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ANNOUNCEMENT was made through the columns of Umatilla county papers last week to the effect that the annual session of the Umatilla county Pioneer Association would be held in Weston on June 6 and 7. The president of the Association now says all preparations have been revoked and no meeting of the Pioneers will be had, owing to "hard times." Times are hard 'tis true, but does it cost any more to fill up your baskets and attend the sessions of this truly interesting gathering this year, than it has at any time of the past? We think not. The pioneers are just as ready to meet this year and have a good time together in speech making stories of pioneer life, etc. as they have ever been. And meet they could, but for the red-tape that makes the association a Weston institution when in reality it should belong to the county, and not have a stereotyped place of meeting. If the members of the association would cut the red-tape that binds them to Weston as a meeting place to hold their sessions, there are towns in Umatilla county, among which is Athena, that are prepared at all times to raise the necessary money to insure these annual meetings of the old pioneers a success.

IT MUST be a very stupid individual who does not realize that the sentiment in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of silver has thoroughly captured the popular mind. If the American people are fully determined to put in operation this system of finance they should certainly have the privilege. Hurling such epithets as "gold-bugs" and "silveroons" at each other is a piece of supreme folly. The way to demonstrate the truth of any theory is to try it. This is the people's government, and it is nobody's business but theirs if they want to adopt a system of finance independent of all other civilized governments. The consequences are theirs, bode they good or evil. Let the question come squarely before the people, and give them what they want.

THE action of Gov. McGraw of Washington, in refusing to designate eight men to go to the silver convention that is to meet today at Salt Lake City, was properly rebuked at Spokane one day last week. But it should be remembered that J. H. McGraw, the political boss and ringster at Seattle, is now styled and wears the dignified appellation, his excellency the governor. Besides this Mr. McGraw is, or was the president of the First National Bank of Seattle, and therefore has a double interest in not favoring silver in any form whatever, says the Tomahawk. The people of Spokane are evidently alive to all the make shifts of the governor and will remember J. H. McGraw and meet him later.

GET your gun ready. A swindler is abroad in the land, offering a box containing 36 pieces of soap for a dollar, and he gives as a prize a rubber door mat with the initials of the purchaser upon it. He delivers the soap, which is a fraud, and promises to deliver the mat as soon as it can be manufactured with the owners name on, collects the dollar, and vanishes, to be seen no more.

OUR esteemed republican contemporary, the Pendleton Tribune, rises in its dignity, and says: "It looks now as if the republican clubs of this country will not be represented as fully at Portland as

the activity taken in the election of delegates in this city indicated. Since it has been learned that an effort will be made to place on record all members as to their views on the financial question, the astute politician will naturally enough find that owing to pressing business engagements, his presence at the meeting of state clubs in Portland will unfortunately be precluded."

A COURT in Leavenworth, Kan., has ordered Dr. Keeley to reveal the formula of his celebrated cure, under the penalty of being mulcted in the sum of \$100,000. At the same time a Milwaukee court has permanently enjoined the doctor from making the revelation. "Law," as the fellow said, "is a son of a gun."

THINK a moment, Don't you arrive at the conclusion that a creamery would pay in Athena? There are over 200 milch cows within a radius of 7 miles of town, the milk product of which would support a good creamery in first class shape. Tell your neighbor about it and hear what he says.

WAGES went down and mills were closed under the McKinley law. Now, wages are going up in nearly all the manufacturing establishments, and the closed establishments have resumed business. An advance in wages of 10 per cent, has just been made in several manufactories.

SPEAKER CRISP recently said that the democratic nominee for president next year will be a Western man with a military record. Wonder if he didn't mean the redoubtable Thomas Waite, of Salem, the man who captured the cannon from Gov. Penoyer?

FIVE million cans of tomatoes were put up in this country last year. And yet there are people living in this country who can remember when tomatoes were not eaten. They were called love apples, and were raised for ornaments.

ON THE 24th day of May, Queen Victoria will be 76 years old. She will then have reigned 58 years—the longest reign of any monarch of the 19th century. It is rumored that she will abdicate in the favor of the Prince of Wales.

THE Chicago Inter-Ocean, one of the strongest republican papers in the West, is one of the most outspoken advocates of free silver in the United States. Verily, the world do move.

THIS country is fast learning that every man elected to office is not a statesman. We need more statesmen, though, and fewer politicians and professional office-seekers.

HUSH! Don't make any fuss about it, but just inform your republican acquaintance that the apology demanded from Spain by Secretary Gresham is on deck.

EVERYBODY should carry a big lot of insurance on his life. It will enable his wife to marry again. And the other fellow will have a good time on it.

JOHN McLEAN, of the Cincinnati Enquirer, has purchased a controlling interest in the New York Morning Journal and will hereafter make that paper Democratic.

THE political party, that expects to wig next year must go in the fight with harmony as its counter-sign—it matters not who comes there.

AFTER all, it is the fellow who knows when not to talk and who has the will power to act in accordance with that knowledge who is truly wise.

