CHURCH ENDS DEBT

First Presbyterian Congregation Raises $4600.

DR. HILL'S EFFORTS REWARDED

In Ordinary Course of Thanksgiving Services Floating Indebtedness Is Cleared—Dr. A. A. Morrison Preaches on Reform.

The sum of $4600 was raised in about one-half hour yesterday at the First Presbyterian Church, to pay floating indebtedness, the greater portion of which has been owing for seven or eight years. This surprising feat was accomplished at one of the ordinary church services, without any previous advertisement or special effort.

The church calendar for the day did not give any hint of what was before the congregation. The printed notice read: "10:30 A. M. Morning worship. The service will be conducted by the pastor," and the first part of the religious exercises did not differ from the ordinary. Dr. Hill faced the congregation as if to preach a sermon, and in speaking of the joy and purpose of giving, said in part: "We are entering on Thanksgiving time, and we ought to do something that we shall be thankful for. Make this a genuine Thanksgiving. About a year ago, you will remember we had a meeting of Presbyterians in our lecture-room, and the statement was made that the sum of about $14,000 was required to pay the cost of needed improvements in some of the Presbyterian Churches of this city. The debt owing by various churches was mentioned, but when it came to the First Presbyterian Church we stated that we had a debt and that we could wait. I am happy to say that the sum aimed at was raised, and something in addition to it. Now, it may surprise some of you to know that there is a floating indebtedness on this church amounting to $4000, and I do not know a better time than the present to raise this money. Last year, we painted the church building. Then we were under expense for the sidewalks, and we had to undertake general repairs to the church property. Indeed, we could dispose of say $4500 at the present time, but we will be satisfied with the $4000 I have asked for. Now who will be the first to give say $500, or over?"

By this time two secretaries had taken their places at a table in front of the pulpit, and were waiting to begin work with pencil and paper. There was a moment's pause, and when $250 was named, several willing hands went up. Then $100, $50, $25 and finally $15 were named. "I believe we had better pass the collection plates," remarked Dr. Hill. "Give what you can, and if you do not have the money with you, please write down the amount of your donation on cards provided for that purpose. You will have until February 1 in which to pay." This was done and Organist Coursen played an organ voluntary, and then Neal's world-famous hymn was sung:

Art thou weary, art thou languid,
Art thou sore distrest?
"Come to me," saith One, "and coming
Be at rest."

By rapid calculation the secretaries figured out that $3900 odd had been given. "We must make the $4000," said Dr. Hill quietly, and sums of $25 and $10 were given. "There's only a small balance remaining," went on the preacher. "Who will give the last of the $4000? Well, I'll give it myself." It was done and a joyful hymn of praise was sung. The benediction was pronounced, but the congregation was not satisfied with what it had done in the way of giving, and a few individuals made Dr. Hill happier by giving an additional $600, making $4600 in all. Dr. Hill would not afterward give the names of those who contributed, pleading that it was a family matter, but it is understood that H. W. Corbett gave $1000, and four members of the Ladd family $250 each.

A. A. Morse, the well-known contracting freight agent of the O. R. & N., is one of the teachers in the First Presbyterian Church Sunday school, and he was not forgotten in the general thanksgiving. Last Friday was Mr. Morse's birthday, and the fact was announced at a banquet given by the men's class of the church, at which Mr. Morse responded for his native state, New Jersey, and also made an eloquent reply to the toast "Our Church and Pastor." His "boys" did not allow the opportunity to pass unnoticed, for as soon as he faced his Sunday school class of young men yesterday, they presented him with a handsome volume describing scenes in the Holy Land.

CANNOT REFORM BY LAW.

Dr. Morrison's View of Restrictive Legislation.

"A man cannot become righteous by fitting him into a system of law as into a straitjacket. The heart of the thief can work as well in the penitentiary as out of it. The world cannot be turned into a penitentiary because some are thieves."

Such was the thought of Dr. A. A. Morrison's sermon at the Trinity Chapel yesterday morning.

