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BRETHREN—Sunday School at the Lordsburg school house at 10 a. m. preaching every first and third Sunday at 11 a. m.

PRESBYTERIAN—At Lordsburg school house, Sunday, May 11, at 3:30 p. m. Sunday school, At 2 p. m. and every other Sunday thereafter, Rev. J. A. Gordon D. D., pastor.

BAPTIST—At Lordsburg school house, May 18, at 3:30 p. m. Sunday School at 2:30 p. m. and every other Sunday thereafter, Rev. G. S. Bailey D. D., pastor.

Visit the Exhibit.

WHEN in Chicago do not fail to visit the Southern California Exhibit in the Rialto Building, corner of Pacific and Van Buren Streets.

Muzzling the Farmers.

ABILENE, KAN., October 18.—And we hereby notify all members of this alliance not to subscribe for or patronize the advertisers in any of the old party papers, whether Republican or Democrat which attack or criticize the Farmers' Alliance, the Knights of Labor, the People's party or any of their candidates for public office. Such is the closing sentence of a boycotting document sent by the Dickinson County Alliance to the papers of the order for publication, and in manuscript to other papers as warnings. Similar pronouncements have been issued by the high muck-amucks in other counties of Central Kansas, the scheme being to throttle the papers of all parties except those favoring the Alliance and the Peoples party. This is not all. Not satisfied with dictating what papers shall be patronized, they even go so far as to declare by resolution, as has been done by several Alliances, that their

members "are instructed to refrain from entering upon any political discussion with persons not members of the Alliance, and from attending any political meetings except those in which the Alliance and Peoples party are interested."

Kansas has ever been noted for its extremists and the swinging of the society pendulum to the farthest limit and never before have such high handed proceedings been attempted as the State is seeing in the present campaign. When the Alliance movement started it was to be a purely social and financial institution. The F. M. B. A. was a chief feature of it, and incorporated trust and co-operative companies were organized with a total capital of \$1,789,000. The farmers were assured that by learning the grips and passwords that would be inducted into an institution which would save them money daily.

THE POLITICAL FEATURE.

When the membership has been sufficiently increased and the State organization was well under way the political feature as sprung. The county presidents met under a leadership of B. H. Clover, the State President, and by the way, one of the wealthiest land owners in Kansas, the "Peoples Party" was born. Its platform took in the Farmer's Alliance doctrine, the Knights of Labor doctrine, the grand doctrine, and in fact, about everything that could be possibly thought of to catch the farmers and laborers.

Then began the fishing for indorsements. One by one the Alliance of the State were induced to declare for the party until the idea of a State and county ticket was made familiar. Then came the great Topeka Convention, in which Charles Robinson was thrown overboard because he was a Democrat, and a farmer, J. F. Willits nominated for Governor. The remainder of the ticket was made up of a lot of Union Labor hacks and chronic office seekers, the candidate for Chief Justice of the Supreme Court being an inland lawyer who has been admitted to the bar just a year. Clover himself started out for Congress in the Third District, and the remainder of the Union Labor manipulators took the stump as lectures, bleeding the farmers at the rate of from \$10 to \$30 a day for their invaluable services.

But difficulties arose. The Democrats nominated Robinson for Governor; they were joined by the Republican resubmissionists, and the Democrats and Republicans began to show up the Peoples party candidates, county, congressional and State. The majority of the candidates were Union Laborites with little standing in their own communities. There was no need of exaggerating in giving them a bad name, and the managers knew it. Something must be done or the Alliance members could not be held to vote the Peoples party ticket.

Every Alliance member was assessed 10c for a campaign fund and a picnic campaign was entered upon. These Alliance picnics are eminently country against town. The Alliances get together at the various school houses and drive in procession—men, women, children and all—to a rendezvous, from which in a long line, sometimes stretched out to a length of two or three miles, they go through the streets or the county seat of some large town, jeering and yelling at the townspeople, who stand on the sidewalks and count the voters in the procession.

PICNICS.

