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THE Spanish are fortifying the Canary islands in expectation of an attack from the United States.

THE last month's issue of county warrants were the first issued under the new rate of six per cent interest. Notwithstanding this reduction of two per cent on the interest the warrants sold at their face value.

THE make-up of the next United States senate will be 54 republicans; 26 democrats and 10 populist or silver republicans. The '96 senate was 46 republican; 34 democrats and 10 populists or silver republicans.

THE recent election has proven conclusively that the people of these great United States endorse the war record made by President McKinley and his associates. It proves again that the people want sound money—a dollar that is one hundred cents the world over—not especially because it bears the stamp of our mints but because it is a dollar's value in all countries.

ONE thing is certain and that is that our courts of justice are almost strangled to death with litigation, but in spite of this condition of affairs original cases which are waiting to be tried for the first time are frequently set aside for weeks and months in order to give place to old cases which are being tried for the second time with perhaps the very same result. Evidently it is high time that radical steps were being taken to cure this evil.

THE supreme courts of Oregon are at least two years behind in regular calendar work. There is something manifestly wrong some place, and this wrong will undoubtedly continue just so long as every petit case before a circuit court is permitted to be appealed to the higher courts. There are very few cases appealed in which the higher court reverses the decision of the lower court. The only point gained by the appeal is a lucrative one, enjoyed only by the attorneys, who build fond hopes for their clients to look upon—and this done for the purpose of securing bigger fees.

THE Spaniards suffered a greater defeat at our recent election than did the candidates who ran for office and were beaten. The Dons had been given a tip by someone that the people of these great United States were going to turn down every republican on the tickets because as a commonwealth we did not approve of President McKinley's management of war affairs, but when pretty nearly everything went overwhelmingly republican there was much discomfiture among the Spanish officials, since which time Spanish honor (?) has again asserted itself and they do not purpose to let go the Philippines.

THE special session of the legislature repealed the act creating the board of railroad commissioners. It is now intimated by the press that the regular session will resurrect the old, or create a new board. The cost of the old board to taxpayers has been largely in excess of the benefits accruing from its services. The public is now well rid of a costly experience which has been productive of no good results and the defunct board should be permitted to sleep its last sleep undisturbed. The public will not indorse its resurrection in any form and the legislature which commits the error of reviving it, will saddle itself with odium which it will rightfully deserve. THE MAIL is opposed to creating fat salaries for officials who render no just return in necessary public service.

THOMAS S. MARTIN, senator from Virginia, although his term does not expire until 1901, wants to measure accurately the strength of the enthusiasm for the soldier, and has already begun his campaign for the United States senatorship against General Fitzhugh Lee, whom he beat four years ago. He has the backing of the democratic machine and the party leaders, is a free silver man and purposes to make his fight against General Lee on that issue. Senator Daniel's seat, which becomes vacant next year, is the prize at stake. A victory over General Lee four years ago was an easier task than a victory over the same gallant and very able general of today. A man of Lee's ability should not be measured with that of a chronic office seeker, even though the combined machines of democracy and free silver be running on full time to defeat him. General Lee is a hero and is entitled at least to as much recognition from his own party and his own people as has been accorded him by officials of his opposing party. The defeat of General Lee would be a slap at President McKinley for having recognized Lee's ability as a brave, fearless soldier.

PORTLAND papers are busy these times telling of the "invaluable service" the now retired railroad commissioners rendered the shippers of the state. They tell that $350,000 was saved the shippers of eastern Oregon grain in the commissioners having secured a reduction in frieght rates to that amount. The remarkable feature in connection with this is that we did not hear of the saving until after the commissioners had been retired—another evidence that the good we do our fellow man lives most prominent after we have shuffled off. The only evidence which we have at hand of any important good done by the commissioners in Southern Oregon was the order which caused that large pine shade tree near the Medford-Jacksonville shortline to be reduced to fire wood—because, as they alleged, it menaced the lives of travelers over this line. The regret is that our forefathers did not have railroad commissioners to order this tree cut down instead of allowing it to grow for an hundred years and all this time menacing the lives of travelers on the early day cow trails which might have led by this particular forest giant.

