

NEWS AND NOTES.

Work is progressing rapidly on the Liberal University building, but we need more carpenters.

Remember school opens Monday, October 2nd. Are you ready? We are getting ready.

Mr. Geer brought with him some valuable specimens for the University museum and some fine books for the library.

The windows of the University are 3ft. 5in.x8ft. 6in., the upper part, or transom, being made of waved, colored glass.

P. W. Geer arrived in Silverton last Sunday evening. His safe return and his great success in securing help for the University makes us all happy.

The recent rain makes the farmers of the Waldo Hills "look down their noses," but if it clears up now the damage to wheat will not be so very great.

Mrs Minnie Preston, our new kindergarten teacher from Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, will be in Silverton before this issue of the Torch reaches many of our readers.

Those who so kindly donated money for the shingle fund will be glad to learn that we have purchased seventy thousand of the very best cedar shingles in the market.

The September number of the Freethought Magazine will be an Ingersoll Memorial edition, and the October number will be devoted to the Liberal University and T. B. Wakeman. These will be valuable numbers and well worth the price of a year's subscription to the magazine. Hadn't you better send a dollar to H. L. Green, 213 E. In-

diana Street, Chicago, and get his magazine for a year?

Just as we go to press, word comes that six persons are en route to Silverton from Wisconsin, to enjoy our excellent climate and the benefits of the Liberal University.

A Good Idea.

Continued from 3d page. The Torch should be asked to make use of the subjects, and the lessons also, in conversation with their family, neighbors, children, etc., on the Sunday following their appearance in the Torch. Thus a sort of Sunday school work will be done by each, and many a real Sunday school may be started with just that little help and guidance.

It seems to me three subjects might be given in each Torch—one virtue or vice, one hygienic subject, and one subject for a nature lesson. I will be one of the writers, and if I don't succeed as well as others, why throw my attempts into the waste basket. Both original writings and appropriate selections might be asked for, but none must be over a half-column in length (about 250 words). If something excellent is sent on other subjects, 'tis good to have variety, to keep up interest and suit more tastes. Is this an acceptable idea?

ELIZA MOWRY BLIVEN.

The above letter from our esteemed friend, explains an excellent plan so well that we can't refrain from publishing it. We would be much pleased if friends would take hold of the lessons, and we promise to publish them as soon as suitable ones are received. Mrs. Bliven's idea is a very acceptable one. Let us help her make it a success.—Ed.

LOCALS.

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

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\$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

Home.—Fifteen acres in Silverton, on Silver creek; fine, finished house, new barn, nicely fenced, fruit, water power—\$3000. 14

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.; 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 \$800. 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

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