

FORGED A CHECK.—Saturday Wilson & Cooke found that a check they had cashed for a stranger on October 10, was a forgery. The check was on the First National Bank of Portland, in favor of Wilson & Cooke, for the sum of \$54.65, and was signed John Schindler, the name of a responsible New Era farmer. The stranger that presented the check at the same time delivered a letter, bearing Mr. Schindler's name. The letter was addressed to Wilson & Cooke, and said the bearer, A. Miller, had been grubbing for him, and had earned \$54.65; that the writer was obliged to give a check for the sum and asked the firm to cash it, and take a receipt in full from Miller. The man who represented himself to be Miller was questioned about his acquaintance in the neighborhood where Mr. Schindler lives, and he mentioned a dozen farmers that he said he knew. So the check was paid and in the course of business, it was protested. Sunday Mr. Schindler was visited, and he knew nothing at all about the affair, but said that a man named Waggoner had stopped at his house the night of October 9, and professed to want to buy a farm. Mr. Schindler took him to see a farm he had for sale, and the stranger was particular to inquire the names of all the neighbors and find out where Mr. Schindler marketed his produce and did his trading. Wilson & Cooke were named as merchants with whom Mr. Schindler did considerable trading.

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 IN AID OF MISSIONS.—One of the most successful of all semi-annual meetings of the Woman's Missionary Society, of the presbytery of Portland, was held last Thursday in the Presbyterian church of Oregon City. The bright weather did much to encourage large delegations from the various churches, each car from Portland having a large party. The morning session opened with devotional exercises, conducted by Mrs. A. J. Montgomery, after which Mrs. Sydney Smyth came forward and welcomed the guests in behalf of the ladies of Oregon City. To this, the president, Mrs. W. B. Lee, of Mount Tabor, responded. There followed reports of the various secretaries. The treasurer, Mrs. E. B. Ooman, reported \$1313 contributed to missions during the past six months. The afternoon exercises consisted of devotional and missionary papers. Resolutions concerning the deaths of Mrs. Hannah Smith, Mrs. F. E. Thayer and Mrs. A. E. Donaldson were adopted, also a resolution thanking the ladies of Oregon City for their hospitality in entertaining and serving lunch to so large a number, after which the society adjourned, to hold the spring meeting in the Fourth Presbyterian church of Portland.

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Our I's and Other Eyes.

Our I's are just as strong as they were fifty years ago, when we have cause to use them. But we have less and less cause to praise ourselves, since others do the praising, and we are more than willing for you to see us through other eyes. This is how we look to S. F. Boyce, wholesale and retail druggist, Duluth, Minn., who after a quarter of a century of observation writes:

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RELEASED.—Harry Rogers and Peter Moran, who were held to the grand jury on the charge of killing Joe Stampfle, whose body was found under the railroad bridge at Park Place October 3, were released Tuesday on recommendation of Deputy District Attorney Porter and Chief of Police Burns. Moran was held because he was found with Rogers, and answered the description of one of the men alleged to have been seen with Stampfle. Rogers was thought to be the principal, because \$98.00 was found on his person, and on the supposition that Stampfle had money that supplied the motive for the murder. Since they were committed, a thorough investigation of Rogers' story has been made, and every material part of it is amply corroborated. The superintendent of the Leon mine, near Riverside, Cal., besides telling the amount of money paid Rogers when he left there, voluntarily testified to the exceptionally good character the young man bore, saying he was clean, honest, industrious and sober. The cashier of the bank at Riverside sent an affidavit showing the condition of Rogers' account there, which was precisely as Rogers had claimed.

Largest Ins. Business—F. E. Donaldson.
Y. M. C. A. Notes.
 Regular monthly business meeting of the Association on Friday evening, October 23d. All members are invited. Gymnasium classes are beginning to get down to systematic work.

Evangelists Holdridge and Dickson of Portland will have charge of the men's meeting during the week of prayer, November 8-15. Plan now to attend every meeting.
 The vocal music class on Tuesday nights is increasing in numbers. Special rates to lady pupils.

