

NEWS AND NOTES.

A letter from Mr. Geer announces that he will not be home next month.

Do all that you can to hasten the sale of stock, so we can begin to build. We should begin at once.

Read the plan of the Liberal University Corporation in this issue, and take stock.

Peter Rauch was the first Silverton Liberal to take stock in the Liberal University Corporation. He subscribed for 38 shares.

A visit to the Waldo Hills this week revealed to the editor that the University has many friends in that locality. Now let us draw close together and work.

If you want blanks like the one on the eighth page of this issue, call at the office or write for them. Perhaps you can sell some stock for us.

Before our plans were printed, the following citizens of Silverton subscribed for stock: Peter Rauch, L. Ames, Henry Allen, T. D. Allen, H. E. Klein. At this rate we will soon begin to build.

J. E. and M. P. Hosmer visited Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Klein last Sunday, and all took a trip to the new Catholic institution now in the course of construction on "The Butte."

Secularists would you not like to have some letterheads 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.

LITTLE POINTS.

If the devil is a personification of evil, God must be a personification of good.

The chief characteristic of a Christian is his fear of investigation. This means bigotry, stagnation, disunion, slavery, hell.

Everybody makes mistakes, but the worst of all is continuing in the same mistake. If you make a mistake, like joining an orthodox church, for example, don't be too cowardly to acknowledge your mistake and withdraw. Don't be a hypocrite.

Some godly people think that "the people must have something to hold them in check." Well, the ancient lies won't hold us in check much longer, and unless you give us something more wholesome we will checkmate your little god-devil-heaven-hell game.

If a man or woman is good and says nothing against Christianity, he or she is "a Christian if there ever was one;" but if a person is ever so good, but expresses an opinion against belief in Christ Jesus' power to save, "he is simply awful." Pray for him, dear sisters!

The following passages do not look very well together:

"Depart from Me ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels."

"Come unto Me, all ye that labor

and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

Isn't it a great blessing that our soldier boys are from a Christian nation? When he is shooting the poor heathen, or hunting them from swamp to swamp, the Christian soldier lad can pray for their souls and for their wives and little ones.

God made an awful mistake when he made man so wicked, so his son, with the able assistance of the preachers, have been working nineteen hundred years to fix things as they should be. Some men and women are now almost as nice as those who were Abel to raise Cain.

LOCALS.

Woodworkers, don't forget to send an order for a set of the Forstner Auger Bits. Price, \$2.60 by mail. See ad.

Money to patent good ideas may be secured by our aid. Address THE PATENT RECORD, Baltimore, Md.

Remember our clubbing rate with the Oregonian only lasts for a limited time. Read our offer on page 7.

Ladies who wish cut hair or combings woven into switches may leave their orders at the Torch of Reason office. Orders by mail promptly attended to.

Our offer of the Torch of Reason and the Oregonian for \$1.50 is at an end and we now return to the old rate of \$1.75, which is very reasonable, and we hope to get many subscriptions to both papers. Torch of Reason, \$1.00; Oregonian, \$1.50—\$2.50 for only \$1.75.

A descriptive catalogue of all the best Freethought works free on application to Dellquest & Andrews, Secular Booksellers, El Paso, Texas.

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.

\$3000.—Three lots and buildings, consisting of a 2½-story hotel, a saloon building, a blacksmith shop, two dwelling houses and a barn, situated in Oswego, Oregon. Would trade for other property. 15

Dairy and Fruit Farms.—A dairy farm of 36 acres, good alfalfa land, and fruit farm of 80 acres, 10 acres grapes, 2 acres peaches and other fruit, good house and barns and other outbuildings. All situated in San Diego county, Calif. Will sell cheap or trade for a stock farm. 16

To Trade.—Twenty-two acre fruit farm, 8 miles south of Salem, Ore.; 4 acres bearing orchard, mostly winter apples, 2 acres strawberries, new wire fence, good house and barn, plenty of pasture, excellent water, and timber enough for wood. Would like to trade for a larger place. 17

Agents.—Agents wanted to sell the Forstner Auger Bit. Money can be made. Send 60c for sample, or \$2.60 for full set packed in neat box. 13

80 acres.—About four miles from Silverton; small, unfinished house; about 5 acres cleared; \$600. Better see it. 11

For Sale.—A fine little house in Silverton, with one acre of land, for only \$285. "First come, first served." 4

For Sale.—A fine little home in Silverton—½-acre; apples, prunes, raspberries, cherries, pears; neat little house, painted and papered; good sidewalk. Price, \$450. 3

For Sale or Trade for Property in or near Silverton—320 acres near Dayville, Ore., on both sides of John Day river; 80 acres meadow; good house, barn, sheds, cellar, etc.; excellent water, well and spring; 200 head horses, 100 head cattle, 24 swarms bees, etc., etc.; one-half section of school land, which can easily be obtained, joins the place. All for \$8500 or good trade. 25

Real Estate for Sale.—80 acres, house and barn, good orchard, all fenced, 8 miles from Silverton, near school, 35 acres improved, on main road. Price \$900. 5

Twenty acres; 15 acres improved, all fenced, good spring, 1½ miles from Silverton. Price \$700. 6

One hundred and sixty acres; 12 acres cleared, 6 miles from Silverton. Price \$300. 11

Dairy Farm.—480 acres of deeded land, 80 acres in meadow and balance grain hay land, pasture, etc. A good stream of water runs through the farm the year round. Also 320 acres of timber culture and homestead which can be proved up on for \$200. Good house, dairy with utensils for making cheese and butter, smokehouse, blacksmith shop and tools, and large, new barn to hold 50 head of cows, 50 calves and 100 tons of hay. Good well at house and barn. This fine dairy farm is located in one of the finest little valleys in Eastern Oregon. The owner finds ready market for all his cheese and butter at high prices, and has made enough money at the business so that he can afford to retire. He wishes to locate in Silverton and educate his children in the Liberal University. He offers all this for only \$3000—one-half down and balance on easy terms; also 130 head of cattle and some hogs will be sold very cheap for cash. Address the Information Bureau, Silverton, Ore. 13

Teacher.—A gentleman, 40 years of age, residing in Missouri, desires to move to Oregon if he can get a position as teacher or find some congenial work. He has excellent recommendations and has had very successful experience in the school room. 19

LIBERAL UNIVERSITY CORPORATION.

The capital stock of the Liberal University Corporation will consist of 10,000 shares at ten dollars per share. A total of one hundred thousand dollars. Each stock-holder is entitled to vote the amount of his stock at any of the stock-holder's meetings. No assessments will be levied. The money raised by selling stock will be used in constructing the University buildings, purchasing apparatus, and necessary lands, and carrying out the plan of the school. Thirteen trustees will be elected by the stock-holders each year; said trustees to have full control of the management of the University. The money received for tuition and the sale of scholarships is expected to be sufficient for carrying on the work of the School after it is once started. How many shares do you want? Fill out the following blank, and forward at once to Liberal University, Silverton, Oregon; or, to T. B. Wakeman, 93 Nassau Street, New York City.

Liberal University Corporation.

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I HEREBY SUBSCRIBE for _____ shares of Stock, at Ten Dollars each, in the Liberal University Corporation, now forming at Silverton, Oregon.

Name _____

Post office _____ State _____

Street, or Post office Box _____

The right is reserved to reject any or all Bids