

It is too late in the season to do good effectual road work by grading. The time will be better spent hauling gravel.

The free delivery system in the farming districts, which is to be given a trial from the Salem post office, will be watched with much interest.

Representative Hartman, of Montana, remarked a few days ago, "I did not support McKinley, but, thank God, he is an American president, and the first one we have had for four years."

It would be a relief to the people of Oregon if the senate would act promptly in the matter of the seating of Corbett. If he is to be seated at all the people would like to know it, and if he is to be refused it would seem that it may as well be done now as later on.

An Indiana editor was recently successful in a suit against a delinquent subscriber who "had never ordered the paper" (?) but who, it was found, had regularly called for it and taken it out of the post office for two years. The court ordered that the subscriber pay the subscription account of \$3 and \$16 costs of the suit.

If Mr. U'Ren is correct, and he ought to know, the Oregon populists who hold office are peculiar in their corruption practices. He says that the populist members of the legislature received from \$50 to \$80 apiece from the "enemies of Mitchell," when Mitchell offered them from \$2,000 to \$5,000. As the fact that they took bribes at all, precludes them from claiming any consideration of honor, it is evident that they were idiots in not taking the larger amounts or they lie in claiming that the large amounts were offered.—Corvallis Gazette.

Of all kinds of thieving the robbing of graves of human bodies seems to be about the lowest in the scale. A man who will commit a crime of this kind is certainly worthless for any other purpose in life. The news of stealing of the body of the late W. S. Ladd from River-view cemetery at Portland last Monday night by unknown parties, which was evidently done with a hope of obtaining a large reward for the return of the body, will cause a thrill of horror to come to people who have heretofore hoped that their loved ones were safely housed, when once placed beneath the soil.

The Toledo Blade says: Every student of forestry will commend Secretary Wilson, of the Agricultural Department, for the effort he is now making to cultivate trees on the arid Western prairie. He has issued instructions to the foreign correspondents of the State Department to secure seeds and shrubs from Russia and other countries for the purpose of testing their growth on the great plains of this country. Australia, Russia and other countries have succeeded in reclaiming large areas of land and growing thereon great forests, and Mr. Wilson believes the same thing can be done in this country, at least he believes the project is worth the trial. These experiments will be watched with great interest, and if they are successful will add millions of dollars to the value of the treeless sections of the country.

A good deal of weight is often given "expert testimony" that is really misleading. The old man Fiestler, of Josephine county, who murdered his wife, was examined some time ago by experts and pronounced crazy, but recent developments go to show that he has been working the authorities. In speaking of the case the Grant's Pass Courier says: "He has never been crazy, but has been playing his keepers for to these many months, making them lift him around and feed him with a spoon like a baby. When his sons were in jail he was caught talking to the younger one, John, in a very rational manner and he has been keeping an account of the flight of time with a pencil which he had hidden on a rafter of the jail corridor. When deputy Fallen found him out he set the breakfast on the table and told him to get up and eat it or starve, and the old man got up and devoured it in short order. He says he was advised to play crazy by one of the Connors, who spent a few months in jail with him."

The bicycle says the "Commercial Advertiser," has already worked radical reform in society. It has done more to bring Americans out of their indoor, sedentary life than any other form of outdoor exercise. The American business man and the American business woman were formerly persons who took no more and exercise than was absolutely necessary. In fact, what air and exercise they did get was inadvertent. The women went shopping and the men were sometimes obliged to walk on their way to their offices. Now the bicycle has changed all that. Men and women alike do not feel that their day is completed unless they have a spin on their wheels before breakfast or after dinner. In consequence, they are becoming more robust. The nervousness of the American race is not likely to be much in evidence so long as the use of the wheel continues. The advantages of riding this spring are greater than ever. Not only have bicycles been brought to a

high state of perfection, and are offered at a comparatively low cost, but every facility for comfortably wheeling is presented in the drives and boulevards of the city. The bicycle is to be recommended to every man, woman and child who can learn to ride it, but it is especially to be recommended to those who will be obliged to spend the summer in the city.

Car for the President.

A project has been started by representative railroad men to build a private car for the use of the president of the United States, from material and appliances contributed by the car-building and affiliated industries. It is proposed to construct a private car excelling anything of this kind which has been before in substantial character of construction and in completeness and convenience of furnishings and decorations. The car is to be a complete exposition of the art of car-building, demonstrating to the world the surprising excellence of this industry in the United States, and it is to be presented to the nation for the personal and official use of successive presidents of the United States.

Designs and specifications for the car are being prepared under the supervision of a committee of 25 prominent and representative car-builders and the superintendents of motive power of various roads.

John Bull's Troubles.

