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What is the funniest thing that ever happened you? We remember of an occurrence a few years ago that has caused us to smile many a time. In company with S. A. Thomas, of Lexington, Oregon, we were running the Journal, at Ortonville, Minn., when one day a young Swede stepped into the office and asked for Taylor and was directed to where we were working. Upon approaching us he asked, "Are du Tal-ler?" We informed him that our name was Taylor and thereupon he began to untie a bundle saying as he did so, "de dog he tore my pants all to—pieces, and Ay vant you feex hem." For a second one could hear a pin drop and then the office force roared and the poor Swede made for the door on the double quick.—Rear-dan, Wash., Gazette.

This may seem funny to John now, but the blank look on his face at the time would have made any office force roar.

The gospel of happiness is one that every woman should lay to heart. What it means to a man to come home at night to a cheerful wife no one but he who has had to fight the hard battle of life knows. If he is prosperous it is an added joy; but it is in misfortune it shines like a star in the darkness. A complaining wife can kill the last bit of hope and courage in a sorely troubled heart, while a cheerful one gives new courage to begin the fight over again.

The person who furnishes items for newspaper is always a valuable friend to the editor. Many persons hesitate about sending items to a newspaper regarding the movements of friends, lest the publisher should think them anxious to see their name in print. He will think nothing of the kind, but on the contrary is always glad to get such items. Many seemingly unimportant notes when printed are news to a large number of readers.

No man is more unreservedly called a shameless liar than the newspaper reporter, and no man considers the slander against him more lightly. His conscience is usually clear, his motives disinterested; his knowledge of human nature comprehensive, his sense of human nature keen and his knowledge of his traducers complete.

Perhaps the Pittsburg express clerk who is alleged to have run away with \$101,000 took the \$1000 for expenses

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and the rest as a basis for negotiations for the return of half of it. Such doings are not entirely unknown to criminal history.

Through an oversight, The Wheatfield failed to give proper credit to the article appearing in last week's issue under the caption, "Eastern Oregon Wheat Lands." This article was clipped from the columns of the Portland Daily Journal and should have been credited accordingly.

Santa Claus is shipping Christmas presents to this country by every steamer now, but the Postoffice Department is still unable to forward request letters to his address.

Possibly the next session of Congress will do something to let Porto Rico and the Philippines know whether they are foreign or domestic territory; but probably it will not.

It is pointed out that the Kansas corn crop could pay the annual interest on the Japanese debt; but neither Kansas nor Japan can see how to make the connection.

Goldwin Smith's plan of settling the woman suffrage condition is to give every married man two votes. That would be encouragement to matrimony if nothing else.

The people of this country have not yet recovered from their surprise at finding that insurance companies, like banks, are best robbed from the inside.

The Goldendale Sentinel has installed a Thorne Simplex setting machine and is now all printed at home.

OUR ROLL OF HONOR

The following names have been added to our subscription list since the last issue:

Fred Beymer
E. D. Brown
L. E. Fridley
H. A. Fuller
Geo. McKee
John Piper

All of Lexington, Oregon.
W. B. Finley, Strawberry.
Dan P. Doherty, Pendleton.

ONE PROCLAIMER

C. B. Sperry and wife returned Tuesday from a week at Hot Lake.

H. H. Winters, who has been visiting relatives and friends here the past two weeks, returned to his home in Hays City, Kansas, Tuesday.

John Harbke and family left for Portland Monday where they will make their future home. Mr. Harbke having accepted a position with Moore Bros. in the real estate business.

STRAWBERRY

Quite a number of sheep have died since they were brought from the mountains. Ed McDaid has lost over two hundred head and says they were poisoned by alkali.

A number of Missourians have just arrived and intend to take up homesteads in the near future.

It seems that the coyotes intend to take this part of the country soon from the way they invade the yards and whip the dogs. The people would be doing a good thing by organizing a drive and get rid of some of them.

The wheat is looking fine in this vicinity since the snow.

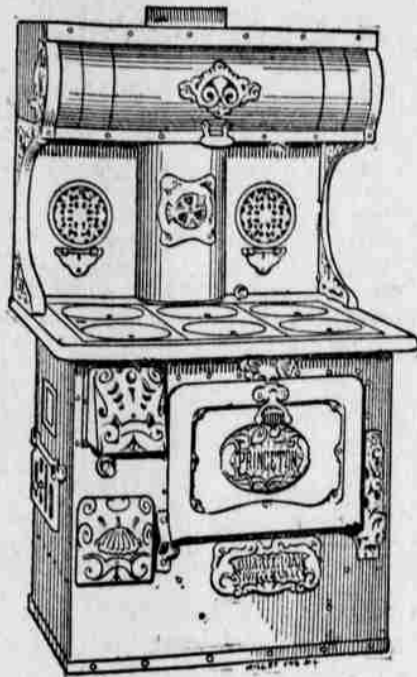
The little daughter of B. F. Estes had the misfortune to fall and sprain her arm a few days ago. It was dressed and bound up and is now doing nicely.

Old Chunk.

B. A. McCormick and wife and son, and John McCormick and children, all of Marionville, Mo., arrived in Lexington last Saturday. On Sunday they went to Strawberry accompanied by John B. White. The McCormicks have come to Oregon to make it their future home and we understand that B. A. intends to purchase lots and building a residence in Lexington.

The Hallow'en social given by the ladies of the M. E. church, south, last Tuesday evening was a complete success in every way. The hall, in the fore part of the evening, was decorated with "Jack 'o lanterns. Pumpkin pie, Sandwiches, tea, coffee, sweet and butter milk were served in the

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hungry. The net receipts to be used in furnishing the parsonage amounted \$31.75.

The opening chapters of "A Wife's Secret" or "A Bitter Reckoning" appears on the inside pages of this issue of The Wheatfield. This serial story is by Charlotte M. Braeme and is one of the best productions of this famous author. For the benefit of new subscribers we will keep a limited supply of this issue so they may have the first chapters. Subscribe now so that you may not miss the beginning of this interesting story.

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