THERE are many things which we people have reason to be thankful for this year. The president has designated next Thursday as a day of general thanksgiving—it ought to be observed by all. There is much which even the least of us can, with bended knees and reverend hearts, give thanks for. We have indeed had bountiful crops and the store houses are filled to the roof tops with sustenance for man and beast. The victories of an humane and just war are ours. Our people have taught all nations that the hand of oppression and tyranny cannot banish from earth all principals of right and justice to fellow man, and while we give thanks to a kind Providence for having guided the hand that taught this lesson, let us not forget that we people of earth are of one kin and to each and all of this family let us give the heart's sympathy and the charity deserved by a conquered nation.

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That word means a heap to every housewife. It means a heap more when the groceries are known to be fresh and first-class. When your wife tells you to get groceries at Davis', you better not run chances on buying them elsewhere. When she don't say where to go, you had better use a little of your own judgment and make sure you're right.

Davis Delivers goods free. Trades groceries for farm produce, vegetables and poultry. Medford, Oregon.

Echoes From the Street.

W. M. Smith:—"My prune crop this year was much better than last. I have shipped 20,000 pounds of a fine grade of this fruit to New York City."

Wallace Woods:—"Take out that wood local of mine. It is making life a burden to me. I have contracted with parties to cut 150 cords of wood and that will be enough for this winter."

D. T. Sears:—"I met a friend of mine from Polk County on the train Tuesday morning. He reports everything rushing up his way. He says hops are selling at a big price, wheat is worth 55 cents—and both of these were good crops this year. There is considerable stock in that county and it, too, is bringing a good price. All in all there seems to be much that those people should be thankful for."

Fort Hubbard, by letter from Sacramento:—"Here is a dollar. Send me THE MAIL, to Sacramento. I am with the big Baker & Hamilton implement house. I am what they term their 'field man.' From this you are not to infer that I am turned out to graze on an alfalfa ranch, but instead I do all kinds of expert work in the fields where their implements are at work. I also do canvassing—and I like the job."

J. E. Bodge:—"Say, print me some letter heads and envelopes. Do it right away, quick. I want to order more goods. I sent an order to a clothing house last week for goods and the order was returned to me with a note added saying that they sold goods only to merchant tailors. I want this printing done to indicate that merchant tailoring is my business. I am having a splendid run of work and I guess everything is satisfactory—at least there are no kicks coming my way from patrons."

J. E. Olson:—"When deer becomes so plentiful that men can kill them with hammers the land which harbors them can truly be said to be one flowing with milk and honey—that expression being one description of a land of plenty. It was up at our saw mill, on Big Butte last week that my nephew, John Olson, slew one of the deer family with a hammer. The animal ran into the mill and a hammer being the only implement of slaughter handy it was used with telling effect. Yes, our mill is doing first-rate. We are running out about 8000 feet per day of fine sugar pine lumber. We have about 100,000 feet of this lumber now in the yard."

Ed. Phipps:—"We had a letter recently from Ira, who is attending a dental college in Chicago. He is getting along nicely and is having a fine time. He was mixed up with that big jam at the Auditorium when President McKinley and his cabinet were there attending the Peace Jubilee. He saw the president and all members of the cabinet as well as all those big naval officers. He went over to Detroit and across into Canada before his school commenced. Here is the necessary cash to pay my subscription and the Examiner until next October. Don't ask me for news—that's what I am paying you this money for—I want you to give me the news."

W. V. Lippincott:—"Never since I have been station agent in this city—and I have been here several years—have we been kept as busy as this fall. There is really more work than one would imagine could possibly be done. We work early and late—sometimes all night. All this indicates that there are more goods being sold by our merchants and that more shipments of stock, fruit and grain are being made by the producers of the valley. Yes, we have telephone connection with the business places of the city now. It makes a little more work for us by being compelled to answer calls, but it is a great convenience to the people of the town—and I am not kicking."

D. Anderton, Talent:—"Here is a sample of the water-proof buckskin glove which we are turning out at our factory on Wagner creek. I have recently taken in a partner, Mr. Meyers, from the east—a splendid young man and one whom you would like to meet. How are we doing, did you ask? First-rate. We have more orders than we can fill. Well, if that sample in your opinion is all right and good goods you would pass the same opinion on all our work. We flatter ourselves that we are putting up a good article. But it is no particular credit to me that I know how to make gloves. I have done nothing else all my life. My father was in the same business before me and I have a brother who is also making gloves. Yes, the merchants generally throughout the valley are giving us encouragement by buying our goods."

