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NOT FALSE.

Noticing an article in our last issue, "Is it a tax?" The Oregonian calls our reasoning "fallacious" because, "First, no account is taken of the improved methods which have completely revolutionized the manufacture" of nails.

Had the Oregonian read more carefully it would have found this paragraph which we reproduce:

"When our tariff is sharply on the lines of protection it excludes the foreign manufacturers from our markets and gives them to our own manufacturers who eagerly enter into competion to supply them. The American workmen is employed, his scale of wages is maintained and competition forces economy of production and the lowest scale of prices. This it has invariably done or tended to do."

In 1882 we did not manufacture steel nails. Our market was supplied by importation. The rate of duty was 1 cent a pound, and we paid 8 1-3 cents per pound for them. In 1884 the duty was made 4 cents a pound and within five years we produced 4,000,000 kegs annually and sold them for less than 2 cents per pound.

These are facts. Do they prove that duty is a tax?

WHOSE THE BLAME?

Men who would scorn any suggestion to neglect their domestic and social duties habitually neglect their civic duties. They hold to certain political principles and policies and adhere to that party which represents these. They may even go to the polls on election day and vote for the nominees of their party. They do not usually attend the primary election even though they may have a direct voice in selecting candidates. They believe in political action through the agency of parties and party organization, but they desire it to be distinctly understood they are not partisan.

Thousands of men might justly regard this as fairly descriptive of themselves. Besides these are many men who say: "Politics is too dirty a thing; I will have none of it."

We do not hesitate to class men who wholly neglect and those who are indifferent to their civic duties as "undesirable citizens." No man can habitually refuse or neglect to meet his civic obligations and be a good citizen any more than he may refuse to meet his pecuniary obligations and be an honest man. It is the duty of every man to inform himself as to the scope, meaning and value of our social and political institutions; how they are secured and perpetuated by organic laws or written constitutions; how these institutions and the provisions of these constitutions may be best promoted by legislation, education or by whatever means.

Since ours is representative government the good citizen must look closely to the fitness of the men whom he would delegate to do those things which, as a rule, he may not do himself. Naturally and rightfully he will look to his own party for those men. He has no right to expect to find them in an adverse party,—a party pursuing policies which he does not approve.

Just here the good citizen finds he must be a partisan. He should do all he morally, legally and rationally may do to advance his party's principles. To this end he must stand up within his party and demand that none but good, upright, intelligent and patriotic men be selected to represent him and his party before the people. He must refuse to support any unfit man even though such man seem to be the choice of the party. This does not mean that our good citizen must support a nominee of an adverse party. He cannot do so, for, however fit and good a man personally the opposite party's nominee may be he is politically unfit.

Whatever, then, be the party affiliations of our good citizen he must, while he believes in the principles of his party, adhere to it and fight for party purity while standing within the party lines. Republicans and democrats alike must seek to reform their respective parties from within.

This is partisanship, of course, but it is the kind which is necessary to good citizenship. It is necessary to intelligent and safe government through the agency of party. No good citizen should stand aside and permit the self-seeking, immoral and corrupt element to come into control of his party.

We take it that the masses,—the American people are honest and patriotic. It follows that the majority of men in each party is composed of honest, patriotic men who owe it to themselves, to their party and to the whole people to see that no unfit man is elevated to a place of honor, power or trust in the conduct of civic affairs.

We feel wholly certain that if all men did their duty we should soon see the last of "dirty politics." Possibly we expect too much. It may be men will not become the sort of partisans they should become. It is possible good, upright men will continue to give their suffrage to unfit men. If so we must expect that smooth demagogues, self-seeking charlatans, besotted debauchees shall continue to find easy access to places of honor, power ahd trust.

This may be humiliating to the pure, moral and righteous men of all parties, but whose is the blame?

COME TO AGREEMENT.

Republicans should come to some common "modus vivendi" as to Statement No. 1. They might unite in opposing it to the uttermost because it is in direct opposition to the Constitution of the United States.

