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A TARDY DISCOVERY.

The Medford Mail has at last discovered that there is a water question before the people of Medford in which the taxpayers have a slight interest—an interest which has not been decided to the water committee altogether.

For some time the Mail has harped upon the application for a streetcar franchise, telling in double column black editorials published on the first page what a fearful calamity it would be to Medford if a trolley line came to town, and all the evils that a great city suffers from a trolley monopoly have been conjured to scare the voter into turning down the franchise—presumably so that a rival concern, in which the Mail's editor is interested, can have the franchise reserved.

Now a franchise is valuable only in the future. It costs the present nothing. It entails no taxes on the community, no bonded indebtedness, and so, in the Mail's estimation, is much more important than a proposition that means a 25 per cent mortgage on assessed valuations. Therefore the franchise is discussed and the water question left untouched—and The Tribune regarded with horror because it has the nerve to discuss water and rend the veil of secrecy.

Now that some six months or more have gone by and the water committee seems in a fair way to make a bobble of the whole affair, the Mail publishes an open letter from J. S. Howard, favoring another proposition besides the Wasson canyon. The Tribune got itself in disgrace with the water committee months ago because it dared to print such a missive. A shudder will convulse the community when it thinks of the awful fate in store both for the Mail and Mr. Howard at the hands of a majority of the committee of secrecy.

What Mr. Howard says is worth quoting for the information he conveys to the public. He says:

"At the council meeting on Tuesday last a hearing was granted to the 'Sterling Mining company,' who presented two propositions to furnish water at a greatly reduced price from any former estimate. The first was to furnish the city 500 miners' inches of water (equal to 8,078,961 gallons per 24 hours), delivered in a reservoir five and one-half miles from the city, and at an elevation of over 850 feet above the center of the city, for the sum of \$186,892. Now, let us see what this proposition means to the city. In the first place, it is 200 inches, or over 3,000,000 gallons, per 24 hours more than any other proposals.

"So far all estimates and surveys and proposed contracts are based on a supply of 300 miners' inches, equal to 4,847,376 gallons per 24 hours, while really the present supply or flow of Wasson canyon is reported as less than 2,000,000, or less than one-fourth the amount agreed to be furnished by the Sterling Mining company.

"Now, the Sterling Mining company agrees to deliver 500 miners' inches (8,078,961 gallons) into the reservoir over 850 feet above the city; 250-foot pressure is all that the city can use, leaving a surplus head of over 600 feet before the water reaches the distributing reservoir.

"Five hundred inches of water with a head of 600 feet will produce 500 horse power, which the city could sell to any company who wished to install a power station of that capacity, and any company would gladly pay the city \$20 per horse power per year for water thus delivered at their power house all ready to attach to their turbines. This alone would bring in \$10,000 per year, or enough to pay the interest on \$200,000 of bonds.

"Now 200 inches (3,213,584 gallons) of water is more than the city can use for some time to come, so the city would have 300 inches to sell to the orchards below.

"Three hundred inches of water for four months' irrigating season will flood 1785 acres one foot deep, and will be worth \$5 per acre, and will bring about \$9000 per annum, which would pay the interest on \$180,000.

"So you see that 500 inches of water as above will bring in revenue enough to pay the interest on \$380,000 of bonds. This would virtually be getting our water system for nothing. This is no dream, but can be carried out to the letter under competent management."

One price to all, and that price will be minus the extra expense of the credit business. Beginning September 1, the Medford Meat company will sell for cash and sell for less. Miller, Ewbank & Co.,

Beginning September 1, the Medford Meat company will cut the extra expense of the credit business off the selling price of meats. We will sell for cash and sell for less. Miller, Ewbank & Co.,

What Papers Say

ENCOURAGE TOURIST TRAVEL.

