

## COST IS VERY GREAT

To Refer Measure to Popular Vote.

BETWEEN \$30,000 AND \$40,000

Due Notice Could Not Be Given Before Congressional Election for Vote on Fair Appropriation—Special Election Required.

SALEM, Or., April 24.—(Special.)—To hold a special election under the referendum amendment will cost not less than \$30,000, and possibly as much as \$40,000. The agitation being carried on by a few persons in favor of invoking the referendum upon the Lewis and Clark Fair bill and the corporation tax bill has caused an investigation of the cost of a special election, and the above figures are the result.

The official figures in the office of Secretary of State Dunbar showing the actual cost of conducting the last general election disclose that the election cost \$67,837.51. This does not include the cost of printing poll books and tally sheets, but does include the cost of printing ballots. For a special election the only difference in cost would be in the printing of ballots. This difference would not be great, however, for the same number of ballots would be required. The ballots would be smaller in size.

**Items That Count Up.**

There are no records which show the estimated expenses of an election, as the several counties are required only to report the total amount expended yearly for each purpose. There are 77 precincts in the state, and in each precinct three judges and three clerks are required by law to be employed. Each receives a compensation of \$3 per day, which makes an expense of \$18 per day for each precinct. There is also the cost of sending the returns to the county seat, and the rent of polling places, which would add \$5 or \$6 to the cost in each precinct. At \$20 per precinct, the expense for the items mentioned amounts to \$1,540. Printing of notices, putting up booths, purchase of election supplies and printing ballots make up the greater part of the remainder of the sum.

**Election Must Be Separate.**

It has been said that if the referendum should be demanded upon the Lewis and Clark Fair bill, the date of the special election could be made the same as the date of the Congressional election, and thus considerable expense could be saved in Western Oregon. It would be practically impossible, however, to have an election called now for June 1. The time for filing referendum petitions expires on May 12, just ten days before the date of the Congressional election. When a petition is filed, and, after being examined, is found to comply with the requirements, the Secretary of State must certify to each County Clerk the matter that is to be placed upon the official ballot. In order that the voters may express their choice.

To send this certificate to the most distant county seat would require not less than five days. The County Clerk would then have to print ballots and distribute them. To print the ballots and get them distributed to all the precincts in the large counties of Eastern Oregon would take more than five days, even though a large number of printers were employed to distribute the ballots.

This is figuring the minimum time that would be required for the preparation. Before the Secretary of State could send out his certificate, the Governor would issue a proclamation to the sheriffs, ordering them to notify the judges of election that the special election would be held. This proclamation would have to be sent first to the Sheriff and by him delivered to the election judges, requiring more than ten days.

**Voters Entitled to Notice.**

But if an election were called and held in this manner, the people would have no previous notice that the question would be submitted to them. To give sufficient notice so that a free and fair discussion could be had, and so that the election machinery could be put in motion with justice to all, would require from 30 to 40 days at least.

If the referendum were ordered and a question submitted in 10 or 15 days, many people in distant and isolated sections of the state would not know that an election was to be held until after it was over.

**Only Measure Referable.**

The Lewis and Clark Fair bill is the only measure that could be referred to the people prior to the general election of 1904. Should the corporation tax bill be referred to the people, it would be held for a year, and the state would lose the revenue which it was designed to produce. If the referendum should be ordered on the Fair bill, it seems unquestionable that a special election will be necessary at a cost of from \$30,000 to \$40,000.

**WILL NOT GO ON STUMP.**

Chamberlain Says He Is Governor of All the People.

SALEM, Or., April 24.—Governor Chamberlain will not take an active part in the Congressional campaign. This intention he expressed this afternoon in response to an inquiry by The Oregonian correspondent. Governor Chamberlain said that he is Governor of all the people, regardless of party, and feels that while in that position he ought not to go on the stump and participate in a partisan contest.

