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THE REFORM SCHOOL.

As much talk concerning the establishment of a reform school in Oregon is being indulged in, there is much inquiry as to how these schools are conducted elsewhere and as to the class of offenders who may be sent there.

Sec. 9. In all classes of conviction for misdemeanor, or felony, in Missouri where a reform school is in operation the law on the subject is as follows:

Section 10 provides that each county shall pay \$182 per annum for every boy sent from such county, and that the guardians of any minor sent there shall pay the expense of sending and keeping him there.

LOG RAFTS AT SEA.

Recent dispatches contain the information that the experiment of sending rafts of saw logs out on the ocean, for floating to distant ports, is to be tried on this coast, from Puget Sound to San Francisco, and to South American ports.

It keeps cold for democrats and whenever one stakes his money on any act of the party, he is sure to drop it. Only a day or two ago "a faithful" went into one of our post-offices to learn when the two cent postage went into effect.

CONGRESS should do something for Oklahoma. It should be properly opened for settlement, after the squatters now upon it shall have been dispossessed.

PASS the bill creating a Department of Agriculture, gentlemen of the present congress!

A FREEPORT, Ill., special tells a romantic story. Joseph Degan, once a well known citizen of that city, and father of a prominent railroad man, whose head quarters are there, left Freeport some eighteen years ago, and settled in Kansas.

MORE and more every year the order of the Patrons of Husbandry is taking a hand in political affairs. The other day the Pomona Grange of Marion county passed resolutions taking action on several questions which must come before the next legislature.

THERE are some things that a level headed human should never do. Among these is to never kindle a fire with kerosene oil, to walk on a railroad track, to attempt to get on a moving train, to point a gun or pistol at another, to put his name on another man's note, to keep his saving in an old stocking under the bed, to play a game of chance with a prepossessing stranger, to run for an office when he has a paying position in private life, or to call a bigger man than himself a liar.

THERE will be five eclipses in 1889; three of the sun and two of the moon. A total eclipse of the sun will occur on January 16th and 17th which will be visible in the larger portion of North America.

A WINTER IDYL.

WOODBURN, Or., Dec. 25, '88. EDITOR JOURNAL:—Some years ago a stray copy of the West Shore fell into my hands, and I remember reading it, as I would some fable or fairy tale and I said to a relative who sat listening, with an incredulous smile on his face, "What makes people write such—"

This is my first Christmas in Oregon, and it has been to me, a revelation, and I want to tell somebody else. Before me lies a bouquet of half open rosebuds and pansies of royal purple and gold, sent me from a neighbor's garden. A little lad (who holds my heart wrapped up in his little brown skinned anatomy) looked through the open door awhile ago, and said, "come out and see the hills, and the Christmas sunset."

One year ago to-day I looked out over the snow-covered, almost treeless plains of Nebraska, soon to be the scene of that awful tragedy, whose shadow rests upon many a home to-day. The thought of Oregon came to me over those "bizzard swept" plains—now, I expect to make it my home, till I find "this body a garment no more fitting."

The O. P. railroad is within five miles of the summit of the Cascades.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

Breezy Correspondence From the Towns Around Us.

Jud Bowers of Spokane Falls arrived last night. Mr. Bowers is an old-timer of this place.

Mr. Abram Brower of Grant county is spending the holidays with his parents near here.

The Christmas boat was a grand success. It was well filled with valuable presents. The hold was filled to overflowing.

Mrs. William McKinney is back from Spokane Falls, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mary Bowers.

PHILOMATH ITEMS.

Grant Wilcox, the barber, is lying in a very critical condition, believed to be a result of smoking cigarettes.

Uncle George Kisor, so long landlord of the Kisor house, is suffering with a painful attack of erysipelas in his right foot.

The Misses Haynes and brother and Warren Pulley are visiting their homes in Multnomah county during the school vacation.

Prof. Kezel, Prof. Sheak, and Supt. Bryan are each having the Oak grubs taken out and removed from their several tracts of land lying north of town.