(Oregon Journal.)
Mr. Harriman's visit to Oregon will be beneficial to Oregon in many ways. That he has decided to build a railroad into central Oregon is the main cause of congratulation, but aside from that and its immediate results is the impetus to tourist travel to Oregon which Mr. Harriman's repeated visits and outings and his renewed activities here will give in the east. Rich people even more than the poor are creatures of imitation. What the biggest food in the great puzzle of society or affairs does the other big leads to next. Mr. Harriman is not a great society man, but he is about the biggest man of his sort in the country, and 7 years after you see a region of Oregon in preference to the Adirondacks or Canada or California or Europe as a recreation ground and a summer outing place, we may be sure that many rich people will ere long follow his example. And he says he will tell all his acquaintances of the delights of southern Oregon.

And Oregon "has the goods." Visitors agree that Crater lake is the most wonderful and admirable thing of its kind in the visitable world. But more than this, to many, there is also the game. Deer, bears, wild fowl, fish and other game are to be found with just enough effort to make their hunting good sport, in many of the mountain and lake regions of Oregon.

President Roosevelt spent some days down in a Mississippi forest vainly trying to bag a bear. One of Mr. Harriman's half-grown sons shot a 200-pound bear after no great chase the other day. Eh, Kermit, what do you think of that!

But to make the magnificent southern Oregon country available to tourists, roads, especially one to Crater lake, must be made. Tourists these days will not go far afoot or on burro-back, but only as to the main lines of their travel in automobiles. With good roads along strategic routes, we would have tourists

from eastern cities out in Oregon by thousands every summer, and their number would steadily increase for these main attractions will remain perpetually. Under right laws even the game can be kept in plentiful supply. And most of these tourists would visit Ashland, and Medford, and Eugene, and Albany, and Salem, and Portland, and other cities of the state. Scattering the ever needful cash as they went, and incidentally influencing on their return permanent immigration and the investment of capital here.

Hence it is important for the state as a whole and especially important for Jackson and Klamath counties, to provide the necessary roads. They will eventually repay their cost many times over. They are a feature of the proper development of Oregon.

The Long-Lived Pear.

The pear is really more hardy than the apple and needs less sunning. There are trees still standing near Monroe, in the state of Michigan, which were planted by the French settlers before Penn founded Philadelphia. Pear trees can be kept in good and bearing condition for 300 years, and apples for at least 150 years. I have an apple tree 115 years old, and its annual fruitage is as perfect as it was 60 years ago.

You find shaggy pears in the kitchen shops of middle Europe, where the lake villages used to be. These remnants date back of the apple, and so far as we can discover, the pear was the very first one of his wonderful family to become of importance to human beings. In fact, it seems probable that an eatable pear, or possibly a cookable pear, was in possession of our ancestors a good while before there were eatable apples or even cherries, plums, and possibly even strawberries. But the whole pear family was just as surely working up toward civilized and garden conditions as human beings themselves. Evolution has brought us along together, with pretty nearly equal step, and now it looks as if our future development was to be nearly as close as our past.

—The Outing Magazine.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

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WM. McMURRAY, General Passenger Agent, Portland, Or.

HAS NEW PLAN TO EXPLOIT THIS STATE

PORTLAND, Or., August 27.—Dan McAllen, early promoter of the Lewis and Clark expedition and father of many Portland Fourth of July celebrations, has taken up another plan for the exploitation of products and enterprises of Portland and the state of Oregon. Mr. McAllen has started a movement for the creation of a state immigration board. He strongly advocates the passage of a bill in the next session of the legislature which shall authorize the governor to appoint a board, and believes three members would be sufficient. He says the honor of appointment is all that is necessary to induce the right sort of men to accept and that clerk hire and cost of supplies need not reach any large amount.

The duties to be discharged by the board, according to Mr. McAllen, would relate to official information concerning the resources of the state and advise intending settlers as to the best locality for any given line of business or pursuit. Literature and reports from the several state boards would be sent out and work of advertising the state's resources would be done in harmony with like work done by commercial organizations of the state.

A feature that impresses Mr. McAllen with particular force is the maintenance of a permanent exhibition of field products and of manufactured articles. This exhibition, he suggests, might be installed in the forestry building, which could also be made the office of the board of immigration.

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Violation of this order by any consumer will result in said consumer's supply being forthwith shut off.

By order of the Water Committee of the City Council of Medford, Oregon.

Dated August 15, 1908.

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