"Coming events cast their shadows before"—sometimes. The diplomatic complications in Europe continue to indicate serious trouble. Great Britain seems to be the power now to be most seriously affected. A combination of the continental powers has entered an emphatic protest against John Bull's policy in South Africa and assumes authority to call a halt to further British territorial extension in that part of the world. Practically the powers have agreed to support President Kruger of the Transvaal if it becomes necessary to repeal further British invasion of his territory. It is also stated that Turkey has got warmed up to the fighting pitch in the war with Greece and proposes to assert her authority in Egypt so long allowed to be a dead letter because of English occupation of the Khedive's domain in the interest of British bond holders. As John Bull was never known to refrain from conquest or give up a colony without a fight we may expect some interesting war news after a little racket in Macedonia is settled. British gold, however may, as in the past, bring forth a peaceful solution of all the present difficulties. The English statesman and English bond holders of our day form a combination that can hardly be resisted, for all nations of our time are prone to peace. Real wars have been relegated to the junk heap of the past.

El Perkins Defends the Free-Traders.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—I have been engaged by the patriotic Wilson-Cleveland democrats to get arguments against McKinley and his wicked protective tariff. Our star democratic argument is this: "A protective tariff is a benefit to the few at the expense of the many." That paragraph is our stock in trade. This is Bryan's argument too. I am working this democratic argument for all it is worth now. This is the way I prove it to the wicker republicans: I go to Diegler, Pait, Grosvenor and Dolliver and knock them out with questions. I know, of course, that the 29,000,000 laboring men benefitted by tariff are the many, but I knock this fact out with our democratic arguments. I go to the republicans and say: "Weren't the aggregate wages earned by all our laboring men in our mills, on our railroads, and in our mines in 1880 according to our last census reports \$9,000,000,000?" "Yes," admits Mr. Dingley, "the men got that \$9,000,000,000." "And the finished product of all the mills was worth \$11,000,000,000, wasn't it?" "Then," I said, looking at the wicked Dolliver of Iowa, "if the 29,000,000 working men got \$9,000,000,000 out of the \$11,000,000,000 for which the finished product sold, then the owners of all the mills, railroads, hotels and mines, who put up all the money and run all the risk, got \$2,000,000,000 while the workmen got \$9,000,000,000." "Yes," nodded Mr. Dolliver, "we admit the fact, don't we Mr. Platt?" "Yes," said Mr. Platt, who saw our star democratic argument had crawled into the ground and pulled the hole in after it. "This 'many' and few argument of the Southern Free-Traders is very translucent." "Of course," I said, "the millions of laborers are the 'few,' and the few thousands of mill owners are the many."

Then what do you think happened? Why an agnosticism seemed to spread over the faces of Dingley and Grosvenor, while Tom Reed and Platt lighted their cigars and turned their backs on me. The silence was broken by Vest, Voorhees and Tennessee McMillan, who have been using the 'few-and-many' arguments for years. "Of course," the laboring men are the few," said South Carolina Laurens and Massachusetts Free Silver Williams. "The laboring men are being swindled by the tariff. The grasping monopolist, the ringgoldbugs, awful trusts and—"

I cut Free Silver William's talk off in the middle by leaving for the Smithsonian Institution to get more original democratic arguments from the Egyptian obelisk.—ELI PERKINS, in N. Y. Sun.

Heavy Loss to E. C. Ward.

E. C. Ward met with a pretty heavy loss by fire on Tuesday night at his place a mile and a half north of town. During the night he spent some time in the barn with a sick horse, and when he went to the house he left a lantern hanging in the barn, which he supposed full and ignited the hay and straw. On seeing the light he rushed out in time to cut the horses loose and get them out of the stable, but nothing further of any consequence could be saved from the burning building. The attention of those present was turned to the cold storage building which stood a few feet away from the barn, and a few things were saved from this building although it was impossible to save the building itself from the flames. About one hundred and fifty egg cases, which fortunately were empty, went with the building. The wind shifted pretty badly during the fire, and it was hard work to save his residence which stands only a short distance away.

The barn was an old one but the cold storage building was nearly new. Mr. Ward estimates the loss at \$1500 with only \$600 insurance. He has built up a good trade in eggs and poultry, and his loss at this time is unfortunate.

Attention! All comrades of Kilpatrick Post No. 38 are invited to assemble at their hall, Sunday May 30, at ten o'clock a. m. sharp, for the purpose of attending divine services. All old soldiers are invited to turn out.

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W. C. U.

Eighteen members were in attendance at the meeting of the Newberg Union last week.

The devotional meeting, which was ably conducted by Miss Effie Macy, was opened by singing and scripture reading, followed by several fervent prayers. Our faithful and efficient treasurer, Mrs. Sophie Christenson, made a report and resigned her office on account of moving from Newberg. The superintendent of literature introduced her department of work, and many appropriate remarks were made by various members concerning the literature we read and have in our homes. Quite a delegation of ladies drove up to Dayton Thursday morning of last week to attend the county executive meeting.