Dr. Morrison took as his text, "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good," and began by saying:

"The essential work of most religions is constructive, character is formed, virtues cultivated under an educational process, according to the belief of each creed; although a few of the more primitive forms of religion appear to have been exclusively concerned with supposedly offended gods. Reformation of life, moral and spiritual, is the objective of the Christian religion. The plan proposed by Jesus has many original features. It teaches a method based upon the great fundamental principle involved in the text: 'Be not overcome of evil.' He teaches a method to overcome sin as it prevails in each life. Many types of reformers have advocated different methods to destroy the evils resulting from the prevalence of sin in humanity. There are enthusiastic advocates of legislation who speak as if prohibitive statutes would accomplish the result. The mistake lies in the fact that law is not life. Life is something distinct from the modes of its being described by law. A man cannot become righteous by fitting him into a system of law as into a straitjacket. The heart of the thief can work as well in the penitentiary as out of it. The world cannot be turned into a penitentiary because some are thieves. Corrective legislation to restrain, control and punish criminals we all agree is desirable, but the influence or effect is comparatively small as a measure to overcome evil.

"Dishonesty, drunkenness and such forms of evil require some treatment beside punishment for the offense, and restraint by prohibitory enactment. The root of the trouble is in the individual who commits the offense and not in the legislation upon the matter. Legislation cannot avail anything unless the moral standard of the community or state finds its expression in the law prescribed. All reformation must begin in the individual. When individuals one after another have become capable of overcoming the evils that disgrace humanity the moral standard will reveal itself in legislation so soon as it shall find general acceptance.

"The method of Jesus is the only one worth seriously considering. It is positive, aggressive and certain of results. It is a method of overcoming evil with light, as light overcomes darkness. It proposes to introduce something into a life capable of acting upon it. Depravity is a state of being. Jesus proposes to uplift a man out of it by presenting a demonstration of what man may become, by being stimulated to desire. To the man who is moved to desire, he presents knowledge of the way to reach a higher standard of life. The good that he prescribes consists of good deeds, good thoughts, things to be done and things to be contemplated. Honesty, purity, temperance, charity and faith in humanity and God: these are to be substituted for greed, selfishness, intemperance and doubt.

"Man must be occupied. He must have an objective or ideal, be it low or high. If low, vulgar, selfish, sinful desires and occupations take his energy, time and thoughts; when it is proposed to remove these, something must be substituted. The light of a better way and beneficial results must be presented. If you shut up the saloon, which some have called the poor man's club, something must be substituted for it. Man is a social animal. Good fellowship and generosity, amusement and mirth, are as much a part of his nature as the complexion of his skin, and the prayer meeting or church service can never adequately satisfy his desires for these things, which are not by any means manifestations of evil propensities. In the perversion of their use he gets into mischief.

"If moral improvement is to make progression, it can only be accomplished by inducing in man a healthy occupation, a good occupation for his time, mind and life on earth. As Jesus suggests, give him something good to do, good to think about, good to hope for. Something that brings joy, peace and hope; and you have him won to the better way. Rob him of the pleasures of sin, be they real or imaginary; substitute nothing, and man is utterly destitute, despised, forsaken. Give him a use for his faculties, not some of them, but all of them, that God will approve of, and you apply the method of Jesus, of overcoming evil with good."

GOD'S IMAGE ON MAN.

Analogy Between the Story of Creation and Man's Beginning.

Rev. F. E. Coulter delivered a sermon on "God's Image on the Completely Regenerated Man," at the hall of the People's Christian Union yesterday morning, taking as his text Genesis 1:26-31, "Let us make man in our image after our likeness."

