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We have an interesting article on the Transvaal war from the British standpoint which we will publish later. Both sides of a question are always necessary to a proper understanding of the case.

The supreme court of Montana has disbarred Lawyer Welcomes of that state for complicity in the bribery case concerning senator Clark. In other words Welcomes is unwelcome, and Clark seems to have worn his welcome out.

The cruiser Montgomery has been on a secret mission to Liberia, the supposed object being the establishment of a coaling station on its coast. It is said also that Liberia strongly wishes a more complete protectorate by this country, which may now be given. Perhaps it is the opinion of the government that African republics need looking after, as there are hawks abroad.

Voters will be required to register by Jan. 7, and May 15. Electors living in the county seat, must register with the county clerk. They will be required to state full name, age, occupation, nativity, place and court of naturalization if foreign born, and actual place of residence. If the elector lives in the country he must tell the section, township and range, in which his home is located; if in a city or town, the street and number, or if there is no number, the house must be so described that it may be identified. For the convenience of those who live at a distance from the county seat, blanks are furnished to justices of the peace and notaries public upon request. The electors are requested to fill out these blanks in such a way as to afford all the information required in cases of registration before the clerk. No one, not a voter is allowed to register, and voters are required to register every two years.

A grand year of progress is before us in 1900. Grants Pass and Josephine county have made great progress in the past year, and the indications are that the coming year will be one of greater general advancement and prosperity. It is a statement commonly heard from traveling men who have an opportunity to know, that "Grants Pass is the best town on the line." Josephine county and Grants Pass with its usual advance, and cannot keep from it, because it has substantial resources to depend upon.

We do not have to depend on bombastic statements and inflated falsehood for our inducements. We do not seek any boom to break and leave us all demoralized. What we want is intelligent, calm, reasonable recognition of our advantages. That is all that is necessary to promote the advancement of our section and it is coming our way. Each succeeding year sees every industry of this county on a more solid, sure and substantial basis than ever before and we enter upon the present year with the brightest of prospects.

Colonel Baden-Powell, who is shut up in Making by the Boers, has recently delivered himself of a proclamation in which he makes the startling statement that the American government has warned others of her intention to side with England in case she should have collision with any other nation. While we are not so severe as to accuse him of being sincere in his remarks, we rather object to the name of America being used by him with such freedom. The sympathy of the American people seems fairly well divided between the two parties, but it does not require a prophet to say which side is gaining and which is losing in sympathy, day by day. The idea seems to prevail here that if England isn't able to take care of herself in this matter, she had better get out of business. It may not be any great harm for her to hold on to the United States as a bugaboo, but she must not take it seriously herself. A feeling of gratitude toward her is prevalent here, on account of her attitude in the Spanish war, but she must not expect this country to stand at her back in all her quarrels for so cheap a price as that. The American people are not so certain of the justice of her cause in this matter as to vociferous in her favor.

This is the hour of the much derided and long suffering New Year's resolution, which is popularly supposed to be one of the most delicately ephemeral things on record. It is a very honorable thing. The New Year's air is always filled with good resolutions. Some fall flat but all do not. It is a most befitting time to resolve to do better, and to be better and to make a nearer approach to what we ought to be. Frail humanity can not by a word, shake off the imperfection by which it is beset and encompassed and covered falcons deep, but it can strive, and prevail. All the good that is in the world and all that is worth having comes from striving after it.

Things may come to him who waits, but they will not stay with him long if he keeps on waiting. The good resolution is preliminary to the good deed, and it is a necessary part of it. In making the resolution we are unhampered by the difficulties and drawbacks which beset us in the execution, and it is no wonder that our present falls so far short of our ideal, that we are discouraged. But we must not blame the resolution. It is good but the fault is in us; we are such absurdly imperfect creatures. But it is the duty of every individual of us to try to make the year 1900 the best year of our lives. The year 1899 is past and we cannot call it back. What we have done or left undone is out of our control, but the influence of our acts is undying, and goes on forever, like a wave, and works

for good or ill. We cannot stop it. If it is a bad influence, then it is our plain duty to launch a counter influence. Each one of us should contribute his mite of influence toward making the world roll on in the right direction in 1900. We must do better work, and try to realize the fact that we are here for a purpose. This is the hour of the New Year's resolution and our welfare depends on it.

