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NAMING A GOVERNOR.

Nothing but death apparently can prevent Jay Bowerman from becoming governor of this great state. No candidate has ever attracted the people to him as Bowerman has in this campaign. Not because he is a "good fellow" as politicians know "good fellows" but because the people want an administration of public affairs that will bring affairs in this state down to a practical basis. They are tired of when at the same time expenses of country.

the state are piling up enormously. Bowerman has not gone before the people promising impossibilities but he has said he would do the best that an honest man can do in the office, specifically stating that he will dissolve many customs that have been in practice in the state's business department and open contracts for furnishing supplies to the entire state.

Opponents of Bowerman first tried to fasten petty graft, upon him and this was so thoroughly explained that not a leg was left to stand upon by his accusers. They have tried everything, some even resorting to a statement that Bowerman was a close friend of Chamberlain while the latter was governor. Personally Chamberlain and Bowerman were friendly but we recall one instance when Chamberlain wanted to get a certain measure through the senate while Bowerman was president of that body and the governor was told that it would not go. There was a little row began to look around for a job. The between the two men, but the Cham- manager of a furniture house promberlain measure was withdrawn because Bowerman stated straight up that he would fight it to the end.

So far as Oswald West, who is Mr. Bowerman's opponent, is concerned. He is a mere incident.

ELDER ELLIS AND KANSAS.

When Elder Ford A. Ellis quoted so liberally relative to Kansas and prohibition, which appears in the Forum column of today, he probably did not know that professional politics marks prohibition in Kansas. It would be sulcide for an official of that state to admit that the prohibitory law was not enforced, yet to our personal knowledge for over a quarter of a century Kansas towns sold liquor just the same as La Grande is apparently is against it.

Ed. Hoch, governor preceding Mr. Stubbs, was a sincere prohibitionist. He often said before he was thought of for governor that if he was in the

GEORGE PALMER, Pres.

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the militia but what he would enforce the prohibitory law. He was elected and the joints in the larger towns ran almost wide open the same as they had done for years before, Drug stores maintained their lockers behind prescription cases as of old, and Kansas was little different than before Ed. Hoch took the office. Yet, during those days public men of Kansas would go abroad and point with pride to the splendid results being obtained from the prohibitory law.

Regardless of what Elder Ellis may have to say, and regardless of what Governor William Roscoe Stubbs of Kansas may have to say, we know to a dead certainty that for more than 25 years after the constitutional amendment was passed prohibition did not prohibit in Kansas.

It pays to be fair, in all matters, and when the voters take a vote on local option next week they should know the experience of Kansas with prohibition as it really existed for years and years after the law was passed.

ELGIN'S APPLE SHOW.

On November 3, 4 and 5 the town of Elgin, a good neighbor to La Grande, is going to have an apple show. It is attracting attention from all over Eastern Oregon, just as it should for needless commissions, they are tired there will be on exhibition some of of all this hubub about political purity | the hest fruit ever grown in env men's

Elgin with her big red apple is an inviting place to visit, and more inwiting to reside in. She is peopled with a good clever bunch of people and is a business center of great importance to Union county and the Grande Ronde valley. We urge every person who can to attend the apple shop at Elgin. It will be worth while, for you will there see many things that you did not realize existed in your home county. You will see apples that are not to be beaten any place on earth, you will see fruit displays that are prize winners in any show and you will find an earnest, energetic population who are true to their community and the Grande Ronde valley. Attend the apple show and you will enjoy it.

Wouldn't Deliver.

He was born in Dublin and lived in Ireland until about two months ago, when he came to Cleveland. Then he ised to give him a trial.

"Come around in the morning and go to work," he said, "and if you can deliver the goods we'll probably keep you permanently."

The Dublin native went over to tell his cousin about it. He confided to him that he didn't believe he'd go back to take the job, after all.

"They want me to deliver the goods," he said, "Think of going around delivering big, heavy furniture. That's what horses and wagons are for in my country."-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Harvard University.

