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ROSEBURG, OREGON, THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1897.

Superintendent Irwin Defines the Law On the Respective Merits of the A Constant Thorn in the Side of the On Compulsory Education.

MUST ATTEND SCHOOL

RY:GOODSState Superintendent Irwin has had a eircular letter prepared and printed to be forwarded to the various county school superintendents and school boards, call-Ladies' Bress Goods, Ribbons, Trimmings, BOOTS AND SHOES

The attention of the county superintendents, and through them, the attention of the boards of school directors, is called to the following law pertaining to

compulsory education:
"Section 65. Every parent, guardian, or other person in this state having control or charge of a child or children between the ages of 8 and 14 years, shall be required to send such child or children to a public school at least 12 weeks in every school year, of which at least eight weeks school (shall) be consecutive, unor at home in such branches as are usuof learning taught in the public schools; of learning taught in the public schools; provided, in case a public school shall not be taught for the period of 12 weeks or any part thereof, during the year, within two miles by the nearest traveled road of the residence of any person within the school district, he or she shall not be liable to the provisons of this act.

"Sec. 66. Any parent, guardian or

"Sec. 66. Any parent, guardian of other person having control or charge of any child or children failing to comply with the provisions of this act shall be liable to a fine of not less than \$5 nor more than \$25 for the first offense, nor less than \$25 nor more than \$50 for the second, and each subsequent offense, besides the cost of the prosecution.

"Sec. 67. It shall be the duty of the directors and clerk of each school district to make diligent effort to see that districts.

This office has become aware that but little or no attention is paid to the law compelling children to attend school at least 12 weeks during the year. To look over the statistics one is impressed that there must be many children of school BUGGY HARNESS age who do not attend our public schools.

Consult your purse and be sure and see

tical roll, and the teacher or teachers of the district having the ages and number days over the election of Mitchell, and retaining it. Very few of the inhabienrolled as in attendance at school, some knowledge may be gained as to how nearly this law of school attendance at would not sully itself by taking sides lation of 200,000 there are 40,000 Mahom-

chool attendance.

Bring this law before the people, acBring this law before the people, acBring this law before the people, acM. LEMMES.

quaint them with its requirements and penalties, and it is believed there will not be so many children of the age included by the law, who do not and will not attend the public school. The state does not get near the value it deserves for the support of the common schools, because of the fact that so many do not avail themselves of the privilege. The state cannot afford to allow this neglect and indifference of the public schools to exist, but must, in some way, see that the children have some education.

High Water.

Washington, March 29.—Colonel Gil-lespie, president of the Mississippi com-mission, has telegraphed General Wil-

under date of yesterday as follows: "The gauges along the river from Memphis to Vicksburg give a flood reading varying from 11, to 3 feet above any Two doors south of Slocum s Hall. ROSEBURG are seriously strained at all points."

Mississippi side, through which an im-mense volume of water is pouring into the Black and Steele Bayou country.
The opening is 500 feet wide. Unless it can be stopped, which is highly improbable, all the country west of Deer

come graver every hour. Men were put the levees protecting higher bottom lands. The railroad companies are putting their tracks in American and St. Charles bottoms in the best possible condition to withstand the floods for less than 12 teet more of water will bring the stage of 1892, when the tracks of all railroads were submerged between Alton and St. Louis.

The gauge shows an advance of four-tenths of a foot in the last 24 hours. The river is within less than three feet of the stage reached in the middle of May, last year, and with nearly two months of wet weather ahead, the out-look is gloomy.

even back from the river, look like lakes, and the preparation of land for spring crops is sgain deferred.

A POPULIST'S VIEWS Washington and Oregon Legislatures.

CRETANS IN HISTORY.

Peace of Europe.