These well-dressed, well fed farmer and their families partake of a bountiful picnic dinner, and then the Peoples party orators get up on a stand or wagon and call for a song by the free club. A number of farmers' lads and lassies from the back town ship rally around an organ and sing some socialistic song to the tune of "Good-by, My Lover, Good-by," or "Marching Through Georgia." After the songs a strong-lunged man or woman turns loose on the crowd. The burden of the cry is desolate and sorrow. The Democratic and Republican parties are composed of robbers, thieves, cut throats and criminals of various other sorts. The Kansas farmer is suffering untold pangs of hunger and grief. He is being robbed out of house and home. He is covered with rags and his children are dying for want of bread. The Peoples party alone can redeem the nation. It purposes to loan the farmer Government money at one per cent up to the full value of their farms. If the farmer can't pay the loan he can stay until the Government forecloses. Then the land will become a part of the public domain, subject to homestead entry. He can move out in the road at night and move back on the farm again in the morning, homestead it and begin all over once more.

And the hearty, well fed farmers and the well if not fashionably dressed farmers' wives applaud the speech; the orator swings his arms greefully—and then comes down and takes up a collection.

But these clap-trap proceedings are not satisfactory to the more sensible Alliance men, and so more desperate tactics have been resorted to. Alliance papers have started in nearly every important city, and the members forced to subscribe by being assessed for the purpose of sustaining these sheets. Then, having the support of these as a foundation, the mandate has gone forth that all other papers are to be suppressed, and the Alliance members fed only on the doctrine published in the Peoples party organs. Resolutions, as referred to above, are being adopted on all sides, and the merchants are being notified not to advertise in any of Republican or Democratic papers un-

less they wish to be also boycotted.

It can not be denied that upon some weak-kneed individuals the move is having effect. Some papers are being bulldozed by the loss of half a dozen subscribers into a milder tone; and some merchants are frightened into advertising in the Alliance sheets; but on the whole the effort to muzzle the farmers by dictating what shall purchase and where they shall but their supplies is meeting with hearty contempt. It is doubtful if the Peoples party will not lose more votes by it than by any other one cause.

REBELLIOUS LODGES.

In Cloud County 120 members withdrew in one day from the order because they did not believe that they should be dictated in. In Clay County Oak Hill Lodge resolved that it would vote as it pleased, and as soon as the news was learned at headquarters its charter was rescinded. In Shawnee, Sumner, Russell and other counties single lodges have denounced the Peoples party and have immediately been declared out of the order and their charters called in.

Others might like to debase independence but the members have financial interests, that hold them. The incorporated cooperative associations with nearly \$5,000,000 capital, include as shareholders nearly every Alliance member. The money is in the hands of trustees, and the shareholders, while being liable to assessments, are also liable for any debts of the concerns. These are conducting stores, elevators, newspapers and all other branches of business. Some have already failed; others are on their last legs. The farmer in competition with the townsman on the latter's own ground is bound to lose, and those who have embarked in the contest are repeating the experience of the old Grange and Patrons of Husbandry.

The approach of election makes all parties more excited and desperate. Meetings are being held daily and nightly in every hamlet; threats, boycotts, pleadings and liberal doses of tally are dealt out with impartial hands. The poor people who should be looking after their fall seeding are attending meetings and talking politics instead. The Peoples party boycott notices are read in Republican Conventions and hussed at. The Republican papers are read in Peoples party Conventions and hooted at. The dance goes on, and seems likely to go on in its remarkable course with still wilder extravagance until the morning of November 4.

The picture of the hypothetical Kansas farmer, with a nag mortgage impeding over him, his feet striking through his shoes, his garments tattered and torn, his wife and children

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Israel at Work.

MOTTO.—Not dull sloth but earnest activity, is the Christian's high privilege through Christ our Lord.

Guelp and Rothschild.

The Dublin Times in its London correspondence announces that the Princess Maud, youngest daughter of the Prince and Princess of Wales, is about to be betrothed to Ferdinand de Rothschild, with the full approval of her father. The princess was born November 26 1869, and the time has thus fully arrived to obtain for a suitable matrimonial alliance. Whether the Queen's consent will be given to this match remains to be seen. The social atmosphere of London is filled with rumors respecting the proposed union. Should a special dispensation be granted by her majesty, the joining together of these two scions of the houses of Guelp and Rothschild will be the event of the coming year. The fortunate possessor of millions has had the glamour of royalty thrown over him by the princess, who appears quite favorable to such disposal of herself in matrimony. There is nothing less than a dukedom would be suitable to the consort of a king's daughter, so that the House of Lords must ever long receive a Jewish duke with no less enthusiasm than it accepted a Jewish premier in the person of Disraeli.