He believes that public officials and employees of the state and Federal Government often take a more prominent part in political contests than they should, and if he could change the practice in that respect he would do so. While Governor Chamberlain will not take the stump for Mr. Brown, he has already expressed his desire and belief that the Democratic candidate will be successful, and doubtless he will assist his favorite to some extent without being prominent in the campaign.

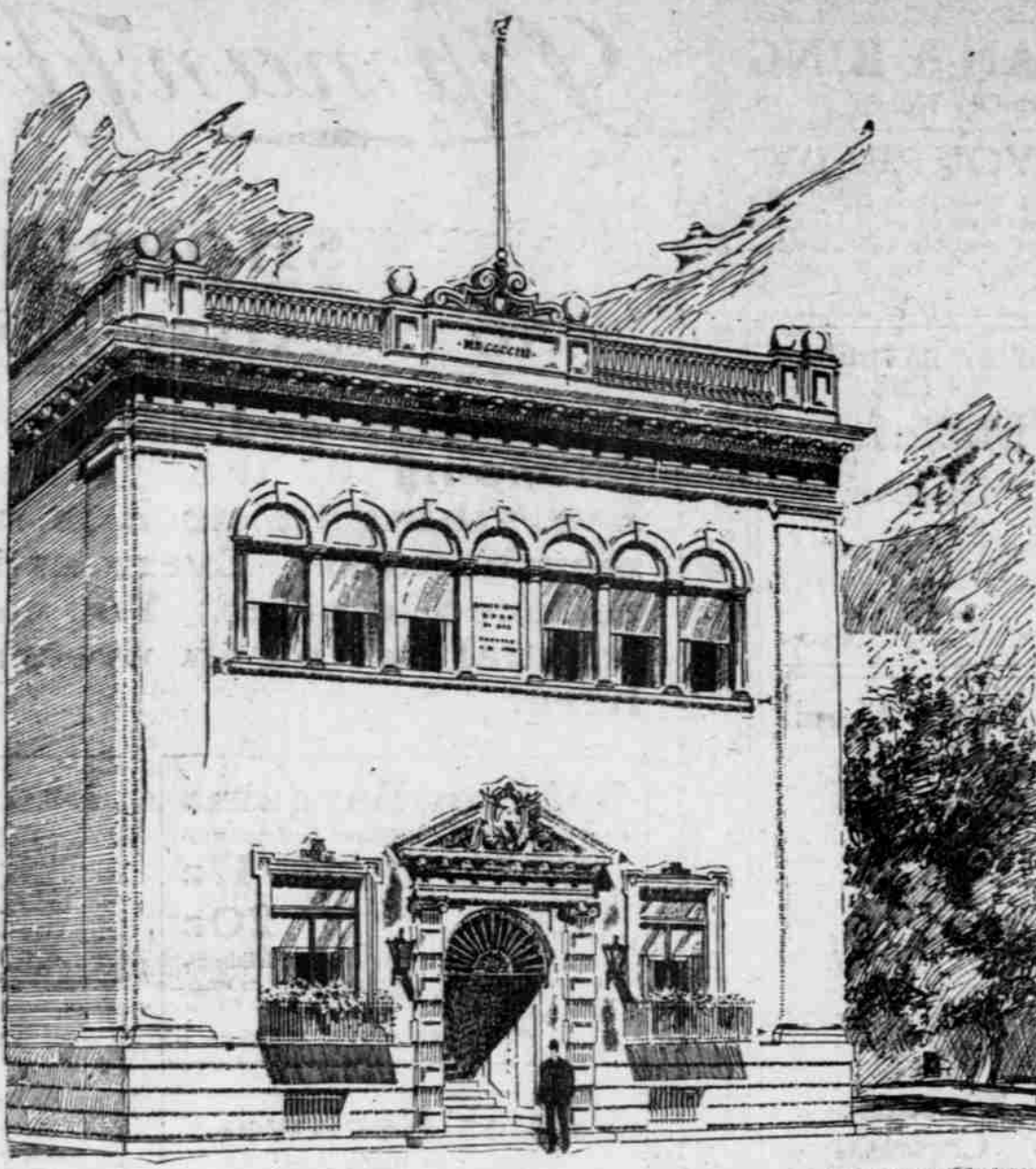
**CANNERY WANTS PREFERENCE.**

Would Dissuade Marion Growers From Shipping Fresh Product.

