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According to a list recently published, there are 3568 pensioners who draw more than \$45 a month, and 2519 who draw \$72 a month.

The gold statistics of 1897 show Colorado leading California by several millions in the production of gold. Colorado also produced more silver in 1897 than ever before, although its people have been howling about the silver industry being ruined.

A law has just gone into effect in Pennsylvania providing that every person under 16 years old must be able to read and write. With 50,000 people in that state unable to read and write, it is hardly to be wondered at that intelligent citizens have become alarmed.

Ex-Senator Tabor has been confirmed as postmaster of Denver. Tabor is very popular at Denver, and the people are much pleased over the appointment. Tabor was once immensely wealthy, and did Denver a great deal of good. Of late, he has been very poor.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has made a discovery that causes him greater gratification than anything else ever caused. It is that hogs may be cured of cholera by inoculation. He tried the experiment in Page county, Iowa, last summer and 85 per cent of the hogs were saved. He estimates that the annual loss by hog cholera in the United States is between \$90,000,000 and \$100,000,000.

Did you hear anything tumble? Wheat took a big drop this week, but the prosperity makers did not appear to notice it.—Centralia, Wash., News, (pop.) Jan. 21. But all the Bryan organs noticed it and were gleeful and happy. Perhaps they thought Bryan's prediction of 25 cent wheat was coming true at last. But since the election of Mark Hanna in Ohio wheat has been going up again, and never a chirp do we hear from the calamity organs.

The Yaquina Bay railway has been sold to a company known as the Corvallis and Eastern, and it is given out that work of extending the road to an eastern connection will begin as soon as the opening of spring will permit. At the present time the road is 142 miles long, running from Yaquina through Corvallis and Albany to Detroit, in the Cascades. There are four miles further constructed, but upon which trains do not run regularly. It is believed that the road would run through Prineville, then following the Crooked river to Harney county and across its northern end. Such is the route, but from that point on it is veiled in the unknown. There are persons who believe that the road will be built to Pendleton, and others who think that it will go to Boise City on the Oregon Short Line.

The republican situation in Multnomah appears to have settled down to a bitter fight between the regular organization and the Mitchell-republican faction. The result will be two delegations to the state convention. This is plainly the purpose of the Mitchellites, and their alleged offer of compromise was merely a play for advantage. They never supposed for a moment that the republican committee would surrender the trust reposed in it by the people, in whole or in part. It could not. The preposterous nature of the compromise proposition, and the rottenness of the entire gang behind it, is most clearly demonstrated by the fact that several of those gentlemen of the Mitchell-republican committee, whom it is proposed to elevate to high seats as managers of the republican party, voted for Bryan at the last election. It is best to steer clear of harmony that has to be obtained at such cost.

The annual compilation of church statistics made by the New York In-

dependent, shows that about one-third of the 25,919,627 communicants in the United States are Roman Catholics. The most numerous protestant denomination is the Methodist, while the Baptists are second. The next in order are the Lutherans, and then follow the Presbyterians, the Disciples of Christ, the Episcopalians and the Congregationalists.

The Kansas state treasury, which went popocratic about three months ago, has resumed payment at last. Assistant Treasurer Williams prepared a notice to holders of warrants "not paid for the want of funds" that there was money on hand to take up those warrants now, and that the state would cease paying interest on them at the expiration of thirty days from the date of the publication of the notice. Mr. Williams stated that the warrants stamped "not paid for the want of funds" aggregated \$140,000. This is \$15,000 more than the populist officials thought the deficiency would amount to.

There is a vigorous opposition forming against the Loud bill now pending in congress. The opinion seems quite general that the bill is in the interests of a tax on knowledge. It proposes to prohibit the sending of newspapers through the mails under the pound rates, except to prepaid subscribers, unless at a ruinous charge for postage. It proposes to greatly restrict the nature and form of supplements and other matter sent by publishers frequently as adjuncts to increase the attractiveness of their publications. Should it become a law it is believed that the rising generation now furnished with standard literature at a trifling cost, would be deprived of this privilege for the benefit of a comparatively few publishers of high-priced books.