REMARKS.—This, from a Biblical point, is not a remarkable act, for it is fit that Princess Maud, who is an Israelite by birth, should marry into the house of Judah; for the two people are rapidly tending to union according to the prophecies of God.

Every Burden Fitted To Its Own Back.

By Peter Pixley.

For the Southern Californian.

Every man knows best for himself whether his life is worth living. I cannot tell whether another's life is worth living to him. He knows for himself. A slave's life, the life of an exile, or of a thief, or a hypochondriac, or of one who has an incurable disease may not seem to us worth living, yet the backs of all these are fitted to their burdens. I have seen some poor, old, bedridden souls, possessing divine light and life, whose lives seemed to be worth living.

If you would make some people wish they were dead, tell them how poor they are, how bad, how degenerate they are and get up a load and burden unfitted to their backs. There may be temporary comfort in making their load galling but your own back will soon get curved sufficiently to carry the load you are making for others to carry.

When the house was swept, and empty and garnished, seven devils got in and had merry old time. They doubtless thought they could fit it up as a sort of sea-side resort, and get lots of pleasure and company. The owner of that house had been busy, cheerful and watchful, the seven devils never would have got in and heaped up the burdens unfitted to the back of the owner.

It is a mighty crooked back which

cannot adjust itself to the trials and indignities heaped upon it; for they are so easily unloaded by sunshine and peace in Him who redeemed us. What good could any one do if he had all knowledge? The only good to him would be to let it all go and then try to get it again. The pleasure of getting it would be worth all the effort.

The Soul--Its Worth and Its Loss.

"A newsboy or some other street Arab, picks up on the sidewalk, near the entrance of an opera house, a little shining object that looks like a bit of glass. When he has wiped the dirt from it, the glitter of the little stone is so bright that he fancies it may be a jewel. It is taken to a jeweler, who recognizes it as a diamond dropped from some opera-goer's dress, and forth with offers several hundred dollars to secure it. The price which an experienced dealer is willing to pay for that brilliant determines its value. If it be a bit of glass, it is not worth a dime to him, but a pile of gold is not too much to pay for it if it be a diamond.

This incident may serve to illustrate the value which the Lord Jesus Christ puts upon a human soul. If the soul be nothing more than some modern materialists pronounce it—a mere function of a physical brain, and to die with that brain—then Christ's incarnation and sufferings and teachings and intercessions become an unaccountable mystery. They are more strange and preposterous than would be the jeweler's conduct if he paid a thousand dollars for a bit of common glass. But the Lord of glory actually condescended from his throne in the heavens assumed the form of humanity, and tumbled himself to the death of the cross. The purpose of this humiliation and suffering he has distinctly told us. "The Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." What it is that is to be saved or lost he defines in another remarkable declaration to Nicodemus. He declared that "as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life." This eternal life must belong to the thinking, spiritual being—the immortal soul. To secure such an everlasting salvation to this soul of man our Lord submitted to that death of agony on the cross. When that atonement had been made the Holy Spirit was sent to influence human souls to accept Christ and to renew them into a likeness to him. Coming to earth for just such a purpose as this, he might well ask, "What shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" The jewel was lying in the mire of sin; but the Divine Redeemer showed his estimate of its precious value by dying for its redemption. His glorious diadem will blaze with such rescued jewels.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

A Matter of Business.

She was a mature woman, with high cheek bones, a dappled face and red hair. Flinging aside her bonnet she got up into the dentist's chair, leaned her head back, opened her mouth and pointed to a tooth on the lower jaw.

"I wish you'd see what is the matter with that grinder," she said.

"Yes, ma'am," replied the dentist in a sympathizing tone. "Has it been hurting you long?"

"Who said it had been hurting me?"

"Beg pardon, ma'am I inferred—"

"Well you don't need to infer anything. If you're ready to look at that grinder doctor, I'm ready to open my mouth again." And she opened it.

