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The WEEKLY MOUNTAINEER, containing 19 columns of reading matter, is published and ready for delivery to subscribers. Price \$3 per annum. Single numbers, in wrappers, 25 cents.

The *Lris* brought up a load of one hundred and fifty horses yesterday.

PACK TRAINS leave the Dalles daily, for the Boise country. Thus far they have all gone by way of the old Emigrant Road.

COL. WM. WHISTLER, who entered the army in 1801, and is said to have been the oldest army officer in the United States, except Gen. Scott, died near Cincinnati a few days ago.

THE CONCERT at the Congregational Church, last night was well attended. Other duties prevented our attendance, but those who were there inform us that the singing was excellent.

NEW STOCK.—J. Juker, Esq., has just returned from below with a full stock of the very best brands of cigars and tobacco. Also a fine stock of fancy goods, cutlery, &c. Call and examine the new stock.

Mrs. McLEAN, the drunken half-breed woman, was up before the Recorder yesterday, on the charge of disturbing the peace, for which she was ordered to pay \$17. In default of payment, she was committed to the county jail.

SMALL BUSINESS.—The Virginia papers chronicle the shipments of treasure, and give figures that foot up less than \$10,000. At the Dalles, we endeavor to keep posted as to the shipments of treasure, but we have never yet noticed a shipment of less than \$20,000.

COMPLIMENTARY BALL.—The arrangements for the grand complimentary ball, to Jackson Engine Company are progressing satisfactorily, and the ball promises to be one of the most splendid affairs of the kind that has ever come off at the Dalles. Those who desire to secure tickets should make early application.

JOURNALISTS.—Horace Greeley well says that journalists are neither better nor worse than other more or less educated and able persons. There are scamps as well as dunces among them; but as a class they are neither knaves or fools. It is by no means certain that the champion of a great and good cause is himself either great or good; and the Press has its reprobrates as the Pulpit has its hypocrites; but he who judges either Press or Pulpit by these, has a narrow understanding, if not a bad heart. Perhaps no other class are required to do so much for purely public ends as the editors, and we are confident that no other class do whatever they may for the general good more uniformly or more cheerfully. Yet the best of them are not faultless; while none among them aspire or affect to be that model of absorbing and unselfish devotion to others' good which is the beau ideal of all who have axes to grind and expect them to turn grindstone. Each of them has a living to make; usually a family to support; has needs and aspirations, and is no more fond of working hard to enrich others and taking his pay in rank doses of flattery than other people.

It is a common remark that gamblers, prostitutes and all that class who attempt to live by their wits rather than by the practice of honest industry are invariably secessionists. It is by no means to be inferred that all secessionists are of the degraded classes. As might be expected, occasionally we find a respectable man who, blinded either by passion or prejudice, sympathizes with the rebellion, but these are exceptions, the great mass of the secession party being made up of the vile and degraded—the Ishmaelites of society. The wonder to us is that, seeing the character of their associates, men who make pretensions to decency have not long since washed their skirts from the contamination of treason. The best of men are liable to be caught in bad company, but when thus taken at fault the virtuous man loses no time in ridding himself of bad associations. We desire to commend this view of the matter to the attention of the few respectable secessionists in Wasco county, who yet cling to the fortunes of Jeff Davis. The fact of their having been caught in the company of traitors might be overlooked, but their clinging to the association raises the presumption, that under the cover of a fair exterior, they are no better than the vile babblers of treason they affect to despise.

A TRIP TO CELILO.