SALEM, April 24.—(Special.)—The Salem Fruitgrowers' Union will hold a meeting tomorrow, when it is expected that final arrangements will be made for the handling of this year's crop of fruit. The union controls the bulk of the cherries, strawberries, raspberries and blackberries grown in this vicinity. The present intention of the management of the union is to place the fruit upon the market fresh, through the mediumship of a commission merchant.

The proprietor of the Salem fruit cannery will try to dissuade the union from this plan, upon the ground that such a course will injure the business of the

## PALATIAL QUARTERS FOR BAKER CITY'S HERD OF ELKS



TO BE COMPLETED ABOUT NOVEMBER 1.

BAKER CITY, Or., April 24.—(Special.)—The above is a drawing of the front elevation of the new Elks club, now in course of construction in this city. The building is to be 30x101 feet, two stories and basement, but the sub-basement is to be 10 feet in the clear and only four feet below the ground. The building will be three stories. The lodge room, banquet hall and library will be on the top floor. The first, or main floor, will be devoted to an amusement hall, parlors and smoking room. The basement story will contain the gymnasium, billiard hall, bowling alley and cardroom. The building throughout will be heated by steam and lighted by gas and electricity.

The outside walls will be of pressed brick and terra cotta. The inside woodwork and all the furnishings will be mahogany. It is the purpose to have the building completed about November 1, when it will be dedicated in true fraternal style by the members of the order at home, assisted by prominent Elks from all over the state. The building complete will cost about \$40,000. Mr. J. V. Benne, of this city, is the architect and superintendent of construction.

cannery and consequently react upon the community. Manager Holcomb, of the cannery, will ask the union to give him the preference for the fruit at the same price that can be had by shipping fresh. The higher price that can be had for fresh fruit is the inducement for the sale in that condition. Mr. Holcomb argues, however, that only the best of the fruit can be sold in that manner and that his company will not buy the remainder. After the best has been sold elsewhere. That being the situation, he thinks growers will do better in the end to sell all their fruit at a higher price than to get a possibly higher price for the best and lose the remainder.

Mr. Holcomb, it is understood by some of the members of the union, considers the present plan of the union to give him the preference for the fruit at the same price that can be had by shipping fresh, as a matter of fact, a matter of life and death to the cannery. If the union finally decides to consign its fruit, he will make contracts for fruit outside the union and decline to handle any fruit consigned by that organization. The meeting of the members of the union will be held at 2 P. M. tomorrow.

**MAKING A BOULEVARD.**

Pendleton Horse Lovers Organize and Proceed to Business.

PENDLETON, April 24.—(Special.)—The Pendleton Driving Association has been formed in this city. The men at the head of the club are two of the best-known turfmen in the Northwest, George E. Perlinger and Frank Frazier. Both men have owned numerous strings of horses and been in attendance at nearly all the circuit meets of the state. Mr. Perlinger was elected president of the association and Mr. Frazier secretary.

It is the purpose of this organization to repair and improve the old racetrack, about 1 1/2 miles east of the city, and convert it into a speedway with a boulevard running into the city. This work has already been commenced. Men with teams are at work leveling the road and the crushed rock will be put on in a few days. This will give one of the finest drives in this part of the state, with an elegant speedway at the terminus.

The membership of the association is composed of the prominent people of the city, both men and women, and the first or opening meeting will be held May 15.