"The tooth, madam," he said after a brief examination, "is a mere shell. I regret—"

"What occasion is there for you to regret anything! Whose grinder is it?"

"I was going to say it is too late to save the tooth! It is too far gone. If it's troubling you any it will have to come out."

"Well, that's what I'm here for."

"It will be hard to get hold of it with my forceps, and I am sorry to say it will hurt—"

"Does it hurt you to pull a customer's tooth?" She demanded.

"Of course not, but—"

"Well, then, you needn't feel sorry. I am here on business. I don't need any sympathy. Yank it out."

The thoroughly humbled tooth artist wasted no more words. He prepared a pair of ugly looking forceps and extracted the offending molar without delay.

"What's your bill?" inquired the woman.

"Fifty cents."

"That's the regular price, is it? You are not charging anything for sympathy?"

"It's the regular price, madam."

"Here's the money. Good day!"

After she had gone out of his office the dentist went and sat down by the front window to rest. "If I had that woman's nerve," he said to himself as he watched her striding down the street, "I could be an Alderman and own a whole ward in less than three months."

They were sitting side by side on the sofa, when the young author said: "Yes I have a new volume in press." "How I envy that volume," said the roguish girl, blushing, and when he saw the point they were both very happy.

Hayseed—"Doctor what is the matter with my other tooth?"

Doctor—"It is hurting in sympathy for the one I just pulled."

Hayseed—"Oh! such sympathy, yank it out to Dec."

A small boy heard his mamma speaking of the scarcity of butter, and seemed greatly surprised. Why don't you catch some butterflies and make some? he asked. He also wanted to know if cats used caterpillars to sleep on.

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WANTED—To correspond with some one with regard to a good second hand cylinder press. Address this office.

Who will ornament Old Baldy with a cog-wheel railway? It would be a decided improvement over the burro line.

REAL estate is looking up and the demand is good. May the owners of large tracts hold their heads level under the improved times and not, by wild notions of big prices, frighten people who wish to purchase.

SUCH delightful weather! Mortal man should not wish for better; and really we do not see how it could be improved. No winds to demolish or make afraid, green trees, green grass, flowers, shrubs—the thermometer at 40 to 70 above zero—all this to make cheerful and happy.

FROM one of our exchanges we learn that Mr. Olive Washburn, of San Gabriel, will establish a Nationalist colony near San Jose. Its members will produce every thing they need without the assistance of any one not a member of the colony. They will use scrip instead of the "nasty" outside stuff called money.

NORTH Cucamonga has some grounds for hope in the future. Some important improvements have been decided upon at that point, and the citizens of that vicinity may soon realize that their efforts at fruit culture will be duly appreciated. We shall have more to say later on.

WE had the pleasure of looking through the Pomona Iron Pipe manufactory one day this week. This is a home industry that should be patronized and encouraged; for the more such works the greater the improvement of the country. Manufactories give life and energy to a town.

PERHAPS no political campaign was ever more educational in its tendencies than the one just closed. The discussion of the tariff question has been pretty thorough and the people have read and listened as they never did before. The dictum of party leaders will not settle question of finance; an intelligent public must know and settle the matter. The campaign will go down into history as one of the most important ever witnessed outside the presidential campaign.

WITH all due regard to our fine valleys and surrounding foothill locations we know of none where the orange and lemon makes any finer showing than in our own neighborhood. I see nothing to discourage

any one from raising oranges and lemons here. We have been looking through quite a number of orchards during the last two months with a view of making some notes for our paper as well as to inform ourselves of the true condition of the quality of trees. We find our trees are free from scale, fruit large and uniform; in fact we can show the finest lemons within one mile of our place that we have seen any where in all the Pomona valley, the fruit is large bright and smooth. However the most of this is brought about by attention. The soil has something to do with it which can easily be seen by comparing with an orchard just a few miles away. People who are engaged in the fruit industry should not expect large returns without great care and attention. A man who looks after his trees as a farmer would his horses or other stock will always find that it pays. The orange and lemon tree must be watered and fed at regular intervals if you want them to thrive and remunerate you. This can be clearly seen by any one who will take the pains to examine the orchards in our community and what is true of ours is nevertheless true of all others, because we see an orchard that looks black with scale that should not discourage any one who wishes to engage in the industry. Nurserymen who have fine trees always sell first and at a good price which is also true of men that have fine fruit. Another idea that men have which is too prevalent, that is in planting so many varieties. It is a great mistake which will only be discovered when too late. We are apt to take our own way too much; we had better take time and inform ourselves when going into a new country and especially California which is so different from every where else. We have written this with a view of giving a hint to our Eastern friends and those who are already here.

