THE TORCH OF REASON, SILVERTON, OREGON, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1898.

To Raise Five Thousand Dollars for the Unversity.

Secularists, P. C. Mosier, will give ... \$50 Lou Ames will give.... 50 A Friend will give..... 50 D. Buckingham will give A. Slaman, M. D., will give ... 50 50 R. C. Burtis will give A Friend will give 50 provided that

> more men (or women) will give the same amount. Where are the ninety-three?

NEWS AND NOTES.

Read our offer on the 3rd. page.

The advance class in physiology were given a final examination this week.

It is now to your interest more than ever before to get new subscribers for us.

This fine spring weather makes us feel that we should get to work on the University building.

The Edison Co. will give a projectoscope exhibition at Liberal hall Friday and Saturday evenings.

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The Corbett prize-fight and

Eighty wonderful life-like moving scenes will be presented by the projectoscope at Liberal hall, Friday and Saturday evenings. Admission ten and twenty cents.

One man from South Dakota, 50 one from Michigan and one from Oregon came forward with fifty dollars each for the University this week. Who will represent the otaer states?

Those men promising fifty dollars each to the University this week, leaves us in need of just ninetythree more in order to raise the five thousand dollars according to the plan of Mr. Mosier of Ill. Let report a good number of doners next week, and still more each succeeding week until the one bundred are found.

Secularists everywhere will be pleased to learn that Miss Kate DePeatt has entirely recovered from her recent illness and is preparing to take up her work once more in the interests of the cause of Humanity. She will deliver lectures on her way to Silverton, and on arriv ing here will take up the work in the University.

The drama, given by the students last week for the benefit of the Liberal University, was a decided success, and those present were surprised to see the students act their parts so well. Most of them were never in a drama before. Clyde knockout will be one of the special Mount, as the ardent lover, acted thology show that peoples and perhis part quite naturally and ap- sons who have adopted mystery peared to be at home on the stage, and divine inspiration as exclusive while the object of his love, Miss guides have been precipitated at as well, to the admiration and and material ruin.-[Berthelot. amusement of all present. Lora Ames took the part of "Tilly", a The drama "Texas" will be rend- stage-struck lass, and to say that was the Irish servant who caused the Catastrophe. This character was very ably represented by Chas. Page, and brought no end of amusement to the audience. Mr. Mason took the part of the English coachman who was in love with Tilly. The old man was well impersonated by Louie Rauch. He appeared in the last part of the play just in time to end the "Great Catastrophe" in a very satisfactory manner by forgiving all and marrying the governess. This last character was an old maid "with nerves" and was Eliza Mowry Bliven requests you represented by Mrs. Hosmer. The "No Future Life", and "Annihila- gained a reputation as good actors, J. A. Hunt, Oregon, tion Preferable". Write your argu- and their entertainments will be University students.

Hash.

"I know a man," said Voltaire, Scientific "who is firmly persuaded that at the death of a bee, its buzzing ceases."

The only hope for most professed Christians is that their heaven will turn out to be the Hot Springs for lame souls.

Do good constantly, patiently cause to say that this life is not worth living.

"Yes," said the philosopher, Silverton "there are many shining lights in the church, but the janitor manipulates them."

And this is bible science: " I have made the earth like a sheet. and the heavens like a tent above it" (Psalms). Swallow this, my dear scientific Christians.

Human morality. no more than science, does not recognize divine origin; it does not proceed from religions Its rules are drawn from the internal domain of conscience and the external domain of observation.--[Berthelot.

To live is to have justice, truth, reason, devotion, probity, sincerity, common sense, right and duty welded into the heart. To live is to know what one is worth-what one can do and should do. Life is conscience.-[Victor Hugo.

General history and mental pe-



The Little Candle contains moral and avgle nic stories and lessons, letters from young folks and lessons for Secular Sunday Schools. It contains nothing superstitious, and is just the thing for children, no matter of what belief. If you Ada Page acted her part equally once into irreparable moral, mental have no Secular Sunday school that you can attend, subscribe for the Little Candle and have a Sunday school in your own home.

FOR CHILDREN

features at the projectoscope exhibition.

The Y. P. S. S. C. will hold its meeting in the hall Thursday evening. A mock trial is the special feature of the program.

ered by a splendid troup at Liberal she did well is putting it mildly. hall, Saturday evening Feb. 12th she kept her lover guessing while in behalf of the Silverton Marine she held Millikin at bay. Millikin Band.

What do you think of our offer on third page of this issue? Here is a chance for some bright, energetic young people to earn their way through the Liberal University. Do your best, and if you are not successful in getting the largest number of subscribers for us, you will still have the satisfaction of doing great good for a noble cause. This contest ought to be the means of bringing us in a thousand subscribers.

to send us your arguments in a few same troup is preparing another words on the following subjects: drama which they will present in "How Souls Grow and Decay", the near future. They have now ments in not more than fifty words looked forward to with interest. and mail them to us for publication. We want at least twenty-five "Scientific Wisdom".

If work on the so-called Christo respond in time for next week's tian Sabbath hurts man, we should issue. Read Mrs. Bliven's article say stop working; if it only hurts on another page under the head of the sabbath there is no need to stop.

The Salvation Army lunatics, with their washed-in-the-blood-ofthe-lamb laundry business, seem to SILVERTON enjoy a joke at the expense of that same lamb occasionally. Last sum- SILVERTON mer they displayed in front of their barracks in Duluth, a sign which read: "Why buy mutton at $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents per pound when you can get the lamb of God for nothing?"

B. L. HJERMSTAD.

Church Meeting.

There will be a regular business meeting of the Silverton Secular church at Liberal Hall, Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. All members of the church should be Orders from a distance given present. J. D. GUISS, Pres.

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