GOLD AND SILVER.
 OREGON CITY, October 20th.
Editor Courier:
 McKinley told us in his Toledo speech that the demonization of silver enhanced the price of gold (i.e.) made silver cheap.

Mr. Dye and Mr. Dresser said on Saturday last that it was the overproduction of silver which caused its low price. On my giving figures to disprove this, my statement was challenged. Mr. Dye produced figures which only dated back to 1840, but which corroborated my statement as far as they went, that we had only an average production of less than 12 tons of silver to one of gold since 1850. Instead of producing the mint report which I asked for, Mr. Dresser came along and said he had been to look it up, and it was 17 tons of silver to one of gold in the year 1800. I told him he had made a mistake when he charged me with being unable to read or understand the figures. The fact is that the average production from 1800 to 1810 was over 50 tons of silver to one of gold and that immense production did not effect the bullion price, which has always been the same as the minting price, varying only fractionally according to the time in waiting for minting and the consequent loss of interest thereby.

If the production of 50 tons to 1 did not change the ratio price of 15 to 1, how absurd to say that the highest production since 1850 (i.e.) 17 to 1, or the average since that time, less than 12 to 1, should put the price down if we had free mintage.

Veritably, the blind leaders of the blind at the McKinley and Hobart headquarters are in the ditch of ignorance and gold superstition. Of Mr. Dresser's overbearing egotism we will not complain, as it helps the cause of free silver wherever he goes.

Respectfully yours,
 G. E. HARGREAVES.

Visit Miss C. Goldsmith's millinery parlors. We are the leaders in low prices. Our styles are the latest.

For the best shave or hair cut to be had go to P.G. Shark's shop. Shaving 10 cents.

Ladies' Kid Gloves, assorted colors cheap, at the Racket Store.

Don't forget the Racket Store when you are hunting bargains.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.
 Annual city election occurs December 7th.
 Mrs. Vishels of Stockton is visiting Mrs. Murry.
 E. N. Scott has just recovered from a severe attack of malaria.
 Mrs. R. A. Miller returned Wednesday from a visit at Salem.
 Mrs. Garretson of The Dalles is visiting Mrs. Peter Paquet.
 J. C. Rhoades has left for Seattle where he will reside hereafter.
 The latest styles in walking hats and tam o'shanter at Miss Goldsmith's.

Mrs. Geo. C. Brownell spent Sunday with her son, Howard, at Forest Grove.
 W. S. U'Ren has challenged W. L. Tooze and A. S. Dresser for joint debates.
 Born on October 15, to the wife of Superintendent H. G. Starkweather, a daughter.

G. H. Wishart has opened a confectionery and notion store in his building on Seventh street.
 Postmaster Green visits the rural postoffices this week to straighten those that are tangled.
 George Marr is having the Buck building on the hill fitted up and will put in a stock of groceries.

Judge Northrup of Portland spoke to a small crowd at the McKinley headquarters on Tuesday evening.
 A party was given at residence of A. Gregerson's on Saturday evening in honor of Mrs. Gregerson's birthday.

Rev. T. L. Jones, the new M. E. pastor, has arrived with his family and will occupy the pulpit next Sunday.
 The friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Strickler of the west side gave them a surprise party on last Friday evening.
 The Courier is under obligation for a box of Concord and Delaware grapes from the fruit ranch of Oscar Whitten of Oswego.

A. S. Dresser is mentioned as an available candidate for mayor on the republican ticket. Couldn't make a better selection.
 Hon. W. M. Pierce spoke to an enthusiastic concourse of people at Clackamas Wednesday evenings for Bryan and independence.

Tom and Ment Randall, Lester Matthieu and James Church returned Saturday from a hunting and fishing trip to the mountains.
 The school board on last Friday evening accepted a proposition from Morris & Whitehead to take the \$6000 worth of 6 per cent bonds on December 1st.