AS AN advertisement a Chicago firm on last Monday sold half eagles for \$4.75 and silver dollars for 90 cents.

IN NEARLY all the municipal elections in North Carolina on Monday last the Democrats were victorious.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder  
World's Fair Highest Medal and Diploma.

## HAS NEVER BEEN REFUNDED.

Millions of Money Owed the Government by 26 States.

An interesting question has been raised whether, in view of the depleted condition of the treasury, the twenty-six states of the union which, in 1837, received from the general government deposits amounting to over \$28,000,000 could not be made to refund.

Early in 1838, congress found the government in possession of between \$40,000,000 and \$50,000,000 for which it had no present need, or any suitable place for safe keeping. On June 23 of that year an act was passed authorizing the secretary of the treasury to deposit under certain specified conditions all of this money, with the exception of \$5,000,000, with different states on their assuming the obligation of payment on demand.

The sum of money which each of the twenty-six states received is stated in several reports of the secretaries of the treasury to have been as follows (cents omitted): Maine, \$955,838; New Hampshire, \$69,086; Vermont, \$69,086; Massachusetts, \$1,338,173; Connecticut, \$764,670; Rhode Island, \$382,335; New York, \$4,014,520; Pennsylvania, \$2,867,514; New Jersey, \$764,670; Ohio, \$2,007,260; Indiana, \$860,254; Illinois, \$477,919; Michigan, \$286,751; Delaware, \$286,755; Maryland, \$955,838; Virginia, \$2,198,427; North Carolina, \$1,433,757; South Carolina, \$1,051,422; Georgia, \$1,051,422; Alabama, \$669,085; Louisiana, \$477,919; Tennessee, \$1,433,757; Mississippi, \$582,335; Kentucky, \$1,433,657; Missouri, \$382,335; Arkansas, \$286,751.

In his annual report for 1895, the United States treasurer says: "The fiction that these deposits amounting to \$28,101,633 may some day become available has ceased to be held. It is a very singular fact that the records of the treasury department do not show that any demand has ever been made on these for the payment of this money. It seems to be the general opinion that an act of congress would be necessary before steps could be taken to compel a payment, but whether such an act will be passed through congress is extremely doubtful, in view of the fact that the representatives of the 26 states in both houses would be interested in its defeat."

DONNA INEZ.—What is that rumbling noise in the street? It makes me nervous.

DON MANUEL.—Don't be frightened, dear. It is only a revolution; or perhaps, an earthquake.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder  
Awarded Gold Medal Midwinter Fair, San Francisco.

How's This?  
We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Props, Toledo, O.  
We the undersigned have known F. J. Cheney for the last 10 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out all obligations made by their firm.

West & Texas, Wholesale Druggist, Toledo, O.; Wadding, Kinman & Marvin, Wholesale Druggist, Toledo, O.;  
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.

### THE WANT COLUMN.

Some of the Tragedies of the Small Advertisements.

Did you ever answer an advertisement in the want column and learn after long days of waiting that you were not wanted? Did you ever insert a timid "want" yourself and have no other satisfaction than the meager one of reading it in print? Then you have no skill to read between the lines of your newspaper, says Kate Field's Washington.

Take any three advertisements for work in a New York daily and try to see the man or woman it represents: "Wanted—Gentlemen boarders in a private family." I knew a woman who resolved on such a plan, being tired of dressmaking and thinking this an easier task. She met with but what few women would have won—success. She had no lack of boarders, but after a few months' trial she decided, with a very weary smile, that of the two horrors, dressmaking was the least to be dreaded.

Read the next: "Wanted—A few more music scholars." If I should guess at the number of answers to this I would say none at all; and here, again, even success would mean, to all but a few, defeat. Of music it is true more than of any other kind of instruction, that the teacher must be born; but I imagine that this teacher who needs scholars is not born, she is made by circumstances. If she loves music, she is tortured by the sound of the dear old piano played by careless little fingers. I am so very sorry for this one that I am glad to turn away.

In another "A young man of twenty-three wants a position to do anything." Is it possible that there is any man who has reached the age of twenty-three and learned no more about the world? Who would dare to employ a man of such wide ability? This is even more sad than the other two, for the trouble this time is in the man himself. What these three advertisements reveal is an utter lack of practical knowledge and of how to make one's way in the world, and the fault is with the parents. A man who gives his children absolutely no means of support is more cruel than the man who leaves his little one to die in the street. It is the fashion in these days to bring up one's sons and daughters in luxury, accustom them to the thought that "what is will always be," and, at the first hint of misfortune, to commit suicide and leave them more ignorant of how to earn their own bread than the little girl who tries to sell you paper flowers.

A man recently received eighty answers to a single advertisement for a

typewriter! Yet at this moment there are thousands learning to use a typewriter and actually expecting to get a position at once. If Christ were here He might ask again: "Can ye not discern the signs of the times?"

What the "want" column preaches is very plain—that our young men and women must be taught to do what the world wants, and unless they learn how they are fit for nothing but to figure as object-lessons in the "want" column of some newspaper.