Old Glory in No. 10.
School district No. 16, at Williams has recently become the possessor of a very handsome new flag, which now waves over the Williams school house.

The flag is 6x8 feet in dimension and is raised on a flag pole about 40 feet high. The expense of securing it was paid by the proceeds of a social, which was given for the purpose.

Much credit is due the teacher of the district, Mr. Walter Dyke, and his school, and the community in general, for the spirit of patriotism which moved them to secure and exhibit this national emblem.

Our flag is not a mere painted cloth. It is the past history of the nation, its present trials and triumphs and its future hopes. It is the symbol of the nation as a whole in the sense that it is nearest and dearest to every American heart. These young people who acquire their knowledge under the shadow of the flag, cannot help being better patriots and citizens on account of its influence.

The matter of teaching patriotism in the public schools is no sentimental affair. It is one of the most important matters that can be imagined and is worth a world of legislation. The safety of the nation is in the keeping of those who have its interests sincerely at heart. It is the soundest legislative policy to strive to increase the percentage of sincere, earnest patriots throughout the country. A true patriot is always a good citizen and can do anything else. Not only in war does the flag have a message for us, but should also bear a message of warning as well, to be untruly vigilant against the more insidious and therefore more dangerous perils of peace; corruption, crime, greed and infidelity to the nation's welfare.

The matter of emblem should be associated with the educational institutions great and small, all over the land. It is a matter which has been largely neglected, a condition which we can ill afford. Spasmodic Fourth of July patriotism is not the article most to be desired, though it is better than none. We want the steady, thoughtful, intelligent quality of patriotism, that realizes more than Bunker Hill, Gettysburg or San Juan, and this quality must be inculcated in youth. It is the quality that will make our nation united and strong in war and peace, and its widespread existence will far toward solving the many perplexing questions which constantly arise; not according to the demands of partisanship, but according to what is right and best for the whole people. While differences of opinion will always exist, the sincere wish on both sides, for the best possible solution, will nearly always produce a satisfactory result.

The flag should float over every school house in Josephine county as well as in every other county in the United States, that it may bring constantly before the minds of teachers and pupils what it is, what it means, and what the duties in regard to it are. The public school is not an unqualified success if it does not aim to impart more than mere knowledge. It should carry with it some idea as to the proper application of that knowledge, moral training and the elements of good citizenship, of which patriotism is far from being the least.

The presence of the flag does not bring about all this of itself, of course, but it is a permanent reminder and if its demands are neglected, a perpetual reproach. And no one can doubt that its mere presence and silent influence over the houses which represent the nation's hope, will be productive of more national benefit than can be estimated or expressed.

So far as we know, Mr. Dyke's is the only country school in the country which has a flag. If this is true, they deserve special credit for being the first. But the year 1900 should see every school house in Josephine county provided with a flag. The cause is worthy and the results are sure.

Weather Report.
Following is a summary weather observation at Grants Pass during the month of Dec., 1899, as reported by J. B. Padlock, local voluntary observer for the Oregon State Weather Service.

DATE	Max. Tem.	Min. Tem.	Mean Tem.	Precip. inches
1	51	35	43	0.0
2	50	38	44	0.0
3	45	35	40	0.0
4	48	38	43	0.0
5	48	34	41	0.0
6	49	24	36	0.0
7	56	34	45	0.0
8	46	35	40	0.0
9	41	37	39	0.0
10	54	42	48	0.0
11	50	38	44	0.0
12	49	35	42	0.0
13	47	29	38	0.0
14	42	28	35	0.0
15	45	37	41	1.15
16	49	31	40	1.13
17	47	31	39	0.1
18	49	29	39	0.0
19	46	32	39	0.0
20	52	34	43	0.0
21	51	43	47	1.2
22	49	45	47	0.0
23	46	40	43	0.0
24	41	37	39	0.0
25	38	32	35	0.0
26	42	32	37	0.0
27	42	32	37	0.0
28	36	32	34	0.0
29	38	32	35	0.0
30	45	35	40	1.50
31	43	35	39	1.00

Summary. Mean temperature, 40; maximum temperature, 56; date 7, 11; minimum temperature, 27; date 29; number days clear, 3; partly cloudy, 3; cloudy, 25; prevailing wind, S. W.

