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LITTLE COURTESIES OF LIFE.

They cost so little and they are worth so much. Perhaps no one will ever know how much. A pleasant look, a cheery good morning, that is all, but it brightens the day for the poor soul whom, let us not say chance, but providence, has thrown in our way. Such a little thing for a man to put out his hand to help a woman whose arms are filled with bundles, on to the car. Such a little thing to wait until the women and older men have got on. Not a great deed for a man to stand until the women are seated, but those things count. They may not always receive the "Thank you," to which they are entitled, though that is spoken oftener than would be believed. Other people notice it and though those things ought not to be done just because of the satisfaction which comes from doing what is felt to be the thing to do, that is a far better motive than many another.

There is no place where these little courtesies are more neglected, and yet where they should be practiced the most, than in the home. Exactly because we love our own the best is the reason why we should be most polite when no strangers are around us. It is partly the fault of our Anglo-Saxon habit of repression, partly a half-ashamed feeling lest we allow ourselves to give way to our emotions, that keeps us from letting each other know how strong is the bond between us.

Not only the elders, but the children are to be envied who live in a home whose atmosphere is marked by little graceful acts of courtesy. The meeting at the door, the goodbye when father or sons leave the house, the slippers ready by the hearth, the pulling forward of the easy chair for father or mother, the readiness to run on errands, the saving of steps for others, these and a thousand more mark the happy home.—Spokesman-Review.

A COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL.

This county is sorely in need of a better high school than any one district can afford to maintain. Today there are no less than 50 students attending outside schools, who could be educated right at home. The conditions at the present time are most opportune for mutual co-operation along these lines. La Grande, of necessity, will be compelled to build another school building next year. A few thousand dollars added to what we will naturally build for our own requirements would build a finer better building than if the county decided to build. The proposition is feasible whereby La Grande could furnish a suitable building to cost anywhere from \$20,000 to \$25,000, and the county maintain a county high school. Before this can be accomplished a favorable vote on this proposition would have to be taken. Give this matter some thought. It will require possibly something like a campaign of education to bring this about. There are doubtless some in La Grande who would oppose this movement until all of the advantages were presented. These are likewise some in the county who would. But we believe that after a thorough canvass of our school conditions here in the county and our prospects in the future for improvement are all considered and the people generally understood it. The matter of a county high school along the lines suggested, would meet with favor. It is worthy of an intelligent effort to see if such a plan is not practical and would result in giving the county a school far

In advance of defining we have at present and can expect to have for many, many years.

WHAT A SNAP.

By referring back in the dusty statutes of old England, we find that 236 years ago the solons of that time thought it necessary to pass laws to protect the unsophisticated from the many mysterious and wonderful ways in which the fair sex have always delighted in misleading the men. The following is a copy of one of these laws:

"That all women of whatever age, rank, profession or degree, whether virgins, maids or widows, that shall, after the passing of this act, impose upon, seduce and betray into matrimony any of His Majesty's male subjects by scents, paints, cosmetics, washes, artificial teeth, false hair, Spanish wool, iron stays, hoops, high-heeled shoes or bolstered hips, shall incur the penalty of the laws now in force against witchcraft, sorcery and such like misdemeanors, and that the marriage, upon conviction, shall stand null and void."

As these laws have since become obsolete we presume the boys are getting wiser. However, as the women have certainly made great advancement in their art during the past 200 years, one cannot help but wonder what protection the men of those times would have needed had they met the real thing as now exhibited by the society swells of the twentieth century. We can hear the girls as they read this, say: "What a snap that would have been!"

WE WILL HELP YOU.

Unless signs are misleading, Union will do well to watch for the welfare of the State Experiment station at this place. At the coming session of the legislature an effort may be made to establish the Eastern Oregon station somewhere else, and utilize the state lands at this place for other purposes. In any event, Union may well keep her eyes open.—Union Republican.

Of the 29 large irrigation projects in 16 states west of the Mississippi river, only one, that in New Mexico, appears to be as cheap as the Grande Ronde project. The highest being at Tieton, Wash., where it cost \$62.50 per acre as against \$20 in this valley. The estimated cost in the 29 projects above referred to footed up to a total of \$70,000,000.

The city of Eugene last year raised \$10,000 for publicity purposes. This year they propose to raise \$15,000. The subscribers to the fund are more than pleased with the results of their investment and the year's work.

A few weeks of good weather and there will be thousands of acres of fall grain sown this fall.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Ore.,
August 10, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that MINNIE E. PIERCE, of La Grande, Oregon, who, on July 29, 1908, made timber land entry No. 0662, for SE 1/4 NE 1/4, E 1/2 SE 1/4, section 1, and NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 section 12, township 4 south, range 37, E. W. M., has filed notice of intention to make final timber proof, to establish a claim to the land above described, before the register and receiver of the U. S. land office at La Grande, Ore., on the 27th day of October, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses: George A. Pierce, of La Grande, Ore.; Peter Hogensen, of Perry, Ore.; Charles Farrier, of Perry, Ore.; Frank Gabbart, of La Grande, Ore.
F. C. BRAMWELL, Register.
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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

July 13, 1908.
U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Ore.,
Department of the Interior.

Notice is hereby given that AMANDA MILLER, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, who, on July 8, 1908, made timber and stone sworn statement No. 0141, for SW 1/4 NE 1/4, N 1/2 SE 1/4, SE 1/4 SE 1/4, Sec. 31, Tp. 4 S., R. 35, E. W. M., has filed notice of intention to make final timber and stone proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the register and receiver of the U. S. land office, at La Grande, Oregon, on the 25th day of September, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses: Kathryn Connors, of Sioux Falls, S. D.; Charles F. Clancy, of Sioux Falls, S. D.; John K. Wright, of La Grande, Ore.; Walter Spencer, of La Grande, Ore.
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Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Ore.,
August 10, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that PETER J. LILLY, of La Grande, Union county, Oregon, who, on January 15, 1908, made timber land entry No. 0863, for S 1/2 S 1/2 1/4, NW 1/4 SE 1/4 and NE 1/4 SW 1/4, section 19, township 4 south, range 38, E. W. M., has filed notice of intention to make final timber proof, to estab-

lish claim to the land above described, before the register and receiver of the U. S. land office at La Grande, Oregon, on the 29th day of October, 1908.
 Claimant names as witnesses: Volney J. Dawson, of Portland, Ore.; John T. Williamson, of La Grande, Ore.; Charles L. Smith, of La Grande, Ore.; David E. Cook, of La Grande, Ore.
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