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ROSH HASHANAH, the Jewish New Year, was observed yesterday among orthodox Hebrews.

An earthquake down at Quinn tower open a spot in the earth about 100 feet square which soon filled up with water.

DAN CREEDON was defeated in two rounds by Fitzsimmons at New Orleans on the 26th ult. "Fitz" is now after Corbett.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has granted full pardon and amnesty to all Mormons convicted of polygamy, on condition that they will hereafter obey the laws.

Now that the Democratic Times, Post and World have gone against Hill, the latter has decided to accept the nomination for governor. It is an issue that Hill cannot get over.

It is stated in the dispatches that the Japanese have effected a landing in China, and will immediately march on Pekin. This added to the mutinous condition of labor here is creating great consternation in China.

PROF. WILLIAM L. WILSON has been toasted in London and roasted in America. He will get a worse dose in November. The report of his banqueting speech before a lot of Englishmen is enough to disgust any true citizen of this country.

The school board of Portland denounced the Committee of One Hundred, or rather, T. N. Strong, who they claim is the whole committee as it now stands and who is the hired attorney of rival publishers who are seeking to displace the American Book Company.

The state railroad commission should be abolished. Let the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer be empowered as a board to attend to all matters between the people and railroads. It would save a great deal of money for salaries and junketing tours.

The hog question is taking up considerable space in the papers just now. There's no use denying the fact that farmers must change their plan of raising wheat for market. It doesn't pay, while if fed to hogs there are good returns made for labor and capital invested.

EVIDENCES of approaching prosperity are not accumulating so as to scare anybody. The fact is, it's a hard matter for a laboring man to live, and thousands are on the point of starving. We will warrant that a great majority of the American people would like to return to the regime they left in 1892.

ONCE in awhile we find one of our friends who stops the Gazette because it goes after the administration. Well, we believe that we are serving our neighbors by doing so, and all the money in Christendom would not make the Gazette cowardly enough to "lay down" and not express its opinion on the live topics of the day. The truth hurts and some people get angry if you speak it.

THE Oregon Press Association meets in Pendleton today. The boys will have a nice time, but the

Gazette's editor will not be there. Like many others in the Oregon field of country journalism, he is too busy trying to make a living, and at the same time pay up a few honest debts, to spend valuable time in banqueting, taking excursions and theorizing over how to make ends meet when they are not long enough. Besides there are too many members of the Oregon Press Association who never warmed an editorial tripod in their lives, and a great many more who have not been actively engaged in newspaper work for years. Socially speaking, it's a nice organization, but practically it amounts to but very little. Yet we hope that the boys will enjoy themselves, and that some good may come out of their Pendleton meeting.

AN Indiana woman played ghost and came in an "ace" of getting killed. She had better been at home darning her children's stockings and putting Cleveland badges on the pants of her hubby where they would do the most good. A woman that will run around o' nights these hard times to work the ghost act ought not to blame anyone for hurting her.

SOME newspaper man started the report that there was a girl in his town who kneads bread with her gloves on. An exchange answers: We also need bread with our shoes on; with our pants on and with our clothes on. We need it badly, too, and if some of our delinquents do not pay up will need it without any pants at all.

ALL the tin plate works in the United States have shut down. The manufacturers desire to adopt a scale of wages suitable to present conditions, and to this the workmen object. And thus the good work of the Gorman-Havemeyer tariff bill goes on.

PETER CRAMER, a Northern Pacific fireman, went off the ferry at Kalama with his engine and was drowned on last Saturday morning.

THE czar of Russia is dangerously ill.

OUR SCHOOLS

EDITION GAZETTE: Good schools and prosperous church organizations make good society. Good, law-abiding, independent citizens should be the product of our public schools. This was the purpose of the organization of our public school system, and for this purpose are the schools maintained. The citizens of Heppner have reason to be proud of their schools. They are equal to any in the state that your correspondent has visited. Years of service in the school room qualify him to pass judgment. The directors have shown commendable enterprise in providing such excellent facilities and superior instructors for the children, and young ladies and young gentlemen of the city and community. The high school department is unquestionably a decided success. It is composed of fifty as earnest and intelligent young ladies and young men as can be found anywhere else in the state. These young people are receiving superior training from Prof. Wier and his talented daughter. At the time of your correspondent's visit the pupils were undergoing their first monthly examination on the work gone over. Many of the papers prepared by the pupils showed marked ability and originality; notably, the papers on English Literature. This subject is receiving much attention in your schools. This is right. The study of our English classics is elevating, ennobling, soul-developing. This subject is calculated to give the students a broader and more comprehensive view of life, and will make them better women and better men. All the other work in the high school department is handled in the same masterly manner. The work done in the other departments is good and is up to the average. All the pupils appeared interested, and were industriously engaged in preparing their papers. The most responsible position in our public schools, next to that of principal or superintendent, is that of the primary teacher. The primary department is the very threshold of the world of learning. It is the beginning, and the future advancement of the little ones depends largely upon the work of the teacher of this department. The faithful, earnest, conscientious primary teacher is never paid too much; she earns all she gets. This department in your schools is ably managed by Mrs. Wier. The writer never saw a lot of little ones more completely under the control of their teacher. Taken all through your schools are a credit to your city. As before stated, the writer has had years of experience in the school room, and he knows how little encouragement the worried, worried, discouraged teacher receives. This communication, therefore, has been written for two purposes: First, to give the good people of Heppner an idea of the condition of their schools, as seen from the standpoint of an old pedagogue. Second, to encourage the faithful teachers in their good work.