Harvard university derives its name from Rev. John Harvard, its earliest benefactor, who in 1638 bequeathed one-half of his estate, amounting to 1800, for the endowment of the college. Harvard hall was built in 1765, Holworthy hall of brick in 1812 and Hollis selling liquor today, although the law their, also of brick, in 1764. Stoughton hall, being of the same dimensions and enfortal ra Helle, was built in 1904. nd a writer of 1917 states that "its form he de somewhat in the modern

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Elizabethan Slang. According to the latest edition of Webster's Dictionary one mee "lobster" is "a gullible, awkward, bungling or undesirable fellow." This meaning is supposed by most persons to be a modern development of slang. However, "lobster" was a favorite term of abuse among Englishmen of Queen Elizabeth's day, and Shakespeare may have denounced his callboy as a "lobster" when the boy falled to attend to his duties. Some students of the word think it probably was applied first to men with red faces. As signifying a soldier the term "lobster" is as old as Cromwell's day. Lord Clarenden, historian of the civil war in England, explains that it was applied to the Roundhead cuirassiers "because of the bright iron shells with which they were covered. Afterward British soldiers in their red uniforms were called "lobsters." Then came another development. The soldier in the red coat became a "bolled lobster," while the policeman in blue was, of course, an "unboiled" or "raw lobster." Again, "to boil a lobster" was for a man to enlist in the army and put on a red

An Eye on the Future.

man with a swollen finger that had a deep abrasion under the ring called at a jewelry store to get the ring cut off. Before the operation was begun he said:

coat.-Chicago News.

"Can this ring be mended so a pawnbroker will give me the usual amount

"It can be mended," said the jeweler, "but I doubt if you can ever persuade a pawnbroker to accept it afterward."

"Then I guess I'll take chances on my finger getting well with the ring on," said the young man and left the

"Incidents like that," said the jeweler, "show what a surprisingly large number of Philadelphians live with the pawnshop looming up just ahead of them as an unavoidable evil. Of all the people who need their rings cut off two-thirds of them ask that very question, and a large percentage of them take chances on blood poisoning rather than destroy the ring's value as a pawnable asset."-Philadelphia Ledger.

The Little Word "Yes." "Yes" is a simple word spelled with three letters.

It has caused more happiness and

more unhappiness than any other word in the language. It has lost more money for easy lenders than all the holes in all the pock-

ets in the world. It has started more dipsomaniacs on their careers than all the strong liquor sette.

on earth. It has caused more fights than all the "you're liars" that ever were spoken. It has procured kisses and provoked

It has defeated candidates and elected scoundrels.

It has been used in more lies than any other expression. It is not meant half the time it is

Will it continue to make such record? Yes.-Life.

His Sun.

Mrs. Buggins-Before we were married you used to say I was the sunshine of your life. Mr. Buggins-Well, I admit that you still do your best to make things hot for me.

The Convenient Excuse. Hard luck is generally the name peo ple give to the thing that happens when they have been acting foolishly.

-Chicago Record-Herald. ght on all the paths of life .- Richter, Kansas City Journal.

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Intoxicated by Tobacco. Giving evidence against a man on a

charge of disorderly conduct at Bow street police court, a constable said that the accused behaved in a very violent and disorderly manner in Leicester square on Tuesday evening. He quarreled with a cabman, and eventually the witness took him into custody, believing him to be drunk. At the police station the prisoner denied that he had ebeen drinking, and the doctor who examined him reported that he had chewed tobacco to such an extent that it had had the same effect upon him as alcohol.-Pall Mall Ga-

Real Laziness.

The Little Russians-those of the south-are said to be cleverer than the Russians of the north, but they are lazy—just how lazy may be gathered from this quotation from Mr. Maurice Baring's book, "Russian Essays and

"The Little Russian," said a Little Russian gentleman to me, "is so lazy that he will say to his wife, 'Little wife, say whoa to my horse. I have a pain in my tongue."

Progressive. "When did you commit your tirst fatal extravagance?"

"When my boss referred to my wages as my 'salary.' "And when did you perpetrate this latest folly? "The day my wife called my salary

my 'lucome.' "-Cleveland Leader. Not Worth While.

"I notice that you usually tell the truth."

"Yes; I found that telling lies gets Laughing cheerfulness throws sun you into almost as much trouble."-

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