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## HELP THE INVALID NURSE GIRL.

Today a committee of La Grande ladies are calling on many of our people who feel inclined to give of their wealth to assist the poor little nurse girl at Hot Lake, Miss Minnie Siever. The story of this girl's unfortunate circumstances appeared in The Observer Saturday and it has elicited big-hearted sentiment from this community. Several people stopped representatives of The Observer on the street today and wanted to give money to the poor girl. Arrangements have now been made with Ray Logan at the office of Logan and Davis, next door to La Grande National bank, to receive subscriptions and receipt therefor. The ladies' committee will not be able

to see everyone, and money may be left with Mr. Logan and it will reach the committee's hands who in turn will see that Miss Sievers receives it at once.

## GUMPTION ON THE FARM.

"How sweet are all things here! How beautiful the fields appear! How cleanly do we feed and lie! What good hours do we keep! How quietly we sleep!"  
Named your farm yet?  
Any shade in the pasture? Why not!  
The golden text for June is: "Keep the soil stirred."

If you want to kill weeds, cultivate or hoe them when the sun shines hot. The trouble with the honey bee is that it doesn't carry honey at both ends.  
No, lime is not good for potatoes—it favors scab. So does too much stable manure.

Now, please don't let the mower rattle all 4 pieces. Keep it well oiled and every nut screwed up tightly, and don't let the knives or guards get dull. Remember, brother farmer, that the hot weather and hard work will tax the strength of your wife. She will enjoy going to the store with you and riding home slowly in the cool of the evening.

To keep moles from a bed, sink a close mesh wire netting a foot wide into the soil around, allowing it to extend about two inches above the surface. If you have no netting, use boards. Either will prevent the entrance of moles into the bed.

The harvest season is the most trying of the year. There is so much to be done, so little time to do it in and so few hands to accomplish it, that we are often at our wits' end. Let us, however, have a care lest we attempt too much and lest we put too great a burden upon the wife and daughter. The sanitariums are filled with men and women who have broken down from work and worry at middle life. The utmost that we can hope to gain is not worth such a fearful sacrifice.

Cut clover hay when about half the blossoms are brown; cut timothy just as the bloom is falling. Curing clover: cut it as soon as the dew is off in the morning. At noon shake out the bunches, rake into windrows before evening dews get on it, and let it lie until the next day. Next day shake out the hay as soon as the dew is off. You ought to be ready to haul, on a hot day, by 11 o'clock or certainly after dinner. It spoils clover hay to let it get too dry. It should never be put into the barn when wet with rain or dew; but a little sap won't hurt it. Curing timothy: If the crop is not too heavy and rank cut it as soon as the dew is off, let it cure a few hours, rake into windrows, and haul to the barn the same day. If crop is rank, cut it in the afternoon; it will wilt some during the night and dew will not hurt it. Next day's sun will dry it in a few hours, when it can be raked into windrows; haul it to the barn in the early afternoon.—From June Farm Journal.

## "THIS IS MY 78TH BIRTHDAY."

James B. Weaver.  
General James B. Weaver who at one time was a conspicuous figure in national politics, was born in Dayton, Ohio, June 12, 1833, and graduated from the Cincinnati law school in 1854. Soon after his graduation he settled in Iowa. General Weaver fought through the civil war, rising from the

rank of a private to that of brigadier general. After the war he returned to Iowa and took an active interest in politics. After holding several federal offices he was elected to congress in 1879 and served one term. In 1885 he was again elected to congress. Later he became the leader of the "Green-back" party, and was the candidate of that party for president of the United States. In 1892 he was the candidate of the People's party for the presidency. In the election he carried four states—Kansas, Colorado, Idaho and Nevada—and received one electoral vote each from North Dakota and Oregon.

## THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

June 12.