County School Notes.
By Supt. G. A. Gregory.

A. O. Freel has completed a term of school in 23, Mt. Pitt district.

Teachers' examination took place at Jacksonville last week but results are not known at this writing.

It is hoped that members of school boards within reach of Gold Hill will attend the educational meeting at Gold Hill this week Saturday.

A letter from the pupils in Ruch district indicates that good work is going on out there. It could hardly be otherwise—good pupils with a good teacher always do well.

In No. 60, Soda Springs district, W. E. Dimmitt was found with a few pupils who seemed to be earnestly striving to add to their fund of knowledge under the guidance of their teacher, who was using good methods.

The pupils and patrons in district 7 are in perfect sympathy and accord with Miss R. L. Warner, with the result that there is first-class work being done. Miss Warner believes she belongs to the district for the time being and so has formed the acquaintance of all the patrons, much to the advantage of both.

A half day spent in the school in No. 2, taught by J. Percy Wells, gave time for observing that he understands the latest methods and is making use of them, much to the advantage of the pupils. Reading and language were conducted in a way that was interesting and well intended to develop thought and expression. The lesson in geography happened to be on the subject of Spain. The class seemed to be well informed on the late events connected with that country and understood the location of islands which the United States has received in the late conquest.

Susie W. Homes, in 73, has a school which may well be called a model one for a rural district. There are several things which combine to make it so. The teacher is competent, the pupils obedient and anxious to learn and the patrons have provided the best built and equipped single room building in Jackson County. Some of the excellent things noted were perfect order and good manners on the part of the pupils, self control and reserve power with the teacher, intelligent expression in reading, all the pupils, above second reader, using the dictionary freely, and a fine reading from "Black Beauty" and good singing for opening exercises. The superintendent would advise all rural teachers who can do so to spend a day in this school.

The following program, arranged by the committee, for the educational meeting at Gold Hill, gives a wide range of important topics. November 19th is the date and we hope to see every teacher in that region present.

MORNING SESSION.

Government and Order ..... C. B. Fitzgerald
Discussion, led by P. H. Daily.
Map Drawing in Public Schools..... ....
..... Mrs Alice Bacon
Discussion, led by M. Ella Grimth.
Penmanship..... H. A. Cryder
General Discussion.
Physiology .... Anna Clements
Discussion, led by Lulu Newton.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Importance of an Education... J. Hammersley
Reading in Country Schools. Martha Cardwell
Discussion, led by E. L. Olwell.
Latest and Best Methods of Teaching Orthography..... A. J. Hanby
Discussion, led by Frances Barnes.
Open Exercises..... ...G. A. Gregory

A Renewal of War Probable.

Major-General Merriam is quoted as saying: "It would not surprise me to see that the negotiations between the United States and Spain had been broken off. If the work of the commission proves fruitless, it means a renewal of the war. If Spain refuses to accede to our demands it will show that she has secured substantial hope of assistance or European intervention. Should Germany take a hand in this matter England will follow suit, and then I look for France to put her finger in the pie."

Advertised Letter List.

Following is a list of letters remaining uncalled for in the Medford postoffice on November 16'98.

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Jones, R D	Lewis, R W
Place, Mrs H L	Parker, W A

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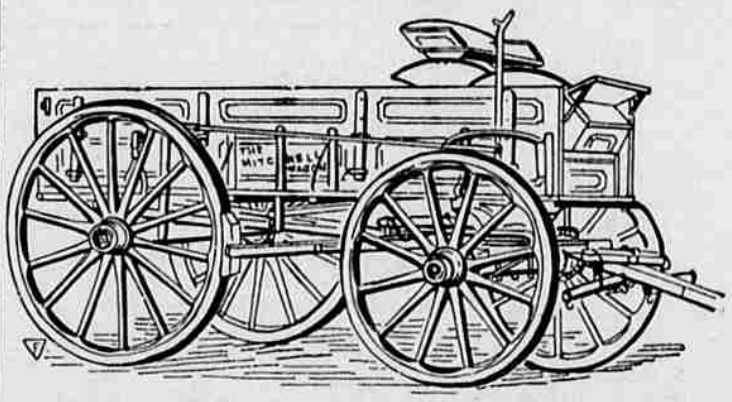

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