

To Raise Five Thousand Dollars for the University.

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| 17 Secularists, | |
| P. C. Mosier, will give. | \$50 |
| Lou Ames will give. | 50 |
| A Friend will give. | 50 |
| D. Buckingham will give. | 50 |
| A. Slaman, M. D., will give. | 50 |
| R. C. Burtis will give. | 50 |
| A Friend will give. | 50 |
| C. F. Ames will give. | 50 |
| P. Rauch will give. | 50 |
| D. Bolton will give. | 50 |
| Harry Fricker will give. | 50 |
| E. Stewart will give. | 50 |
| A Friend will give. | 50 |
| Mr. Hjermstad, | } 50 |
| Friend from Waldo Hills | |
| H. Allen will give. | 50 |
| L. E. Fuller will give. | 50 |
| F. Wilkinson will give. | 50 |

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

NEWS AND NOTES.

Mrs. B. Forstner, of Salem Ore., contributed six splendid volumes to the library last week.

F. S. Matteson, of Turner, Ore., sent "Mans Place in Nature", by Huxley, for the library.

J. E. Hosmer has accepted the nomination for State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Those who wish to belong to the Library Association may do so by placing a book in the library.

We are in receipt of another fine load of potatoes from Mr. M. Cooley. We can't be starved out as long as we have such friends.

The Christian Nations, the United States and Spain, ought to pray if they haven't, or ought to stop if that's what they have been doing. Anything to save Cuba!

If every Christian in our land would read the article in this issue from Herbert Spencer, they would be obliged to pray pretty hard or lose their faith in the Bible creation story.

"The Demands of Liberalism" is the title of a 64 page pamphlet issued by the Truth Seeker Co., New York, at ten cents a copy. It deals at length with the nine demands of Liberalism and is a forcible argument against the union of church and state.

Remember if you send us the names and addresses of 25 of your Liberal friends and acquaintances, we will make you a present of a copy of the Torch of Reason Song Book No. 1. This will only cost you a few minutes' work and a two-cent stamp.

Secularists, would you not like to have some letter heads printed with Secular sentiment and Wettstein's Freethought badge, to use in correspondence with your friends?

We will furnish them to you with your name and address printed on them for 75 cents per hundred, \$1.50 for 250, or \$2.50 for 500 post paid. Let the people know where you stand.

Abroad.

Tuesday, April 12, I took the train for Hubbard, where arrangements had been made for me to lecture that evening. Mr. Kester had left nothing undone in the way of arrangements, and consequently we had a splendid crowd at the lecture. This was the first Secular lecture in that town for years, and many people came through curiosity to see what the cause of Secularism really is. Let us hope that they found out and that the majority of them are well enough satisfied so that they will attend Secular lectures whenever they have an opportunity. I met many Secularists at the lecture and spent the next morning visiting them. Hubbard could have a Secular Sunday school if we had some one to put in charge of it. Among those I met are Mr. and Mrs. Kester and their daughter Lena, who takes the Little Candle, Mr. and Mrs. Beebe, Mr. Wolfer and Dr. and Mrs. Weaver, where I took dinner. I also met several others whose names I fail to recall. After dinner Mr. and Mrs. Kester took me in their carriage to Woodburn, where I took the train for Silvertown.

After spending a few days at home, I "hit the road" again. Friday evening I took the train for Albany, where I arrived in time to find some friends before bedtime. The next morning I visited the express office, where a bicycle was in waiting for me. With the aid of a friend I succeeded in putting the machine together and took it out for a trial, which proved to be a successful one. I will now have company on my trips, and although my companion may at times prove to be a treacherous one, I am sure I can use it to good advantage in the cause of Secularism.

While in Albany I called on Miss Willitt, who is an enthusiastic Secularist, and was glad to learn that she intends to travel in the interest of the cause, in company with Miss DePeatt, making a tour of the country this summer. She expects to be at the convention this year, and will add to the entertainment, as she is a good violinist. I also had the pleasure of a visit with Dr. Hill while in Albany, and enjoyed looking at his fine collection of natural history specimens and Indian relics. Dr. Hill is a very interesting man to talk with, being well versed in the topics of the day.