The Latest Yarn.
A Pittsburg drummer tells this new yarn: I always carry a bottle of Kemp's Balsam in my grip. I take cold easily, and a few doses of the balsam always makes me a well man. Everywhere I go I always speak a good word for Kemp. I take hold of my customers—I take old men and young men, and tell them something that I do when I take cold. At Druggists, 25c and 50c.

Do not fail to come and hear the shouting tenor of the Nashville Students tell you how "Joshua Fought the Battle of Jerico."

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California Musicians Coming.
The University of California Glee Bands and Mandolin Clubs have arranged for a performance here at the Opera house on the night of Friday, Jan. 12th. This will be an opportunity for all lovers of music and fun to see one of the best performances that has ever been given here.

The college boys are fifty in number and played Dec. 29th at Ashland where they had the largest crowd that has attended a performance in three years. They were persuaded to play here by several citizens who went over to see the performance. The program is made up of pretty musical numbers, jolly college songs, specialty acts, and solo interludes. A great many people will probably remember the performance given by the Berkeley Quartette some time ago which was so well received here. Most of the members are with the present organization. The prices have been set at 50 and 25 cents with no extra for reserved seats.

We trust that the long delayed justice due the Indian War Veterans of the Pacific Northwest will be meted out to them during the coming session of congress. Oregon at least, should be not only a unit in the endeavor to favor their cause, but work for that interest with something like unalloyed energy. Senator McFriede and Congressman Moody are native sons of the state and Senator Simon is not only a pioneer, but was Oregon raised. Congressman Tongue owes what he has become to the good will of the early settlers as he came here in the early sixties and can be called a pioneer, and is fully conversant with the debt of gratitude and proper regard the government owes to the Indian War Veterans. In the past others have done nobly in this cause, but circumstances were against them. It is to be hoped that the present delegation will know success.—Oregon Native Son.

Many a Lover
Has turned with disgust from an otherwise lovable girl with an offensive breath. Karl's Clover Root Tea purifies the breath by its action on the bowels etc., as nothing else will. Sold for one on absolute guarantee. Price 25 cents and 50 cents. W.F. Kremer.

FRIENDLY CALL IN SULU.
The Datto and His Relations to the Sultan—Surroundings of the Savage Monarch.

Peter MacQueen, special staff correspondent in the Philippines, writes as follows of a visit to a local chief:

"The datto, or chief, rents the land to his retainers. He gets the biggest pearls from the divers opposite his land—i. e., is supposed to get them. The suitors get their rent in the form of except when, as in the case of Joka Nina, the datto of Patikolo, where the datto got up a scrap four years ago and licked the spots out of the sultan."

"This Joka Nina I had the pleasure of visiting; he is a fine-looking man; a little, little savage indeed. Look out for him," says Shuck to me; "he is a first-rate man. If he is going to kill you he'll say so." With this pleasant and assuring description I adjourned with an allegretto beat of heart along the shore from Jolo, five miles, and came to where the datto lived.

"Under the great tree of Patikolo the country folk held market day. The datto's house is built over the waters. He received me kindly, in his bare feet, and placed for refreshment before us two kinds of sweetmeats and some excellent coffee. The datto was glad, he said, to have the Americans near him. He thought they would make good servants and traders. Yes, thought I, but shades of Jefferson and the true American Washington of the countrymen of Lincoln serving a half nude savage! The thought wrong laughter.