THE HARD FACTS

From the Oregonian. The New York Evening post, learning from Omaha that sheepowners in the West are hurrying their sheep to the stambles because there is no longer a profit in raising wool, says: Wool declined and reached its lowest price under the McKinley tariff and began to advance as soon as it became evident that wool would be put on the free list. The proper time for sending the sheep to the Omaha packers was about two years ago, as soon as the McKinley tariff had time to do its work. This is an effort to make facts yield to the requirements of democratic free-trade politics. Possibly the misinformation thus presented is satisfactory to the free traders and importers of the city of New York; but among Western people who have actual knowledge, from experience, of the facts as to sheep and wool and the effect of free trade on the sheep and wool industry, such remarks may provoke unamiable smiles.

"About two years ago," which is said to have been the proper time for sending sheep to the packers, because the McKinley tariff had then done its deadly work and wool consequently had reached its lowest price, wool and sheep were in fact bringing double the prices they bring now. The Oregon wool-growers two years ago found wool quoted daily in the Oregonian at 16 to 18 cents a pound. The daily quotations now are 6 to 9 cents. Sheep that sell now at \$1.50 a head, sold readily two years ago at \$2.50 to \$3. In the political campaign then going on the democratic politician loudly asserted that protection was destroying the sheep and wool industry. "Just give us free trade in wool," he explained, "and our sheep-growers will get better prices." This was not believed in Oregon, for it was "too thin" for consumption here. But the free-traders carried the election, and it became evident that wool would be put on the free list. From that time the decline in the value of sheep and wool was rapid. A year before free trade in wool was enacted by law wool and sheep fell to the free-trade basis, and there they are now, at one-half the prices they here before it was known that protection was to be destroyed.

It is clear now that this once great industry of our country is doomed to practical extinction. Rapid reduction of flocks is noted already in every wool-growing state. The breeds of sheep that bear fine wools in particular are going fast. The more common and more hardy varieties, little esteemed for wool but grown to an extent for mutton; but the sheep and wool business in the United States is going under free trade in wool, to a very much lower and more narrow basis than heretofore. That is inevitable. Foreign wool is coming in to take the place, very largely, of the wool hitherto grown in our own country. The effect is seen in prices now as compared with those that prevailed before it was known that the McKinley law would be repealed. This is no longer a matter of theory. We now have the hard facts.

The most successful Gas Engine In the market is run without an electric spark battery. There is all very well, but the everyday experience of common practical men is the best test of merit. The man who runs a launch and finds himself drifting with tide and wind because the "spark" fails to ignite the charge of gas in his engine, the man who prints a daily paper and fails to get it off on time because the "spark" again fails; the man who has fruit that is injured for lack of irrigation because the "spark" fails in his engine that runs the pump; and the engine maker but others who have trouble from like causes should bear in mind that the Hercules Gas and Gasoline Engine is free from such difficulties. The ignition is simple and sure. Send for catalogue. If you want second-hand engines or other makes at cheap rates we can supply you. We have a number taken in trade and cannot take any more until they are realized on. Ask SAMUEL & REY and Sons, Export and Importers, Portland Oregon.

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CHANGE OF TIME CARD. O. R. & N. Passengers Will Hereafter eat Supper and Breakfast in Walla Walla. Walla Walla Station.

A new schedule for passenger trains is announced to go in force on the O. R. & N. line from Spokane to Portland on Sunday next, Sept. 30th. A Station Agent reported called the company's office in this city today and was informed that trains would leave Spokane at 10:40 a. m., arriving in Walla Walla at 7:20 p. m., where half an hour's wait would be made for supper. The east-bound train from Portland will leave that city at 7 p. m., arriving in Walla Walla at 7:30 a. m. for breakfast. The new train dispatcher's office will be fitted up for a dining room with a kitchen attached, and a full complement of cooks and waiters will be sent here as soon as arranged. Under the new time card trains will run by the way of Pendleton instead of Wallula.

True Economy doesn't buy what it doesn't need. Indigestion, Bilio-sness, Sick-Headache, do not need a dollar's worth of doctor, but a quarter's worth of Beecham's Pills. Give your rag dogs and cats Simons Liver Regulator, when sick-it will cure them.

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IMPORTANT LAND DECISIONS.—The following is furnished by W. D. Harlan, Land Atty., Washington, D. C. "The good faith of a settlement claim is not impaired by absence from the land to earn money for support of settler's family and to purchase the land.—Asst. Sec'y, Sims." "How to Cure All Skin Diseases." Simply apply "SWAYNE'S OINTMENT." No internal medicine required. Cures Itch, eczema, Itch, all eruptions on the face, hands, nose, etc., leaving the skin clear, white and healthy. Its great healing and curative powers are possessed by no other remedy. Ask your druggist for SWAYNE'S OINTMENT.

Printing the town red means headache in the morning. Simons Liver Regulator prevents it. We take this opportunity of informing our subscribers that the new commissioner of pensions has been appointed. He is an old soldier, and we believe that soldiers and their heirs will receive justice at his hands. We do not anticipate that there will be any radical changes in the administration of pension affairs under the new regime.

We would advise, however, that U. S. soldiers, sailors and their heirs, take steps to make application at once, if they have not already done so, in order to secure the benefit of the early filing of their claims in case there should be any future pension legislation. Such legislation is seldom retroactive. Therefore it is of great importance that applications be filed in the department at the earliest possible date.

If the U. S. soldiers, sailors, or their widows, children or parents desire information in regard to pension matters, they should write to the Press Claims Company, at Washington, D. C., and they will prepare and send the necessary application, if they find them entitled under the numerous laws enacted for their benefit. Address PRESS CLAIMS COMPANY JOHN WEDDERBURN, Managing Attorney, Washington, D. C., P. O. Box 386.

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NOTICE OF CONTEST. U. S. LAND OFFICE, THE DALLES, OREGON. COMPLAINT HAVING BEEN ENTERED AT...

NOTICE OF INTENTION. I HAVE INTENTION to sell and will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand...

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