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The smaller your business the more it needs advertising. In these days of hurry and strife for the first place in the race of life it is even more important than ever that a man be diligent in his business and look after its details closely.

The election is over, now for business, should be the watchword with every merchant. Enough time has been spent in politics; let your customers decide among themselves how it was done.

REWARD for his labor is sure to come to the diligent man, and that was well known in the time of Solomon, who said "Sweet thou a man diligent in his business; he shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before mean men."

BELGIUM has an area about equal to the Willamette valley, and it has a population of 6,000,000 people. The day will come when the rich lands of the Willamette valley will support 4,000,000 people. Then will the struggle for life be desperate.

A MAN in business should start out with fixed principles, and with the determination to win by the practice of fairness toward all, and he is bound to succeed. A man who does that will find friends both with customers and fellow business men.

If our government can pay nearly two hundred million dollars annually in pensions to those deserving men who, thirty years ago, fought to save the Union; what is to prevent it later on from pensioning every person in old age?

THERE are a great number of so-called cranks in this world, and the number is increasing, who do not feel content to see fortunes of great magnitude making a few families in our union virtual masters to the many, and those "cranks" are going to vote early and late to remedy the evil.

"You never miss the water till it will run dry" is a true saying and the people of this country, who have seen the public lands gradually disappearing, are just beginning to realize that they have sold their birth-right for a mess of pottage. What will the people do, that is the question? Tamely submit, you say. Well perhaps, lets wait and see.

DID you ever think that land in itself has no value? Value arises only from human labor. It is not until the ownership of land becomes equivalent to the ownership of laborers that any value attaches to it. The profits on such an investment do not arise from the growth of land, or increase of its capabilities, but from growth of population.

LABOR should receive a better reward for its toil. Under the grinding system now in vogue, the poor man sees no way to get free from his chains, and he demands that those chains be taken from him. He sees the injustice of a favored few reveling in luxury, while he is not able to obtain the work necessary to support his family.

The present condition of affairs is fast bringing about a change in the spirit of the people of this nation, and with intelligent investigation we are becoming daily convinced that radical changes in our political methods of legislation, must be made. Legislation must be more in favor of the masses and less in favor of the monopolists of our nation.

If every foot of tillable land in Polk county were to pay a rental to the county of Polk of 20c an acre, annually, it would bring in an income of \$66,000. Every foot of land in Polk county has some rental value, and the rent should not go to an individual but to the government, then the accumulation of immense fortunes would cease, except through industry and toil.

A THRIFTY, live, energetic paper betokens a live town; a live town has good papers, good papers must have strong advertisers; strong advertisements excite curiosity and call forth responsive visits from the public; such visits beget trade. A live town awakens

Interest among the inhabitants of a country, and that interest draws them to visit the town, where in turn they are induced to trade by the very means which unconsciously first enlisted their attention.

The most effective way of purging the pension list of frauds and cheats will be for congress to provide for the publication of a list of pensioners in each county in the most widely circulated newspaper in that county. Together with the name of the pensioner should be given the disability upon which the pension was granted and the amount paid. We are confident that the mere passage of such a law by congress would cause the striking or withdrawal of thousands of names from the pension list before publication could be made. Swindlers should be made to feel the heavy hand of the law.

The man who is being taxed heavier today than any other class, is the farmer and yet when you suggest to him a change in our methods of taxation he is the first one to legislate against it. The true taxing value of any property is its ability to produce an income. Take an average acre of farm land and it will produce a revenue of say five dollars a year. Invented it takes very good land to bring in a cash rent of five dollars an acre. Go to any town and see what rent town lots are bringing. Here is a corner lot, occupying one fifth of an acre and it brings in sixty dollars a month, or \$720 a year. One acre of those lots bring in \$3600 a year. In other words, an acre in that town, in that locality, is worth over 700 times what one acre is worth on a farm. But does it pay 700 times the taxes. Oh no, that would be robbery. It pays only just about the same as the farm.