They were Mrs. Jane B. Votaw, Mrs. Jane H. Blair, Mrs. Mary E. Allen, Mrs. Mira Emery, Mrs. Mattie Weaver, Mrs. Lorena A. Hodson, Mrs. Halie V. Hodson and Mrs. A. M. Morris. Mrs. Ada W. Unruh has returned from the East and was present at the county executive meeting.

Scientific temperance instruction will be discussed at the Union next Wednesday. Mrs. Lorena A. Hodson is superintendent of this department of work. REPORTER.

"They are dandies" said Thos. Bowers, of the Crockett, Texas, Enterprise, while writing about DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pill for sick headache and disorders of the stomach and liver. A. T. Hill.

In the examination of teachers by Supt. Prentiss, last week, the results were: First Grade—Mrs. J. C. Snuffer, Misses Irene Rummel, Emma Ollis, Julia Prentiss and Jessie Martin. Second Grade—Misses Nettie Holde, Lulu VanOrsdol, Olive Lambright, Edith Brooks and Messrs. H. Z. Foster, Chas Gregory, and B. A. Johnson. Third Grade—Misses Pearl Allen, Flora Wilson, Estia Hoston, Emma Har and Messrs Ward Lamson, David Jones and James Potter.—Transcript.

R. Jacobson is about the right kind of a man. Previous to the election he said that if McKinley was elected he would build a new brick block in McMinnville. To that end he went to Portland on Thursday last and bought of Homeyann DeHart & Co. the lot at the corner of 3rd. and D. streets in this city, and will soon erect a two story brick, 80x100 feet. Such a building will be a credit to Mr. Jacobson, the town and community.—Transcript.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.—It is a terrible accident to be burned or scalded; but the pain and agony and the frightful disfigurements can be quickly overcome without leaving a scar by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. T. Hill.

Newberg is all right. There are no great crowds on the street, but there is a constant going and coming of the people, the merchants, generally are busy and things move. Just where the people come from is a mystery; but they get there, just the same.—Transcript.

Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee. In its June number The Ladies Home Journal will celebrate the Diamond Jubilee in a way distinctly its own. In an article by William George Jordan, entitled "What Victoria has Seen," the reader will be taken on the British throne, and the marvelous panorama of the world's history for sixty years will pass before him. He will at a glance see the progress in art, science, invention, music, education; the great social reforms, the growth of nations and the advance of civilization. The whole story of the world's progress of the longest reign in English history will be vividly presented.

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Mrs. Callipers (with a rising inflection)—Why is it that if a man has a peculiarity he calls it eccentricity and if his neighbor has the same thing he calls it tomfoolery.

A Lie Nailed.

Consumption and bronchitis are not by any means the same, although it is hard to distinguish one from the other. Bronchitis is an inflammation of the lining of the wind tubes or air vessels of the lungs, causing soreness of the same, cough, sore throat, hoarseness, difficulty of breathing, spitting of matter and sometimes blood. Thousands die annually with this dread disease. Wilbur's Cough Cure will cure. Price 50 cents. For sale by all druggists.

"My papa said little Tommy, whose parent was the public prosecutor, 'has all the bad people punished.'" "Ah, that ain't nothing," replied little Jimmy, "my father makes ropes that they hangs 'em with."

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Practical Father—I want to buy a watch for my boy—the cheapest you have.

Honest Dealer—I'm afraid I can't warrant the cheap ones to keep very good time.

Practical father—Oh, that doesn't matter. Just make it so he can open the back of the case.—The Strand.

Blood Will Tell.

The many different skin diseases such as ring worm, tetter, salt rheum, erysipelas, eczema, itching or an eruption of pimples, pustules, blotches, chaps or cracking open of the skin, scrofula, are directly the cause of impure blood. Wilbur's Blood Purifier is acknowledged to be the best medicine known for any of these unsightly complaints. Price \$1.00 per bottle. For sale by all druggists.

In one of the suburbs of Belfast trade was dull and the chief grocer in the district found his earnings becoming smaller day by day. One morning an old customer entered. In the expectation of something good the old grocer jumped up from his seat and, rubbing his hands, said: "Well missus, what can I do for you?" "A ha' pennorth o' soap" was the reply. "Oh, said the disgusted grocer, ye'll be foh washin the canary today?"

Some Truths.

One advantage of being rich is not having to appear so.

"Sound men are in de errippes," said Justice to Charity, "by the use of your crutch."

"Much is achieved said Discrimination, by the use of neglect."

"I would not keep my heart," said a beautiful woman, had I not so many chances to lose it.

A woman died of a broken heart. "Had it been weaker, said Pity, love could not have broken it."

"There is less suffering said old age, upon my arrival than during my approach."

"What have you done with my beauty?" demanded a woman of Time. "Used it for manuscript he replied."

"In the cells in a woman's heart," states Experience, "love alone makes honey."

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