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EDITORIAL NOTES.

MINNIE Wallace Wakeup, who was tried at Emporia Kan., for poisoning her husband, has obtained a pension because of his service in the army.

EVERY Chinese woman that reaches San Francisco is now a merchant's wife, and every Chinaman is bound for New York. Windom kicked a hole big enough for the Exclusion Act to allow the hordes of Chinese to land.

A BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION will, in a very few days, be greatly needed in Union. It is one of the many enterprises that must be put in motion at once.

THERE are seventy American citizens who have in their possession \$1,413,000,000. If all the means used to get this vast amount thus aggregated in their hands could be published to the world and justice could be done where would they land, who thus possess it? Echo dare not say.

THE East Oregonian now issues an eight-page daily, brimful of the choicest and latest news of the entire country. It has done more for Pendleton than all other influences combined, and the people very justly show their appreciation of it by a most liberal patronage.

BRO. WANNAMAKER says he is a "dyed-in-the-wool republican," and proposes to benefit the postal service by every means in his power. If cutting down our most important mail routes to one trip per week and other little acts of courtesy is what he calls benefiting the postal service Bro. Wannamaker has too much power already.

IT is announced that post-master Roby will soon start a new democratic paper in Portland. It will probably be a failure like the other papers that have been started there.

BAKER CITY has sent a committee of six representative citizens to Albany to confer with the officials of the Oregon Pacific Railroad to see if the company can not be induced to change their route of survey through South-eastern Oregon so as to come south via Baker City.

WE are in receipt of The Pendleton Daily Tribune, a new paper issued by the Home Publishing Company. It is an excellent paper containing well written editorials and all the latest telegraphic news.

IT is a wise provision of our mining laws which simplifies the method of getting rid of partners in mining claims who do not contribute their share of the assessment work in either money or labor. In the old days it was hard to define abandonment of a claim, and difficult to get rid of partners who neglected to do their work.

YOUNG MEN.

Young men seem to be going to the front in nearly all business enterprises and official positions. Active, energetic and pushing young men cannot be kept back from elbowing their way to the prominent positions.

Well, why wouldn't young men achieve success and prove the architects of their own fortunes, as well as useful, before the evil days come? It is when the body is strong healthy and buoyant, and the faculties of the mind are bright, acute and active, that they should put forth their best efforts.

It is frequently heard that the young men are crowding the old men out of the way. This is unfortunate, if true, but it is the result of the laws of nature. Old men decline, but are still wise in counsel and direct young men in the achievement of some of their grandest successes.

GRAIN ELEVATOR COMPANIES.

We predicted sometime ago that the grain elevator system was liable to prove a detriment to the farmers, and a few such wails as the following from Idaho, will convince us that we were about right.

Fortunately Union County has but one elevator and that, on account of its location, will be rendered harmless after the present year.

EDISON'S GREAT PROBLEM.

The great electrician, Edison, has obtained a nucleus of a new idea that, if worked out successfully, will create a revolution equal to that caused by the application of the expansive force of water vapor for mechanical power.

WHY DO THEY DO IT?

It is strange to note the brawling inconsistencies that Americans embrace and tolerate. There is a weak spot in the American character that it seems the advancement and enlightenment of this nineteenth century is incapable of doing away with.

How does it seem to a person of an impulsive mind to read the above and then think on the other hand, for an instant, does it behoove a sensible people to gather to their "respective places of worship" and offer thanks to God for a Johnstown flood? Or can the farmers of North Dakota, with their starving children clinging frenzied to their hands, fall to their knees and thank Him for "abundant harvests and recompense of their toil?"

It looks like a sensible man, holding an important place, and acting in such a capacity, could see at a glance that there is misery on all sides of him—misery that human aid cannot or will not alleviate and that nothing short of so-called divine aid can reach.

Hypocrites are everywhere. They mix and mingle in the crucible of public life like sand on the beach. Even the ones who try to set an example of behavior and morality are wallowing and bawling in deceit.

Go away with your trash! Give us a religion that will suit poor people as well as rich. Give us a religion that produces food for the body and mind,

and not a driveling lot of stuff that offers not even consolation to the poor man. Give us a charitable religion—charity to sinners as well as angels; charity to mankind, be he wicked or pious.

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A VOICE from this. There is a journal of the heart. It writes. "Was at work on a farm for 20 years. My money for rent, taxes, and other expenses was \$25 a day." "I have done nothing but my own work, and I have made \$25 a day." "I have done nothing but my own work, and I have made \$25 a day." "I have done nothing but my own work, and I have made \$25 a day."

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