

Near the railroad track they overhauled him. Potts ordered him to surrender, but he immediately drew a pocket knife and commenced cutting at Potts, striking him several times and inflicting slight wounds on the shoulder.

Potts drew his pistol and struck the man over the temple, the blow felling him to the ground. The man made no effort to rise and upon further examination it was found that the blow had proved fatal. The man's name was afterward ascertained to be George Parker. He is a stranger in Willows and but little is known regarding him.

Potts was exonerated by a coroner's jury.

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Republican.

As we learn from the Lakeview Examiner it is a fixed fact that the N. C. O. Railway will be completed from Terms to Lakeview by next fall. This will be a grand thing for Lakeview and Lake county, and will add more to their population, wealth and business in one year than they could otherwise have expected in ten. Lakeview is an energetic and progressive town, as was seen in its building up after its disastrous fire of last spring, and it is worthy of the good luck which now seems certain to come in the near future.

We have seen a letter written to a local citizen predicting a big influx of timbermen and new settlers for this county in the coming spring. There is every indication that Klamath county is on the eve of an immense developing growth, which it has already enjoyed to a marked degree. No one can make a mistake by casting his lot here.

Among the improvements contemplated in Klamath Falls in the early spring is a large store building adjoining George T. Baldwin's hardware store; the new Catholic church, together with buildings for a large Catholic school; a number of new dwellings and a few more business places.

The grand ball given by the Eastern Star on Christmas night was a complete success in every way.

Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner.

Lakeview is to be favored with one of the best physicians in the state, Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, of Salem, who is to become a resident and practicing physician. Dr. Steiner holds the position of Treasurer of the Oregon State Board of Pharmacy and is one of the best known young physicians in the Northwest. He leaves a big practice in the State Capital to come here and engage professionally with his old friend Dr. F. E. Smith. Dr. Steiner is a man of family and is possessed of social qualities of a high order, and is considered one of the best posted physicians in the state. Dr. F. E. Smith has built up a large practice in Lake county, so large, in fact, that he cannot give the attention he desires to all his cases, and has induced Dr. Steiner to share the patronage with him. The new physician will arrive in Lakeview about January 15th.

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**Letters From
The People.**

EDITOR EXAMINER:—After five years of life in Eastern Oregon, during which time your humble servant used the shepherd's crook, rode bronchos, and got accustomed to "bunchgrass life" generally, I left Paisley on December 9th in company with Hon. John Grieves of Central Point to visit my parents at Mill City, and to see the old Webfoot country once more.

We left Chewaucan valley, which is, in my opinion, next to the Paradise of Oregon—with its warm winter sunshine and dry and dusty roads—and drove to Lakeview. In your enterprising town we found a great transformation had taken place since the big fire of May—a transformation that will stand as a monument to the energy of your people, and, after a brief stay, traveled westward through Goose Lake and Draws valleys, where we saw large herds of fine cattle and horses, and the stockmen and ranchers looking prosperous and happy.

We passed through the city of Bly (which is pretty "fly") and the Klamath Indian reservation, where a large number of Indians are engaged in stock-raising and farming, and on through Klamath county and Klamath Falls, a picturesque town on the banks of the Klamath river, where many people live who look longingly for the snort of the iron horse that may never come. From here we traveled to Keno, and then branched off through the mountains to Ashland. At this prohibition town, where "booze" don't go any more, I heard the first locomotive whistle and saw my first train in five years. Traveled northward quickly from here (for every stranger arriving in Ashland is looked upon with suspicion of having his pockets and grip filled with whisky flasks) through the beautiful Rogue River valley with its countless magnificent farms and orchards. Arriving at Central Point, the home of Mr. Grieves, I remained over a couple of days as the guest of that worthy gentleman and his interesting family and took a view of the little city and its surroundings. Soon becoming overcome by a longing to see my dear old home again, I departed with regret from the home of Mr. Grieves, and, boarding the train, I soon arrived at Mill City, where old landmarks looked familiar and scenes of boyhood days were brought back to memory. Here I found many improvements and changes for the better. A brief walk took me to the home of my parents, and I was once more taken into the fold like the Prodigal Son. I enjoy meeting old friends and looking about at familiar scenes.

I am enjoying Webfoot life with its continual fall of rain. I am eating Maiden Blush apples, and courting the pretty Webfoot girls as I did long years ago, but I shall leave this country again, with all its pleasures, to return to old Lake county in the spring.

JOHN A. BARRHAM,
Mill City, Ore., Dec. 23, 1900.

BRADLEY—BASEY.

One of the happy occurrences of the New Year in Lakeview was the wedding of Ira R. Bradley and Miss Ada Basey, which occurred at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Basey, on December 31st. Quite a number of friends were invited to witness the ceremony, and a general good time followed the tying of the nuptial knot.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Basey and is an estimable young woman, who has many friends to wish her happiness. The groom is a prosperous young stockman of the Silver Lake section, a bright and affable gentleman of good address, who is highly spoken of by those who know him best.

The happy couple were the recipients of a number of pretty and useful presents, as follows:

- A. L. Howell.....Center set.
- Chas. Olds....." "
- Mr. and Mrs. Hazleton....." "
- Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Down.....Water pitcher
- Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Eccleston.....Table linen
- Mr. and Mrs. Clark.....Cake stand
- Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Edie.....Album, set knives and forks, salt and pepper shaker.
- Mrs. Petree.....Set silver teaspoons
- Miss Della Snelling.....Berry dish
- Mabel Snelling.....Wash bowl
- Cora Phelps.....Sugar shell and butter knife
- Eva and Edna Conard.....Lemon set
- Edna James.....Cake plate
- Fred Snelling.....Cream pitcher
- Mr. and Mrs. Basey.....Napkins
- Miss Eva Basey.....Lamp
- Groom to Bride.....Clock

Surveyed Ten Townships.

George H. Nickerson returned to Lakeview from the desert last Sunday after having completed his contract with the United States Government in surveying ten townships of land. His survey established the boundary line between Lake and Harney counties, and

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