Senator Thurston has gone over to the opponents of Hawaiian annexation, because of alarm for the interests of the Nebraska sugar-beet producers. This is entirely groundless. If all the land in Hawaii were devoted to sugar culture it could produce but a very small proportion of what the United States consumes. At present the total production of sugar in the archipelago is less than \$10,000,000, where the United States buys over \$101,000,000. There is every reason for expecting that the culture of sugar will give way to that of coffee, to which the islands are splendidly adapted, and which is much more profitable than sugar-growing. We buy annually about \$82,000,000 worth of coffee, and our consumption is constantly increasing.

You occasionally hear something about the Dreyfus incident in France, but you seldom find a clear expression of it. Here are about the facts in the case: Some time ago it was suspected that a French officer was peddling state secrets to the German army. Dreyfus was suspected, tried and convicted. He has many friends who claim that he is innocent, and was punished to protect the guilty who are higher in power. Zola, the novelist, is so sure of the innocence of Dreyfus that he has come to his defense, and is now in the midst of the trouble. The students, always at the head of any excitement in France, are on one side, and the anarchists, friendly to Dreyfus and Zola, are on the other, and both sides have paraded the streets of Paris, Lyons and Marseilles, engaging in many combats. In Paris twenty people were wounded. The students, having the sympathy of the government, are allowed free license in rioting, which fact is stirring up a strong feeling against the government. Dreyfus is a Jew, and the feeling against him and his race is beginning to create a panic in Jewish circles. Both the business and private houses of the Rothschilds and other wealthy Jews, are strongly guarded.

The U. S. land office regulations allow applicants making final proof of their claims to select the newspaper in which the notice is published. In answer to an inquiry and for the benefit of all concerned, we will state that the price for home-stead proofs in The Reporter is \$2.50.

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**Death of Mrs. Melinda Butler.**

After an illness of but a little over one week of pneumonia, Mrs. Melinda Butler departed this life at her home in this city on Wednesday, Jan. 26th at 10 p. m.

Mrs. Butler was born in Calloway county Mo., March 29th, 1829, and crossed the plains to Oregon in 1847. She was married to Caleb J. Payne at Bellevue in this county, Sept. 18th, 1850. Her husband died just eight years from the date of their marriage. In 1873, Mrs. Payne was married to J. J. Butler, who died March 8th, 1891.

Eceased was the mother of five children, three of whom are living. They are Mrs. W. L. Warren and Mrs. H. C. Burns of this city, and Mr. C. J. Payne of Bellevue. Of her father's family, two brothers, W. L. Toney of this city, J. P. Toney of Modoc county, Calif., and a sister, Mrs. O. P. Turner of Sheridan, survive.

Deceased had been a member of the Christian church for almost 40 years, consistent and true. Her life was full of helpfulness and kindly deeds. Especially among her relatives, who were numerous, she possessed nothing she was not at all times willing to share with them. Her memory for friends was remarkable, and her acquaintance extensive. She was a faithful member of the pioneer association of Yamhill county, and always took a lively interest in its meetings. No one of its members was better known or held in greater respect. Who shall say she has not gone to her reward, or that her life does not constitute a noble example?

Funeral services will be held at the Christian church by her pastor, Rev. Powell, at 10 a. m. today, and burial will be made in Bellevue cemetery.

