HOW SMART ARE YOU?

If you are pretty bright you will stand a good chance of winning a prize in the West Shore Word Contest. The five persons sending in the largest lists of words made from the phrase "ILLUSTRATED WEST SHORE," will receive the following prizes in the order of the length of their lists, the longest list taking the first prize.

LIST OF PRIZES.

FIRST PRIZE—A scholarship in the Portland Business College, or the Salem Business College, the leading business educational institutions in the Pacific northwest, good for either the business or short hand courses, and available at any time during the year 1891. Value, \$60.00.

SECOND PRIZE—Superb freehand crayon portrait, size 25x30, executed by the well-known portrait artist, Mr. E. W. Moore, at his studio in Portland. The winner of this prize can have his own portrait made, or that of any relative or friend. Value, \$50.00.

THIRD PRIXE—An elegant oil painting of Safrano Roses, executed by the celebrated floral artist, Mrs. J. T. Hayne. This is a most beautiful picture and is valued at her studio in Portland, at \$40.00.

FOURTH PRISE—Full set of Chambers Encyclopedia, with the American additions, bound in sheep and consisting of eight quarto volumes, of about 800 pages each, illustrated with wood engravings and colored maps. This is the most practical and valuable encyclopedia for constant use yet published. This is a new set, procured from J. K. Gill & Co., booksellers, Portland. Value, \$30.00.

FIFTH PRIZE—A copy of the new edition of Webster's International Dictionary. This is the only authorized edition of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, and has just been revised and enlarged, making it the only complete and standard work in one volume. It is indexed and bound in sheep. This work is sold by J. K. Gill & Co., Portland. Value, \$10.50.

RULES COVERNING THE CONTEST.

No one will be permitted to compete whose name is not on our subscription list for at least three months of 1891.

All words beginning with the same letter must be grouped together, and the groups arranged on the list in the alphabetical order of the initial letter of each group, the total number of words in each group being noted at the bottom of the group.

Only words that can be spelled by using the letters contained in the ILLUSTRATED WEST SHORE" will be counted, and no letter can be used in the same word more times than it occurs in the phrase. This permits the use of s three times, e three times, t three times, r twice, I twice, and all the others only once each in any one word.

Proper names and geographical names will not be allowed; but adjectives derived from proper nouns, when having a distinct significance, such " herculean," will be counted.

Only English words, or fully anglicized foreign words, such as appear in full faced type in the dictionary, will be counted. This includes all compound words given separate paragraphs and definitions, but excludes all words printed in italics. Instead of italics the latest edition of Webster uses this mark | to designate foreign words. All words so marked are excluded.

Two words spelled alike, though having different meanings, will be

All forms of the verb, but only one form of the noun, will be allowed. Prefixes and suffixes will not count as separate words.

The latest edition of Webster's dictionary will be the authority for settling all questions.

If two lists contain the same number of words, preference will be given

to the list first received at this office. The contest closes January 31, 1891, and all lists must be in this office on that day, and the name of the contestants be entered on our list for at least three months of the year 1891 to entitle them to enter the competition.

The result of the contest will be published immediately in WEST SHORE and the prizes held subject to the orders of the winners.

A scheme is on foot at Seattle for the establishment there of a sugar re finery. The proposition is that the citizens of Seattle will furnish \$200,000 and a like amount will come from the city of Honolulu, H. I., and the party who is the principal mover in the enterprise agrees to raise an additional \$100,000, making \$500,000 in all. Solicitations for subscriptions for stock have been very successful, and it is now thought quite likely the arrangements will be completed in a very short time. San Francisco has the only refinery on the Pacific coast in the United States, and supplies the entire Pacific northwest. This business could be very largely secured by a home institution, and with the advantage of saving transportation charges, should be made profitable.

"Echoes from Dream Land" is the title of a small volume of poems by Frederick Allison Tupper, of Shelburne Falls, Mass. Mr. Tupper's Puritan ancestry gives the chief color to his verses, all of which are good and some of which are very fine. Among the latter are "If Love Were Dead," and " My Ship."

According to the tax roll of Jackson county, Or., one resident pays tax on \$20,000, ten on \$15,000 or over and thirteen on \$10,000 or over. The Southern Pacific railroad company's property is assessed at \$638,805.

PUZZLEWITS.

Under the head of "Puzzlewits," West Shore will begin in January the publication of a department devoted to original puzzles of all kinds. It purposes to make this department a co-operative one. There are hundreds of bright boys and girls who enjoy exercising their faculties in originating and solving puzzles, and WEST SHORE offers itself as a medium through which they may exchange the products of their brains and where they can meet in friendly competition. The time thus spent in intellectual effort is beneficially employed, the mental strength gained being of far more lasting value than the prizes secured or the pleasure of success in competing with other minds. In order to stimulate effort by giving some definite object to work for, prizes will be given, both for original puzzles and solutions. satisfaction of gaining a prize in an intellectual contest is very great and the value of the prize itself cuts but a small figure; yet the prizes offered are well worth special effort to gain them.

The department will appear each month, in the issue published the nearest to the twentieth of the month, and all puzzles for that issue and answers to those of the previous issue must reach this office not later than the tenth of the month in order to compete for prizes.

The following prizes will be awarded monthly:

FOR PUZZLES.—For the best puzzle of any kind, two dollars in cash. For second best, subscription to WEST SHORE for six months. For the third best, subscription to WEST SHORE for three months.

FOR SOLUTIONS —For the first complete set of answers received, two dollars in cash. For the second, subscription to WEST SHORE for six months. For the third, subscription to WEST SHORE for three months. Answers must reach this office by the tenth of the month following the publication of the puzzles. In case of no complete list being received the nearest complete will be awarded the prizes.

GRAND PRIZES.—For the greatest number of puzzles accepted and published during the year 1801, an elegant life size portrait, either crayon or water color as the winner may select, executed at the photographic establishment of B. C. Towne, corner of First and Morrison streets, Portland, Oregon. For the greatest number of correct answers received during the year 1891, one of Towne's portraits as described above. The second greatest in each of these classes will receive a subscription to Wast SHORE for one year, the third greatest, for six months, and the fourth greatest, for three months.

The portraits will be of the finest work and the winner can have his own portrait or that of a friend. He can either sit for a new photograph or can send by mall one previously taken, from which to have the crayon or water color made.

Subscriptions awarded as prizes may be sent to any address or may be used to extend the time of a previous subscription. Contestants are re quested to be careful in giving name and address. All communications for this department should be addressed "Puzzlewits" in addition to "Wast SHORE, Portland, Oregon." Contributors desiring puzzles to be returned if not accepted should enclose a stamp for that purpose. Prize winners will be promptly notified of the fact and their names and addresses will be published in the department. All are invited to compete.

Respectfully,

WEST SHORE PUB. CO.