Unable to agree to this they might find a common ground in giving the statement the force of pledging members of the legislature to support only the choice of their respective party's nominee for U. S. Senator.

This is open to the objection that it conflicts with the provisions of the Federal constitution which each member is sworn to support.

Whatever course may be pursued republicans should come into harmonious action on this as well as on all other questions. Surely they cannot be blind to the purposes of the democratic leaders. Surely republicans should now refuse to aid any scheme to elect democrats to the most important positions.

It is charged that opposition to Statement No. 1 is based on opposition to the Primary Election Law. This is false. Statement No. 1 is not related to the primary election law. The Statement might be cast into the waste-basket and the primary law with all its purposes and provisions would remain intact and in force as before. The objections to the Statement are laid against the Statement itself. The people of Oregon are competent through their legislature to enact a primary election law, but they are not competent to annul one jot or tittle of the Constitution of the United States.

But it is not our present purpose to present the objections which lie against this statement. We wish only to induce republicans to cease wrangling over it and, if possible, agree on an acceptable construction of it.

Republicans might easily accept that construction which binds to party nominees only. Since the legislation that suggested the statement was by a republican legislature and republicans are fully competent to fix the intent of the statement. The above indicated construction was believed to be the correct one until a few ambitious men saw how it might be worked for their own selfish ends, and so it is just now being worked to the limit.

We must confess we do not understand just how a man can be a republican, or a democrat either for that matter, and look to the opposing party for a representative of his principles in the U. S. Senate.

LETTER LIST.

The following letters remain uncalled, for in the Corvallis postoffice, for the week ending Feb. 1, 1908:

Paul Deitrich, Sam Hartley, Miss Greta Kitchen, Thomas Learmont, Miss Sophie Spencer, Dorothy Dearing (package.)

B. W. JOHNSON, P. M.

THEIR CONVENTION.

Occurred in Corvallis Saturday. School Officers Held Meeting.

The first School Officers' Convention held in Benton county has passed into history. It was one of the most enthusiastic and interesting meetings that has been held in our county by Supt. Denman. The interest of the school officers was a compliment to them. Each subject was discussed with much enthusiasm. Many of the officers present took part and others asked questions. The officers were all satisfied and went home feeling that their first convention was a success. This success was due to the interest taken by them. With such a profitable meeting as a beginning in this new departure of school affairs there is promise of greater things for the future.

The following is the program: Introductory remarks by Supt. Denman; address Supt. J. H. Ackerman, "Relation of School Board to the School," W. F. Caldwell, T. B. Williamson. "The Best Method of Raising and Distributing School Money," a general discussion was entered into in which many participated; "Teachers' Salaries from Teachers' Standpoint" Mrs, Ida B. Callahan. Teachers' Salaries from Directors standpoint, Rev. J. R N. Bell. "Should the County Treasurer be ex-officio treasurer of the school districts of the county?" Mrs. M. H. Whitby. The discussions were lively and full of interesting suggestions. Among those not on the program participating in them were Robert Gellatley, H. J. Reese, H. A. Oleman, Wm. Parks, G. A. Peterson, A. M. Manu, W. H. Dean.

The convention perfected a permanent organization by adopting a set of by-laws and electing the following officers: President, C. L. Tallman, of District No. 8, Vice President, W. F. Caldwell, Philomath; Secretary, Robert Gellatly; Treasurer, W. H. Dean. The executive committee consists of the President, Vice President, Secretary and County Superintendent.

During the noon hour lunch was served in the circuit court room. Mr. F. L. Miller, chairman of the Corvallis board, being the chief cook and bottle-washer. Mr. Miller showed himself tobe not only a first class cook, but one of excellent judgment.

Real Estate Transfers.

List of transfers for the week ending February 1st, 1908:

Heirs of B. B. Barnes to F. J. Kuls, 84 48 acres near Albany, $4,600.

Hattie Duncan and husband to Titus Ranney, 1 acre at Summit, $550.

Lena M. Weaver and husband to O. J. Blackledge, undivided 1-2 of north 1-2 of lot 2, in block 9, Corvallis $10 00.