A year or two since it was a common remark that Celilo was likely to become a place of considerable commercial importance. The writer shared in the opinion; but a trip to Celilo yesterday very effectually changed our opinion. Instead of finding a thriving, active town, we found that the one solitary store that graced the place a year since, had disappeared, the proprietor having removed to Umatilla. Not a single new building did we notice, and all that gives life to the place is the O. S. N. Co.'s boats, and the coming and going of the railroad cars. Outside the Company's business, nothing was doing, and the houses already have a dilapidated look. At the landing, we noticed the steamers *Tenino*, *Nez Perce Chief*, and *Yakima*. The latter a new boat, and designed to be the crack steamer on the upper river. Her dimensions are as follows: Length, 150 feet; breadth of beam, 29 feet. Her model is pronounced by those who are competent to judge as perfect, and as she rests in the water she is certainly a beautiful craft. Her engines are highly finished, and of power sufficient to insure a high rate of speed. Passing to the upper deck, we noticed that her saloons are large, and having a ceiling nine feet in the clear, there is none of that smothering sensation usually noticed on entering steamboat cabins. Ranged along on either side of the saloon, are the staterooms, which like the boat are roomy, and look as though they will admit of beds large enough to allow the traveler to turn over without taking the chance of landing in the middle of the floor. The ladies' saloon is being fitted up with strict regard to taste and elegance, and is provided with state rooms, the doors of which open on the guards, and thus ensure a degree of privacy not otherwise to be obtained. Of the Company's boats on the upper river, it may be said that they are unsurpassed by boats of the same description anywhere. The stern-wheel boats on the Sacramento will not begin to compare with them, and for the purpose for which they are designed they leave travelers and freighters nothing to desire. The Company now has on the upper river a perfect fleet of boats, as will be seen by the following list: *Nez Perce Chief*, *Web-Foot*, *Tenino*, *Okanagan*, *Kiyus*, *Spray*, *Col. Wright* and *Yakima*, the latter receiving the finishing touches preparatory to taking her place upon the line. Of these, three are "low water" boats; that is, they are of light draft, and can run at the lowest stages of water. During the busy season, it is the intention of the Company to make daily trips to Wallula, and hence the necessity for so many boats. On the way out, as well as on the return, we had an opportunity to notice the improvements that are being made on the Railroad. At one point where the present track hugs the river closely and the cars whirl along on the very edge of a precipice, a new track is being blasted out of the solid rock, which, when completed, will remove all danger from this source. At other points, the road is being elevated, so as to avoid the annoyance of drifting sand. All these changes are being made under the direction of the Company's engineer—Mr. Braze—who has shown great skill in overcoming apparently insurmountable difficulties. When these changes are completed, the cars will be able to make much better time over the road than at present, and in addition to the saving of time, there will be greater safety for life and property. Like all other improvements made by the O. S. N. Company, the Railroad is substantial and solid, and must long remain a monument attesting the enterprise of its projectors. In concluding our notice of Celilo and the Railroad, it is proper that we should make our acknowledgements to the gentlemanly Agent, Frank T. Dodge, who accompanied us on the trip, and kindly furnished us with many of the details here set forth.

A CORRESPONDENT of the *S. F. Evening Journal*, who went overland to Missouri last Fall, says that he met numbers of Confederate soldiers in the Rocky Mountains, and along the route. They have been in various battles, had deserted, and were keeping out of the way of both armies, and edging toward this coast. They were "down on the Abolitionists," but tired of the war. This should be sufficient admonition to our Legislature to make preparation for that sort of immigrants, of whom there will not be a few—guilty wretches, stained with the blood of Union men, and in prime order to become Constitutional democrats.

TIME FOR ACTION.—As the time approaches for the meeting of the State Union Convention, it is well for Union men in each county to organize and select proper persons to represent their sentiments in the several county conventions. We are about entering upon the most important political contest that the people of the United States have ever been called upon to take part in. Amid the terrible strife of civil war, when millions of our fellow-citizens are in arms to defend our liberties against a ruthless and merciless foe, those who remain in the civil walks of life are about to be called upon to express, by their votes, whether the office of Chief Magistrate of our country shall pass into the hands and under the control of those who are seeking the destruction of republican liberty by clamoring for a dishonorable peace, or whether the office shall be filled by one who will use all the power of the Government for the maintenance of our national honor and our existence. But one question should be allowed to enter into the contest—that of the unconditional suppression of the rebellion by force of arms—and to this one measure should the energies of every man be directed. Let it be borne in mind that the State Union Convention will be held on the 30th of March next, and that all depends upon the character of the men selected as delegates to that Convention, for the position this loyal and patriotic State shall take in making of the next President, who will have the honor of adjusting our national difficulties, and restoring all of the States to the Union, under one flag, and one Constitution. The greatest vigilance will be required in the selection of proper representatives of the people, to insure the success of the cause of liberty at such a time as this, and every citizen should consider well the question involved, and act in such a manner as to leave no doubt as to how Oregon will cast her vote at the next election for President of the United States.

