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### Beats a Government Position.

A hard working Swede rented 40 acres of land 5 miles from North Yakima, Wash., last year paying \$5.00 rent per acre. He planted the most of it in potatoes, receiving for his entire crop \$21.00 per ton. He went to the bank to get his money and when the cashier counted out \$5,000 in gold, the poor ignorant Swede was staggered and his eyes stuck out like saucers. He never saw so much money in his life before. He was certain he could not carry so much money home in his pockets and requested the banker to keep the money until he could go home and get a sack to put it in. The banker finally persuaded him to deposit his gold in the bank where it would be much safer than at home until he saw fit to invest it. He heeded this advice and in a few months later bought a good farm of his own. There are several others who have made equally big money in farming in that country so it pays boys and girls to learn here at Chemawa how to raise potatoes. If a man like that Swede who never went to school can make \$5,000 in a few months raising potatoes why cannot our Indian young men do just as well and better since the government has given them a good education in literary as well as industrial lines.

That is what the "Old Man in the Tower" would like to know. A good man can be as smooth and nice to handle as a baseball but it pays a great deal better.

### A Wedding.

A pretty wedding took place Tuesday evening July 1, at eight o'clock in the couples' parlor at Warm Spring reservation, when Dr. Edgar Bates, of Pullena and Miss Sarah Blaker of Salt Lake, Utah, were united in marriage by Rev. Gordon, missionary to the Indians. The parlor was beautifully decorated for the occasion. The bride was beautifully dressed in white and carried Syringa blossoms. Miss Ella Briggs acted as bridesmaid and was also dressed in white. Mr. J. K. Kirk, Capt. the "best man," and Helen Gordon, ring bearer. The wedding march was beautifully rendered by Mrs. Daisy Hayes, a former student of Chemawa. Ice cream and cake were served. Mr. and Mrs. Bates left next morning to attend the N. E. A. at Minneapolis and an extended trip east.

### Essay on Man.

A man's life is full of crises and temptations. He comes into this world without his consent and goes out against his will, and the trip between the two is exceedingly rocky. The rule of contraries is one of the important features of the trip. When he settles the big girls kiss him, but when he is grown the little girls kiss him. If he raises a large family he is a chump, but if he raises a small stock he is a thief and a fraud and shunned like a Chinaman with the seven year itch. If he is poor he is a bad manager; if he is rich he is dishonest; if he's in politics, it's for pie; if he's out of politics you can't place him, and he's no good for his country; if he don't give to charity he is selling out; if he does, it is for show; if he dies young there was a great future ahead of him; if he lives to an old age he has missed his calling. He is introduced in this world and to the next in the same place. The road is rocky but man knows to travel it. — (86).