Leaving Albany in the afternoon on the train, I arrived at Harrisburg in a short time and called on some of the Secular friends, among whom are Mr. Tyler, Mr. Tracy,

Mr. Hay and Mr. LaSalle and family. Mr. LaSalle's daughter Anna has been very sick since my last visit to Harrisburg, but I was glad to find that she is recovering and has hopes of soon being well again. Mr. Hay kindly rowed me across the Willamette and I mounted the wheel and peddled away for Junction City, a distance of four miles, where I was billed to lecture Sunday night.

I found that Mr. Wilkinson had made all the arrangements for the lecture and Prof. Sibbitts kindly furnished the music, which added greatly to the program. The audience was not very large, but better than we expected, for the churches made an extra effort to draw our crowd away from us. They did not accomplish much, however, and the cause of Secularism still flourishes. Mr. Wilkinson and family are congenial people and I enjoyed my stay with them very much. The two children will receive their education at the Liberal University. Miss Gertrude Milliorn is still at home and expresses a desire to be able to attend the Liberal University again next term. Miss Sibbitts is another who hopes to receive an education in our institution. Yesterday I called at the home of George Bailey and had a very pleasant time and a good dinner. I will spend the rest of this day in and near Junction City and then try my "luck" in other places. I am out in the interest of the cause, and wherever I can best serve the cause, there you will find me.

PEARL W. GEER.

Junction City, Ore. April 18.

Stockholders' Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the stockholders of the Silvertown Liberal Union for the transaction of any and all business that may be legally brought before the meeting, at Liberal Hall, Silvertown, Ore., April 30, E. M. 298, at 2:00 o'clock p. m. By order of the President.

L. AMES, Sec'y.

University Fund.

The amount given in this fund is actual cash paid in, regardless of what has been promised:

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| Previously acknowledged, | \$625.30 |
| Harry T. Smith | 1.00 |
| D. Buckingham | 3.50 |
| Flora A. Burtis | 5.00 |

MATERIAL, ETC.

Previously acknowledged, \$274.50

Religion teaches man to sing praises to God, but all such singing does not drown sorrow or relieve human want.—[Investigator.]

The Incarnation has to be believed without evidence. There is no way it can be established. It is beyond the reach and realm of reason. It defies observation and is independent of experience.—[Ingersoll.]

Information Bureau

IS THERE ANYTHING YOU WANT?

If so, make your wants known to us, and we will try and supply them. If what we do for you is worth nothing to you, we will expect no pay. Cast your eye over the list, and then write to us. Read our ad. on page 6. Address,

INFORMATION BUREAU,
Box 100. SILVERTON, ORE.

School Teacher.—A young lady, who is a thorough Secularist, would like employment in a public school. She holds a third-grade certificate and can give good references.

School Teacher.—A gentleman with thirty years' experience in the school room, who holds a state teacher's certificate, would like employment as teacher. Can teach vocal and instrumental music.

Care of Children.—A girl of 19, steady and quiet, Secularist, wants situation as care-taker and teacher of children. Is competent, can teach rudiments of music and plays the organ. References given and required.

Secularists Wanted.—Secularists who are thoroughly interested in the cause are wanted to help build up a Secular community near Silvertown, Oregon. It is thought best that each member of the community own a little home of his or her own, which can VERY EASILY be obtained. Write to us.

Real Estate for Sale.—80 acres, house and barn, good orchard, all fenced, 8 miles from Silvertown, near school, 35 acres improved, on main road. Price \$800.

Twenty acres; 15 acres improved, all fenced, good spring, 1½ miles from Silvertown. Price \$700.

One hundred and sixty acres; 12 acres cleared, 4 miles from Silvertown. Price \$300.

Help Wanted.—A lady in Eastern Oregon writes to the Information Bureau as follows: "I want a woman who is able to work; a good cook, and a nice housekeeper. We live on a farm and have no children at home. We have work hands in the spring and through hay harvest. The woman (or girl) we employ must be agreeable and we prefer a Liberal. If we get one to suit, we would want her by the year, or as long as she wanted to stay, if it is until death parts us."

Since advertising as above the lady has taken three grandchildren to care for. She is therefore still more in need of help and will pay good wages.

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