THE *Mining Press* says a company is now being organized in San Francisco to proceed to the northward of the Boise river, to some new diggings in that direction. The company will take along a very superior outfit, and will go well armed. They take a small howitzer, to wake the mountain echoes as they move along. Such an arm will prove a powerful incentive to friendliness on the part of the Indian dwellers in those distant regions.

FOUND.

YESTERDAY MORNING, on Court street, near the Brewery, a BUNCH OF KEYS, which the owner can have on paying for this advertisement. It

JACKSON ENGINE COMPANY, NO. 1, Special meeting on SATURDAY EVENING, 7 o'clock. By order, JOSEPH EBFELT, Sec'y.

PORTLAND FOUNDRY AND MACHINE SHOP.

FIRST STREET, between Yamhill and Morrison. Steam Engines of from 4 to 40 horse-power, either Portable or Stationary. Also, CIRCULAR SAW MILLS COMPLETE, constantly on hand. Also, Hay Presses of all sizes; Planing Machines, (Woodworth's pattern,) Wrought and Cast Iron work for Vertical Saws and Grist Mills, Brass and Iron Castings, and



WROUGHT IRON WORK of every description. I am also prepared to furnish Quartz Mills complete, of the Latest & most Improved Patterns.

These Mills can be forwarded to any part of the mines as the weight of the entire machinery will not exceed 3,000 pounds.

Horse Powers & Agricultural Implements manufactured to order at the very LOWEST CASH PRICE. N. B.—Particular attention paid to REPAIRS. Feb 18-19 [Walla Walla Statesman please copy.]

PUBLIC AUCTION

OF Quartermaster's Property, AT Fort Dalles, Oregon.

On Saturday, the 27th inst., at 1 o'clock, P. M., to the highest bidder, for cash, the following Quartermaster's Property, viz: 10 APARAJOS, 27 HORSE COLLARS, 48 Single Sets LEAD HARNESS, 20 Single Sets WHEEL HARNESS, 19 WAGON SADDLES, 23 RIDING SADDLES, 36 PACK SADDLES, 41 CARPENTER'S PLANES, 1 STRAW CUTTER, 200 lbs. HORSE SHOE NAILS, 15 prs. MITTS, And various other articles of Quartermaster's Property. JESSE ROBINSON, 1st Lieut. & R. Q. M., 1st Oregon Cavalry. Feb 18-19 A. A. Q. M.

I. O. O. F.

COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 5, I. O. O. F., meets every WEDNESDAY EVENING, at 7 o'clock, in Masonic Hall, Dalles city. Brothers in good standing are invited to attend. C. R. MEIGS, N. S. N. H. GATES, Secretary. Feb 11-17

FOR SALE.

A Note made by W. P. HOFFMAN in favor of THOS. BRAMHALL—Price one 50th part of a mill on the dollar. Apply until SATURDAY to said BRAMHALL at the Umatilla House. After that date, the note can be found at 161, Second street, Portland. T. BRAMHALL. Boise News please copy and send bill by Express to Portland. Feb 19-19

BOISE AND OWYHEE MINES.

GREATHOUSE & CO. will leave WALLA WALLA every few days, for BOISE, with a PASSENGER TRAIN Of good animals, up to the 25th of this month, after which, A STAGE Will leave Walla Walla for Boise Four Times a Week. In connection with Messrs. Thomas & Co.'s Daily Line of Concord Coaches from Wallula. Walla Walla, Feb. 6, 1864. Feb 12-1w

HUMASON, STOCKING & CO.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN HARDWARE AND GROCERIES, NEXT DOOR TO Seller's Crockery Store, MAIN STREET, DALLES, OREGON. Feb 19

WATCHES!

