

## WHY?

Why do I love you? O! Tell me why  
The golden stars love the purple sky?  
Why do the flowers all love the sun?  
And weep soft tears when the day is done?

Why does the sea love the land, my dear?  
Why does it sing in the songs we hear?  
Why does it climb for a closer kiss?  
Twice each day, dear, answer me this.

Why do the birds love then, other blue?  
Why to the pole is the needle true?  
Answer me this, dear, and tell me do  
How can I tell why I love you?

Why does your face still haunt my mind?  
Why forgetfulness can I never find?  
Why do I think, when far away,  
Of you, my dear, both night and day?

Why should we never meet again,  
Who wrote the words "it might have been,"  
While this small world revolves, my dear?  
Some day you will find me very near.

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**DECLARATION OF PURPOSES.**  
Profoundly impressed that we, the Farmers' Alliance, united by strong and faithful ties of a national and home interest, should set forth our declaration of intentions; we therefore resolve—

**First**—To labor for the education of the agricultural classes in the science of economic government in a strictly non-partisan spirit.

**Second**—To endorse the motto: "In things essential, unity; and in all things, charity."

**Third**—To develop a better state, mentally, morally, socially, and financially.

**Fourth**—To create a better understanding for maintaining civil liberties in maintaining law and order.

**Fifth**—To constantly strive to secure entire harmony and good will among all mankind, and to kindly love among ourselves.

**Sixth**—To suppress personal, local, sectional, and national prejudices, all unwholesome rivalry and selfish ambition.

**Seventh**—The brightest jewels which it contains are the cause of wisdom and order, and its incentive commands are to visit the homes where neglected hearts are bleeding; to arrange the sufferings of a brother or sister; bury the dead; care

It is hard for people to enjoy religion very much who keep both hands in their pockets.

The devil has to work extra hard to get hold of the children who have good mothers.

People who can patiently bear all their small trials will never break down under their great ones.

"Why don't you run a newspaper like that?" said a merchant in this city to the local editor, throwing out a Chicago daily. "For the same reason that you do not run a store like that," the editor replied, pointing to a five column advertisement of a Chicago house showing a twelve story building. The merchant looked attentively at the picture for a moment, and then said, "I never looked at it in that way before."—Ex.

## WHITCOMB ECHOES.

Trout fishing good.

Crops doing well.

New potatoes.

Mr. Weddle is up here on a hunt, but timber wolves and bears are too plenty for his dog to work well.

Big Bottom can now boast of three stamp mills all paying expenses as Messrs. Hamilton and Andrews can testify, who buy the golden product.

M. E. W.

Surveyor O'Connor is working this week fixing up plans and specifications for the canal and dam.

Marshal Coyle had a warrant issued yesterday for the arrest of John Dodge for fast riding on Main street.

We are glad to report Alvin Williams able to be on the street.

Monday morning C. C. Hackleman, R. N. Wright, J. A. Roberts and Chas. Miller left for the mountains for a few days outing and fishing.

Wednesday night the city council had a call meeting to pass a few ordinances, but as the ordinances were not drawn up to suit them they adjourned to meet next Monday night and wrote to W. R. Blyen to come out and draw up the ordinances by that time.

A dog bit a Spokane constable. The constable is all right, but the dog died from blood poisoning, and the owner wants the constable shot.

Mrs. H. E. Parrish has been suffering with rheumatism this week.

Mrs. Ella Howe who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Hindman, left for home Wednesday.

Rev. Jockey, of Oakland, Cal., preached in the First Presbyterian church last Sabbath and will preach there next Sabbath. He is here to see about taking charge of this church.

Thermometer 95 in the shade Wednesday.

Albany team defeated the Jefferson boys at Albany, Monday, 27 to 10.

Miss Lucy Gard, of Albany, is in town this week visiting relatives.

Mr. G. M. Wyatfall left this morning with his family for the mountains. He intends returning immediately, but his family will probably spend the summer up there.

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## ✻ CARPENTERS' TOOLS. ✻

G. T. Cotton's store has been treated to a new coat of paint.

Post-master Miller has had 140 neat boxes made for temporary use in the post office. The new fixtures are expected soon.

Mr. Willis Calder, the handsome junior editor of the Brownsville Times, came up to-day and is getting in a good work for his paper.

Mr. A. Jack Adams of the Eugene Advance was up to-day (Saturday) circulating among the alliance folks.

Hon. R. A. Irvine is enthused over the alliance work and is doing more in this county than most any man to further the interests of the order.