Montreal Gazette.

tory, and very seldom to advantage. It is curious to note how the same defects

run through the records of centuries. Even in Homer we find Crete divided

Greek world of that day, but it was al-

ways too much taken up with internal disputes. The Cretans took no part in

"In Crete there was the beginning of

great troubles set in motion, if one should speak of a beginning of troubles in Crete,

for, owing to the persistency of civil

wars, and the acts of eavogery practiced against each other, beginning and end

are much the same in Crete, and what

appears to some people to be an incredi-

ble story is a spectacle of every day oc-

St. Paul is even more emphatic in his condemnation. He visited Crete, and found things in such a state of confusion

in the church that he left Titus to put things in order. Writing to him after-wards, the Apostle quotes a hexameter line one of the few classical quotations in the New Testsment) which has evi-

dently passed into a proverb. In the

buke them sharply, and put them in

mind to obey the magistrates, and not

indulge in brawling. The Cretan Christ-

ains evidently retained the national

characteristics, as they do to this day. Left to themselves, the Cretans spent

their time in fighting among themselves,

and their only chance of peace lay in

subjection to a foreign despotism, to which their internal fends made them

the Saracens and the Venetians before

in the 17th century, it was conquered by

years, the powers interfered and trans-ferred Crete to the government of Me-

homet Ali, viceroy of Egypt. In 1840 it was restored to Constantinople, and the result was another rebellion in 1859.

begun in 1866, gave the Turks a great deal of trouble. It costs them \$40,000,-

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not surprising that the

ready victims. The island formed

He therefore exhorts Titus to re-

currence there."

The Cretans appear very often in his-

EDITOR PLAINDEALER! In the PLAINDRALEROI March 15th you superintendents and school boards, call-ing the attention of those officials to the law prescribing compulsory education for children of a certain school age, which law is now so Leedlessly violated in law is now so Leedlessly violated in the state. Following is the quiring a two-thirds majority. Now what are the facts:

The Washington senate consists of 34 members, of these 13 are straight republicans and 21 populists and fusionists. the Persian or the Pelopponesian war, or Now according to my arithmetic, 21 is less than two thirds of 34, and therefore the 'representatives of the dectrines of populism" are not responsible for the was perpetually engaged in civil war. faiture to pass reform measures requiring a two-thirds majority. But although the 13 republican members of the senate had the power to defeat reform measures requiring two-thirds majorities, they could not prevent the fusion majority was perpetually engaged in civil war. Polybius, writing 2000 years ago, speaks of Crete in much the same tone as might be adopted by a newspaper editor today. In book XXIV, chapter 4, of his work, the Greek historian says:

"In Crete there was the beginning of weeks school (shall) be consecutive, unless the bodily or mental condition of such child or children has been such as to prevent his or her or their attendance at school or application to study for the at school or application to study for the period required, or unless such child or in the Union. And I am sorry to say that the republican members did their than the person of each to prevent the parsage of each level best to prevent the parsage of each ally taught in primary schools, or have already acquired the ordinary branches a few of the measures passed by the populist fusion Washington legislature : Reducing the expenditures over \$350, 000, or about 30 per cent.

Exempting homesteads to the value of \$1000 from execution for debts. Exempting \$500 worth of personal

property from taxation. Exempting \$500 worth of improvements on homestead from taxation.

Abolishing monopolistic fishing de

authorized version it runs: "One of Submitting woman suffrage amendthemselves, even a prophet of their own ment to the people.

Knocking the gold clause contract in said: The Cretans are always liars, evil beasts, slow bellies;" and St. Paul emphatically adds: "This witness is the head. An auti-fellon servant law for the pro-

tection of railroad employes. A maximum freight law on farm pro ducts. Putting fire insurance companies under

this law is enforced in their respective strict state supervision. (Remember our own "State" of Salem robbery concern And a score or more of strictly anti-

"Sec. 68. Justices of the peace shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit court in all prosecutions under this set."