FROM NEW HAMPSHIRE.

BRADFORD, N. H. Dec. 2, 1892. EDITOR WEST SIDE: Did you ever experience a real old New England winter? If you were here now you could look out upon the landscape and view the trees all shorn of their leaves with their naked branches exposed to the bleak winds of December. With the earth all frozen and cold with not a green blade of grass in sight, and with the hills and valleys covered with a mantle of ice and snow. And you could lie in your warm bed at night and hear the bleak wind whistle, and the snow whirling and eddying through the branches of the trees, or around the corners of the house and against the window panes, and while you listened to this concert of the elements on the outside, you would curl yourself up snugly in your little bed and thank the stars that you were not out on such a night as this. But the next morning after a sweet and refreshing night's sleep, such sleep as can only be experienced in a New England climate, you look out of your window in the morning to find that the war of the elements has subsided, that the clouds have lifted, and that the sun is shining brightly upon a new-made carpet of immaculate snow. Then to see and hear the merry sleigh bells jingle as the lively horses go dashing up and down the village street, with their occupants all wrapped up in furs and mufflers. Truly it is a bright and cheerful sight, and one well calculated to dispel any tendency towards the blues, which, as every dweller in "Old New England" is well aware becomes quite prevalent in that country at this particular season of the year.

SOCIAL FEATURES. The people in this country are quite social and seem to enjoy life much better than the average. There is not too much of what might be called "caste distinction" as one would expect to see. Every week the brass band of the town gives what is called a "Promenade Concert" at the town hall; a large commodious structure built one hundred years ago by the fathers of the town. These concerts are participated in by old and young. The programme for these entertainments is divided into two parts. First from eight o'clock till half past ten, music by the brass band and promenade in which every one joins, regardless of theological distinction. Second part from half-past ten to half-past one, music by the orchestra, and dancing which as is usually the case, is mostly participated in by the younger and lighter footed generation. Still it is considered creditable here to hold on to youth as long as possible. It is not unusual to see a decided sprinkling of gray heads during this part of the programme.

The promenade, which one would naturally suppose would be a tame and prosy affair, is rendered here quite the contrary. When the promenade is led by one experienced in leading the many quaint figures and evolutions of the promenade, the tangling and untangling of the marching multitude renders this one of the most interesting part of the evening's programme. One thing that is most surprising to a stranger from the far west is the small expense attached to these entertainments, viz, ten cents each for admission to the promenade and thirty-five cents per couple admission for dancing.

BUSINESS METHODS. In looking over the methods of conducting business here in New England, one can not fail to observe how strictly business is transacted upon a nearly cash basis. I have several relatives and schoolmates who are engaged in business here and all of them bring in about the same report. I will quote from the yearly records of one engaged in selling general merchandise during the past three years in this town: Amount of stock each year \$6000. Amount of business the first year \$11,000, amount remain-

ing on books at the end of the year \$400. Amount of business transacted the second year \$15,000, amount remaining on books, \$400. Amount of business transacted the third year \$16,000, the amount remaining on the books, \$400. But there are reasons for all this. Employers receive their wages each month, and only monthly credits are asked for. And again the farmers throughout the country, for severals miles around, haul their milk to the rail-road each day where it is partly carried to the creameries, and partly to the large cities of New England. Every month the farmers receive a check for the amount furnished by him to the milk company, sometimes averaging more than \$100 per month. I have often thought since I have been here that perhaps the time would come in the near future, when some enterprising individuals living on the line of the West Side R. R. in Oregon would organize a milk company, prevail upon the officials of the R. R. to supply a special car for that purpose to be attached to the passenger train for Portland each day, and thus stimulate an industry that will bring in a store of wealth to the Oregon farmer in the years to come.