**Night Postal Clerk Needed.**

BAKER CITY, Or., April 24.—(Special.)—Postmaster Moomaw is endeavoring to induce the post office authorities at Washington to grant an allowance for a night clerk at the Baker City postoffice. Under the present arrangement, the mails all close at 7:30 P. M. every day, and the mail trains, save one, pass here during the night from one to seven hours later.

There is no night collection of mail from any of the mail boxes, hence all mail deposited in the mail boxes distributed over the city after 5 o'clock P. M. is delayed 24 hours, as a rule, before it starts to its destination.

**Army Officer With Old Friends.**

SALEM, Or., April 24.—(Special.)—Captain Milton Davis, a former Polk County boy, who graduated from West Point in 1890, is spending a week visiting relatives near Salem. He is a Captain in the First United States Cavalry and has seen service in Cuba and the Philippines in the last few years. He has received a warm welcome by his large circle of old friends on this his first visit to Oregon in 12 years.

**Geer Will Enter Campaign.**

SALEM, Or., April 24.—(Special.)—Ex-Governor Geer has been invited by Chairman T. W. Harris, of the Republican Congressional committee, to take the stump in behalf of the Republican candidate for Congress. Governor Geer said this evening that he will accept the invitation and will speak at such times and places during the campaign as may seem desirable to the Congressional committee.

**Democratic Headquarters at Eugene.**

EUGENE, Or., April 24.—(Special.)—Democratic headquarters were opened at the Smead Hotel in this city today. John E. Lathrop, of Portland, is at present in charge. Chairman White is expected in a few days.

## INFECTED BY INSECT BITE

MONTANA WOMAN DYING OF THE SPOTTED FEVER.

Six Days From the Time She Was Bitten She Was Taken Ill With Dread Disease.

MISSOULA, Mont., April 24.—Mrs. Frank Doolittle, living near Solo, was brought here today with a genuine case of spotted fever, traceable to a woodtick bite. Doctors say she cannot recover.

On April 14 Mrs. Doolittle was in the woods with her husband. While there the woodtick bit her. Six days later she was taken ill.

Each Spring for years from the west bank of the Snake River in Montana have come reports of cases of the dreaded spotted fever. In nearly every instance the victim has died from the effects of the disease. The origin of the malarial has been a mystery to the bacteriologists of the state, and not till last Spring was the source suspected. At that time the State Board of Health took up the matter vigorously and sent to Minneapolis for an expert.

After careful investigation the Minnesota specialist gave out his conclusion that infection was from an insect resembling a woodtick. The above dispatch would seem to bear out the announced results of the research.

**BAKER SAWMILL BURNED.**

Rebuilding Commenced Before Embers Are Cold.

BAKER CITY, Or., April 24.—(Special.)—Standard Bros.' sawmill was burned here this morning, entailing a loss of \$25,000. There is no insurance. The fire is supposed to have been started by one of the men on the mill. The flames broke out a few minutes after the engine passed the mill. The night watchman discovered the fire soon after it started, but a defective dropping prevented his turning the water on in time to save the property, and before the fire fire department could respond the fire was beyond control.

This was one of the largest sawmills of this part of the state, cutting about 30,000 feet of lumber a day. Within an hour and a half after the fire was extinguished the workmen began removing the rubbish to rebuild the mill.

**WOMAN'S LIFE WAS INSURED.**

Riverside Man Suspected of Murder of His Wife.

RIVERSIDE, Cal., April 24.—Sheriff Corbin is working on clues which may result in the arrest of F. C. Fisher on the charge of murder. Many indications point to the murder of his wife, Clara Fisher, yesterday, who was burned to death. The body of the woman was burned to a crisp. Not two feet away was a five-gallon can of gasoline, half full. The woman's arm was broken off short at the wrist.

Fisher is either feigning insanity or is genuinely mad. The couple quarreled frequently. Mrs. Fisher's life was insured for \$2000 the day before the tragedy.