"The datto had a fine little boy. He wanted me to take a picture of him. I did so; then his excellency wanted the picture. I explained I would put it on paper at Manila. He said: 'Why not now?' I looked; on the wall were 25 remington rifles and one mauler carbine. Well, I said it was such an important thing it took time. This relieved the situation, and we continued, both of us, to retain our heads on our shoulders."—National Geographic.

She Was Posted on Logs.
A young married woman, whose home is in that vague region known as upstate, started on a log cabin trip, expecting the other day by a quite unexpected humorous onslaught. She was just ready to go out, downtown, presumably, when she suddenly turned back and rushed into the family sitting-room. Several members of the family were there and she exclaimed: "Did you hear about those New York fakers?"

"What about them?" cried somebody. "They're just earning loads of money selling cures made from the log of the Olympia! He, ha, ha!" And she rushed from the house to catch the car.

All the listeners laughed save one. "I don't see," said this exception, "how they could spare it." "Spare what?" queried one of the laughers. "That log." "Do you know what a log is?" The exception smiled in a superior manner. Hadn't she just been up the lake's? "Why, it's one of those timbers," she said, "that they hang over the side of the boat to keep other boats from bumping into it." This time the laughers roared.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

His Dream.
Mr. Murray Hill—I dream of you last night.
Miss Ducker Hill (coldly)—Ah, how good of you!
"Yes; then I woke up and shut down and put an extra blanket on."

Leland Items.
Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Browning went to Roseburg on Wednesday evening's train. Mr. B. went down to be initiated into the order of Elks.

P. E. Laverick went to Grants Pass Friday.
Hunt Lewis, a younger brother of J. C., is visiting here now.
J. N. Fielder visited his brother a Jacksonville last week.

Mrs. James Herr, accompanied by Miss Eva Partlow, made a few days' visit in Grants Pass last week.
The mask ball at U. S. Webb's on New Year's night was a success both financially and socially.

The next thing on the program is to break all of those New Year's resolutions.
H. E. Riant has sold his residence to James Herr. Mrs. Riant will visit with her folks for some time and Mr. Riant will probably stay with us until spring when he intends going to the coast.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.
There are 664 good-roads organizations in Pennsylvania.
Less than two per cent. of all the men in America own "full-dress suits," and fully seven-eighths of our American families have their dinners at noon.

Doctored horses are not allowed to enter Colorado. A horse owner who mutilates his animal in this way is subject to a fine of \$100 or 30 days' imprisonment.
In Persia a widow weeps for just two weeks after her husband's death, and then she puts on her trills, flowers and fumy-diddies, with the hope of catching a new one.

An apple orchard in Jefferson county, Ind., is on the side of a perpendicular hill over half a mile in height. The trees grow straight out from the hillside, and when an apple drops from a tree it falls nearly half a mile before it alights on the ground.
A man in Clay Hill, S. C., has made the training of game cocks a life study. About six months ago he sold a fowl to a sporting man in the Lone Star state, and after it had won 27 battles, in some of which the stakes exceeded \$1,500, the Texas sold the game cock to a Mexican for \$10,000.

Our next census will show a population of about 75,000,000, says the Ladies' Home Journal. To complete this count within the required 30 days about 50,000 census enumerators will be employed. It will be necessary for them to count at the rate of 2,500,000 persons per day, or even faster. The population of all cities and towns of over 8,000 must be enumerated within a period of two weeks.
In France, at a small place near Quimper, a statue of a local hero was ordered of a sculptor, and in due time the work arrived. One of the authorities of the town was not acquainted with bronze sculpture, and was greatly disappointed when he saw the dull color of it, which was obtained with infinite care and labor by an expert colorer of bronzes. The artist of the statue had the surface should be rubbed with emery paper until it acquired the appearance which was considered necessary.

