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The Postoffice.

A petition is circulating in this place in favor of giving Miss Mary Brown the Hillsboro postoffice. Now if Miss Brown wants the office we say amen to it, and hope that the gentlemen who are trying to get it will withdraw in her favor. The present incumbent, Dr. Boyce, does not want it, and if the gentlemen having influence with Senator Mitchell and the Postmaster General will use it, there will be no trouble in her getting the appointment. Every voter in the town will sign the petition, we are confident.

Why Not?

Why cannot our county organize an Alder Fruit Drying Company? We have plenty of capital here and raise plenty of the best kinds of fruit. Would it not be well if the Grangers in this county would start such an enterprise and preserve the thousands of bushels of fruit that rot under the trees every year? We must have a more diversified industry in our county if we would prosper. We cannot all, nor always, make a living by raising wheat. Is it possible that Washington county cannot support one manufacturing enterprise? Shall our men continue to loan their money and build up other counties thereby and leave us to mope along here without enterprise or development?

And why can we not have a first-class merchant flouring mill in the county? There is a splendid water power at Forest Grove, and Hillsboro is a central point, for a good mill.

Humburg Mines.

Mr. G. T. Ledford of this place received a letter lately from a friend who owns a share in the famous Yank quartz ledge in Southern Oregon, and he informs Mr. Ledford that he don't know whether the mine will pay or not; thinks it a little doubtful and advises people to wait for better evidence before they rush off to the new mines. That is sound advice. Every spring has its mining excitement and hundreds of our citizens rush off and leave comfortable homes and useful occupations and spend their ready cash or money that they have borrowed in search of mines that prove to be all on paper. They return sadder and poorer men. And next year a new crop of gold hunters run off to new mines and so the money goes. Substantial interests are injured and unsettled habits are acquired. Stay at home young men and old men and tend to your business and ten to one you will make more money than ten-tenths of those who go to the mines.

Wil-Wal.

Forest Grove, March 19, 1875. EDITOR INDEPENDENT:—The question of Wil or Wal is again up, or still up, we should say.

There is no question about the pronunciation. We all utter the same sounds in speaking the name. The question is, What orthography represents this pronunciation? There is no word in the English language beginning with the letters w-a-l in which that combination receives in speech the obscure sound of a that we all give in the first syllable of the river's name. W-a-l does not represent the sound that we all utter. It leads the stranger to mispronounce the name.

On the other hand the orthography, w-i-l, does compel the right pronunciation, if the accent is given to the penult, lam. It is only by an effort that the name can be mispronounced if spelled w-i-l-l-a-m-e-t and accented on the penult. These facts settle the question to my mind, and I shall continue to spell it w-i-l as long as I live.—Let us have peace. X

P. S. There are some, we believe, who do not accept the common pronunciation but wish to substitute for it W-o-l or W-a-w-l-a-m-e-t. There is

no necessity for criticising their innovation, as it will never prevail. The sounds that they wish to substitute are too difficult ever to take the place of the pronunciation now in use because they are not adapted to our organs of speech.

Religion in Schools.

Forest Grove, Mar., 28, 1875.

Ma. Editor: Perhaps we might claim that the school must conform to a true definition of it, and so proceeding to determine what the true is, insist that it be according to the pattern.

But this course, I am aware, seems arrogant. It seems like requiring others to work after some one's individual views.

It is more in accordance with the genius of our people to follow a lively view of some thing that seems expedient than to copy the most carefully prepared models. It is true that mistakes are thus made. The view that seemed best proves to be an accommodation to prejudice or to some interest. There are apt to be changes of views that interfere in the steady progress. We sacrifice the perfectness that older experience gives to the zeal for originality or the pride of independence.

For the sake of meeting the public and all the public upon common ground we might admit, more than the law allows, that the community have the right to determine absolutely what they will call a school—provided of course it be a gathering of children under a teacher. We would admit that if they choose to employ a profane or an intemperate man—if they choose to require that he shall under the guise of impartiality in respect to religious opinions, speak of God and Christ as a heathen might do—if they fail to make the school a school according to what we conceive a proper definition of it—for the sake of meeting all objectors to what we conceive to be right, upon their own ground, we might admit that the right was theirs to do as they pleased. But we should claim upon their own ground that the responsibility was theirs also.

If the practical is preferred to the theoretical, let us be practical. Let us watch to see if the school is made all that it might be, if any agencies or methods are defective, and be prepared to remedy defects.

Is it best for our children that so many golden opportunities as the school room affords to a faithful teacher of imparting correct views of God, correct views of life and duty, and kindling the noblest aspirations should be neglected, especially when in improving them he is distracted from no duty? Is it expedient to forbid a teacher or discountenance his efforts to lead the children to act from true religious principle? Is it not expedient to the best interest of our children to encourage teachers to look to God for guidance, and desire them always to show a reverence for his name, a regard for his will and to honor his word.

