

other interior points can once obtain the same rates from Eastern cities as Portland, they will be able to compete with that city and their merchants be able to carry on a wholesale trade at least on a small scale. These advantages which would occur, are so obvious, however, that it is scarcely necessary to mention them.

The proper move to make just now would be for the merchants of La Grande, Union, Baker City and Pendleton to confer together regarding this matter and ask the state commission to enter a formal complaint before the interstate commission. If this be done, it is probable that a decision could be secured in our favor as a similar one has just been rendered in favor of Chicago.

#### SCHOOL REGISTERS.

Superintendent McElroy has prepared, arranged and completed the general register for the use of the public schools of the state. This is done in accordance with the amendments made to the public school laws by the last legislature which makes it obligatory upon the superintendent to prepare a uniform series of suitable registers, etc., for conducting all needed business under the school laws of the state. This register is very complete and comprehensive, embracing within one book blanks and forms for registration of pupils, teacher's daily register, pupils' roll of honor, visitors' register, and summary and blank forms for teacher's orders, with a general summary for the school term or year. The register is prepared with especial care to comply with the requirements of the Oregon school law, and to secure accurate, convenient, uniform and permanent school records. The book is adapted to the needs of city, town, village or rural public schools, whether graded or ungraded, and will do more to secure uniform advancement and development of public school work than anything heretofore attempted. These registry books will be forwarded to the several county school superintendents as rapidly as possible, from whom school clerks may obtain them for their districts. Sufficient numbers will be sent out to the various counties to supply each and every school room in the state, and are supplied free of charge. While the book has been arranged in a most economical way, the work of the state printer and bookbinder is excellent and elegant and highly creditable to all concerned.

#### THE TIME TO ADVERTISE.

There is nothing on earth so mysteriously funny as a newspaper or periodical advertisement. The prime, first, last and all-the-time object of an advertisement is to draw custom. It is not, was not, never will be, designed for any other human purpose. So the merchant waits until the busy season comes and his store is so full of customers that he cannot get his hat off, and then he rushes to the business office and puts in his advertisement. When the dull season comes along, and there is no trade, and he wants to sell goods so badly he can't pay his rent, he discontinues his advertisement. That is, some of them do; but occasionally a level-headed man puts in a bigger one and scoops in all the trade, while his neighbors are making mortgages to pay the gas bill. There are times when you couldn't stop people from buying everything you have for sale if you planted a cannon behind the door, and right then is the time some business men send their advertisement out on its holy mission. It makes light and easy work for the advertisement, for a chalk sign on the sidewalk could do all that was needed, and have a half-holiday six days in the week; but who wants to favor an advertisement? They are built to do hard work, and should be relentlessly sent out in the dull days, when a customer has to be struck between the eyes with hard facts, kicked insensible with startling bankrupt reductions, and dragged in and laid on the counter with irresistible slaughter of prices before he will spend a cent or buy a saw. That is the sole end and aim of an advertisement, and if you ever open a concern to manufacture mining supplies and wood-working, don't try to get customers to come when they are already sticking out of the windows, but give them your advertisement as a square knock-down right in the dull season, and thereby you will wax rich and own Proctor Knott, or some kindred fast horse, to enable you to throw dust from your wheels on your less sensible neighbors, and win shekels thereby, and perhaps be able to smoke a good cigar on Fourth of July and Christmas. Now just write this down where you will fall over it every day: The time to look for and draw business is when you want business, and not when you already have more business than you can attend to.

The time to eat is when you're hungry.—Ez.

#### A FUTURE POSSIBILITY.

Prof. F. S. Hafford, who it will be remembered gave an entertainment in this city a few weeks ago, which consisted in chemical experiments, exercises, fatherly advice to the young folks, etc., is quite a poet. Recently, while in Wallowa, he wrote an apostrophe to Silver Lake which was published in the *Chief*. Below we reproduce a few stanzas from it, not on account of their literary merit, which they are not deficient in, but simply to show the condition an otherwise gentle and noble mind can get into when warped, tainted and debased by false theological teaching—

"Oh, that He who has made thee,  
Beautiful as thou art,  
Would in the day of displeasure,  
When He gives measure for measure,  
Give thee a safer part.

Mountains shall melt before Him,  
Islands shall flee from sight,  
Rivers and fountains of water  
Shall in the day of slaughter  
All become blood and blight.

But in His greatest mercy  
Out on our sight shall burst  
Scenes on our startled vision,  
Fields of the bright Elysian,  
Plains that were never curst."

Is it not a pity that any man should be so constituted that he cannot look upon the sublime and beautiful handiworks of Nature without his mind conjuring up such a hellish and bloody termination of the scene which the creator in his great mercy (?) will bring upon it? Such effusions appear to us but the expiring gasps of the nightmare of ignorance that has brooded over the minds of men for centuries past, but which, thanks to all good influences, in a few years more will be gone forever.

Silver Lake is not only the pride of the residents of Wallowa, but also of all the people in this section of the State. We like to allude to it as "our lake," and, have artists and poets visit it, for, as a general rule, they pay fitting tribute to it with brush and pen. We trust, however, that the next time Prof. Hafford or any other person of his peculiar temperament and pious fervor visits this magnificent scene he, will keep his lurid fancies to himself and let others of a less bloody turn of mind essay to speak of it and blend its praise with song.