- 1611—Two Jesuit missionaries arrived at Port Royal to convert the Hic-mac Indians.
- 1665—A charter was granted the city of New York.
- 1788—New Hampshire ratified the constitution of the United States.
- 1819—Charles Kingsley, author of "Westward Ho," born in Devon-shire, England. Died January 23, 1875.
- 1842—A new constitution was proclaimed in Mexico.
- 1846—More than 5,000 persons were driven from their homes by a disastrous fire in St. Johns, Newfoundland.
- 1863—Governor Curtin called out the entire militia of Pennsylvania.
- 1864—The Emperor Maximilian and Empress Carlotta made their entry into the City of Mexico.
- 1878—William Cullen Bryant, famous poet, died in New York city. Born in Cummington, Mass., Nov. 3, 1794.
- 1895—President Cleveland issued a proclamation against Cuban filibusters.
- 1899—Two hundred and fifty persons killed in a tornado that destroyed the town of New Richmond, Wis.
- 1904—St. James' cathedral, Toronto, celebrated its centenary.
- 1907—Mayor Schmitz of San Francisco found guilty of extortion.

## HAVE FAITH.

Build a little fence of trust  
Around today.  
Fill the space with loving work  
And therein stay.  
Look not through the sheltering  
bars  
Upon tomorrow.  
God will help thee bear what  
comes  
Of joy or sorrow.  
—M. F. Butts.

## Some Tightwad.

"Get a crowbar and come along."  
"What do you want with a crow-bar?"  
"Never mind. Do as I say."  
"Here it is."  
"Do you know where we could borrow a team of oxen? We might need them also."  
"Say, what is this expedition all about?"  
"You know my rich uncle?"  
"Sure."  
"Well, I am going to try to pry a dollar out of him."

## Dangers of Carelessness.

Lion Tamer (to assistant)—You're left his cage open again. One of these days some one will come along and steal him.—London Opinion.

## LOVE AND DISTANCE.

We often wish most for our friends when they are absent. Even in married life love is not diminished by distance. A man, like a burning glass, should be placed at a certain distance from the object he wishes to dissolve, in order that the proper focus may be obtained.—Richter.

## MORAL LAWS AND CITY OR STATE LAWS.

Dr. Gillilan Raises Protest Against Sunday Baseball.

Mr. Editor: As The Observer is a public forum, I ask leave to stand a few minutes in the presence of your increasing constituency and "speak a piece."

There should be in every city a civic and municipal conscience. The least act of a government is to secure and maintain such rule as will in accordance with the Ten Commandments, at least; than which there is no higher authority for man. In part the city does this; in part it does not attempt such control. Stringent ordinances are made and enforced against at-

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tempts on life, violation of virtue, theft (including gambling, etc.) and other flagrant wrongs. One of the chiefest contributions to the success of progress in America, and one of the elements causing our people to be known as free from many of the blighting conditions of Europe, from which the country most of the aliens come seeking our national health, is the fact that in the best governed cities and states there is legal and moral regard for the Sabbath.

The Sabbath day was never made for the purposes of being itself an institution to be worshipped. There has been the extremist who taught that idea. Our Lord found such when He was among men. He said: "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath." With us the day is being made a day of riot, racket, unresting, disturbance, profanity, license and intemperate acting.

I am referring now directly to the license permitted to contractors in continuing their work on the streets on Sunday, and to the unrebuked rousing in baseball matters. The morals of no city are improved one iota by the "fans" and others flocking from city to city disturbing the peace of the peace lovers. The yells of the diamond last Sunday afternoon were to be heard a mile distant; the sick in the community were distracted and there was no relief. To be sure they would be interfered within any day, but they should be permitted a Sabbath rest if they so desired. The peace of the whole community was rudely, wickedly and profanely disturbed.

To the stranger in La Grande who comes from a region where the sanctity of the Holy Day means something, it grates; and such is being thus persuaded to drop his money among us. Thus we are not getting a reputation at all enviable.

As to myself, I love the national I am present whenever I can get to it. If these meets are socially profitable, and desirable, then in the name of moral decency let them be played on some other day than the Sabbath. There can be no argument adduced favoring the recreation idea. There is no recreation about it at all. It is all dissipation of the wrong kind. Liberty turned to license fast grows into anarchy, and undermines respect for law. He who would disregard this one of the Ten Commandments can as reasonably disregard any one of the others at his convenience. Any one can observe the debauching drift of the

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