Mr. Cox of the U. S. land office, Dr. Sommers and Mr. Morey left Monday afternoon for the ranch of W. H. Vaughan with the object of engaging in a hunt.
 I shall make a special cut in harness from \$2 to \$4 on the set, for the first week in November, and other goods in proportion. C. A. WILLEY near R. R. depot, Oregon City.

Judge Crowell of Jacksonville spoke to a large audience at Shively's hall on Wednesday evening. He is one of the best orators in the state and made several converts to Bryan and liberty.
 The 11th annual Baptist state convention at Salem on Wednesday elected Rev. G. Parker, corresponding secretary; F. E. Donaldson, treasurer, and D. C. Latourette one of auditing committee.

Rev. Gilman Parker intimated in a sermon recently that if McKinley was not elected the church could not pay its foreign missionaries. He probably had a revelation asking him to mix politics and religion.
 Died, at the St. Vincent Hospital in Portland on Tuesday, October 20, 1896, John Cobery, aged 56 years. Funeral services were held at the Catholic church on Wednesday at 9 o'clock a. m., Rev. A. Hillebrand officiating.

Samuel Roake, who is employed in the Willamette paper mills, had his skull fractured on Monday by being caught in a belt. The forehead over the left eye was crushed in. He was taken to the Gladstone hospital.
 The case of Coroner Godfrey against Clackamas county for \$11.60 for fees in an inquest case was decided in favor of plaintiff before Justice Schuebel on Tuesday. The county paid bills for all witnesses and jurors but would not pay coroner's bill for inquest of Mrs. Lence.

License to wed granted on the 17th to Mary Riley and E. A. Brady; on 17th to Mrs. Mary Sievers and Victor Tabordon; on 19th to Mary E. Dinell and Fred Henrice. Married on 17th by Justice J. W. Karten, Annie Funk and James Fullam; on 17th by Judge G. E. Hayes, Minnie R. Herman and Robert J. Woicka; on 19th by Judge Hayes, Maude Wilkinson and Albert E. Keith.

Never in the history of Oregon City has there been a musical entertainment that could possibly equal the Maginel-Mullin Concert Company, which will be at Shively's opera house on the 22d. The society people especially turn out to hear this rare concert. In the East the seats were at a premium selling at \$3 to \$5 each. Admission 35, 50, 75 cents. Seats reserved at Huntley's book store.

For Sale: Bicycles: \$5 Cash and \$1 per week. Prices \$25 and upwards. Only five wheels left, come in and examine them at Huntley's Book Store, Oregon City.

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 20 pounds dry granulated sugar \$1; flour 75c sack, 8 lbs rice for 25c. Red Front Trading Co.
 For your strings and extras for all musical instruments go to Burmeister & Andresen's, who keep a full supply.
 Blank note and receipt books of all kinds and deeds, mortgages, etc., cheaper than Portland wholesale prices at COURIER office.
 Jacob Kober, the Seventh street baker keeps on hand a large stock of the best country cider, soda water and other temperance drinks. All drinks kept on ice.
 L. L. Pickens, dentist, does all kinds of dental work. Gold crowns, porcelain crowns and bridge work a specialty. Office in Barclay building, corner Main and Seventh streets.
 Louis Fredrick, the fashionable tailor, has moved his shop from opposite Electric hotel to opposite Armory hall. Nothing but first-class work done and satisfaction guaranteed.
 Owing to an increase of business in Portland, Dr. Frank P. Welch, dentist, will hereafter be unable to make his weekly visits to Oregon City to attend to his patients here, but will be pleased to see them at his Portland office, 612 Dekum Building.
 For the accommodation of his many customers on the hill Mr. Albright has established a branch meat market in the Williams' building on Seventh street, where he keeps a full stock of all kinds of fresh and salted meats, hams, bacon, lard, etc. No stale meat kept. Give him a call.
 C. A. Willey has added to his harness and repair shop second door west of depot, next to COURIER office, a full stock of shoes, where he will not only keep a full line of first-class hand-made harness, saddles, etc., but will do all kinds of harness and boot and shoe repairing at prices that can't be duplicated. Give him a call. Satisfaction guaranteed.

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