Is it not expedient that as far as practicable our teachers should feel it a privilege as well as duty to inculcate not only responsibility to themselves parents and to government, but also that higher responsibility to God.

When this religious influence is not to be at the expense of other duties but really gives greater efficiency to both teachers and pupils, why should we not desire it?

As practical people, if schools can as well as not be places for moral culture shall we not make them such? Shall I object to the use of religious influences to make my child more conscientious, more kindly and to give him hopes and aspirations that are bright and cheering and fit him for greater usefulness in life?

I wish to ask another question. Why is it, that when three-fourths of the people are christian or desire to be such, when a larger proportion would have no objection to a religious influence but would rather desire it, why is it that its importance is overlooked, so little care taken to secure it, and often the opposition of a few is successful against it.

Are christians so derelict to duty or is the influence of a few fanatics for irreligion so great that we cannot give religion its due place in our public schools? M.

The Weekly News, published at Last Portland, has died.

KEEP IT BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

HILLSBORO, Mar. 31, 1875.

Our nerves tingling and wide awake friend, Mr. Wm. Watson, again made a post-mortem examination on one of Mr. B. G. Reed's sheep which he killed, being almost dead far advanced with the disease, commonly known by the name of "Snots," the organs of which he brought in and showed to us, which presented the same condition as the previous post-mortem, except that upon opening the brain he found that organ much softened, as before, the olfactory bulbs entirely destroyed and several worm-like larvae an inch in length and a fourth of an inch in diameter besides hundreds of smaller size ranging down to an eight of an inch in length, situated in the posterior nares and between the nasal and ethmoid bones, still alive and carrying on their work of destruction. Several of these larvae had already attained full size and were ready to be transformed into the insect they were to form. One, particularly, had so far developed as to present the circular stripes around the body, with a hardened shell-like crust enveloping it; the head and eyes being also well formed. In the bronchial tubes, the same kind of thread-like worms, were found in large numbers, rolled together, as were present in the previous animal.

With regard to the theory: How do these worms get there, is still a question. I am still strongly impressed with the theory as before expressed, that the ovum or egg is deposited by some insect, but that it is deposited in the nose, by the insect, as previously stated, I am now rather skeptical unless it can be shown that the ova can remain dormant in the folds or cilia of the mucous membrane for five or six months as this case would indicate.

We are all aware that very few, if any, flies or insects have been observed since our cold weather commenced, some six months ago, yet, in the animal before us numerous ova and embryo larvae were discovered as being transformed into animate life. Thus it would seem that the ovum has remained dormant as before stated, or recently deposited in some manner as yet not understood.

Another theory has occurred to my mind, with regard to its deposit which may be worthy of mention, and perhaps lead to something of interest in ferreting out this abominable and destructive disease. May not the insect deposit its ova in the joints of some kind of grass which after being cut for hay and becoming dry breaks up and the sheep eating and suffling through it inhale the eggs while at fodder. Such seems to me a reasonable conclusion.

In regard to treatment, I am more strongly impressed with the belief that inhalations of strong sulphurous acid gas would be worth trying as we are well aware that sulphur is very destructive to those smaller insects. To administer it to large flocks a well enclosed shed or building might be used by saturating the room well with the gas and keeping the sheep in it a certain length of time every day until the insect is destroyed. Or a more certain, but much more tedious method, would be to make a weak solution of carbolic acid or spirits turpentine and inject into the animals nostrils. JNO. VINE, M. D.

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Tualatin Hotel. MAIN STREET - HILLSBORO, D. L. TURPIN, PROPRIETOR, mar24th

Hillsboro Lodge No. 17, I. O. G. T. meets at the Hall in Hillsboro every Saturday evening at 7 o'clock. All members of the order in good standing are cordially invited to attend. By order W. C. T. mar24

NOTICE!!! ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE School Fund for Interest, are hereby notified to pay up immediately, or the same will be put in the hands of an Attorney, for collection. By order of the Board, W. STAMMERS, Co. Treas. feb20th

Summons. In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County. Charles McKinney vs. Mary McKinney. To Mary McKinney the above named Deft. WHEREAS ON THE 10TH DAY OF March A. D. 1875, Hon. E. D. Shattuck Judge of the above named Court made an order directing that service of the summons in this suit be had upon you by publication of the same in the Washington Independent for six consecutive weeks. Therefore in the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby notified, to appear and answer the complaint of the Plaintiff herein filed against you by the first day of the term of said Court next following the expiration of the publication of this summons which said term will commence at Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, on Monday the 24th day of May A. D. 1875. And you are further notified that if you fail so to answer, the Plaintiff will apply for the relief therein demanded, to-wit: that the marriage contract now existing between Plaintiff and Deft. be dissolved. Thos. H. Towser, Atty. for Plaintiff. mar26

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