Almost One-Sided.

After leaving Albuquerque, a poll of the votes was taken on the train with the following results: For Member of Congress, Republicans, 14, Democrats, 4, Independent, 1. For Governor, Republicans, 10, Democrats, 4, Independent, 1. The parties voting were from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Nebraska, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri and California. Of course these votes were lost in the late election. It shows that either more Republicans travel than Democrats or that the Democrats beat the Republicans staying at home to vote.

The Flowery Land.

The recent crysanthemum fair was a magnificent affair and shows that Southern California not only leads in fine products for the table, but that in the beautiful she takes a front seat also.

From the 11th to the 14th inst., the Southern California Floral Society will give its first floral exhibition in Hazards Pavilion, Los Angeles. The association now has over 30,000 crysanthemums, 150,000 rose bushes, 750,000 callas and an equal number of other beautiful plants from which to select for the fair.

And while this beautiful display

is being made within doors the valleys nooks and corners of Southern California will be sending forth millions of other beautiful flowers to delight the eye, of all who are fortunate enough to behold them. All this while "down east" some will be drawing on their "great coats" and many a soul will be shivering in the biting wintry blasts.

Esweana.

There is no longer occasion for doubt as to the onward movement and final success of this place. Recent arrangements warrants us in saying that the growth and development of this place is assured, and that in a few years it will be noted as one of the beautiful and prosperous communities in Southern California. Its fine, rich soil adapted to the production of the choicest fruits its supply of excellent soft water, which is an important item in healthfulness, its altitude which affords a fine view of the valley for many miles, its nearness to other successful colonies its advantages other respects cannot fail, under the hand of industry to place it in the front ranks as a place to live and enjoy the things of this present life.

On the Iron Highway.

The Santa Fe people are putting in number one steel rails on the Atlantic and Pacific Division. They will make this Division equal to the best in the country. The traffic is constantly increasing and as it is the short line from Southern California, the people may look for first class service.

The Pennsylvania Central Railroad has substituted a four-track line for a two-track line in Jersey City by building an elevated structure above the original two tracks and now 576 trains pass over the four tracks every 24 hours. This is an average of two trains passing a given point every five minutes.

I notice a dispatch from Hoopston, Ills., to the *Globe Democrat*, Oct., 30, stating that a train load of canned corn left there via the Santa Fe for San Francisco. The sides of the cars were covered with banners advertising the canning industry at that place. But why will not some enterprising souls in Southern California raise the corn and can it for the San Francisco cans? We have seen the finest sweet corn raised in Southern California, and if it pays to raise it in Ills., and send it to California, it will pay to raise it in California for Californians.

In a recent number of the *Kansas City Journal*, an account was given of a "Holy Shekel" owned by Mr. Gotschalk of New York who was on his way to San Francisco to show it to a numismatist. It is composed of gold, bronze, platinum. On one side are the words "Holy Shekel" and on the other the word Jerusalem. It was made 3400 years ago in King Solomon's time and was used in the temple service. It is well preserved and only one or two of the kind known to be in existence. Mr. G. has been asked to name the price for it, but refuses. It was given to him by a Jewish Rabbi in Romania several years ago. It

has been accounted for the past 300 years by wills and papers. This is a remarkable coin and should be placed in the Columbia Exhibition in Chicago.

Politics may be said to be the main crop now being cultivated in Kansas. The Farmer's Alliance is sowing their kind of seed all over the State and "Sally and the children" are in it as deeply as father Billy. The Democrats with re-sndmission, Prohibitionists are extolling the virtues (?) of bridled beer and whiskey, while the Republicans are straight for the offices and the law *as it is*. Nov., 4th has been set for cutting and threshing and the successful boys will do the sacking.