**Mrs. La Bonta Could Not Testify.**

BUTTE, Mont., April 24.—In the Kelly trial today, when the state called Mrs. La Bonta, the alleged accomplice in the killing of Dr. Cayley, to the stand, Attorney E. S. Booth, for the defense, rose and objected to Mrs. La Bonta being allowed to testify.

"Under the statutes," said Mr. Booth, "she cannot give testimony as long as there is a charge against her."

"I certainly shall not withdraw the charge against Mrs. La Bonta," said County Attorney Brown.

"The witness cannot testify," said Judge

## ONE TOWN WITH AN IDEAL

FOREST GROVE BELIEVES IN SPRINGING UP.

Civic Improvement Society Accomplishing Much in a Quiet Way for the Community.

FOREST GROVE, Or., April 24.—The Civic Improvement Society of Forest Grove has begun its second year of public service with an encouraging outlook. The record of its first year is less the story of any great progress than of general improvement in the various ways which add to the general attractiveness of Forest Grove. Here and there new sidewalks have been laid, new fences have replaced others which had passed their attractiveness, if not their usefulness, and many houses, including the public school building, have been renewed by fresh paint and otherwise improved.

The objects of the society as defined by its constitution are not only "to aid in keeping the streets, sidewalks and public places neat," but "to do anything that shall add to the attractiveness of the city, the beautifying of the homes, and to cultivate community life." An organization with no other requirement for membership than "signing the membership roll, and agreeing to co-operate with the society," is dependent on the good will and support of all the citizens. One object in establishing a membership independent of fees or assessment was to make the cause of civic improvement the common interest both of the citizens and also of the children.

The public school children have set an example that is worthy of all imitation by keeping their open areas and public grounds free from papers and other rubbish.

The general administration of the Civic Improvement Society has been in the hands of the executive committee. The active work of some of the standing committees has taken a practical form.

The advertising committee has issued a folder which presents the advantages of Forest Grove. These folders have been widely circulated, not only by private individuals, but our Oregon Commissioner made up his committee on dairies and public schools have held regular meetings, and have been successful in directing attention to higher ideals in their respective lines of work.

Through the kindness of friends the humane committee offers to the children in the public schools a series of prizes for compositions on "The Habits of Birds From Personal Observation."

The rose committee plans to hold a rose show during the present season. Already good work has been done in distributing seeds to people who wish to join in the effort to make Forest Grove a rose city.

The question of Civic Improvement has been kept before the people in various ways. In May of last year the children of the schools were invited to an open meeting, when George M. Hyland, of the National organization, gave a stimulating address and exhibited a series of lantern slides, which, belonging to the National League, in June, by means of attractive posters made by some of the local artists, an invitation was issued for a "clearing-up week," with most encouraging results.

Under the management of the social committee the citizens of Forest Grove held a supper on the college campus one evening in August.

The recent ordinance to shut the cows permanently from the streets will add much to the good appearance of the streets and sidewalks, and the cleaning up of alleys and streets is also in the line of progress. The officers of the Civic Improvement Society recognize that all healthy growth is gradual, and that even the beginning, though small, are in the line of success. They wish not only to cultivate an enthusiasm for Forest Grove, but to promote mutual confidence and cooperation and to arouse the ambition of each man, woman and child to a full sense of personal responsibility in the life of the community.

MISS MARY F. FARNHAM, Secretary.

**MOVEMENTS OF MILITARY.**

Orders to Officers and Leaves of Absence Granted.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, April 24.—(Special.)—Major Lea Felger, lately appointed Inspector-General of the Department of the Columbia, having finished the annual inspection at Fort Lawton and Vancouver Barracks, has been ordered to inspect Fort Liscum and post at Skagway, Alaska.

First Lieutenant James E. Bell and Second Lieutenant Stanley A. Campbell, Seventeenth Infantry, have been granted leave of absence for 30 days, to take effect June 1.