EASTERN PRICES. Perhaps in this connection it will be of interest to quote some of the prevailing prices of staple articles of consumption here. Kerosene oil, 100 test 50c per gallon. New Orleans syrup, 15 to 50c per gallon. Maple syrup, \$1.00 per gallon. Granulated sugar, 5c per pound. Coffee, 25 to 40c per pound. Tea from, 40 to 90c per pound. Flour from, \$5.25 to \$5.75 per barrel. Eggs, 50c per dozen. Butter, 32c per pound. All wool suits of clothes from \$10 to \$20 per suit. Prints, from 4 to 8c per yard. Shoes, from \$1.50 to \$3.50 per pair.

MANUFACTURES. To give you some idea of the manufacturing facilities, even in the small towns of New England, I will tell you of my visit to the little town of Sutton, spoken of in my first letter as being the birth-place of Ex-Governor Pillsbury, of Minnesota. A small stream of water, certainly no larger than one of the forks of the Luckanute, flows through this village making a gradual descent of fully 150 feet. Upon this little stream no less than six manufacturing establishments are located. First is a sawmill, then a clothing-mill, then a flourmill, then a shoe-mill, then a hub factory, and so on. These little factories employ from three to fifteen men the whole year round and this about a sample of hundreds of New England's little towns, saying nothing of the larger manufacturing centers, such as Manchester, where no less than 1,500 people are almost constantly employed.

DEMOCRATIC CELEBRATIONS. The democrats of New Hampshire have been celebrating ever since the election of Grover Cleveland. This town of Bradford, has not been behind hand in this respect. Much powder has been burned and plenty of lung power wasted. The old Revolutionary cannon, Molly Stark's captured by General Stark at the battle of Bennington was brought up from the near town of Dunbarton, his birth-place, and made to thunder forth the approval of the delighted democrats. A few nights ago a large celebration was held at Concord, the state capital, and an excursion train of several cars was run from this town. So hilarious were the excursionsists on their return home and so filled with democratic fire (water) that it was necessary to detail several special policemen from the capital city to accompany the train on its return home, in order to preserve peace and keep the triumphant democrats from exterminating each other in their mad zeal and joy over Grover's restoration. But this all took place in one of our no-license temperance states, you know, but I could not help wondering to myself whether or not old Oregon, with its wicked license laws and liquor traffic could afford to offer very much of a discount on that.

NATIONAL GRANGE. The National Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, has been in session at Concord during the past month. Delegates from nearly every state in the union were present and much important business was transacted. Among those who took a conspicuous part in the discussion of this assemblage of earnest and intelligent workers I noted the name of Judge Boies, of Oregon, who was more than once favorably mentioned by the daily paper of Concord and Manchester in connection with speeches and resolutions offered by him during the deliberations of this august assembly. It affords one decided satisfaction, when far from home and in a strange land as it were, that on an occasion like this his own state is represented by a man of no mean abilities.

With best wishes I remain, Truly yours, W. E. CROSBY. Our Local Talent Appreciated. To H. Hirschberg, and the members of the Independence Dramatic Club: We, the undersigned citizens of Dallas, would respectfully request that your company come to Dallas at some time in the near future, believing as we do that we can give you a good appreciative audience: Doughty & Hayter, Observer. Fenton & Toner, merchandise. Daly, Sibley & Eakin, attorneys-at-law.

A. K. Wilson & Co., druggists. Chas. Hines, M. D. H. L. Miser, photographer. Union Hardware Co., implement dealers. U. S. Grant, post master. J. H. Townsend. H. B. Cosper. W. L. Wells. B. F. Mulkey. C. W. Smith. M. D. Ellis, confectionery. Robert Gaynor. Nies & Cosper. N. M. McDaniel. W. L. Mercer. The Macaulay vs. Dice case has been postponed until the May term of circuit court.

THE WOMEN MAY VOTE.

The West Side Offers Equal Suffrage to All.

ELECTION COMES OFF IN JANUARY. The Most Popular Lady in Independence to Receive a Very Handsome Pension From the West Side.

