

We note that the Engene High School News says, "The Chemawa American, from Salem, contains no exchange Column." That is true, but all the same we are glad to have a good exchange list and to have among the number, The News.



The one who does his work cheerfully and without complaint or grumbling will steadily climb the ladder of success. While the grumbler and growler will drop down one round each day and will at last be found at the bottom, prone on his back. If he just spent one quarter of his energy and zeal trying to be cheerful instead of grumbling and complaining, usually concerning the affairs of others, he would have reached the top round instead, and his success in life assured.



SALEM, Dec 17.—James Rutherford, the 15-year-old son of T. W. Rutherford, lost his right foot last night by being run over by a train at Marion. In spite of frequent warnings he persisted in jumping on trains while they were in motion, and the accident was the result. Rutherford is a well-known resident of Marion County.

After reading the above the boys can see how important it is that the rules of the school forbidding the boys jumping on trains be strictly enforced, and boys punished severely should they be so foolish as to do so.



"In behalf of the Indians of Indian Territory, the W. C. T. U., in convention assembled, representing 300,000 women, earnestly entreated that in your forthcoming message to Congress you recommend that no measure be taken which can imperil the existing prohibitory law or party rights granted to the Indians by a solemn treaty of the United States Government."

The W. C. T. U. in convention at Fort Worth, Texas, the other day passed the above resolution and voted that the above resolution and memorial be ordered wired to President Roosevelt.

Judge Sanborn, of the federal court, has decided that after Indians become citizens they are still wards of the government, and that, after Indian Territory shall be allotted and the Indians are voters, it will still be a crime to sell them whiskey.

The above decision is in accordance with the decision of the United States Supreme Court, whenever this question gets before that court of last resort.



President Roosevelt wants to make the Indian work and earn his living, and the W. C. T. U. wants him deprived of whiskey. If these purposes both succeed, the Indian will have no more use for earth, but will desire speedy transition to the happy hunting grounds.

The "funny" man of the Telegram has the above to say concerning the Indian. The American has no doubt that the above "funny" man if he will look at home in Portland, he will find a very large crowd to keep the Indian company should the W. C. T. U. ever succeed in making Portland a dry town. We venture without fear of contradiction that there is a very much larger percentage of liquor drinkers in Portland, or for that matter in any large city in the United States, than there are Indians who are whiskey drinkers. Statistics on this would be interesting.

TELEGRAM.

Supt. Indian School,
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I'll be there X-mas night sure, with ten sleigh loads of toys, candies, nuts and other nice things. Have just purchased twenty new reindeer and I tell you they are Fliers. Your team of horses called the Fliers are not in it with them. Now have everything ready and let us have a good lively time when I get there. Mrs. Santa may come also as she thinks there are no boys and girls anywhere that can come up to the Chemawa boys and girls. That's straight. Good-bye.

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