Sergeant Edwin G. Phillips, Hospital Corps, having reported for duty at Vancouver Barracks, according to orders, has been temporarily assigned to duty at that post.

Leave of absence for 14 days, to take effect May 27, has been granted First Lieutenant H. P. Hobbs, Seventeenth Infantry.

Work on the new buildings now being erected here is progressing favorably. Fifty stonemasons and laborers are now being employed. The foundation of the double set of artillery barracks is nearly completed, and next week bricklayers and carpenters will be put on the work.

During the summer from 100 to 150 men will be employed and the work rushed with as much speed as possible.

Assistant Surgeon C. J. Bartlett has recently arrived at the post and will remain here until company I, Thirtieth Infantry, which has recently been ordered to relieve the Thirty-Second Com-

pany of Coast Artillery at Fort Liscum, arrives at Cortland, when he will join company I, and will be accompanied by a company I to Alaska.

Post Commissary-Sergeant August Arnold, appointed on April 7 from Coler-Sergeant of the Seventeenth Infantry, has been ordered from Vancouver Barracks



## The Marriage Question.

"Never marry but for love; but see that thou lovest only what is lovely."—Wm. W. Fox.

**T**HIS year we have heard a great deal about the marriage question from men and women of letters and Professors addressing college students. The professor who announced that "love and romance die out with the sound of the wedding bells" was the first to start the ball rolling.

It would seem a brave woman who marries with this echo in her ears, yet we have not heard that there were fewer marriages during the year. Although many people marry without reasoning about it, and do not know the word romance, they feel it and act it all their lives and are content. There are unhappy married lives, but a large percentage of these unhappy homes are due to the illness of the wife, mother or daughter. The more civilised a race becomes, doing with less and less physical exercise in the out-of-doors air, and with the wearing of corsets and other modish customs, the more likely are the women to suffer from womanly ills. Every woman should know what right living is—for perfect health and a fair complexion she should occasionally take a vegetable laxative such as Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

If you want to know what all you the United States mail will bring you the best medical advice for only the cost of writing materials and stamps.

Many people owe their present good health to the past the marriage question. Dr. Pierce by letter, giving him all possible information about their condition, symptoms, etc., and received in return good medical advice which cost them nothing. This is why we advise you to write to Dr. R. V. Pierce, the founder of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce by no means confines himself to prescribing his well-known medicines. He tells you in the most common-sense way what ails you, what you ought to do, what line of treatment should be followed in your particular case, and if your case demands it, he tells you plainly and frankly what you do need, and the best possible method of improving your health. If you are a young woman just entering upon the duties of life, you should have good medical advice of a confidential nature. If you're a mother of children, you may want advice about yourself and how best to put your system in order that your children may be healthy. To sufferers from chronic diseases which do not readily yield to treatment, or to people who are past the youthful stage of life and want confidential advice about their ailments or their physical condition, Dr. Pierce offers to carefully consider your case and give you the best medical advice within his power, free of cost to you.

Dr. Pierce, during a long period of practice, found a prescription which entirely of roots and herbs, without the use of alcohol, which was positive in its action. After using this remedy for many years in his private practice he put it up in a form that would make it easily procurable, and it can be had at any store where medicines are handled.

**\$500 REWARD FOR WOMEN WHO CANNOT BE CURED.**

Backed up by over a third of a century of remarkable and uniform cures, a record such as no other remedy for the diseases and weaknesses peculiar to women ever attained, the proprietors and makers of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription now feel fully warranted in

offering to pay \$500 in legal money of the United States, for any case of Leucorrhoea, Female Weakness, Prolapsus, or Falling of Womb which they cannot cure. All they ask is a fair and reasonable trial of their means of cure.

