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## LOCAL NEWS.

The ice harvest is on.

W. J. Kerwin of Keno was here Sunday.

H. P. Gagneau returned Monday from Bonanza.

T. F. Miner and wife of Altamont visited here Sunday.

R. A. Emmitt and wife of Keno were at this place Tuesday.

County court commenced its January session on Wednesday.

Charlie, Will and Floy Baldwin have been suffering from tonsillitis.

Sikes Worden is again confined to his room at the Linkville with illness.

Dr. Reanes went to Keno Monday and from there made a professional trip to Picard, Cal.

R. N. Anderson, C. V. Shuck and M. E. Hutchison of Merrill were Klamath Falls visitors Tuesday.

This week the county court ordered filed a petition for the appointment of a guardian for Samuel Storts.

Mrs. Claud Clopton was called to Bonanza Monday by the sudden death of her mother, Mrs. Colahan.

Joe Hammersly of Gold Hill, who had been at Burns and Lakeview, departed from here yesterday, via Ager, for his home.

The U. S. marshal left here yesterday morning with his prisoner, Oginsky, for Portland, going by the way of Ager.

Myrt, the 16-year-old son of Kent Ballard, is reported to be recovering from his long and serious illness. He has been suffering from bilious fever.

A public library and free reading room would in this as in all other towns, confer much benefit and pleasure, especially on the rising generation.

W. R. Brown and wife and Ed. Martin of Merrill arrived here Tuesday. They returned home today, accompanied by Mrs. Ed. Martin who has been visiting at this place.

Hon. R. A. Emmitt started from Keno for Ashland on his way to Salem yesterday. He was expecting to go as far on the road to Ashland as possible by team, and then go on snow shoes. The legislature meets on Monday next.

The stages from Lakeview are now making very good time under the circumstances. This is the case also with stages from Merrill and other points in the county. A stage arrived from Ager on Tuesday, but brought no mail, and there was none to bring, it being reported that the trains on the railroad were blocked both ways and unable to run.

Robt. Hunsaker who went to San Francisco about two weeks ago with J. T. Henley and J. F. Goeller, returned yesterday. From San Fran-

cisco they started to return several days ago. The blockades on the railroad were mostly over so that trains were running. Mr. Hunsaker stopped off at Ager and from there came home on horseback. The others continued on to Ashland where they are now. County Clerk Driscoll and Dr. Hargus are also at Ashland waiting for an open road. Dr. Hargus and Mr. Chitwood started for Ashland about ten days ago, and are reported to have been able to get only as far as Bailey's, about 43 miles from here. Finding they could get no farther with a team, Dr. Hargus went ahead on snow shoes, Mr. Chitwood remaining. On the route Dr. Hargus met the stage from Ashland, which on account of the difficulties to be encountered, turned around and returned to that place.

## DEATH OF EDWARD MCINTIRE.

After a brief illness, Edward McIntire died of pneumonia at Merrill on Thursday of last week, being aged about 27 years. The funeral and interment took place Friday, Rev. Mr. Shuck officiating. Mr. McIntire has a brother living in Ashland. His many friends here and elsewhere regret his untimely death.

## MRS. MARY COLAHAN.

Mrs. Mary Colahan, an old resident and highly esteemed lady of this county, died at Bonanza on Monday. The immediate cause of her death was paralysis of the heart, though she was just recovering from an attack of measles. She lived only twenty minutes after being stricken by the disease. She is the mother of twelve children, of whom eleven survive her. Her husband died a number of years ago. She was a woman of excellent qualities and had a large circle of warm friends who heartily sympathize with the sorrowing family.

## TO SUBSCRIBERS.

The snow blockade on the mountains has prevented our receiving our weekly installment of auxilliary sheets from Portland. Hence, we are compelled to reduce the paper to this size this week, but probably shall receive our regular Portland shipment of paper so as to enlarge again next week. Snow blockade is a great nuisance and inconvenience, but it is one which can only be avoided by a railroad or a line of balloons.

The Klamath Falls Amateur Dramatic company will present the comedy, "A Family Affair" at Merrill on Tuesday evening, January 22.

More fun than you ever had for the same amount of money at Merrill January 22.