Newton is having an old fashioned boom. A syndicate of American and English capitalists are selling lots on the promise of locating manufacturing establishments. It will be the old, old story; "heaps" of town lots sold, a few men supplied with a few shakels of silver and talents of gold, and the factories far, far away. If people would stop to think a little they cannot fail to see that all the raw material would have to be transported hundreds of miles and the fuel to manufacture it brought some distance, and these things enter largely into the success or failure. Capitalists know these things hence locate manufactory where fuel is cheap and raw material "way down" so that the profits may be "way up." To put up factories away out from cheap fuel and raw material is to put profits "way down" and expenses "way up," and shrewd men do not go that way. Still thousands of people are standing on the streets waiting for some parties to come along and "gull them." And when this generation shall have passed away there will be other thousands prepared to be "taken in" by the few schemers and sharpers. The "sharps" are not all dead yet.

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EDITORS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIAN:

The Passenger Department of the Southern California Railway (Santa Fe route) have concluded that the best way to accommodate the hundreds of people who are talking of coming to California this winter is to arrange monthly excursions over their line from Chicago and St. Louis; hence have arranged with M. M. Eshelman to leave Chicago on the evening train the second Tuesday in December and Kansas City on the morning train of the second Wednesday of the same month to look after the comfort of those thinking of coming to Cal. Full particulars will be given for publication next week. In the meantime parties can address M. M. Eshelman, care E. Copeland Gen. Agt. Santa Fe route, Chicago, Ills., or Geo. Hagenbush, Gen. Agt. Santa Fe route Kansas City, Mo.

G. L. McDonough,

Traveling Agent.

"An English experimenter, Mr. E. T. Chaplin, has given an account of hypnotizing a laying hen, and inducing her in that manner to sit on a sitting of eggs until seven of them had hatched out.

Local News.

What has become of "U-no?"

B. F. Rowe spent yesterday at Redondo looking after the lumber business.

P. S. Hartman will commence the erection of a cottage for himself this week.

The Mable House is being renovated this week and put in order for the new tenant who will open it as a restaurant and boarding house.

Eld. John Metzger who has been here for a month or two has commenced the erection of a nice cottage on lot number 32 and block 5L.

Mrs. A. Platt of Covina made us a call this week. As usual when she comes we look for a new subscriber or two and we always get them. Thanks.

G. W. Bishop who came here a few weeks ago from Kansas has rented the Mable House and will bring his family here at once.

The Southern California exhibit in the Rialto Building, Chicago, is attracting a great deal of interest.

W. B. Ewing left with his family this week, for their new home at North Rochester, San Bernardino county, where he has purchased a tract of land with a view of making his future home. Here is success to you.

About thirty persons from this part of the valley went down to Tropic last Sunday to attend the church dedication. Eld. P. S. Myers of Ontario did the preaching to a full house.

Covina seems to be on a boom; new resident buildings, printing office, parsonage and many other things of interest but no one seems to enjoy the boom more than A. J. Wilkins over his 9½ pound girl. See?

A. B. C.

W. P. Rhodes has been making some improvement at his stone quarry on the foothills this week as well as putting on a lot of new hands. It looks as though there would be something done soon.

Parties wishing to purchase fruit trees should correspond with us before purchasing elsewhere as we have prices quoted to us so low that we feel confident that here is the place to inquire in order to save money.

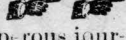
Some of the prune trees on Colonel Rober's place near North Pomona are in bloom. Does this mean another crop of prunes on the heels of the great crop just harvested? You cannot tell what will happen in this land of surprises and wonderful productiveness.

"A pumpkin grown on the Verrij weighed 50 pounds—*Guide to the Maxwell Grant*, N. M. Weil! A visit to the Chamber of Commerce and the various county fairs in Southern California will reveal pumpkins weighing from 150 to 225 pounds each. A 50 pound pumpkin in Southern California would excite no admiration, for they are common.