Commencing with the first week in January this paper will print coupons, which are to all intents and purposes, election tickets. Every subscriber to the WEST SIDE is entitled to a vote; provided his subscription is paid to April 1893. You can vote just as many times as you get coupons. No vote will be counted when deposited by anyone not a subscriber, being paid three months in advance. Any lady living in Independence or vicinity, may be a candidate. The list of all ladies receiving votes will be published in each issue of the paper. The lady receiving the most votes will be declared elected. An elegant premium will be given to the successful candidate, which will be announced later.

It costs you nothing to vote. Every vote will be preserved in the WEST SIDE office and recounted February 1st. Remember that only those paid in advance can vote. Pay your subscription now and be ready to vote with the first issue in January. Examine the date on your paper and see whether you are entitled to a vote. The most popular lady in Independence will be the fortunate winner of the prize. The votes of the readers of this paper will decide the contest. Send, or leave, your coupons at this office beginning with the first week in January. You cut out the ballot, write the name of the lady of your choice, and sign your name and send it to this office. Every coupon sent in by a paid subscriber counts. Every issue in January will contain a coupon. This is a fair contest and is open to all. A three months subscription entitles you to a vote. Vote early and often as this contest lasts but one month. All voting must be done on coupons taken from the WEST SIDE. The returns of votes up to Thursday noon of each week will be published. Get your subscription account in shape so that you may vote. The printed tag on your paper tells you whether you are a legal voter. See that you are paid to April 1893, at least.

Circuit Court. The following cases were disposed of by the circuit court up to Friday night: State of Oregon vs E Kellow, larceny, jury trial, guilty as charged in indictment, sentenced to one year in the penitentiary and to pay cost and disbursements. State of Oregon vs John Verano, removing monument, jury trial, verdict, not guilty. State of Oregon vs Ross Rowell, obstructing stream, verdict of guilty; to be sentenced Monday morning at 9 o'clock. Talon & Bowen vs Order Bros., action at law, non suit on motion of plaintiff. Temperance House vs J W Kirkland, action at law; continued by consent. A H Simpson vs R H & J W Bush, action at law; continued by consent. O D Rider vs A B Ball & L Kelso, action at law; continued by consent. M A Dice vs Mary Macaulay, action at law; continued by consent. Ed Nell & F H Syron vs E C Harris, action at law; continued by consent. J W Elliott vs First National bank, of Independence, action at law; continued by consent. State of Oregon vs Wm & John Martin, receiving stolen property, pleaded not guilty; trial set for Tuesday at 9 o'clock. Board of school land commissioners vs A D Babcock, confirmation; confirmed. E C Shaw vs M E Shaw, divorce, referred to C W Smith to report law and facts. E S Larsen vs N M McDaniel, action at law; judgement for want of answer with order to sell attached property. George Erile vs Dallas woolen mills company, foreclosure of mechanics lien; decree as per stipulation.

CORVALLIS. It is Showing Signs of Very Substantial Progress. The editor of this paper and wife, accompanied the young people who took part in Uncle Josh, to Corvallis last Friday. While there we noted the many improvements in the town since our last visit. Corvallis is growing, and it is heartening me helping in its growth. A city hall costing \$11,000 is nearing completion. The magnificent new hotel built by the Wilkins Bros. costing \$25,000 is well under way. The wagon factory, employing over sixty workmen, and which cost over \$50,000 is doing a splendid business. The Zurich brick cost \$6,000. Grading the main street of the city has just been finished and cost \$4,000. During the past year at least 100 private residences have been built.

Corvallis has a wagon factory, a brewery, ice works, cigar factory, two flouring mills, saw and door factory, saw mill, water works, electric lights, and two banks, besides many merchant business houses. The Agricultural college now has an attendance of 200, and the various departments are very interesting to visit. We found J. S. Spangler, a former resident of Independence, with a new residence which is among the nicest in Corvallis, and his surroundings betokening prosperity. T. C. Case, whose wife is a sister of Mrs. Bell, of this city, is located next the Occident Hotel, and has one of the finest barber and bath houses on the West Side.

