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NEXT Wednesday this town will belong to the old folks, those sixty-three years of age and over. Their money will be counterfeit and they will be as welcome as if they were rich relations and their wills drawn in our favor.

THE latest phase of the Schley-Sampson controversy puts the latter and his friends, the administration naval clique, in even a more despicable light than formerly. There seems to be scarcely a doubt but that Secretary Long rewarded Maclay with a sinecure job for his slanderous abuse of Schley in his alleged history of the navy.

To R. E. Strahorn—Come back at once, and all will be forgiven. You are much needed here, to give this town an injection of energy lymph; to revive that burnt river wagon road enterprise, for instance, and reiterate the cheerful fact that you have your share of the price, that will be produced with the spirit of a thoroughbred without a single moss germ on his back—that you will "play as much as anybody."

At its next meeting the city council should pass an ordinance fixing a specific license for tent shows and placing it at such a figure that it will at least pay the wages of extra police that are necessary when such aggregations visit a town. Two of these fake combinations have exhibited their bunch of ancient chestnuts here during the present month, at an actual expense to the city government. Of course no ordinance can prevent a fool from parting with his money, but an ordinance can force the con game operator to cut up his profits with the city treasury.

READING accounts of the intense heat throughout the east, one is forced to the conclusion that Sumpter, in the heart of the gold-ribbed Blue mountains of eastern Oregon, is not a bad place in which to have one's lot cast, after all. Here the weather at this season is as near perfection as any proposition with which mortals are permitted to get mixed up with. Even the ladies who tenderly nurse their complexion, never carry sun shades, nor do the men ever salt down their overcoats with moth destroying compounds, for they are frequently needed after nightfall; while blankets are always a necessity on every bed.

ON HIS return to Portland from the gold fields of eastern Oregon, Secretary F. J. Hard, of the Mining Stock exchange, gave the papers there an excellent interview on the gratifying condition of the mining industry here. He had collected a remarkable fund of accurate information in a very short space of time and presented these facts in an entertaining and convincing manner. But when he attempted to enumerate the properties on which specified work is being done, he attempted an almost impossible job. One might as well try to brand a school of fish as to collect that information complete in a few weeks. Naturally, some of the most important work now in progress was omitted.

SEVERAL years since Japan, in its indiscriminate haste to become "modernized," modeling itself after the Occidental notions, adopted the single gold standard. Some months since Japan got worsted in a sparring match for points with an adult, modern, enlightened financial panic. Last week a Japanese gentleman of wealth and learning, who has made a study of social and economic problems, told an Associated Press representative in New York that in his country the rich are growing richer and the poor poorer. And this is the old, old story, which history has never yet failed to record, where any nation has radically contracted its legal tender currency. And such will ever be the case, for it is in accordance with one of the laws of trade, as immutable as one of those of Nature.

THE democratic central committee of this state has made the wise selection of Hon. Sam White, of Baker City, as chairman. He says the party will be organized to win the next election in Oregon; that a Democratic morning paper will be established in Portland, with a paid capital of \$250,000, to aid the movement. THE MINER, posing as an expert, offers one piece of advice on the subject; that a change of plans be made, from the morning to the evening field. In the first place, the Telegram is "easier" than the Oregonian. A more satisfactory evening press service can be secured. The Pacific coast, with three hours difference in time between the news centers of the east, makes the evening paper more desirable and enables it to work up a larger circulation. And last, but not least, people who have time to read a morning paper are of that class who are not influenced politically by any thing that can be written; but, instead, consider the subject carefully and vote to please their bankers.

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