Messrs Frank Bennett and Frank Wyatt were on Mary's Peak last week. They report having seen some deer, but as they were on other business, were not prepared to kill them.

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A Proposed Salt Palace.

The people of Salt Lake City are contemplating the erection of a "Salt Palace." It would be a structure that would lay in the shade all Ice and Corn Palaces ever constructed.

DIED.

ENGLAND.—At the home of his father, Wm. England, in Salem, on Thursday, Dec. 27, 1888, at 11:45 a. m., of consumption, Eugene England, aged about nineteen.

SMITH.—At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Hall, her grandparents, on Howell Prairie, Tuesday, Dec. 25, 1888, Jessie, daughter of Silas G. Smith and wife of South Salem. She was five years of age. The funeral occurred from the Christian church this afternoon.

TAX NOTICE.

The tax roll of Marion county for the year 1888 has been placed in my hands for collection, and the tax payers of the county are hereby requested and urged to come forward as soon as possible and pay the amounts due from them, as the county is out of funds, and is compelled to pay interest on its warrants.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Dr. H. W. Cox.

The firm of W. Beck & Son lead in dolls, toys, novelties, scrap-books, albums, Christmas cards, Christmas tree ornaments and 1700 other things to numerous to mention. 94 State Street Salem Oregon.

A good digestion waits on appetite and a good appetite is one of the surest signs of health. If you are low spirited, listless, bilious, or have an irregular appetite, then we advise you by all means to take Dr. Holey's Panderion Tonic. It will make a new man of you.

STATE OF OHIO, City of Toledo }

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co. doing business in the City of Toledo, county and State of Ohio, and that said firm will pay the sum of one hundred dollars for each and every case of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Sworn before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. '88.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Congress will take a recess until January 7.

A Natural Product of California.

It is only found in Butte County California and in no other part of the world. We refer to the tree that produces the healing and penetrating gum used in that pleasant and effective cure for consumption, bronchitis, asthma and coughs, Santa Abie, the King of Consumption.

DeLessep's ditch will never be dug, but the Panama canal will.

TO CONSUMPTIVES.

The undersigned having been restored to health by simple means, after suffering several years with a severe lung affection, and that dread disease consumption, is anxious to make known to his fellow sufferers the means of cure.

Lost, strayed or stolen—the new Democratic G. A. R.

Wonderful Cures.

W. D. Hoyt & Co., Wholesale and Retail Druggists of Rome Ga. say: We have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery, Electric Bitters and Bucklen's Arnica Salve for four years.

Rapid transit is coming—and it can not come too quickly.

Personal.

Mr. N. H. Frolinstitute of Mobile Alabama writes: I take great pleasure in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, having used it for a severe attack of Bronchitis and Catarrh.

Late advices report John Bright as improving.

Digest and be Jolly.

Did ever anyone see a jolly dyspeptic? We know not. What natural cheerfulness is proof against the almost ceaseless annoyance of chronic indigestion. People whose stomachs are constantly disturbed exhibit the utmost peevishness and nervous irritability.

Senator Ingalls' daughter Ethel is society editor of the New York World.

Steps have been taken by several interested parties to organize a building and loan association in Eugene.

An Absolute Cure.

THE ORIGINAL ABIETINE OINTMENT is only put up in large two-ounce tin boxes, and is an absolute cure for old sores, burns, wounds, chapped hands, and all skin eruptions. Will positively cure all kinds of piles. Ask for the ORIGINAL ABIETINE OINTMENT. Sold by D. W. Matthews & Co., 106 State street, Salem, at 25 cents per box—by mail 30 cents.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Advertisement for Boots and Shoes, featuring an illustration of a boot and the text 'BOOTS SHOES'.

Advertisement for WM. BROWN & CO. Dealers in Leather and Findings, featuring an illustration of a shoe and the text 'HARAN & SON'.

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