

AGED SOLDIER FALLS HEIR TO FORTUNE AND SOON SWAMPED WITH PROPOSALS

Twice Wed, 70-Year-Old Veteran at State Home Declares He Is Not Looking for a Wife, and Refers Hundreds of Letters From Women in All Parts of Country to His Friends.

BY W. A. PETTIT. OREGONIAN, OR., April 27.—(Special.)—Once a man of independent wealth, but for the past few years a charge of the United States, William Lyman Chittenden, an inmate of the Oregon Soldiers' Home, is happy over the unexpected announcement that he is heir to a fortune of \$175,000.

and he is offering his matrimonially inclined friends all sorts of Leap Year proposals. Chittenden is thought to be a descendant of Charles T. Chittenden's uncle, who went West in the early '40s. Despite his age he has a remarkable memory. He is able to trace the family



William Lyman Chittenden, Who Has Fallen Heir to \$175,000.

ness with his father at First and Morrison streets. After remaining with his father for a short time, he enlisted in Captain Powell's company of minutemen for the relief of the blockhouse at The Dalles. During a battle with the Indians near that city, Chittenden received a wound which crippled him for life.

He returned to Portland where he assisted his father until 1858, when he engaged in business for himself. A few months later he retired, only to re-engage in business in 1860. Following his latest venture he continued in active business until 1890, when he was appointed assistant postmaster at Portland under E. H. Wakefield. He continued in this capacity during the administrations of E. H. Wakefield, George E. Cole and G. A. Stee, retiring when C. W. Roby assumed charge of the office.

SAN FRANCISCO PRESS CLUB HOST TO SOCIETY AT MIDNIGHT SHOW

Innovation Inaugurated in Bohemian Spirit Scores Big Success and Newspaper Men Decide to Make It Annual Affair—Public Men Are Subjects of Quips.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 27.—(Special.)—San Francisco, the home of innovations of a Bohemian sort, has something new. It was more or less an accident, as such innovations usually are, but it has apparently come to stay.

seated about the rim of the tank. On opposite sides were two wireless stations—not toys, but the real thing—and messages were flashed during the dinner, Hawaiian singers entertained.

on quarters beneath those of Army Captains, their juniors. Coonts made a protest. Everything was fixed up by calling time, but there was some lively shaking up and hustling around in the stairways before all was as it should have been.

\$5000 HIDDEN BY SOLDIERS NEVER UNEARTHED DESPITE LONG SEARCH

Troop of Indian Fighters Dig Many Trenches to Uncover Buried Treasure, but Find Only Medicines Cashed Along With Gold.

ALBANY, Or., April 27.—(Special.)—In the Sonoran Valley, near the southern line of Arizona, and not far from the town of Crittenden, more than \$5000 in gold lies buried. Like most hidden treasure, it has been sought for in vain, and its burial and the succeeding search for it involves a tale of the Civil War and the days of Indian fighting which followed on the Southwest plains.

John Cuthlin, for many years a police officer in Albany, and who in the late '60s, was a trumpeter in the First United States Cavalry, tells the story. "In the Spring of 1857 I was stationed at old Fort Buchanan, in Arizona. I was then the trumpeter of Troop K, First United States Cavalry, and our troop and Company H, of the Thirty-second United States Infantry, formed the garrison of the fort.

of the man left something of a dent in his reputation. About a dozen years ago Miss Francis Joffie introduced to her friends "Mrs. Brown of London," whom she had met abroad. "Mrs. Brown of London" was none other than the young daughter of the House of Vidaver. Dr. Washington Dodge was one of those who found her delightful and their marriage resulted.

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Prize Fund Already Amounts to More than \$300.—Committee Announces Details.

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Medical Supplies Unearthed. "It was long before there were trenches all over the upper part of the valley. Wherever there was a combination of trees or rocks that might indicate a cache, there the men dug. One day a party of searchers unearthed a big amount of medical supplies. They found quinine and all of the medicines which went with an Army Surgeon's outfit in those days. This gave the searchers renewed activity. But no gold ever was found, nor was it ever learned where the liquor was stored. At least if any man ever found any of it he kept it quiet.

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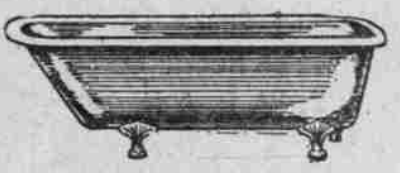
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KLICKITAT FARMERS MEET

Institute at Goldendale Attended by Many Grangers.

GOLDENDALE, Wash., April 27.—(Special.)—The Farmers' Institute held

ALBANY COLLEGE FUND GROWS.

ALBANY, Or., April 27.—(Special.)—William Fortmiller, of this city, received a telegram from Harry Means Crook, president of Albany College, who is now in New York City, in the interest of the endowment fund of the college, announcing that he had received another gift of \$5000, and that the prospects were very favorable toward securing more contributions.

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