"In a previous sermon we have seen the primary spirituality of the Bible. We may predicate the same omnipresent spirituality with regard to the whole book, Genesis to Revelation, and it becomes the word of God, in truth, and in deed. Man is a spiritual microcosm of the universe. What more natural than the taking of material creation to teach him the language of his own re-creation or regeneration? We thus see that in the soul beginning God creates in it the spiritual mind (heaven), the natural mind (earth); that out of the fog and darkness comes the light of understanding, which separates man's knowledge or information into the firmament called heaven and the dry land called earth; that from this spiritualizing of his character comes, solidified, the fruits of his life, grasses and herbs, as it were. There naturally follows the awakening light of a great love, the moon, and knowledge of its powers, the stars, which faith and love operating upon man's inner faculties give him affection for the higher types of intellectuality and wisdom, symbolized by the birds and fishes. These in turn beget still higher forms of love for truth and goodness solidified into character, symbolized by animals, beasts and creeping things, which the Father seeing pronounced good.

"He, man, now enters his final triumphant, completely regenerated state, the image of God in his likeness, which the Father pronounces very good, because the man conscientiously recognizes himself in spirit as a unity with the spirit Divine. In other words, man's final destiny is to be a man, a God-man. Of course, the aspects of a man change from the viewpoint. To the soldier, the brilliant leader is a man. To the athlete, the physically strong and active person is a man. To the rich, the millionaire is a man. But God cares naught for these things. To him a man is a perfectly spiritualized, recreated being, who, recognizing the infinite love and wisdom of the indwelling Spirit, goeth forth to active service for his fellows in daily life. Ecce homo is predicated of Jesus and so it is of us as we partake of his character.

"He created male and female, not in the sense of difference of sex, because the word translated Adam in this first chapter cannot, by any construction, be used to mean the male of the species. It means man as a collective unit, having the female qualities of love and charity and the male qualities of wisdom and intelligence; in love and charity God's image, in wisdom and intelligence, God's likeness; the incarnation of the Divine love having in himself the power to multiply and replenish the waste places of his own mind by the going forth of his immanent spirituality."

WOULD NOT BE PRESIDENT

Position of Justice Peckham Relative to Political Offices.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—Colonel W. G. Rice, of Albany, who was United States Civil Service Commissioner under the last Cleveland Administration, said today:

"It may interest some fellow Democrats to know that so distinguished a member of the party as Justice R. W. Peckham, of the United States Supreme Court, was offered, so far as any one but the convention itself could do so, the last nomination for Governor. At Mr. Hill's request I went to see Justice Peckham, the middle of August at Saranac Lake, where he was spending the Summer, and informed him that while it was not in the power of any one to tender a nomination, it was Mr. Hill's desire that he should allow his name to come before the convention; that Mr. Hill and others believed there was a probability of the election of the Democratic ticket; that Judge Gray was to be renominated; that the other names on the ticket would be those of men of high character and ability, and that if elected Governor, he (Peckham) would be inevitably the most prominent Democratic candidate for the Presidency in 1904, and that he would have, so far as Mr. Hill could promise, the ardent support of New York State in the National convention. Justice Peckham replied that even the certainty of an election as Governor, and after that the assurance of the nomination for President, would not swerve him from his determination not to be a candidate for political office. Personal reasons compelled him to this decision.

"I have Justice Peckham's permission to make this entire incident public."

HEALING THE CHILDREN.

Dr. Lorenz Treated Four in St. Louis Yesterday.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 23.—Dr. Adolph Lorenz yesterday performed operations on four children for congenital dislocation of the hip and three today.

Carl Busch, a young son of the millionaire brewer, will be taken to Vienna for treatment next year. His case is similar to the Armour child in Chicago.

Dr. Lorenz will conduct another free clinic tomorrow and will depart for Chicago tomorrow night.

PIANO AND ORGAN-RENTING.

If you want a piano or organ for an evening, a week or a month, you can secure the finest made at Eilers Piano House. Ten cents a day will keep you in music for the Winter.

Portland-St. Louis-Memphis.

If you are thinking of going to St. Louis, Memphis and other Southeastern points, call up O. R. & N., Third and Washington, and learn about the new tourist car service. Route takes you via Denver and Kansas City.

A Newark, N. J., man, 100 years of age, says he is not proud of it, as he was willing to die several years ago.

