

Silver Lake Ripples.

Only a few drifts remain to remind us of the late terrific snow storm.

Our public school is progressing favorably under the management of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Poill.

Marion Conley is improving slowly; little Nadine Porter and Charlie Howard are also much better.

James Small is having some carpenter work done at his residence. Mr. L. Troth is doing the work.

Our people are anticipating a very enjoyable time at the masquerade ball to be given here on St. Valentine's evening.

J. C. Conn has been on a camping trip for his health, and J. C. Hamilton had charge of the store during his absence. Mr. Hamilton makes an accommodating clerk.

A Union Sunday school was organized here on the 27th ult., with Mrs. H. Bean as superintendent. It is to be hoped that there will always be a good attendance. Everybody invited.

Miss Della Sult of Summer Lake is attending school here. Her sister, Miss Etta was compelled to give up her studies owing to ill health and upon the advice of Dr. Witham.

A number of our people have been ill lately of pneumonia. Among the number is Earl Small, who was very low, but under the skillful treatment of Dr. Witham he is able to be up now.

Runaways are of frequent occurrence in the valley of late—I mean, of course, runaway horses. Fred and Willie Robinson enjoyed three in one day recently. Two of the horses were slightly crippled as a result.

The Misses Linnie Small and Odie Horning, two young ladies of Silver Lake, who are attending the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis, have successfully passed their examinations, and hope to graduate in another year.

The teachers and scholars are preparing for an entertainment to be given on Feb. 22. It is to be hoped there will be a large attendance, as the object is a worthy one. The proceeds will be used in the purchase of a large bell for the school building.

Our Literary Society is quite an interesting feature in this community. Its object is elevating and much interest is taken in the meetings. The following officers were installed at a recent meeting:

J. W. Martin, President
E. D. Poill, Vice President
Belle Small, Secretary
Cora Baskin, Treasurer
Alice Martin, Treasurer
Richard Baskin, Sergeant at Arms
J. Hayes, Editor and Critic
John Harvey, Assistant and Critic

Mr. Wester, the insurance agent, is a guest at the Hough Hotel. Mr. Wester knows a good thing when he sees it, and is much pleased with his treatment at this hostelry, where everything is in order and always on time. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hough are the proprietors.
A. B. C.

Deed Record.

Documents Recorded in the County Clerk's Office in January.

Jan. 5—James Ferguson of Yreka to L. A. Carricker, 100 acres of land in Lake county; consideration, \$400.

Jan. 11—George F. Maupin to T. A. Crump, 120 acres of land in Warner valley; consideration, \$50.

Jan. 14—William P. McBride and Rachel McBride of Republic, Washington, to C. E. Campbell of Paisley, lot in town of Paisley; consideration, \$500.

Jan. 16—Hannah White to S. P. Moss, 100 acres of land in Lake county; consideration, \$75.

Jan. 17—M. T. Walters and Harriet Walters to Lakeview Charge of M. E. Church, lot in Walters' Addition to town of Lakeview; consideration, \$1.

Jan. 21—Eva L. Dusenberry to George Jannertahl, 80 acres of land near Lakeview; consideration, \$75.

Frank Reed to Alex Reed, 100 acres of land in Lake county; consideration, \$200.

Jan. 23—H. F. Sewell of Minnesota to George H. Warren, 320 acres of land in Lake county; consideration valuable.

Oscar Bergland of Minnesota to George H. Warren, 320 acres of land in Lake county; consideration valuable.

L. C. Axr of Minnesota to George H. Warren, 320 acres of land in Lake county; consideration valuable.

Ellen J. Erickson of Minnesota to George H. Warren, 320 acres of land in Lake county; consideration valuable.

Jan. 25—F. V. DaCosta to John Prader, 100 acres of land in Lake county; consideration valuable.

State of Oregon to D. H. Hartzog, 245 acres of land in Lake county; consideration, \$306.25.

Jan. 26—A. McCallen to T. E. Bernard, lot in Lakeview; consideration, \$138.75.

Jan. 28—Herman J. Sadler to Sarah Elliott of Paisley, lot in town of Paisley; consideration, \$40.