J. B. Irvine and wife to G. A. Whiting, lots 1 and 2, block 2 Avery and Wells addition, Corvallis, $1,200.

F. L. Holmes to Fred W. Holmes, 85 acres near Albany $10 00.

F. L. Holmes to F. W. Holmes 20 acres near Albany, $10 00.

Anne M. Armstrong to J. P. Sloan, 25 acres Oak Ridge, $1,100.

Anne M. Armstrong to C. W. Miller, 25 acres Oak Ridge $1,000.

Hiram Parker to Max Winkler 80 acres near Summit, $1,000.

B. Bartlett to Turner Wooley, 10 acres near Monroe, $325.

Georgia A. Kandor to Laura A. Eddy, undivided 1-6 interest in lots in Corvallis $400.

Sohn Senger and wife to Ona Senger west 1-2 of lot 12, block 38 Moore & Newhouse's addition Corvallis $10 00.

Ona C. Senger to Anna M. Osborn, west 1-2 of lot 12, block 38 Moore & Newhouse's addition to Corvallis, $10.

Miranda Abbey to Isabella Henkle, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, block 20, Corvallis, $2,500.

M. J. Wells and husband to E. A. and B. E. Prather, lot 3, block 1 Chase's 2d addition to Corvallis $250.

E. A. and B. E. Prather to Evan McLennan, lots 1, 2, 3, block 1, Chase's 2d addition to Corvallis $1 00.

Tonight at Opera House.

Harry C. Lewis and Marjorie Lake with a merry company in the exquisite musical play, "The $10,000 Beauty," will be the attraction at the opera house tonight. It will be a gathering of graceful girls, gorgeously gowned, and a hilarious sufficiency of prose, music and songs. The comedians will cure the blues, the girls will captivate you and the new songs will make you whistle. The Seattle Times of January 27th has the following to say of this company:

"The Lewis & Lake Company played to capacity houses at the Lyric theatre at both the afternoon and night performances, yesterday. They have a larger company of singing and dancing girls than ever before, new comedians, songs and original fun. In the matter of scenery, no expense has been spared and the many beautiful costumes are nicely brought out by the pretty stage settings. Marjorie Lake was charming as usual in her stunning costumes. Celia Mavis, with her songs and clever acting, shared the applause. Frank Harrington, Fred C. Cutter and Sol Carter, as character comedians, kept the crowds in roars of laughter."

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Words and phrases which are amply sufficient for the understanding are often altogether inadequate for the expression of the feelings. The result of this mental dissatisfaction with the communication of mere knowledge is most conspicuously illustrated in the wide prevalence of profanity.

Into the discussion of this practice its moral and religious aspect does not enter at all. It is purely from the linguistic side that it is here to be considered.

So looked at, its existence and the extent of the indulgence in it bear out the truth of the principle just announced. Whatever intellectual justification there may be for profanity is based upon the fact that men are aiming to state strongly what they feel strongly.

The habit is in consequence subject to the general law governing intensives. To a very great extent the practice of swearing is specially characteristic of a rude and imperfect civilization. With the advance of culture profanity declines.

It declines not so much because men become peculiarly sensitive to its viciousness, but they do to its ineffectiveness. The growth of refinement both in the individual and in the community tends more to its disuse than all the exhortations of moralists or the rebukes of divines.

Much must always be allowed in the case of particular persons for the influence of early training and association. Exceptions are, therefore, too numerous to lay down any positive rule. Still it is safe to say in general that a man's intellectual development is largely determined by the extent of his indulgence in profanity.

No one, indeed, doubts its wide prevalence at the present time. But compared to the practice of the past it has been steadily, even if slowly, diminishing for centuries. This does not prove that men are better morally or intellectually than they were.

It does show, however, that there exists now a higher average of cultivation which renders the habit distasteful to increasingly large numbers.—Harper's.

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AS OTHERS THINK.

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While everyone has a right to his own opinion, yet it is wise to always consider what others think and profit by their experience.