BUILDING NEW WHARF

NEEDED TO UNLOAD RAILS FOR SELLWOOD BRANCH.

Structure Will Be Filled and Be Covered With Tracks—Grading Outfit on the Ground.

Two pile-drivers were at work yesterday closing up the gap in the long row of piles being driven on the wharf line of the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company's terminal grounds between the Madison-street bridge and Inman, Poulsen & Co.'s sawmill. Also work is in progress on another sidetrack at the southeast part of the ground toward Stephens' Slough. Haste is being made in this work so that the company can discharge a cargo of railroad iron direct on the cars for use on the line to Springwater and for storing on the ground for use on the Sellwood branch, on which work will be started at once.

As fast as the trestle is completed a track is being laid from the express and freight dock on Madison street, so that iron from the ship may be unloaded direct onto cars for prompt shipment where it is wanted. This arrangement will greatly facilitate the handling of the iron.

On the inside of this long line of piles a fill will be made, so that the piles will form a bulwark, for the outer edge of what may be called a land dock. It will take a great amount of dirt to make this immense fill, but the company has an abundance on its right of way along the river to Sellwood.

Saturday a carload of grading outfit and stores was unloaded at City View Park, and a camp will be established at some place in the park near the line of the proposed railroad. There will be some clearing of the right of way preparatory for the steam shovel. The grade stakes follow the edge of the river above high-water mark.

FOR SOLDIERS' MONUMENT FUND.

Committee Completes Plans for Bazaar and Has Liberal Donations.

The bazaar committee working for the benefit of the soldiers' monument fund held a meeting yesterday afternoon in G. A. R. Hall, T. B. McDevitt presiding, and received encouraging reports from all the sub-committees. From the soliciting committee information was given that great liberality had been shown toward the effort to raise money for the monument. Comrade Swan estimated that donated articles would fill five wagons. Booths will be conducted in Merrill's Cyclery, in which the bazaar will be held, by Sumner, George Wright and Lincoln-Garfield Posts, G. A. R., Knights and Ladies of Security, Camp Harrington and Auxiliary and Camp Hampden. With the exception of Camp Hampden, all these organizations will prepare a programme for one night.

Opening night, Monday, December 1, will be in charge of M. L. Pratt, president of the Lone Fir Monument Association. It is expected that Mayor Williams, Governor T. T. Geer and Governor-elect Chamberlain will also participate in the opening exercises. From Williams-Avenue School there will be an orchestra. A voting contest will be held on the most popular G. A. R. member, Indian War veteran and Spanish-American War veteran, and the ones receiving the highest number of votes in each contest will receive a prize. A committee was appointed to invite the Woodmen of the World and the Women of Woodcraft to take part and provide a programme for Saturday night, December 6.

It was decided to hold a meeting of all the committees tomorrow evening in the G. A. R. Hall. Every member is urged to be present at that time promptly. Next Friday and Saturday the booths will be placed in the Merrill Cyclery on Sixth street, and all preparations will be completed for opening night, Monday, December 1.

FUNERAL OF JOHN POOLE.

Religious and Masonic Services Held in His Memory.

The funeral services of John Poole, a well-known business man, who died suddenly last Wednesday, were held in Centenary Church yesterday afternoon, and were in charge of the present and former pastors. Washington Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M., conducted the ceremony of the Masonic order at the close of the religious services. There was a large attendance at the church, about 50 of the members of Washington Lodge being present in appropriate regalia. Rev. W. B. Hollingshead, present pastor of Centenary Church, was assisted in the services by Rev. J. J. Walter and Rev. L. E. Rockwell, ex-pastors. Music was furnished by a quartet under the leadership of E. S. Miller. There were many beautiful floral pieces banked about the altar platform.

In their addresses Messrs. Hollingshead, Walter and Rockwell touched on the life and character of Mr. Poole, and his long connection with Centenary Church. Soon after he came to Portland Mr. Poole united with Centenary Church, and was a member of the official board before and during the erection of the stone building, his business advice then being of great advantage.