"I suffered for almost two years," writes Mrs. H. F. Smith, of Larwill, Ind., "with an annoying female trouble, nervous prostration, and a complication of other diseases, for which I was treated by good physicians, and they failed. I then wrote to Dr. R. V. Pierce, and found that he understood such cases. He advised me to take his 'Favorite Prescription,' 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and 'Lotion Tablets.' After six months' use of these remedies I feel like a new person. I am strong and well and can do my household work, which I did not do before for over two years. I am very grateful to Dr. Pierce for his advice and prompt and respectful attention, and would advise every suffering woman to apply to him and be cured."

"I will write and let you know that I have now the best health I have had in twenty years, and that is saying a great deal," writes Mrs. J. M. Bell, of Tully St., Syracuse, N. Y. "I am thankful to you for your advice and medicines. At the time I first wrote to you was on my back in bed. Since that time I have never been sick nor taken any medicine. In 1901, I took three bottles of your 'Favorite Prescription' and some of Dr. Pierce's 'Pleasant Pellets,' and used some of your 'Lotion Tablets' and 'Suppositories.' I think there has been time enough now to know whether the cure is permanent. I do not remember to have seen one day in all of twenty years that I could say I was well. Do not think that any one could be more thankful than I am."

"Can walk as long a distance as I wish, and it does not hurt me in the least. When I began to use your remedies I had displacement of womb and had not been able to stand on my feet for several weeks. I am now well, and I suffered very much indeed, and am thankful that I am now well. Am going to travel now, not for pleasure, but for work."

Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription cures headache, backache, nervousness, sleeplessness and other consequences of womanly diseases. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription makes weak women strong, sick women well. Accept no substitute for the medicine which works wonders for weak women.

**KNOW YOURSELF.**

Your most important knowledge is knowledge of yourself. You should read The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, by R. V. Pierce, M. D. Send 25 cents in one-cent stamps, for this 100-page book in paper cover, or 35 cents for the cloth-bound. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

to the Presidio, San Francisco, to await transportation to Manila.

First Lieutenant Eugene H. Hartnett, Assistant Surgeon, now under orders to report for duty at Vancouver Barracks, has been temporarily detailed as a member of the examining board appointed to meet at the Army building, New York City.

**Ashland's First Annual Magazine.**

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, Ashland, Or., April 24.—(Special.)—An interesting feature of the commencement week will be the publication of a magazine entitled "The Annual," by the senior class. It will be replete with accounts of the most important events that have happened during the school year, a description of society work, including the Normal Senate anecdotes, and will be illustrated with cartoons of prominent characters. President Mulkey will write an historical sketch of the school, and pictures of the grounds and buildings and of the classes will be given.

**Building at Vancouver.**

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 24.—(Special.)—Work will begin at once on the new brick building to be erected by M. R. Sparks and Chris Engstrom on Main street. It will be two stories, and the lower story will be occupied by the owners. The upper rooms will be fitted up for household and other purposes. The building will be completed the coming Summer. It will cost about \$10,000.

## Brightens Lonely Homes

I am to-day enjoying perfect health, thanks to Wine of Cardui. I suffered from ovarian troubles. The doctor insisted on an operation as the only way to get well. I, with a sick woman is a disconsolate place. A friendly druggist advised him to get a bottle of Wine of Cardui for me to try, and he did so. I began to improve in a few days, and my recovery was very rapid. It really seems nothing but a miracle that he recovered so quickly. I was another being and in splendid health. I can never praise your medicine enough.

How can a home be bright and happy when the mother or wife is enduring the pangs of menstrual disorders, bearing-down pains or ovarian troubles?

Mrs. Stowe's letter shows every woman how a home is saddened by female weakness and how completely Wine of Cardui cures that weakness. She let four years go by when she could have lived them in health. She suffered the terrible agonies of ovarian troubles when Wine of Cardui would have cured her just as completely four years ago as now.

Do not go on suffering. There is nothing to gain by putting off treatment. Go to your druggist to-day and secure a \$1.00 bottle of Wine of Cardui and the health Mrs. Stowe secured will soon be yours.

In cases requiring special directions, address, giving symptoms, "The Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

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