

An exchange speaks of some peculiar brand of tobacco, which if a man chews or smokes he will forget he owes a dollar in the world. We are afraid that some of our subscribers chew that kind of tobacco.

Chicago proposes to dispose of the smoke question by laying pipes under the ground to convey the smoke outside the city limits. This will be very nice for Chicago, but it is probable that the people in the country around will object.

Late discoveries of gold and silver have been made in Lane county; gold and natural gas have been found in Linn; coal and gold in Marion, while in our own county, Benton, gold has been discovered, and a company has been organized in Corvallis to prospect for coal and natural gas. The future of this section of Oregon brightens as our natural resources are developed. Undoubtedly the hills and mountains on either side of the Willamette valley are rich in mineral.—Corvallis Gazette.

The Minnesota legislature has passed a capital punishment law, similar in some respects to the New York law. Under its provisions the prisoner is to be kept in solitary confinement, and see no one but his family, his lawyers, and his spiritual advisers. He is to be executed before sunrise, and may invite three persons to be present. The sheriff invites six persons besides the surgeon. It is made a misdemeanor for any newspaper to publish any thing more about the execution than mere facts.

In France the doctor's claim on the estate of a deceased patient has precedence over all others. Even the landlord's claims for arrears of rent must yield to the doctor's fee. The courts have decided that as it is an imperative right of humanity that the dying should have the necessary care and treatment, such attendance should be paid for before all other debts. Such a law in this country would be hailed with satisfaction by the doctors, and a similar provision for the undertakers would delight that profession.

The French Exposition to be held in Paris this summer promises to exceed in magnitude, interest and variety of features all previous attempts of this kind. And of all things to be seen in the French capital this summer it is certain that none will attract greater attention or excite more discussion than the enormous tower projected by M. Eiffel and already nearly completed. The tower, when completed, will reach the enormous height of 1,000 feet and will be by far the tallest structure in the world.—Capital Journal.

The Heppner Gazette pays this deserved compliment to a citizen of this city: Mr. George W. Wright, who has been a citizen of Heppner for the past five years, where he has built up quite a law business, is now nicely settled in his new location—Albany, Oregon. Mr. Wright has invested largely in Albany real estate, which is now on the rise, and in addition to a large law business, which he will no doubt build up there, he will prosper. At any rate this is the wish of his Heppner friends.—Herald.

Mr. Wright has formed a law partnership with Judge Blackburn. See their card in this paper.

In speaking of the Mongolian pheasant the Oregonian says "several efforts have been made to domesticate these birds without avail. Nests of eggs have been found and put under setting hens to hatch. They would hatch all right, but as soon as the little chicks were out of the shell they refused to recognize the cluck of the hen. It wasn't the nature of the bird to be clucked at, and they invariably ran off into the bushes and died there." This may be true in some instances; but it is not invariably the case. On the contrary, several broods have been raised near Corvallis that are apparently as tame as the domestic fowl. Hundreds of eggs have been placed under Benton county hens this spring, and over 75 per cent of them have hatched and the young birds are doing nicely. A brood of fifteen young chicks was hatched in Corvallis last week, and we think the Oregonian's reporter would change his mind if he could see how they respond to the cluck of the fond biddy.—Corvallis Times.

Send THE EXPRESS to your friends in the East.

A BIG EATER.

The champion hungry man lives in Essex, Mass., and his name is Samuel Morse. He is afflicted with a most peculiar disease, being constantly hungry, and will eat ravenously nearly every hour in the twenty-four, getting up several times during the night to appease his appetite. He has been examined by many prominent physicians, none of whom can give any reason for his abnormal appetite or prescribe any medicine which will afford relief. He is not at all particular what it is if it is only something to eat. He will bake a quart of beans and eat the most of them at one sitting, and in ten minutes be hungry for more. He recently purchased four and one-half pounds of lamb and made a broth of it and ate the whole of it in the course of two hours. Such a free partaking of food caused considerable uneasiness and depression, but there is no getting away from it. The constant hunger calls for appeasement. Hungry he goes to bed; hungry he rises in the morning; and the vast quantities of food he partakes of do not seem to benefit him. He has been afflicted in this manner for ten years.—Ex.

The Biggest Yet.

Mr. W. B. Shannon, the Yankee gardener, of Cloverdale, across the river from this city, left at Wallace, Thompson & Company's yesterday 100 boxes of strawberries, from which an average box was selected and the number of berries therein counted, which was seven. The largest one was by actual measurement 1 1/4 inches around the waist, and big all over in proportion. If Salem has any really big strawberries let her trot them out, or if not quit boasting. If there is any doubt as to the correctness of these statements the affidavits of three prominent business men who helped measure them will be forthcoming.—Herald.

