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## STILL THE GAMBLING GOES ON

NO INTERFERENCE IS MADE.

With the Doors Wide Open and with Perfect Safety, They Play for Money.

An ADVERTISER reporter, through personal observation, has ascertained the fact that in the bar room of Hotel Oregon, there are running, openly, without fear of interference, "crap" games whose results determine the gain or loss of various sums of money.

Boys are allowed to participate in these games, but, instead of entering through the front door as the "professionals" do, by a circuitous route through the hotel enter the den from the rear.

The peculiarity of these particular games is that they are played openly without any fear of molestation, and appearances indicate that it is to the interest of the city officers to have business requiring their attention elsewhere while they are in operation.

Besides "crap shooting," there are other gambling games running in the same saloon, and some of them behind locked doors, which, together with other questionable operations, make things appear as though Hotel Oregon "stood in" with certain of our officials, and thus without fear of molestation, operates its disgraces to our city.

Citizens, can this be allowed to continue? are some of our officers as competent as they should be? Consider the downward course our city is taking, and exercise your patriotic judgement at the polls next election.

## DEFENDER vs. VALKYRIE.

The trials of speed between the English yacht, "Valkyrie III.," and the American yacht, "Defender," are now in progress. The winner is to be decided by best three in five. In the first race, which occurred Saturday, the "Defender" led by eight minutes, and in Monday's race, the English boat crossed the line forty-seven seconds in advance.

## OUR HORTICULTURAL COMMISSIONER.

Questionable Actions That May Cause Him Considerable Trouble.

Is Levy Morris, Horticultural Commissioner for District No. 3, of Southern Oregon, doing his duty?

Last Wednesday afternoon a box of fruit, billed for transportation to the Northern part of the state, being effected with scale, was seized by the commissioner for inspection, and, notwithstanding the fact that there was scale on the fruit, the shipper prevailed upon the commissioner to allow it to pass on to its destination.

Since that time, he has seized the fruit of several other persons, and these persons are to appear before the Grand Jury to answer the charge of violating the law.

Is it right and with conformity to oath of office that he should allow one man's effected fruit to pass, while other men are arrested and tried?

## MAMMOTH PEACHES.

The largest peaches of the season were grown by B. Beach, on his place just South of town. The larger of the two peaches exhibited by him balanced the scales at eighteen and one fourth ounces, and the smaller one weighed sixteen and three fourths ounces.

The peaches were of the Twenty ounce Cling variety, and came nearer upholding their name than any other peaches of this variety have been known to do. The larger of the two peaches was positively the largest peach ever grown in Southern Oregon.

## THE ELECTRIC LIGHT QUESTION.

With regard to the petition asking for a reduction in the expense of city electric lights, a proposition to furnish the lights on a moonlight schedule for a period of five years at six dollars per light per month was obtained from the Electric Light Co. Not desiring to make so long a contract, the council is undecided about the matter.