W. H. Moore, William Schmeer, J. L. Wells, T. H. Brischon, C. T. Wright and W. B. Chase were pallbearers.

NEW GENERATOR READY.

Great Power Plant to Operate City & Suburban Cars.

The new 600-horsepower generator for the City & Suburban Railroad Company, being installed in the power-house on the East Side, will soon be completed. Generator and engine and two Babcock boilers are on their foundations. Yesterday fire was started in the furnace of the new boilers for the first time. This power annex will be used to operate the St. Johns cars, which will begin running as soon as the sub-power or transformer station at Ockley Green is completed. Work has been started on this station. Cars are to be started by Christmas, which will be a most acceptable present for the people of the Peninsula.

When the new generator is in operation the plant will have a capacity of about 4000 horsepower. There will be three generators of 600 horsepower each, one of 1200 and three small ones of about 80 horsepower each.

The small dynamo that ran the first electric cars in Portland on the Albina line is still operated in the power station and doing good work. It is an infant beside the big machines. The spread of street railroads in Portland can be readily figured out from these machines.

WILL BE TWO FERRY BILLS.

One Will Be for Sellwood and the Other for Lower Albina.

A bill will be prepared and presented at the coming Legislature providing for a free ferry across the Willamette River at Sellwood. This line of action was outlined at the meeting of the Sellwood Board of Trade Friday night in Firemen's Hall. A verbal report was made by Edward Curtis, E. B. Madden and some of the others on the ferry committee, to the effect that some members of the Legislative delegation from Multnomah County had already been seen on the subject of this proposed ferry. The ferry committee will hold a special meeting this evening, when a plan of campaign will be laid and active work started. At the start provision will be made for drafting a bill and to get it before the Legislature. Some co-operation is expected from the West Side, where the ferry will land, but nothing has yet been done.

Very likely there will also be a bill providing for another ferry for Lower Albina. There is a strong sentiment in favor of a ferry about five blocks north of the landing of the one at Albina avenue. It had been supposed that Russell street extended to the river, and that a landing could be had at its foot, but it has been found that the terminal grounds extend beyond the end and shut it off from the river. The next street that might be available is Randolph, or old Stark. The principal difficulty apprehended will be high water, which covers the ground through which the street extends. This may be overcome by a fill or a roadway. It is urged that this ferry will be needed very greatly by the time of the 1905 fair. It has been suggested that a steel ferry, double the capcity of the present one at Albina avenue, making quick trips, could handle the traffic for 10 years to come, but this is not a popular suggestion in Albina.

GROWERS MUST UNITE.

Chauncey Ball, ex-President of Union, So Expresses Himself.

Chauncey Hall, who was one of the prominent men and president for a time of the Multnomah Fruitgrowers' Union, that lived for nearly 10 years, said yesterday that the growers themselves are to blame for the failure of that union. It had a good chance, he says, but the members would not unite. They were so accustomed to the habit of peddling out their berries that they could not break away.

"When the union opened a house on Front street," said Mr. Ball, "we had a good business while I was in charge, from June 17, 1895, to March, 1896. During that time I received and paid out to members of the union through the First National Bank $57,000. This item shows what can be accomplished. At that time we had but one cannery—the Oregon Packing-House, which did not care to do business with us, and the times were not propitious. If this movement to form a union is to succeed at all, it must have thorough business men at its head. They must understand the business thoroughly, and they must command the respect and confidence of the business men of Portland. The growers must select this class of men to manage the union and then stick together.

"It is my judgment that Montavilla is the ideal place for a large fruit cannery. It is right in the midst of a growing fruit country. While chairman of the cannery committee of the Montavilla Board of Trade, I conferred with the officers of the O. R. & N. Co., and I was assured that all goods would be delivered and shipped from Montavilla at Portland rates. I suppose the same conditions now prevail and can be taken advantage of."

UNION-AVENUE IMPROVEMENT.

Question Whether Plank or Gravel Is Best Is Being Considered.