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the County Court of Benton county, Oregon her final account as administratrix of the estate of C. H. Lee, deceased, and that Monday, the 26th day of February, 1908, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon of said day has been fixed and appointed by said Court as the time and the County Judge's office in the county court house in Corvallis in said county and state as the place for hearing objections, if any, to said account and the settlement thereof. All persons interested and desiring to object thereto are notified to file their objections thereto in writing with the clerk of said court and appear at said time and place.

ETTA F. LEE,
As administratrix of the Estate of C. H. Lee, deceased.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court for the State of Oregon for Benton County.

Delia Read, Applicant and Plaintiff

vs.

Hannah Rowland, Polly Mitchell, heirs-at-law of Lucretia Hallock, deceased, Sara H. Strahan, Claude Strahan, Fayne Lewis, heirs-at-law of H. S. Strahan, deceased, and Henry Lewis, and "All whom it may concern," Defendants.

In the matter of the application of Delia Read to register the title to the following described real property: The original D. L. C. of Hannah S. Hallock and Lucretia Hallock, his wife, is being Claim No. 69, being parts of Secs. 4 and 9, in Township 11, South, Range 6 West of the Willamette Meridian, Benton County, Oregon, described as follows, towit: Beginning at the S. E. corner of said Section 4, and running thence north 58 min., east 40 chains, thence West 27 chains and 50 links, thence south 44 chains and 00 links, thence north 58 deg. and 24 min west 23 chains and 87 links, thence south 20 chains and 25 links, thence east 00 chs. and 23 links, and thence north 20 chains to the place of beginning in the district of lands subject to sale at Oregon City, Or., and containing 320 acres and 26-100 of an acre.

To Hannah Rowland, Polly Mitchell, Sara H. Strahan, Fayne Lewis, Henry Lewis, and "All whom it may concern"—Defendants.

In the name of the State of Oregon you and each of you are hereby summoned and required to appear and answer the complaint and application filed against you in the above entitled court and cause on or before the 21st day of February, 1908, said date being six weeks from and after the date of the first publication of this Summons. The first publication of this summons being on the 10th day of January, 1908, and the last publication thereof being on the 21st day of February, 1908, if you fail so to answer for want thereof, the plaintiff and applicant will apply to the Court for the relief demanded and prayed for in said complaint and application, to-wit, for a decree decreeing, determining and adjudging that the defendants and each of them, and "All whom it may concern" have no estate, right, title or interest in and to the following described real property towit: The original D. L. C. of Hannah S. Hallock and Lucretia Hallock, his wife, is being Claim No. 69, being parts of Secs. 4 and 9 in Township 11, South, Range 6 West of the Willamette Meridian, Benton County, Oregon, described as follows, towit: Beginning at the S. E. corner of said Sec 4 and running thence north 58 minutes east 40 chains, thence west 27 chains and 50 links, thence south 44 chains and 00 links, thence north 58 deg and 24 minutes west 23 chains and 87 links, thence south 20 chains and 25 links thence east 00 chains and 23 links and thence north 20 chains to the place of beginning in the district of lands subject to sale at Oregon City, Oregon, and containing 320 acres and 26-100 of an acre, at law or in equity in possession, expectancy reversion or remainder and that you and each of you be forever enjoined, enjoined and debarred from asserting any claim whatsoever of at all in or to said real property adverse to the plaintiff and applicant; that the Court by such decree adjudge and declare the title or interest of the applicant in the said real property and decree that she is the sole and only owner and person who has an interest in said land as in the application prayed for, and further by such decree order the Registrar of lands in and for the county of Benton and State of Oregon to register the title to said property as found by the decree of said Court and for such other and further relief as the Court may deem meet and equitable, in the premises.

This Summons is served upon you by publication thereof by order of Honorable R. Woodward, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Benton county made on the 6th day of January, 1908, directing publication thereof once a week for six consecutive and successive weeks in the Corvallis Gazette, said Corvallis Gazette being a newspaper of general circulation and published weekly at Corvallis, Benton county, State of Oregon.

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J. F. YATES,
Attorney for Plaintiff and Applicant.

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