

WHOSE DUTY IS IT?

Mr. McKay Still Hot for Sunday Closing.

HE WRITES ANOTHER LETTER

But the City and State Authorities Disagree as to the Law and the Powers and Duties of Law Officers.

A question of disputed jurisdiction has come up between the city authorities on one hand and District Attorney Chamberlain on the other.

Mr. McKay feels injured by Mr. Chamberlain's position and has sent the following communication:

Portland, Sept. 25.—(To the Editor.)—In Mr. Chamberlain's reply to my article of September 20, he seems to have left an impression on the readers that I was trying to enforce the Sunday law as a personal grudge against Woodard, Clarke & Co. I ask you to publish this letter to vindicate myself.

I have never had any dealings with Woodard, Clarke & Co. In fact, I would not be able to recognize any one of the firm, should I meet him.

I do not understand why Mr. Chamberlain says I did not ask for a warrant to arrest Mr. A. Erickson, as we had quite a long discussion of the matter, and, after repeated requests for a warrant, he positively refused to give me one.

Next Monday morning, at 10 o'clock, I will again go to George E. Chamberlain's office and ask for warrants to arrest Woodard, Clarke & Co. and A. Erickson for violating the Sunday law in keeping their houses of business open on the Lord's day.

If moral and religious influences are peculiarly weak at the point where our social evils are gathered, what kind of a city government have we? As its strength and purity so completely depend on the effective control of these dangerous elements.

No, they are gamblers, saloonkeepers, peddlers, men who openly violate our laws with impunity; men who make a trade of controlling votes, and of buying and selling offices and official acts, and I believe it has come to this, that the city government in Portland almost impudently gives constant aid and comfort to these lawbreakers, thieves and all the worst elements of the city.

There is, perhaps, no better index of general morality than Sabbath observance, and everybody knows that there is a great increase of Sabbath desecration in the city of Portland.

It seems to me that not only is this immense power for the lawless, but it is pernicious, but it is wielded without the slightest reference to policy or principle of government, solely for the interests of a business or for personal ends.

Up to Chief of Police. District Attorney Chamberlain, when shown this communication, said that Mr. McKay had better understand that there is only one way to attain his object. Let him keep on Sunday to notify all houses that keep open on Sunday to close under pain of arrest and to object to it. That is the only way and it rests with the city authorities.

When asked if he would issue the warrants to Mr. McKay next Monday morning, Mr. Chamberlain remarked: "It will be time enough to cross the stream when we get to it."

Head District Attorney Act. Mayor Williams somewhat disagrees with the District Attorney. The Mayor stated that the case lay outside of the province of the municipal government.

"This case of Sunday observance comes under section 50 of the code," he said. "The state law provides a fine of not less than \$5 and not more than \$20 for each offense on conviction. That is the state law, and it is the duty of the District Attorney to enforce the laws of the state if he wishes to do it."

"But if he don't, why, that's all right, of course."

"That's the whole trouble with these people; they want to put everything off on the city government, and we have more than we can attend to as it is."

Further, I know of no ordinance on Sunday observance. That matter is state law, and if Mr. Chamberlain cares to do so, he can most certainly prosecute the offenders. Of course, the Chief of Police has the right to arrest the guilty parties, but the primary duty is on the District Attorney.

"As to Mr. McKay's thinking that he can prosecute Woodard, Clarke & Co. that, in my opinion, is out of the question. The law distinctly excepts drug stores."

NEW INDUSTRY ASSURED

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People Will Make Corner-Stone Laying a Public Event—Hundreds of Men to Be Employed.

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At Temple Beth Israel Tonight. At Temple Beth Israel Dr. Stephen S. Wise will preach the evening at 8 o'clock upon "The Life of Israel During the Past Year."

Milwaukee Grange Fair. Milwaukee Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, has decided to hold the annual fair and harvest festival at the Grange hall in Milwaukee, Friday and Saturday, October 10 and 11.

For Fire Sufferers. The entertainment given by the Milwaukee Brass Band at Woodmen Hall, Tuesday evening, for the benefit of the fire sufferers, netted about \$30.

East Side Notes. Captain and Mrs. J. H. McMillen are staying at Cloud Cap Inn for the benefit of their health. They are expected home about the 1st of October.

Mrs. Amalia Schmidt. The funeral of Miss Amalia Schmidt, of very bad memory yesterday afternoon from Dunning's undertaking parlors, East Alder and East Sixth streets, Rev. D. H. Chambers, rector of Good Shepherd Church, Albia, conducted the services.

Carrier Starts Work—Postal Station Created—Numbering Houses. The mailcarrier in the Montavilla free delivery district has been making deliveries for the past three days, and has been doing very well under the circumstances.

MRS. QUINTON'S LECTURE She Tells What Has Been Done for the American Indian. Mrs. Amelia S. Quinton, president of the National Indian Association, spoke to a number of those interested in the wards of Uncle Sam last evening in the chapel of the First Presbyterian Church.

RECREATION. If you wish to enjoy a day of rest and pleasure, take the O. R. & N. train from Union depot at 9 A. M. for Astoria, and up the Columbia, returning, if desired, by boat from Cascade Locks. Tickets and particulars at O. R. & N. ticket office, Third and Washington.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT PORTLAND, Sept. 25, 8 P. M.—Maximum temperature, 64; minimum temperature, 46; wind, light; clouds, 15; rain, 0.15 inch; change in 24 hours, -1.1 total precipitation, 5 P. M. to 2 P. M., .06 inch; total precipitation since September 1, 1902, 1.07 inch; normal precipitation since September 1, 1902, 1.22 inches; deficiency, .15 of an inch; total sunshine September 24, 1902, 2:27; possible sunshine, 12:00.

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WEATHER CONDITIONS. Light showers have occurred in extreme

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