The improvement of Union avenue from Weidler to Morris street will be made next year. A petition for planking has gone to the office of the City Engineer for estimates as to the cost. However, an effort will be made to get the material changed to gravel. It is urged that gravel would be cheaper and more durable than plank. Gravel can be delivered direct from the trolley cars along the street from the Woodlawn pits, and there would be no expense for hauling by team.

The principal opposition to plank will come from property-owners between Russell and Morris streets, for the reason that there is now a compact roadway of gravel for this portion of the street. This Summer the Portland Railway Company put in a large amount of broken concrete. It is urged that the street between Russell and Morris can be repaired and put in first-class condition at small expense. If this part be planked, all solid gravel foundation will have to come out. However, if any change is made in the material, it will necessitate an entirely new petition, and there will be considerable delay in the improvement. D. B. Thomasina was made a committee to investigate the situation and take what steps are necessary to get the street graveled instead of planked.

All the property-owners on Union avenue between Weidler and Morris streets are requested to attend a mass meeting next Thursday evening in the hall on Union avenue and Tillamook street, when there will be a full consideration of this improvement.

WILL BUILD ALBINA HALL.

Association Takes Up Question of Completing the Structure.

The Mississippi-Avenue Hall Association is considering the advisability of starting work on its proposed two-story building on the corner of Mississippi avenue and Shaver street. On this corner the association owns a lot, and the concrete foundation for the building was completed several months ago, but the contract for erection of the building was held up on account of the difficulty in obtaining lumber and other material in that part of the city.

M. E. Thompson, president of the board of directors, said yesterday that the building would probably be erected at once. From a business point of view he regards it as a safe investment. The City & Suburban Railway Company already has a branch line on Mississippi avenue to this corner, and will extend it to Killingsworth avenue next year to a junction with the St. Johns railway. The blanket ordinance providing new routes for the Portland Railway Company provides a line along Shaver street to Maryland avenue and thence on down the Peninsula. Thus there will be two trolley lines passing the corner. President Thompson says that if his wishes are carried out the building will be put up very soon.

Albina Clubs Will Not Consolidate.

The attempt made to consolidate the Upper Albina and Irvington Improvement Club with the Albina Improvement Association did not succeed. Steve Collins was sent from the latter club to visit the Upper Albina organization and ask it to join the association. The project was indorsed by Secretary R. E. Menefee, of the latter body, who remarked that a strong club would be better than two weak ones. J. A. Eastes, president, opposed the movement, as did others, on the ground that, while the two clubs should work together to promote improvements, they had local interests that would be better looked after if they remained separate. The Upper Albina and Irvington Clubs have organized to stay. Letterheads and envelopes have been printed and a constitution has been adopted.

School Entertainment.

The pupils of the eighth and ninth grades of the Clinton Kelly school have prepared an entertainment which will be given at 2:30 next Wednesday afternoon, in the assembly hall, for the benefit of the art fund of that school. An interesting programme has been arranged, and those attending are assured of spending a pleasant and profitable hour.

East Side Notes.

The bazaar given by the women of Mizpah Presbyterian Church Friday netted $105.

Chauncey Ball, a fruitgrower and Portland pioneer, living east of the city, is recovering from a severe illness.

The entertainment for the benefit of the library fund of the Holladay School will be repeated Wednesday evening.

The funeral of Captain Benjamin Aiken Copeland, a well-known contractor, was held yesterday. Riverview cemetery was the place of interment.

At Sumner Post, G. A. R., the discussion of "Municipal Reform" was concluded Saturday night. It occupied the time of the post for two evenings. The speakers were: Colonel M. Buchanan, John Newell, M. L. Pratt, C. J. Ward, and others.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

If Baby Is Cutting Teeth,

Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and diarrhoea.

HOME FOR YOUNG WOMEN

GOOD WORK DONE BY PORTLAND WOMEN'S UNION.

Those Who Have to Work for a Living Are Given Home Comforts by Its Efforts.