L. A. Moss to Allie B. Harrow, lots in town of Paisley; consideration, \$150.

M. T. Walters to E. N. Jaquish, two lots in Walters' Addition to the town of Lakeview; consideration, \$200.

WANTED ROYAL VISITORS.

Paris Disappointed That More of Them Did Not Attend the Exposition.

Disguise it as you may, republican France has been bitterly disappointed at the absence of the principal crowned heads of Europe from the exposition, but most of all at that of the Russian sovereign. France considered—and not unjustly—that so much was due to her from the son of a father whose memory is perpetuated in Paris by one of the most striking and beautiful monuments ever devised by an art-loving nation. France will not admit that the absence of crowned visitors of the first rank and their heirs was due to her own folly. She who is always preaching the solidarity of republicans all over the world will not admit that there may be such a solidarity among monarchs. And, even if she did admit it, she would fail to see the reason why Nicholas II. should not have made an exception in her favor. She thinks, though she does not say it, that her quondam ally owed her this, says the London Illustrated News.

There was no proof that Oscar of Sweden and Norway, Leopold of Belgium, and George of Greece are not as solicitous of the prestige of their fellow sovereigns as the rest, but all three felt that they owed something to France and they were determined to acknowledge the obligation in that way. Oscar is of purely French descent; Leopold's father indirectly owed his crown to France, who fought the battles of Belgium against the Dutch, without which battles there would have been no Leopold I. George had to thank Napoleon III. for being where he is. These three sovereigns have shown their gratitude, and France, who can be very generous, will not forget this.

INSANITY IN ARMY CAMPS.

A Medical Authority Says That Not Infrequently Military Commanders Are Mentally Unbalanced.

Mental disease in military life may be more common and more productive of evil than we think. If an insane commander is given such a position that all subordinates cannot possibly criticize or make their suspicions known for fear of the swift punishment that follows lack of discipline, insidious and awful errors and wrongs may result and may continue a long time before superior and far-away officers suspect the true condition. It is said that during a recent war a balloon was sent up which, instead of finding the enemy's position, revealed that of the general ordering the balloon, and of his troops, to 175 gunners who only awaited the indication to play havoc with their shells, says the Philadelphia Medical Journal.

The commander, it is further said, is now known to have been insane, his father, mother and sisters having died insane. Suppose that chronic meningitis should exist in a general entrusted with the conduct of a campaign far from the seat of the central government, and that he should have delusions of grandeur, with other symptoms of profound but not easily recognized morbid mental action. Incalculable mischief would ensue before he could be suspected and before he could be recalled. The application of psychiatry to military life is a suggestion of possible tremendous significance in view of the wars existing in all parts of the world many thousands of miles away from the capitals of civilization.

A TOUGH OLD SALT.

Admiral Keppel Has Spent a Lifetime in the British Marine Service.

The Keppel family, of England, of which the brave old admiral bearing the name is a member, is notorious for its toughness. Sir Harry, as the admiral is called, was conspicuous among the guests at Lady Mary Keppel's wedding a couple of weeks ago. Sir Harry retired from the royal navy in 1879, after spending no less than 37 years in that service. In the China war of 60 years' back, he had command of the Dido, and won distinction, and he was quite an old fighting hand when he served in the Baltic and Black seas during the Crimean war. After the close of the Crimean campaign he returned to China and covered himself with glory in the desperate work in Fatsan creek. Keppel bay, in Borneo, was named after him. Forty years ago he asked the electors of his beloved Portsmouth to let him go to parliament, but they insisted on keeping him to the quarter deck. The admiral is a fine specimen of the old-fashioned sea dog, and is as young yet as many who might be his grandchildren.

Too Much Honor for a Mayor.

Not long ago a gentleman of the name of Aldridge Devenish was the popular mayor of Weymouth, in Dorsetshire, England. Some new public buildings had been completed during his mayoralty, and at a council meeting held to make preparations for the ceremony of opening them, a town councillor indignantly asked why the mayor was to be favored by having his initials A. D. carved in large letters before the date of the year.

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