### How He Broke the Ice.

Many diffident persons find the beginning of a conversation awkward, especially on ceremonious occasions and with strangers. Sometimes, however, the beginning is not half so awkward as what comes afterward. According to a story in Punch, a bashful young man said to a lady at a dinner party: "I've got to take you in to dinner, Miss Travers, and I'm rather afraid of you, you know." Mrs. Jolibois tells me you're very clever." The young lady was naturally amused by this display of simplicity. "How absurd!" she exclaimed. "I'm not a bit clever." The man heaved a sigh of relief, and answered: "Well, do you know, I thought you weren't."

### Drawback in Gunboat Life.

The attention of the British admiral has been called to the one serious drawback the modern steel ship possesses, namely, the death-like coldness of the interior walls. It is possible, indeed, to warm the ship with steam, but nothing can warm the sides in cold weather, and the man that sleeps near the unsympathetic steel is liable to contract rheumatism in the unconscious effort to warm

it by the sacrifice of his own vital heat. On very cold days the closed air ports will drop icicles, and the seaward wall of a stateroom will be as cold as ice.

### Trusting Man.

One of the uses of thorns is to protect the plant from animals which feed on herbage. Says La Nature: Nearly all plants that have thorns in their wild state lose them after generations of cultivation. It is as if plants brought under the protection of man gradually lay down their arms and trust themselves entirely to his protection.

## Furniture

Did You Say?

## Furniture

Is Just What

JOHN S. BAKER,  
The 2nd  
Man of  
Court Street,  
Pendleton,  
Sells so Cheap.

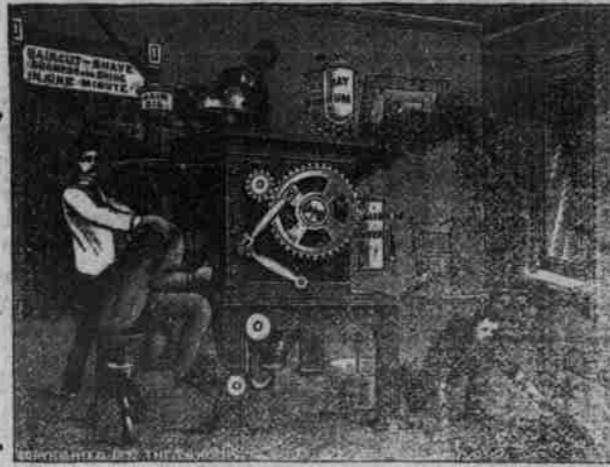
A. J. PARKER, Proprietor of  
SHAVING, THE ELECTRIC BARBER SHOP.

HAIRCUTTING,

SHAMPOOING,

HAIRSHINGING,

In Latest Styles.



W. P. LEACH, SUCCESSOR TO

N. A. MILLER,  
THE LEADING FURNITURE DEALER

IF YOU WISH TO borrow money on real estate, sell or buy farm or city property; have your life insured; have your property insured against fire in the best companies in the world; invest money at good interest and have it well secured; have Deeds, Mortgages, Contracts, Leases, etc., drawn correctly, call on W. T. GILMAN, Athena, Ore. He represents the following first-class fire insurance companies: Phoenix, Home, Royal, German, Caledonian and Northwest. He writes his own policies and guarantees correctness, and at the lowest rates at which responsible companies will take risks. He has the agency for the Equitable Life Insurance Co.,—the best of any

Athena Bakery

And Cash Grocery

Will Sell

Maple syrup, 1 gal can... 60c.  
Golden Poppy syrup 1 gal, 50c  
Corn Meal, 10 lbs... 35c  
Rice, 14 lbs... 31

Every thing else in the Grocery line at bottom Prices.

A. SCHNAEBELE, Prop'r.

H. O. Worthington

Lender of Low Prices. What Cash will Buy

Costa Rica Coffee, No. 1, 4 1/2 lbs for \$1; Luckles' family Savon soap per box, \$1; Illinois Corn, 8 cans for \$1; Tomatoes, 8 cans, \$1; Peach es, 8 cans, \$1; Rising Sun Syrup, 5 gallon bucket, \$2.25; Pickles, plain or mixed, 5 gal kegs, \$1.40; American Lye, 10 cans, \$1; Rolled Oats, 20 lbs for \$1.

Sugar and other staple Goods sold on Very small margins. Remember

THE WESTON CORNER GROCERY.

H. O. Worthington, Proprietor.

## YOU CAN BUY WITH SILVER:

A Sulky Plow for	\$ 45 00
A 16 inch Walking Plow for	17 00
A 14 inch Chilled Plow for	11 00
A 3 Section Harrow for	16 00
A Gang Plow for	65 00
A Buggy for	75 00
A 4 Spring Hack for	90 00
A Road Cart for	25 00
Lime Per Barrel	1 50
Cement Per Barrel	5 00
A 14 Bar Seeder for	65 00

We have the goods in stock and will sell them to you at the prices named. All first class goods.

THE C. A. BARRETT CO.

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