Mrs. C. R. Templeton, who is now serving her fourth year as president of the Portland Women's Union, gives, at the Oregonian's request, the following account of the work and purposes of the organization:

The Portland Women's Union was incorporated on the 21st of October, 1887. Its object, as stated in the articles of incorporation, is to increase fellowship among women, in order to promote the best practical methods of securing their industrial, educational and social advancement.

The idea of such an undertaking is comparatively new. It belongs to our modern times, when so many women, by stern force of circumstances, must earn their own living, when thousands of young, inexperienced girls flock to our business centers to take up, as best they can, the hard and often desperate struggle in the business world.

The first organized effort of thoughtful women to lend a helping hand in an unobtrusive, considerate, really sympathetic manner, was the work of the Ladies' Christian Union, in New York, in the year 1856. Baltimore came next, with its "Female Christian Home," in 1865. Following this lead, various associations organized, one after another, in our larger cities, and today about forty centers make reports of this class of work. Thus it is seen that our beloved city, as in other respects, so also in this, keeps abreast of the times and marches with the vanguard of progress.

Although situated at the western end of this great continent, we eagerly watch what is going on all over the land, and when our sisters in the East have a good thought, a noble inspiration, we immediately claim our share in it, and forthwith try to realize in our own midst what has proved a blessing in other places. We are a practical people, and most eagerly welcome those manifestations of love by which life becomes more lovely, and those proclamations of truth by which the best relations are established between members of the human family.

The central idea of the Portland Women's Union is the advancement of women to the best of our ability: a first-class boarding home, with all those associations of comfort, joy, sympathy, encouragement, protection, suggested by the word home. We offer a home, not to the idle, unambitious girl, but only to the girl of self-respecting character. We admit none but commendable young women, and to them we offer the good influences of a real home; good, cheerful, well-furnished rooms, in a substantial, well-constructed house, meeting all desirable sanitary conditions; good food, well prepared and pleasantly served; a select library, with various educational advantages, attractive surroundings in every respect, and everywhere a pure, refining, elevating influence. This is not a charitable institution, for these young women pay their board, but not having an endowment of any kind, we are to some extent dependent upon the good will and liberal contributions of our friends. No work like ours pays for itself, not any more than a college or a library. Money-making is not its purpose, and the vital question never must be how economically, but how effectively, it may be conducted. It is not a sectarian institution; the articles of incorporation distinctly state that it shall always remain "strictly non-sectarian in character," consequently all denominations are represented on our executive board. The empire of benevolence knows no limit, and all work harmoniously together for the same good cause.

As to our organization, we have the different committees—finance, household, exchange, educational, social, domestic science, and industrial. The industrial committee has been very successful in conducting a school, having classes in kitchen gardening and in sewing; there have been about sixty pupils enrolled during the past year. They have primary and advanced classes. At the close of the school year, prizes are awarded, and the pupils enter heartily into the spirit of the occasion.

The Woman's Exchange has for many years been one of the departments of work of the Women's Union, and has accomplished much good by offering to a worthy class of persons an opportunity to help themselves by the making and selling of needlework. This opportunity is greatly appreciated by the women, who can work quietly at home and have their work sold by the exchange department.

We hold special sales during the year, and the Christmas sale, which will soon take place, is always very large, and always appreciated, not only by the consignors, but also by the public, as it gives an opportunity of selecting pretty things for Christmas.

Aided by the patronage and contributions of the good people of our community, we hope to enlarge our influence and usefulness for the good of those who may choose to avail themselves of the advantages of the Union.

THOSE CENSUS FIGURES.

Statistician Powers Defends the Government Statement.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—L. G. Powers, the Chief Statistician for Agriculture in the Census Bureau, authorizes the following statement concerning the report of the committee of the National Board of Trade alleging that the census figures of farm acreage are grossly exaggerated.

"The most important specifications under that charge, briefly summarized, consist of one general and seven specific items as follows:

The census figures show 101 counties with farm lands reported equal to or in excess of surveyed land surface of such counties.