Mayor Miller made the address of welcome to the County Alliance. His remarks were well timed, being attentively listened to. The address reflects credit upon the Mayor and through him upon Lebanon.

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*Lawyer,*  
*Lebanon, Oregon.*

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Money to loan on first-class real estate securities.

Lebanon people know the EXPRESS has a good job printing office and should give it all of their work.

East Lebanon, July 25, 1891

Mr. Editor:

I am real down glad to see an Alliance column in the Express, and as you ask for contributions I will try my hand on a column.

I see in the Oregonian of to-day a long editorial of abuse of the Alliance, but we are glad to be thus advertised. They may call us "Pefferites" or "Simpsonites", if they choose, but we will get there all the same. The truth of the matter is, the Oregonian is more concerned for its party interest than it is for the farmers, and we don't mind being called "Grasshopper Politicians," we will hop high enough here in Oregon to hop over the Oregonian and everybody else who gets in our way. We hopped over Wade Hampton in South Carolina, and hopped over Ingalls in Kansas and we are going to keep on hopping until we get out of the way of the way of all Monopolies, Ring Masters, Rail Road Kings and Boss Politicians.

The truth is the old parties have both failed to protect the farmers and now a guilty conscience is lashing them into a fury when they see the farmers are going to take matters into their own hands. From what we can see the Democratic papers in Democratic states and the Republican papers in Republican states are both alike waging a continuous war on the Alliance, and crying "crush the monster." Now the Democrats and Republicans are making the third party by fighting the Alliance, and we are willing for them to keep on picking away at us. They are only uniting more and more this great producing class that will not go down at their bidding.

Now if the Express will just note the signs of the times on the political horizon, the hand-writing of "Weighed in the balance and found wanting" is already gone out against the old parties and they may drink all the wine from their golden cups, and revel in their political debauch, but the decree has gone forth and their end is nigh.

The Alliance is growing at the rate of 30 to 50 a day and at this rate will soon hold the balance of power in Oregon. We want no war with organization, party or combination, but we do not propose to be dictated to by any other concern.

We invite everybody to come to Lebanon to-morrow (Saturday) and learn more of us, our aims and objects. The more question is ventilated and investigated the more will all farmers see the necessity of organization and the less will any fair minded man object.

More again.

PRODUCER.

While other states are suffering from the loss of crops, Oregon is reveling in bliss. A failure of crops is unknown to her.

It is as important that Linn county be represented at the Portland Exposition and the State Fair as it is that Oregon has an exhibit at the World's Fair.

Our farmers are beginning to see the need of action to protect themselves from the high-handed games of corrupt political clowns. Their organizations are meeting with approval among the farmers.

The low price of cotton is causing great dissatisfaction among South Carolina planters. The farmers alliance of Marlboro, in that State, has resolved upon a desperate remedy. It has formally pledged its members to plant but ten acres of cotton to the horse in 1892, providing it can get the cooperation of all the cotton states in the plan, so as to decrease the production and realize something for their labor. The State alliance is urged to call a meeting not later than December 1st of this year, to consider the proposition. If overproduction is what is the matter with the price of cotton, the organization has taken the rational means to relieve the planters. If a man can make as much off of 10 acres of cotton as he can off of 100 acres he had better devote the rest of the era to something else. The partial failure of crops in Kansas and other states taught hit corn growers this lesson. A superabundant surplus glutted the market year after year running the price down so low that the farmers were forced to burn corn because they could not afford to buy fuel. They found that a smaller surplus would enable them to sell what they had, purchase fuel, and have something left for interest on mortgages.

When any product becomes so plentiful that it will not pay the cost of transportation to send it to market, the producer should take the hint and produce something else. The law of supply and demand are invincible, and legislation directed against them is effort wasted.—Oregonian.

The citizens of King's prairie on the 17th secured the services of state organizer R. A. Irvine and formed a farmers alliance. Speeches were made, and Mr. Irvine explained the objects and aims of the alliance in a speech of an hour's length. The result was there were but few listeners unconvinced, and a union was formed of twenty members. As soon as having is over the membership of the organization will be trebled. As one old party man said, "There will not be many democrats or republicans left." Those people do not wish to pull down anything good that has been done by either of the old parties, but demand, as the colonists of old did, a voice in making national laws. With a millionaire senate holding the final vote the demands of the nine hundred and ninety-nine out of a thousand is not heard. The officers chosen are:

J. R. Goddes, president.  
Don A. Smith, vice president.  
W. B. Robertson, secretary.  
W. H. Davis, treas.  
Jennie Barzee, chaplain.  
E. S. Barzee, steward.  
J. T. McClary, lecturer.  
Henry Miller, State D. K.