**An Alaskan Letter.**

James L. Campbell, who has been a reader of The Reporter at Ketchikan, Alaska, the past two years, sends us a few lines concerning that portion of the wonderful country. Ketchikan is in the coast region, and of course is only a relative of the famous Klondike. Mr. Campbell writes, under date of Jan. 22d:

I suppose it would be a great surprise to the good people of Oregon and elsewhere, if one would tell them the thermometer was 45, and grass green on New Year's day. Such was the case here, and at present writing there is snow on the flats, and mercury indicates 43 degrees. Another item which might be thought necessary to be taken with a little salt, is the fact that the temperature rarely gets down to zero; yet, such is the case. During a residence of 14 years, the deepest snow witnessed was three feet eight inches, and several winters there was not more than six inches at one time. Does it rain? Yes, a few. I used to think Oregon had rain enough for two states, but Alaska! Oh my!! All the vapors of the southern Pacific are driven northward to Alaska where they are condensed, and there it is. There are no severe changes, however, from cold to heat.

The mineral wealth of this portion of Alaska will compare favorably with any portion of the country in quartz mining. There is a good percentage of free gold, and plenty of concentrating ores, with products of silver, copper and lead. All the discoveries so far are available to salt water navigation, lessening the expense of trams and railroads or packtrains. There is no question as to results when properties are opened up and mills started. Any one with capital to invest in mines could not do better than in the Ketchikan district.

I shall be pleased to correspond with any one wishing information relative to this part of Alaska. During the early part of the summer there will be a good many claims opened up, and those wanting properties will do well to visit the country and investigate.

A subscription paper was circulated early in the week, to raise a bonus to induce Mr. Snyder of Dayton to re-erect his fruit-drying establishment in this city. People signed liberally and several hundred dollars were promptly pledged. A little afterthought, however, seems to have modified somewhat the attitude of many toward the project. It would probably be better to let Mr. Snyder re-erect his plant in Dayton, with or without the assistance of his own townsmen, and without engendering competition and rivalry between the two towns. At the same time, knowing the need of such an establishment in the city, let our people go

ahead with their subscriptions and make up such an amount as will induce some party with adequate capital to put in and operate a large dryer, and perhaps a cannery at the same time.

O. K. Edwards of Newberg was married on the 26th to Miss Lulu G. Sargeant of Perrydale.

George Flesher has accepted a position as organizer for the Woodmen order in the state of California.

A meeting of the McKinley & Hobart club of Carlton will be held in Howe's hall Saturday morning at 10 a. m., Jan. 29th, for the purpose of choosing four delegates to attend the meeting of the state league in Portland Feb. 1st.

When Adolph Matthies of the City market hands out one of his choice cuts, a customer can depend it is first-class. There are few persons in the business who understand it more thoroughly in all its departments, and the cleanliness and tidiness manifest in the handling of his goods all the way from the shambles to the block is one of the strong points in the popularity of the establishment.

George Grayson drove over from Trask last Thursday and said the road was very good except for two or three miles above summit where, he encountered about 18 inches of snow. At this time, however, there is about four feet at the same place.—North Yamhill Record.

Three children in the family of A. Blackburn have diphtheria. The cases are not of the most dangerous type and it is thought no fatalities will result. Every possible precaution is being taken to prevent the spread of the disease in the community.—N. Yamhill Record.



A happy mother is the happiest being in this world. To hold in her arms the dear little life—a part of her very own life—nestling, trusting and dependent on her protecting love, is the sweetest, most sacred responsibility of a woman's existence. But many a woman approaching the time of motherhood feels most deeply its duties and trials. She is burdened with a sense of anxiety and unreasonable foreboding. This state of mind is unfavorable both to the mother and the child. A prospective mother may insure herself against the slightest fear of danger or excessive pain by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, during the period of expectancy. This "Prescription" makes the coming of baby absolutely safe and comparatively painless. It gives elastic endurance to the organism specially concerned in motherhood, and healthy vitality to the nerve-centres. It makes the mother strong and cheerful. It gives her recuperative power. It promotes abundant nourishment and provides constitutional health and energy for the child. It is the only positive specific for all diseases of the feminine organism, devised by an educated and skilled specialist in this particular field of practice. Its sale exceeds the combined sale of all other medicines for women.

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