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Played to a Full House.
The Nashville Students, a collection of young colored singers who have been in Helena on previous occasions, played a return engagement last night to an audience that taxed the seating capacity of the house. The personnel of the company has been materially strengthened this year and the performance was a marked success. There are excellent voices among the Students, and all blended tunefully in the quartet and ensemble singing Mrs. Ware, a recent acquisition, is possessed of a beautiful, clear soprano voice, a rare accomplishment in one of her race. Her husband proved to be a good story teller and his recitation of "Brother Watkins—ah!" was the hit of the evening. The Nashville Students, as at present composed, are certainly the premier musical organization of the kind that has visited Helena, and on their next visit will need more commodious quarters to accommodate their patrons.—The Daily Independent, Helena, Friday morning, November 10, 1899. At opera house this city Jan. 5, 1900. Admission 25, 35, and 50 cents.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure E. W. Grove's signature on every box. 25c.

BORN.
DAY—In Grants Pass, Dec. 26, 1899, to Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Day, a son.
GRIGSBY—At Eagle Point, Dec. 17, 1899, to Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Grigsby, a son.

MARRIED.
KNOELL—DUNN—In Grants Pass, Ore., on Dec. 27, 1899, Wm. P. Knoell and Miss Martha Caroline Dunn, both of Josephine County. Rev. Robert Leslie, pastor of the First Baptist Church officiating.
MORSE—BROOKS—In Grants Pass, Dec. 27, 1899, Jas. Morse and Stella Brooks by the Rev. Wilson.

COWAN—HIGGLOW—In Grants Pass, Jan. 3, 1900, Mr. Chas. H. Cowan, and Miss Mary G. Higglow, both of this county.
MORIAN—CATCHING—At Roseburg on Monday, Jan. 1, 1900, Mr. Earnest Morian and Miss Bell Catching.

DIED.
EGGERS—On Sugar creek, Dec. 23, 1899, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Eggers, aged 2 years and 7 months.
HAMILTON—At the residence of her parents in Medford Dec. 26, 1899, Miss Leona Bianca Hamilton, aged 19 years, 9 months and 18 days.
HERBERGER—In Jacksonville, Dec. 29, 1899, John Herberger, aged 62 years.

SIZEMORE—In Pasadena, Cal., Dec. 28, 1899, Miss Mattie Sizemore, of Sams Valley, aged 22 years and 8 months.

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Prices 50 and 25 Cents.
No extra charge for reserved seats. Tickets on sale at Clemens' drug store January 11 and 12 from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m.

Ask Ashland About It.
On the night of Dec. 14, there came to my ranch a 3-year old filly with white legs, forehead and one white foot, branded on right thigh. Owner can have same by paying charges.

Price & Voorhies List.
15 Acres of red land lying with west exposure, five acres in cultivation. This land is one mile from Grants Pass, on rising ground and is perfectly protected from frost, will make a fine orchard.
\$1500 One block in town, over 1500 year old fruit trees. This place has for years been producing very abundantly in fruit, berries and garden truck. There is a good house and out buildings, also a good well. Five minutes walk to school or church. Would sell three lots, 100x150 feet, corner lot, for \$200. This lot would make a beautiful building lot.
\$400 In west side of city, 30x120 feet, pleasant location and cheap.

\$1000 A farm of 100 acres on Grave Creek, 12 acres in cultivation. Good variety of fruit. Water for irrigating purposes. This place is a bargain and you want to see it before it is sold.

\$500 20 acres two miles north of Grants Pass. Rich bottom. Forty of wood-land. Will make a nice little ranch for fruit and grain.

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\$500 Days a good house and quarter block within four blocks of the Postoffice. One half the amount down secures the property, balance in monthly payments.—Price & Voorhies.

\$1300 Six acres of fruit in good condition, about half a mile from the Postoffice, no house. Here is an opportunity for the making of a splendid home.—Price & Voorhies.

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150 ACRES 8 miles from town. One hundred and twenty-five acres of this is ever bottom. There are 15 acres of winter apples trees 7 years old. A good variety of small fruits, berries, etc. good hard finish house of nine rooms and underground water. Good barn and outbuildings. A fine well with good windmill and tank. Good trade for a small place in town.—\$5000.

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