

HOW ABOUT YOURSELF?

The Fossil Journal in a recent issue goes so far as to assert that all the papers opposing the proposed wholesale change of school books in this state have been bought...

There is hardly a reputable paper in the state that would refuse to publish ordinary paid matter. And yet it is a rare case to find one that will allow its editorial opinions to be influenced by pelf.

We leave it to our readers, who are in the main school patrons, to judge as to the right side, and also as to which papers are influenced editorially by money.

Gov. PENNOYER "ribbed" up the president with another Christmas letter.

CONGRESSMAN BRYAN, of Nebraska, is opposing the proposed banking law with all his power.

FATHER MCGLYNN, of New York, the excommunicated priest, has been re-instated with full clerical rights.

ACCORDING to the Prineville Review, Prineville has six lawyers, two physicians and one dentist.

THE noted outlaw, Bill Cook, is reported as being in a dying condition. Evil may triumph for a brief season but it cannot last.

THE Record doesn't "catch on" all the time. Well, you have plenty of company. But the parties for whom our remarks are intended usually take a tumble.

THE present valued policy law of this state should remain on the statute books. If anything, it should be strengthened by further amendments.

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NO EXPERIMENTS IN OREGON.

The general agent of Rand, McNally & Co., we see by the Oregonian of yesterday, has a book to sell. For this reason he is deeply concerned lest the schools of Oregon should be compelled to use for six years longer a series of geographies, which he pronounces high in price and obsolete in methods.

The truth is that school books which have never been tested in the actual schoolroom are to be regarded with much suspicion. Nearly always they abound in errors of matter and methods; errors which only actual use can detect and careful revision remove.

What are the conclusions of these seemingly heterogeneous remarks? These are the points. The agitators have left out of the question some of the most important factors, and they have used their assertions, often vague, as if they were arguments and proofs.

THE success that has attended the use of Dr. J. H. McLean's Volcanic Oil Liniment in the relief of pain and in curing diseases which seemed beyond the reach of medicine, has been truly remarkable.

DEAFNESS Cannot be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies.

PAROXS.—On Christmas day Governor Penoyer granted full pardon to the following: Nick Jones, of Douglas county, and C. H. Caldwell, of Jackson county, two life-timers sent up for murder.

LATE NEWS from Frisco gives the particulars of the destruction of the Cliff house, the famous resort. It was caused by fire.

A. E. Kilpatrick, of Fillmore, Cal., had the misfortune to have his leg caught between a cart and a stone and badly bruised. Ordinarily he would have been laid up for two or three weeks but says: "After using one bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm I began to feel better, and in three days was entirely well."

CHRISTMAS DANCE.—The Christmas masquerade at S. P. Garrigue's hall was largely attended, more masks being present than at any dance of like nature given at any time during the past year.

Alex. Sweet, J. H. Smith and John Hale passed through town this morning on the way to Grant county.

THE SCHOOL BOOK QUESTION.

EDITOR GARRETT: Allow me a word on the text book question. I am profoundly interested in it, for they (the agitators) are meddling with my tools when they meddle with text books.

I think these agitators have mistaken the case somewhat. If we have text-books so poor as to really rob the children of a considerable part of their education, if it can be demonstrated that even fairly competent teachers cannot produce nearly the best known scholarship by the use of any text-book now used in our schools, most parents, I think, would be willing and would find the way, to buy a new one in its place.

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MONTHLY REPORT

Table with 4 columns: Room, Total Number of Pupils, Average Monthly Attendance, and Average Daily Attendance. Rows include Room 1, 2, 3, 4, 7 and a Total row.

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Frank Sargent dropped in this morning to visit his brother, Chas. Sargent, and family. Mr. Sargent had been down to the Dalles to visit his parents, and was en route to his home near Baker City.

THE COLUMBIA DESK CALENDAR.

Two years the desk calendar issued by the Pope Manufacturing Company has held a unique place among business helpers. Each daily leaf during that time has taught its quiet lesson of the value of better roads and outdoor exercises, and especially the benefits of bicycling.

PLEASE! PLEASE! itching Piles. Symptoms—Moisture; intense itching and stinging; most at night; worse by scratching. If allowed to continue tumors form, which often bleed and ulcerate, becoming very sore.

COULDN'T WORK IT.—Over in Kittitas county, Wash., on Saturday, Dec. 8th they had a special election for the purpose of ratifying or repudiating the "illegal" indebtedness of the county. Just which debts are considered legal and which are illegal in Washington we are at a loss to understand, but our understanding of the matter is that had repudiation carried Kittitas county would have started in anew with a clean balance sheet and let her creditors whistle.

Specimen Cases. S. H. Clifford, New Caswell, Wis., was troubled with neuralgia and rheumatism, his stomach was disordered, his liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was tormented by indigestion and flatulency.

JOE REEDY KILLED.—A wreck occurred on the O. R. & N. road eight miles east of The Dalles, on Christmas morning, in which Engineer Joe Reedy lost his life.

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