Mrs. Dr. Reid of Pasadena, and her daughter, Mrs. Douglas, of La Verne, made us a very pleasant call last week. Mrs. Reid has been canvassing the idea of organizing a W. C. T. U. at this place; and with the assistance of our lady friends at San Dimas and

La Verne we feel confident that such a move would be appreciated by many of our ladies. Let us hear from you on the subject. What say you?

Eld. P. S. Myers and wife, Eld. John Metzger and wife, Andrew Lesley and wife, Noah Greenawalt and wife, Henry Kuns and wife, David Kuns and wife, Miss Ida Frantz and Miss Dollie Cripe are on a swing around the circle this week taking in Los Angeles, Redondo, Santa Ana, Riverside, San Bernardino and other points of interest along the line. They will return the last of the week.

We have received an invitation to be present at the marriage of Miss Sue A. Wine the accomplished daughter of Peter Wine, esq., of Hermitage, Va., and sister of J. M. Wine of Covina, Cal., to Mr. W. M. Harnsberger, of Waynesboro, Va., on the 5th inst. We regret that the long and seemingly rough journey forbids our presence, especially since the bride is a near relative of the better seven-eighths of ye scribe; but here are our  for a long, happy and prosperous journey over life's rough sea and may all your troubles be little ones.

Personal.

—Eld. John Metzger and wife spent last Thursday in Los Angeles.

—G. W. Bishop spent one day this week at Redlands. He is well pleased with the country.

—Frank Bollinger of Eswna is working on Eld. John Metzger's house this week.

—Messrs. Cross and Duncan of Los Angeles were here one day last week looking up some business interests.

—David Kuns and wife of Cerro Gordo, Ills., who have been spending some time in Merced county, this State, arrived here last Sunday.

—Messrs. Frank and George Whitaker of Buena Park were callers at our office this week. Frank has accepted a position as a salesman for a Chicago firm and will embark in his new calling in a few days. Success.

La Verne Notes.

Mr. Goss, of Pasadena, is visiting his friend, Mr. Douglas.

Mr. and Mrs. Meredith were visiting friends in Ontario Saturday and Sunday.

O. K. Young and mother have gone to house-keeping on their ranch here. We are glad to have them for neighbors.

Mrs. Robbins is busy canvassing for the book "Talmage's Life of Christ." We wish her abundant success.

Flora Stephens got painfully hurt at school one day last week. She sprained her ankle while jumping the rope.

ANON.

A Picnic.

The Lordsburg Sunday School held a picnic in Live Oak canyon Saturday Nov., 8th.

The short distance to the canyon was gone over and the "picnic ground" selected. The joyous shouts of the children that echoed and re-echoed

among the mountains, and the merry laughter of the older ones told that all were enjoying themselves. After strolling around for some time, all returned to the shade of a great oak tree where an excellent dinner was served by the ladies. All seemed to enjoy the luxurious repast, spiced with the many jokes of the professor.

All returned home feeling repaid for the day spent in the canyon, and only regretting that such picnics do not come oftener.

A Great Project.

Ex Governor Gilpin of Colorado, is advocating the construction of a railway through Alaska to connect with the Russian railway system through Siberia. The only great obstacle in the way is Behring Strait which might be bridged if it were not for the immense ice floes and icebergs which sweep through the Strait. No human skill could overcome these. The most feasible plan is to tunnel the strait which could be done as the greatest depth of water is only thirty-two fathoms.

Much of the country in Alaska is rough and great engineering skill will be required to overcome the difficulties. Before the transcontinental lines were projected it was presumed by many that it would be impossible to build a railway across the continent, but men of genius were found who overcame all the hard places, and the Alaskan route seems harder than the line to the Pacific coast, it should be remembered that with the experience of the past these difficult passages will not be as hard to overcome as were those which vanished before men who had but little experience.

But it is the financial gains which are worthy of our attention. As the building of the transcontinental lines had the effect to reduce freight and passenger rates between the Atlantic and Pacific regions, bringing the people of both sections into a closer commercial relation, so the completion of a railway through Alaska to connect with the Eastern Continent will foster and increase commerce to a great degree.

The resources of Alaska in hay, fish minerals, etc., would be developed and new fields opened for the industrious.

The road if ever built will likely go up to the headwaters of the Stickeen and then down the great valley of the Yukon river to a point where it could be easily built across to Cape Prince of Wales.