For Ohio, 19 per cent of the number of counties are shown to represent 100 per cent or more of the entire surface in farm lands; in Iowa, 17 per cent; Kansas, 12 per cent; Kentucky, 9 per cent; Missouri, 9 per cent; Tennessee, 6 per cent; Indiana, 6 per cent, etc.

"With reference to the specific statements quoted above concerning the seven states named, only two of the quoted statements can be substantiated as they stand in the report. Further, the committee in making its report did not possess statistics 'of surveyed land,' for a single state. These assertions are easily established, provided the committee will give to the public the names and area of surveyed land of all the counties referred to by them. The statements of the committee with reference to the excess acreage in these seven states are more in excess of the facts than they allege the farm acreage in such states to be in excess of the true farm area. Further the so-called excess acreage actually reported by the census is in harmony with the facts as examination of the same will demonstrate. In prosecuting its investigation the committee never made one inquiry of the Chief Statistician in charge with reference to the alleged errors passed in review."

A TUG OF WAR.

Coffee Puts Up a Grand Fight.

Among the best of judges of good things in the food line is the groceryman or his wife. They know why many of their customers purchase certain foods.

The wife of a groceryman in Carthage, N. Y., says:

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DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT

PORTLAND, Nov. 23.—8 P. M.—Maximum temperature, 38; minimum temperature, 30; river reading, 11 A. M., 5.6 feet; change in 24 hours, .16; total precipitation, 5 P. M. to 5 P. M., trace; total precipitation since Sept. 1, 1902, 12.04 inches; normal precipitation since Sept. 1, 1902, 9.98 inches; excess, 3.06 inches; total sunshine Nov. 22, 5:39; possible sunshine Nov. 22, 9:12.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

A storm of moderate energy is approaching Vancouver Island this evening. It has caused rain along the Washington Coast and Strait of Juan de Fuca, and light showers in the Willamette Valley and Sound country. High winds are reported this evening off Cape Flattery, the new station at Tatoosh Island reporting a maximum velocity of 44 miles an hour from the south.

In connection with the storm's approach, southeast storm warnings were displayed at 4:30 P. M. today at Tatoosh Island, East Clallam and Port Crescent, and advisory messages announcing the presence of the storm were sent to stations on Puget Sound. Brisk to high gusty southeast shifting to southwest winds are indicated on the inland navigable waters of Western Washington and at the entrance of the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

PACIFIC COAST WEATHER.

STATIONS.	Max. temp.	Precipitation past 12 hrs.	Wind Velocity	Wind Direction	State of weather
Astoria	48	0.00	*	E	Cloudy
Baker City	44	0.00	*	SE	Clear
Bismarck	48	0.00	10	N	Clear
Boise	44	0.00	*	W	Clear
Eureka	58	0.00	*	SE	Clear
Helena	30	0.00	6	SW	Clear
Kamloops, B. C.	38	0.00	*	W	Cloudy
North Head	42	0.00	16	E	Cloudy
Pocatello	42	0.00	*	S	Clear
Portland	38	0.01	*	SE	Rain
Red Bluff	58	0.00	*	SW	Clear
Roseburg	42	0.00	*	NW	Cloudy
Sacramento	58	0.00	*	N	Clear
Salt Lake City	44	0.00	*	NW	Clear
San Francisco	58	0.00	*	NW	Clear
Spokane	30	T	*	NW	Snowing
Seattle	40	T	10	SE	Cloudy
Tatoosh Island	48	0.24	36	S	Rain
Walla Walla	34	0.00	*	S	Cloudy

*Light.

WEATHER FORECASTS.

Forecasts made at Portland for the 28 hours ending at midnight Monday, November 24:

Portland and vicinity—Monday, occasional rain; slowly rising temperature; variable winds, becoming southerly.

Western Oregon—Occasional rain; warmer north portion; winds mostly southerly.

Western Washington—Occasional rain; brisk and possibly high gusty southeast to southwest winds.

Eastern Oregon and Southern Idaho—Fair.

Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho—Generally fair, except possibly light flurries of snow extreme north portion.

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