with Phil Metchan at the head, And a score or more of strice monopolistic measures that glad monopolistic measures that gladden the hearts of populists all over this Nation. As to the assertion that the populist minority in the Oregon legislature, on of the Roman Empire, then of the Byaccount of their refusal to bow to the
zantice, and had been in the hands of dictates of the illegal Benson house, is responsible for the failure of the last Oregon legislature to pass remedial legis- the Turks. For a century and a half lation, it is only necessary to state that the island enjoyed peace, if a despotic the house consisted of 39 republicans, 17 populists and free silver, and 4 demoplated was to have the children attend

the house consisted of 39 republicans, 17 populists and free silver, and 4 democrats, and as one populist turned traitor. In 1821 it joined in the Greek revolution, plated was to have the children attend the public schools in order that illiteracy and sided with the republicans (Nosler), and drove the Turks to the cities, and as some of the democrats also voted with the republicans, it takes some land. After a struggle lasting for over 12 with the republicans, it takes some The salety and welfare of the country depend spon the efficiency of our public lists responsible for the actions of the more than two-thirds republican-demobooks and literature is considered, but cratic majority. And if the republican where good government, loyalty and love party had really been in favor of measures giving relief to the people, why did The law is on the statute book, and they not pass their reform measures two should not remain a dead letter. The years ago when they certainly had comdety of seeing it enforced rests with the plete control? The fact is that two years 000 and 50,000 men to suppress, and at boards of school directors, and the clerks of the several school districts.

The clerks of the several districts have the several ing the number of pupils in the statistical roll, and the teach r or teachers of republican majority continued the buck- not surprising that the sult. is observed.

This is also one of the duties of the country superintendent, that he should acquaint himself with the attendance at school and give direction to the board of directors in regard to the matter of school attendance.

In the disgraceful wrangle. What Oregon mostly needs today is the same kind of a house cleaning. New brooms and new sweepers, like those that are making our sister state, Washington, the grown mostly needs today is the same kind of a house cleaning. New brooms and new sweepers, like those that are making our sister state, Washington, the promised land towards which the eyes of the toilers of this country are turning school attendance.

TESTING ORES.

The following are given as effective

Lead and silver.—Take a piece of the ore to be examined, powder it and pass it through a fine sieve. Take 25 grains, or thereabouts, of the powdered ore, place it on an iron spoon and roast until no smell of sulphur arises. Place the the same in an evaporating dish and add twice the quantity of nitric acid, diluted with a little water. Heat over a lamp until citrous acid fumes subside, dilute with a little more boiled rain, snow, ice or distilled water, and allow it to settle. son, chief of engineers, from Vicksburg, If cloudy, the solution must be filtered. If clear, carefully pour of the solution from the sediment into a glass or test tube. Divide it into three portions in three different glasses. Add to one watchmaker and Jeweler.

Watchmaker and Jeweler. cost. As yet no widely spread damage cipitation ceases. Pour off the solution has been reported, though several breaks in levees above Greenville, on both banks, have occurred. The levees ing the silver in the residue, pour off the solution from the preciptate and amonia to the precipitate, which will dismy care will be PROMPTLY and GREENVILLE, Miss., March 19.—A solve it, if silver. The chloride of silver, if exposed to the sunlight, turns to a seven miles south of Greenville, on the darker shade of color than the chloride of lead, and in that case will not dissolve in ammonia. It should, therefore, be

done quickly and under cover. Gold.—To the original and undissolved ore add (aqua regia) one part nitric to two parts dydrochloric (muriatic) acid, to cover the ore. Digest for half an hour creek and the most prosperous part of to cover the ore. Digest for half an hour the Delta will be overflowed south of the gently over a lamp, add water until cool Yazoo riyer. This break relieved the pressure somewhat on Greenville front.

Allon, Ill., March 29.—Conditions beshown—"The Purple of Cassius." This, shown—"The Purple of Cassius." This, to work this morning, overhauling all the levees protecting higher bottom a little sulphate of iron solution, and it will form a brown precipitate, which will not disappear on shaking.

Copper—Add ammonia to a portion of

the first solution, and, if copper is present, it will give a blue color.

Iron.—Add to another portion of the first solution a little of the ferro cyanide of potassinm solution (yellow prussiate potish). If iron is present, deep blue color will be shown (Prussian blue).

A Louisville man has been held for perjury for swearing he owned a lot worth \$400 when it was shown that the Thousands of dollars have already lot was in a cometery. It was regarded been swept away in crops products, and by the court as a grave offense and the it is raining again, so that the prairies man is now entombed in jail.

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