The above beats us, so we take down our sign, but we received one at this office sent to us by Mrs. McRae, this week, which measured 9 1/2 in circumference, which we think is very fair.

"I am a lawyer's daughter, you know, George, dear," she said after George had proposed and been accepted, "and you wouldn't think it strange if I were to ask you to sign a little paper to the effect that we are engaged, would you?"

George was too happy to think anything just then and he signed the paper with a trembling hand and a bursting heart. Then she laid her ear against his middle chest button, and they were very, very happy.

"Tell me, darling," said George after a long delicious silence, "why did you want me to sign that paper? Do you not repose implicit confidence in my love for you?"

"Ah, yes," she sighed, with infinite content, "indeed I do! But George, dear, I have been fooled so many times!"—Ex.

A famous character died in the Owyhee country in Southwestern Idaho, not long ago. It was a noted stallion named Humbolt, who could run a half mile so quick—and did do it on a track near San Francisco—that all books and lists were closed against him. He was never beaten, and after he made the race alluded to he was out of all races on this coast. Withal, Humbolt was a very handsome horse, and as an admirer said, "he was all boss." Truly, when excellence is lost to us the world is not so rich as it was, be it horse that was the pride of his race or man who honors humanity.—Oregonian.

The editor of a country paper, whose office is between the Methodist church and a dance hall, sat on the veranda and took in the situation, jotting down the following which he heard: "Oh Lord—all salute—we beseech thee to—join hands and—draw near and—circle to the left—listen to—first forward and back—us as we—all promenade—kneel before thee and—balance all—present our petition—grand right and left—for Christ's sake—seat your partner—amen."—Ex.

BUSINESS CHANCE.

Notice is hereby given that the copartnership heretofore existing between G. W. Cruson and R. C. Miller, under the firm name of Cruson & Miller, has been dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. J. W. Menzies having purchased the interest of Mr. Miller. The firm will hereafter be Cruson & Menzies. The new firm will assume all the indebtedness of the late firm and will collect all accounts due the same. A continuance of the liberal patronage of the public is respectfully solicited.  
G. W. CRUSON.  
R. C. MILLER.  
Lebanon, May 21, 1880.

MONTAGUE'S COLUMN.

Montague's freight bills for the past month have been unusually heavy, owing to the large quantities of

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The stocks of these establishments are full and complete, and an experience of nearly twenty years in the trade at Lebanon enables me to select such goods as will meet the wants of the people. As I buy for cash, a careful inspection will satisfy anyone of ordinary intelligence that MONTAGUE'S PRICES and the superior quality of his goods fully merit the liberal patronage he is receiving, and for which he returns his profound thanks.

In Montague's DRESS GOODS department will be found many new and elegant designs purchased at very low figures of one of the largest importing houses in America. The goods will be sold correspondingly low, and we respectfully invite the ladies to examine them before purchasing.

Montague has been selling a great many wedding dresses lately, and will take pleasure in furnishing complete outfits to parties contemplating house keeping.

Our CLOTHING DEPARTMENT needs but little advertising, as the goods sell themselves. We keep native Oregon manufactured clothing as well as fine lines just received from New York and Chicago. A look through our stock will convince you that we can fit you in any kind of suit you may desire at prices lower than a good many merchants can buy their goods. We have good serviceable suits at \$5.75, \$7, \$8, \$9 or \$10. These prices are 25 per cent lower than the goods are usually sold in any town in Oregon.

FOR THE BOYS.

Boys, it will interest you to know that in selecting his mammoth stocks of clothing, he has just laid in the largest assortment of Boy's Clothing ever brought to this city. Have your Papa and Mama bring you in for a new suit, so you can attend camp meeting and the May picnics, and we will fit you out very nicely. Always insist on having them go to Montague's for their goods, as in his establishment you will get 100 cts. worth for every dollar expended.

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In addition to a large stock of Leather goods, Montague has purchased an immense stock of the celebrated Buckingham & Hecht make of boots and shoes. Every pair warranted. When you need anything in that line drop in and see us. The goods and prices are ALL RIGHT.

THE ONE PRICE Cash Store is an immense success; the sales are very large and increasing rapidly. It is true the profits are very small, but as we can turn the money many times during the year, I find that in the long run it pays much better than the credit system. We all must come at last to a cash basis in all our business transactions, and the sooner the better. Come on with your money, make us know when you are looking at goods that your intended purchases MEAN CASH DOWN, and you will find Montague ready to meet you with prices that defy successful competition.

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