JEWELRY! WM. BIRNBAUM, PRACTICAL Watchmaker & Jeweler, Main Street, Dalles, NEXT DOOR TO THE POST-OFFICE. DIAMONDS!

CLOCKS, &c.

S. MALTESE, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN Groceries and Provisions, MAIN STREET, (Opposite Brown & Bro.) DALLES, OREGON. Constantly on hand a full and select stock of

FAMILY GROCERIES, STORAGE AND COMMISSION MERCHANT. Goods shipped to order. Also, FRESH AND DRIED FRUIT. Also, FRESH FRUIT, and every description of VEGETABLES, imported from San Francisco, supplies of which will be constantly on hand. Feb 11-17

Produce & Commission Store.

J. CONSER & SONS, Second Street, Dalles, Flour, Feed, Produce AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

THE VERY BEST BRANDS OF FLOUR, FEED OF all kinds; and every description of PRODUCE constantly in store and sold at the lowest rates. FAMILY GROCERIES. A splendid assortment of FAMILY GROCERIES, including the choicest Tea, Coffee, Sugar, &c., selected expressly for family use. Consignments received, and a general Storage Forwarding and Commission business attended to. J. CONSER & SONS, Second Street, Next door to Pryne's Auction Store. Feb 25-17

DERRINGERS & COLT'S PISTOLS.

Received by the last Steamer from the East, a large invoice of U. S. Army Pistols, Old and New Model, Navy size. Also, Ivory handle, Navy and Sharp's Pistols, AND... Silver Mounted Derringers, which I offer for sale, at wholesale or retail, at San Francisco prices. Orders from the interior promptly attended to. WM. BIRNBAUM, WATCHMAKER & JEWELER, Main street, Dalles, Oregon. Feb 28-17

FOR SALE.

The Lot and Building, on Main Street, next to the Umatilla House, known as the CALIFORNIA EXCHANGE, the COLUMBIA RESTAURANT, and the MOUNTAINEER LAGER BEER CELLAR, the whole paying a monthly rent of \$243. Also, a DWELLING, OUT-HOUSES, and Spring House, with a good supply of spring water, and ONE ACRE OF GROUND, well improved with an assortment of Fruit Trees and Flowers, fenced in with a new close-boarded fence from six to eight feet high. Also, a DWELLING HOUSE and TWO LOTS, with a well of spring water, within the city limits. For further particulars, enquire of T. B. KELLY; or at the MOUNTAINEER OFFICE. Feb 18-17

SHRUBS AND FLOWERS.

I have a full assortment of well-grown ornamental SHRUBS, of several hundred varieties—as ROSES, in 100 varieties; HILAC, in 10 varieties; HONEYSUCKLE, in 6 varieties, &c., &c. Also, all kinds of Flowers, Peonies, Carnations, and BULBS of all varieties. Priced List of SHRUBS and FLOWERS, and also of BULBS, can be seen and had at the Dalles, at J. JUKER'S, who is my authorized Agent to receive Orders and Payments for me. Milwaukie, Oregon. Feb 18-19 HENRY MILLER.

NOTICE.

The co-partnership heretofore existing between HEFRON & PITTS, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All dues to the firm, or debts against the same, will be settled by M. L. HEFRON. M. L. HEFRON, Dalles City, Feb. 16, 1864. Feb 17-1w A. W. PITTS.

FOR SALE.

I now offer my entire stock of GOODS, consisting of GROCERIES, LIQUORS, HARDWARE, &c., &c., at cost and charges. Parties wishing to purchase will please give me a call before purchasing elsewhere. Dalles City, Feb. 16, 1864. Feb 17-1m M. L. HEFRON.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

The large and desirable STORE, occupied by HEFRON & PITTS, corner of Second and Washington streets, is offered for sale or to rent. Apply to M. L. HEFRON. Feb 17-11

FOR SALE.

A hard-finished HOUSE, on Second street, 20x60, lot 25x100, will be sold cheap. Apply to Dalles City, Feb. 16, 1864. Feb 17-1m M. L. HEFRON.