## THE SNOW STORM.

It is reported that the storm which afflicted us last week was the worst this county has seen in twenty years. On the other hand, we are told that there was a worse storm about twelve years ago when many cattle were lost. Taking both statements into consideration, it is likely this is one of the severest storms known in eastern Oregon. If such were the case, we will say that there is no state in the east or middle west that does not have several worse storms every winter. People who have wrestled in eastern winters with northwest winds at 32 degrees below zero or have shaken hands with the able-bodied and never-tiring blizzard, will deem this so-called "big storm" as one of the meekest and mildest mannered of zephyrs.

The snow fell two or three days and a brisk wind tossed it into drifts. The cold was never below 8 degrees above zero, and much of the time not below the freezing point. On the last day the snow commenced to thaw. The snow drifts impeded travel, stages move slowly and the U. S. mails were delayed. This fall of snow amounted to about two feet on the level, but appeared more than that on account of the drifts. It is of course inconvenient to shovel paths through snow. But if this is the worst storm in twelve or twenty years—if it is the worst that the wrathful gods of snow and wind can do for us,—we can well feel content.

But all this applies only to the conditions this side of the mountains. Here, in the valleys, the stoppage of the mails is not a serious thing. A day or two of delay and then travel and business resume as a general thing their wonted course. But when we come to the western range of mountains we meet a different condition. Mountains were not invented for winter use, but only for summer wear. In summer it is an enjoyment to take a leisurely ride over them and through the forests, camping where night overtakes one, and sleeping under the trees. The pure air, mountain scenery and healthy appetites bring a serene contentment to the traveler, who, as he cooks his meals over the camp fire, rejoices that he is there. But those romantic mountain ranges, when they put on their winter garments, when their roads become impassable, as they now are, they are attractive and enjoyable only at distance. At times like the present it seems that all the infuriated mountain imps and devils, terrestrial and infernal, unite in one grand carnival of wind, snow, uproar and destruction, so that nothing can pass the barrier of snow and tangled network of fallen trees.

Such an utter closing of all roads to

the world beyond the mountains, so that neither freight, passengers nor mails can come or go across, and so that even a dispatch by telegraph is impossible, renews the longing for some means of communication aside from the methods we have heretofore been accustomed to. Stages were useful in their day, fifty or a hundred years ago when we knew of nothing more sure or rapid, and if we received the news once a week of what was going on elsewhere, we were satisfied. But of late years we see the benefits of quick travel, and enjoy the luxury of every day hearing the news far and near, and it becomes a hardship to be so shut up that the world is dead to us. Hence, when chaos reigns on the mountains and snow and wind, in full force, wreak united vengeance upon the shrinking crags and forests, we cannot but reflect that the only way of overcoming mountains and mountain storms in winter is to pass over them behind an invincible railroad snow plow. We tried to finish these remarks without saying anything of the necessities of a railroad. But after all, perhaps it is just as well to refer to it, for it is in fact the only thing with which we can ever expect to vanquish mountain storms and at the same time make this county the most desirable of any the sun ever shone on.

## FORTUNE HUNTER BALKED.

Cousin of Count Castellane Deeply of Getting American Heiress.

Comte Ademar de Castellane, cousin to Comte Boni, who was booked to sail for America on the St. Paul, has decided to remain at Paris. He was bent on marrying an American heiress.

"I may not go at all to the United States," he said, "certainly not for several months. There has been too much talk about my cousin.

"Frenchmen of standing will be slow in future to marry American heiresses. What is the good of their being heiresses if the whole family and a guardian to boot must be consulted before one can touch a cent of one's wife's money?

"The international marriage market has received a shock from which it will be slow to recover."

## DISPUTE OVER UNIFORMS.

Controversy Between Gen. Miles and the Quartermasters of the Army.

There is a controversy going on at the war department over the adoption of uniforms for the enlisted men. Some time ago Gen. Miles, commanding the army, submitted recommendations affecting the apparel of the soldiers. Among other things he suggested the campaign hat, with broad brim, one side of which was turned up and fastened with a cockade. The effect was somewhat striking, and the design was adopted from a British design. The army quartermasters resented the interference with their work by Gen. Miles. They have shelved the suggestions from Gen. Miles, and there is a good deal of ill feeling on the subject.