## CRABTREE CHUMBS.

Farmers are all busy making hay while the sun shines. The click of the mower is heard from everywhere, and a large hay harvest will be the result.

Some grain is also being cut. Mr. Paul has just cut a field of 40 acres of wheat, the quality of which will convince any one that wheat can be raised successfully in the "Porks." The ground had been summer-fallowed.

Much of the spring grain will be harvested late, but prospects for a large yield were never better.

The spirit of improvement is moving many of our farmers, and several new buildings are under way. Aside from those already noticed in communication from this place, is a fine barn being built by Mr. C. Gaines on land recently purchased of G. C. Moon, of the old Elliot farm.

Mr. Allen Charlton is also building a new barn on his place. Mr. K. Arnold has just completed a barn, and has lumber on the ground for a new house, on land lately bought of Mr. Young, near the Grange Hall.

Mr. Chas. Craft was so unfortunate as to have his barn, with all its contents, consisting of hay, grain, wagons, harness and farming implements, burned one day last week. The fire was started by a little boy with matches.

Mr. Basil Hamilton, an old and highly respected resident, died last week, at the age of seventy-eight years.

The family of Mr. Jasper Crabtree is being gently adjusted, himself, wife, and oldest daughter being down with typhoid fever, and the youngest child not expected to live.

Mr. John Hay is convalescent.

Mrs. Martha Smith is able to be out among her friends again, after a long and serious illness.

Mrs. Frank Crabtree returned to her home in Lebanon Sunday. Mrs. Thelma Crabtree accompanied her expecting to remain several weeks.

Mrs. Joseph Griggs who has for several weeks been visiting the family of Mr. Lawson Griggs of this place returned to her home at Springfield last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Tucker have reconsidered their decision to remove to Salem, and will remain here for the present, greatly to the satisfaction of their many friends.

Mr. B. Powell has returned from Maxwell, Cal., after an absence of several months.

Mr. Geo. M. Paul, of Tacoma, Washington, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Paul. Mr. Paul has some of the finest specimens of pen work we have ever seen.

Sunday School organized at Providence last Sunday with Mr. John Compton as Sup't. Meets at 10 A. M.

Sunday School every Sunday afternoon at 3 at Crabtree School house.

Church at Crabtree School house next Sunday at 11 A. M. and 2 P. M. Preaching by Rev. G. S. Haukester. Basket dinner.

Crabtree, July 21, 1891.

## WATERLOO WHISTERS.

Waterloo is steadily on the move and campers are still coming.

There is considerable interest taken by our Christians in our protracted meeting. Several numbers were taken in this week. All probabilities are this meeting will run till Sunday.

Soda water is splendid this hot weather. The campers enjoy the soda and shady places around the river. The shade is one feature of improvements on the spring.

Surveyor O'Connor and company departed for Lebanon this noon where he will do some work and will return the first of next week and complete his work here.

Rev. S. H. Shangle, who has been assisting in the meeting during the week left for Albany on Tuesday.

Rev. Howard Wallace and Motie are still carrying on the meeting with good effect.

Rev. Dutton left for home Saturday but will return this week.

Among those circulating at the springs are: Mr. S. Davis, Merle, Ethel and Clara Davis, Mrs. O'Connor and two children, of Albany; Mrs. Jesse Wilby, Mr. and Mrs. Sen, Bonenburg; Mrs. W. B. Blanchard and daughter Miss Emma Blanchard, Mr. and Mrs. McFerron, Brownsville; Mrs. Hindman and daughter Miss Fanny Hasket, Lebanon; Misses Howard and Motie, Rev. Howard and wife, Bro. Motie, Tabor; Rev. Wab lace and wife, Corvallis; Mrs. Bandford and family, Mrs. A. McBride, Sheddle; and many others whose names are unknown.

Mr. Chapman and wife, of Albany, returned home Monday. They spent a week or so at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, of Halsey, have been visiting relatives at this place.

Quite a crowd of Lebanon's jolly young people visited the springs Tuesday eve. This is the kind we care to see. Come again.

We mourn for the loss in the Lebanon fire; for post office especially, for no doubt we lost our share of mail, but those that have must lose.

As time is precious will conclude till next.

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Five United States gunboats are now lying in the Yang Tse Kiang river, for the protection of American residents in China.