#### WASHINGTON.

An Interesting Letter From our Regular Correspondent.

The smell of paint hangs about the White House, and busy artisans are placing new furniture in many of the rooms. Mrs. Cleveland, therefore, prefers to remain at Oak View, only coming in occasionally to view the work. The sorrel team, and the rather distinguished looking woman dressed in soft tinted wools, with the low crowned brown velvet faced Derby, is a familiar figure on the Oak View road. She looks happy enough, in all truth.

With the president the tale is different. The nearness of the November-battle is in his face. His work during the last week of congress was herculean, for whatever may be said of him, it cannot be said that he delegates his work to subordinates. Perhaps he is at the other extreme; he may not have learned the true value of able lieutenants. It is said he will not begin his annual message until after election, which is in all probability correct. I am likewise informed that he has registered in Buffalo, and will vote there in November.

The president will receive the election returns over the private wire that connects the White House with New York. Dan. Lamont will tabulate the returns as they are received. The last report of the Commissioner of Labor is devoted largely to statistics as to the condition of working-women in this country. In the preparation of the work nearly 20,000 women were interviewed by women. The statistics of marriage and divorce cover nearly the last twenty years. The ages, cause of divorce, number of all children, date and place of marriage, are shown by counties, from the records of 2,700 courts. The marriage laws are embraced in the volume. It is a huge and hideous monument to private misery and wrecked lives. Still, if it settled the question "Is marriage a failure?" which has filled the New York papers, recently, it would meet my gratitude.

Gen. Greeley's recent report shows that about 2,000 miles of military telegraph lines are still in existence, being all that is left of 8,250 miles of line erected by the army in the last fourteen years. This is significant of the growth of the country, civil lines taking the place of military lines. To-day there is practically little frontier, and that is limited to New Mexico and Arizona. But 561 lines are devoted to the sea coast, to the defense of commerce, and the sacred work of the life saving service.

It is an open secret that the State

Department has informed Consul General Waller, who is home from London making political speeches, that the department does not expect diplomatic officers to engage in politics to such an extent. And this is apart from any civil service law. It is the tradition of the department that our representatives abroad are, during office, removed from active party politics.

In this year's practice of army rifle-men, the cavalry branch of the service carried off six of the seven prizes. As the cavalry service contains much fewer than one-half so many men as the infantry, this score is remarkable. The first, second and third prizes for marksmanship were won by the Second Cavalry, Col. Nelson Weitzer commanding, and leaves that regiment the crack organization of the entire army.

The Treasury has decided that "suits and pieces of armor and the like" cannot be admitted free of duty, if made since 1700. This is a serious blow at nearly every St. Patrick's Day that lands at Castle Garden.

#### AN EXPLANATION.

What is this "nervous trouble" with which so many seem now to be afflicted? If you will remember a few years ago the word Malaria was comparatively unknown,—to-day it is as common as any word in the English language, yet this word covers only the meaning of another word used by our forefathers in times past. So it is with nervous diseases, as they and Malaria are intended to cover what our grandfathers called Biliousness, and all are caused by troubles that arise from a diseased condition of the Liver which in performing its functions finding it cannot dispose of the bile through the ordinary channel is compelled to pass it off through the system, causing nervous troubles, Malaria, Bilious Fever, etc. You who are suffering can well appreciate a cure. We recommend Green's August Flower. Its cures are marvelous.

#### Temperance Lecture.

A Tombstone (Arizona) exchange, says: The stomach of a whisky drinker was on exhibition at Fairbank recently, and it did more for the cause of temperance than a hundred lectures by a weeping orator. It resembled a boot-leg which had put in about twenty years in an alley.

#### MARRIED.

BAIRD—DOTSON—At the residence of the bride's parents, in this city, Sunday, Nov. 4th, 1888, Mr. Daniel Baird and Miss Mollie Dotson. Rev. L. J. Booth officiating.

THE SCOUT extends congratulations.

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DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned have this day mutually dissolved the partnership heretofore existing between them, E. E. Wilson of the firm will continue the business, collect all bills and settle the indebtedness of the firm.

Dated this Nov. 7th, 1888.  
CARROLL & WILSON.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

LAND OFFICE AT LA GRANDE OREGON,  
Nov. 7, 1888.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settlers have filed notice of their intentions to make final proof in support of their claims, and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on Dec. 18, 1888, viz:

SARAH A. ARNOLD,  
Hd. No. 2073, for the E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> and SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Sec. 5, Tp. 5 S., R. 30 E. and.

JOHN R. REEVES,  
Hd. No. 2417, for the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Sec. 2, Tp. 6 S., and S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> and SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Sec. 35, Tp. 5 S., R. 40 E.

They name the following witnesses to prove their continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

J. H. Stevens, William Stafford and Thomas Shaw, of North Powder; John R. Reeves, Oliver McKeever, William Frasier, Sarah A. Arnold and W. H. Hoffman, of Telocaset, Oregon.

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and the regulations of the Interior Department, why such proof should not be allowed, will be given an opportunity at the above mentioned time and place to cross-examine the witnesses of said claimants, and to offer evidence in rebuttal of that submitted by claimant.

11-9-88 HENRY RINKHART, Register.

#### FOR SALE.

RESIDENCE PROPERTY FOR SALE in North Union.—For particulars enquire of Mrs. N. Howland. 9-7-88

Dwelling house for Sale.

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