THE WESTON LEADER

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AN EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION.

The question of whether an educational qualification should not be required of the voters of this state should be submitted at the next election. A good idea would be to place on the ballot the words: "For an educational qualification requiring every voter to be able to write his name and read any section of the Constitution in the English language," or against it. It is not seen what value to the electorate a man can be who can't write his name, and read in English a section of the Constitution that may be selected. A rule of that kind ought to encourage those whose early education has been neglected to qualify themselves for the duties of citizenship. The adult who cannot read or write can by a determined effort speedily acquire those accomplishments. It is too much the fashion to believe that the illiterate person cannot improve himself no matter to what age he has attained. It is generally believed that to this inquiry a thundering response in the affirmative will be returned. But that alone will not bring about the change. A constitutional amendment setting up the new rule will subsequently have to be formulated and submitted to the people for ratification.

It is of interest to review the history of early events in Oregon. The Salem Statesman is authority for the statement that George Winslow was the first colored man to reach Oregon. He came from California in 1834 with Ewing Young. In 1810 the ship Albatross, from Boston, entered the Columbia river and sailed up as high as Oak Point, when the captain erected a house, after having cleared the land. So far as any record goes this was the first house built in Oregon. Lee, Parker and Whitman were the first missionaries. They came in answer to a call from the Indians made in 1832. The first printing press received in Oregon came as a donation from the American board of foriegn missions in the Sandwich islands to the mission of the board of Oregon. It reached its destination at Lapwai and was put in operation by E. O. Hall, who printed books in the Nez Perce language. Both Mr. Spaulding and Mr. Rogers soon learned to set type. This was in 1839 and this same press is now in the state house in Salem.

Cholera is now raging in Europe. No plague in history has been more dreaded and more fatal than this scourge called "Black Cholera." When once it gets its grip on a people it loosens not until it has snatched hence strong men, good mothers and promising children. The dreaded monster has robbed homes on both sides of the Atlantic. But Asia seems to be the land worst scourged by this fatal epidemic. America's visitation of it was at the time of her formation period, when Chicago was being built and the great tide of immigration was flowing westward. Yellow fever, though, has been America's tormentor. And diphtheria has bereaved the mothers of almost every community. The cause of all these epidemics is filth. The germ of death lies in every rubbish and slop deposit.

The report on the Homestead affair drawn up by Chairman Oates of the Investigating Committee would have been a very fair document but for its attempt to make political capital by charging the McKinley bill with responsibility for the decline in prices, which caused the decline in wages. In this matter the Democrats are in a fair way to overreach themselves. If they admit that the prices of American goods decline under the McKinley Act they give away their case against the "Robber Tariff." Really the decline in prices of certain kinds of steel and iron goods is due to circumstances entirely outside of the tariff, as has been clearly shown.

Harrison and Cleveland hats are becoming conspicuous in the larger cities. The Cleveland hat is of the ordinary silk stovepipe pattern, of light colored material; the Harrison headbox is like the other except that it widens out towards the top, and is of a dark gray composition. The uninitiated eye might not detect the difference.

The Oregon state insane asylum superintendent's report for July, which was considered Wednesday by the board, shows twenty-eight patients to have been received during the month. The number now under treatment is 788, of which only 241 are females.

A Girl's Sacrifice.

Lately some very enterprising man made a whole lot of money out of a girl of 18 years whom he had ruined. Who he is nobody knows. Like all other men of genius, he is exceedingly timid and afraid of fame.

But he is an Idaho mining chap, and in order to turn the weeping girl to some account he dressed her so as to make her look like a calf and sent her in the dark of the moon on a mission of grand larceny to steal amalgam from the rich sluice boxes on Soda creek.

Bill Dumpman began to miss the rich treasures. He had seen the "calf browsing around there, but never regarded the creature in the light of a deadly enemy to the golden calf he was worshipping."

But one night while the innocent calf was drinking from the rich sluice box he fired. The thing rose, cried and fell, and Bill hauled a wounded young lady out of the calf-skin. Then the investigating committee found that the person was a young woman about to become a mother.

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—Strong minds suffer without complaining: weak ones complain without suffering.—Rochefoucald.

—After all the joy of success does not equal that which attends the patient working.—Augusta Evans.

—The man who reflects before making a promise seldom has occasion to reflect after breaking it.—Atchison.

—Some people's affairs don't get straightened out until about the same time they do themselves.—Burlington Free Press.

—Go where duty calls, but turn in and help when you get there. Don't stand around with your hands in your pockets.—Texas Siftings.

—Give not that which is useful to the pigs; neither cast away stale bread, which may possess the promise and potency of a good pudding.

—Bashfulness is very becoming sometimes to a young man, but it is well for him to get over it if he is going to board.—Somerville Journal.

—Of course there is a proper regard for our own happiness; but if we only knew it, duty and delight are inseparably wedded.—Dr. A. T. Pierson.

—Amiability is to be admired, of course; but the man who is too good-natured to find fault with any thing, can hardly pose as an appreciator of good things.—Puck.

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