The press of the Pacific coast should take up this project and give it a hearty support, for we conceive that if the railway is built it will bring many blessings by way of trade to the people of this country. Our fine fruits would find a market among the people of northern Asia.

The World Enriched.

The facilities of the present day for the production of everything that will conduce to the material welfare and comfort of mankind are almost unlimited and when Syrup of Figs was first produced the world was enriched with the only perfect laxative known, as it is the only remedy which is truly pleasing and refreshing to the taste and prompt and effectual to cleanse the system gently in the Spring time or, in fact, at any time and the better it is known the more popular it becomes.

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in rags, being led up as out of Egypt by the Moses of the People's party, is one used in every Alliance orator's speech. But the spectacle of the actual Kansas farmer, with some indebtedness, a good farm, good crops when it rains and poor ones when it does not, being bulldozed and muzzled by a few city politicians, is a more remarkable one. Ordered as to his newspapers, muzzled as to taking politics—the chief pleasure of a Kansan—prohibited from attending the torchlight parades and the fiery orations of the opposition, led in a triumphal tour through the towns where the merchants have in the past trusted and helped him, to enable some political shysters to intimidate those same merchants—chained, in fact by grips, signs, passwords and oaths to the chariot wheels of Union Laborite leaders he is, indeed, to be pitied. Of all the many remarkable campaigns that Kansas has seen, this will go down in his as the most peculiar in its features. It is presenting a kaleidoscope series of political views that must impress all unprejudiced lookers on as antique. The boycotted press is far from silent. The majority of the papers are in the thick of the fight, and with all there is scarcely a prediction ventured as to the eventual result. The outlook is as uncertain as the situation is tangled.

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EDUCATIONAL.

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A rare and curious animal—a lizard known to science as Phrynosoma planiceps—has been received in Paris from South America. It is completely covered with wart-like points and when frightened it flattens itself out on the ground, bristling with points.

Exposed parts of the Scottish coast are sometimes hammered with a force of a ton and a half to the square foot by waves of the German ocean, and with a force of 3 tons on the Atlantic side. At Skerryvore lighthouse on March 3d of this year, a block of limestone, weighing 15 tons, was moved more than 150 feet from a place in the surf to which it was lifted in a similar gale in 1697.

In the limits of United States are found 413 species of trees, of which 16 when thoroughly dried, will sink in water. The black ironwood (Condalia ferris) is the heaviest of all, being more than 30 per cent heavier than water. It grows only in southern Florida, and all other species heavier than water are confined to the hot and dry regions of the country.

An interesting bush resembling Spanish broom, has been discovered on the west coast of Africa by two German naturalists. They have named the plant Polygala butyracea, but it is known to the natives as Malonkang or Ankalaki. The seeds yield 17 1/2 per cent of a yellowish, nutty-flavored fat, which softens at about 85 degrees Fahr., but does not become fluid below 125 degrees, and which would serve as an excellent substitute for butter. The fat does not easily become rancid.

The honey produced by small wild bees in the eucalyptus trees of Tasmania seems to be proving a valuable agent in English medical practice. Experiments indicate that it is an important food, an agreeable substitute for cod liver oil, an anti-cathartic, a superior substitute for digitalis in action on the heart, a febrifuge, and an anti-parasitic in tubercular and serofluous affections. The eucalyptus honey is very pleasant to the taste, and 1000 parts of it contain 171 parts of active principles, including eucalyptol, eucalytene, terpine, eymal, and odorous, resinous and coloring matters.

The machinery of the Treadwell mill, Alaska,—the largest quartz mill in the world, with 240 stamps, 96 concentrators, 12 ore crushers, etc., requires about 500 horse power, and is driven by a single wheel 17 feet in diameter. This operates under a head of 599 feet, making 235 revolutions and using 630 cubic feet of water per minute. The water is discharged through a nozzle 3 3/16 inches in diameter, the wheel weighs but 800 pounds and the whole equipment—embracing shafts, boxes, driving pulley, etc.—only about 4000 pounds, whereas a steam machinery plant for the same purpose would weigh not less than 200 tons, and the expense of running would be enormously greater.

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