J. Mculloch, who left Independence ten years ago, is engineering at the water works. After a lingering illness, he lost his wife last spring. Prof. Yates, is as cordial as ever. He is now an attorney-at-law and seems to be enjoying life.

Young Demosthenes. An interesting meeting of the public school literary society occurred last Thursday night. Homer Bell called the society to order, and after exhortations by the chaplain and reading of minutes, the following programme was rendered: Song by society; recitations by Inez Ellis, Hannah Weingarth; composition by Nellie Boydston; a vocal quartette; and debate on the question selected.

The subject of debate was—Resolved that the negro has suffered more because of the whites than the Indians. The speakers on the affirmative were Clarence Wagner, leader; Robert Lowe, Florence Wagner, Oris Robert, son, Homer Bell, Inez Ellis, Joshua Talbot. Those on the negative were Ed Williams, leader; Jessie Damon, Effie Richardson, Myrtle Lee, Pearl Hodges, Pearl Cooper, Verd Hill, Bertha Fryer. Both sides were well sustained and the judges decided in favor of the affirmative. With the kind consent of the editor a short account of each meeting will be published.

AUCTION SALE. Next week we will close out, as nearly as possible, our entire line of jewelry, watches, clocks, silver and silver-plated ware, at auction sale. As all our customers know, these goods are first-class. Come and secure bargains. WHY WE DO THIS. "We are not busted," but our large and increasing drug trade demands our entire time. We believe that we can better serve the people of Polk county in our drug business by making it a specialty, and having no side lines. Respectfully yours, BOYD & SHELLEY. W. H. Ribelin of Lebanon, a brother of George Ribelin, lately a type in this office, was in town this afternoon.

Born—On Wednesday, December 14, to the wife of Allen Beamer, a girl. Mrs. Lena Howard left today for California, where she will spend the winter. F. S. Barzee has purchased an interest in a flouring mill near Turner, Marion Co., and will shortly move his family there. Geo. Rogers, who knows many novel ways of saving labor on the farm, will contribute some notes for the

SHOOTING MATCH AT Independence, ON Saturday, December 31, 1892 Glass Balls, Clay Pigeons, and Rifle Shooting. TURKEYS AND CHICKENS HILL'S PASTURE A. D. SLOPER.

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January Household, which will be appreciated by the housewife. Mrs. W. L. Cox, daughter of J. R. N. Bell, returned to her home in San Francisco today. She has had a very pleasant visit with her parents and many friends here.

A. Emma's residence in the postal service between Seattle and Portland, and his wife, formerly Miss Mary C. DeLinn, of Portland, have been guests of Dr. and Mrs. Bell since last Friday and left for their home in Portland today.

The Polk County Land Co. has just taken a fine well improved farm for sale, near Independence. Call and see them about it. Also a couple of houses and lots in Buena Vista. Prices low. The United States senate after March 4 '93 will have forty-three democrats, forty-one republicans and four populists. Perhaps the democrats cannot count on all the populists. There is fun ahead. R. L. Hastings informs us that Homer, the eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cochran, of Arlie, died with the croup on the 10th inst, aged four years and seven months. His remains were laid to rest in the English cemetery, and the funeral services were conducted by the Rev. B. H. H. Mr. Cochran was up in Washington, and was telegraphed for but arrived an hour too late for the funeral. Mr. and Mrs. Cochran have the heart-felt sympathy of the entire community.

HAVE YOU GOT PILLS? PUBLISHED BY THE WEST SIDE OFFICE. DR. BOYD'S PLEASANTLY PREPARED PILL REMEDY, which promptly and safely cures all ailments of the bowels, biliousness, indigestion, etc. For a list of prices, send for a circular to the West Side Office, Independence, Oreg.

TIME TABLE. Leave Independence, Leave Monmouth. 7:00 7:30 8:30 9:00 11:15 11:45 1:00 1:30 3:00 3:30 6:30 6:50

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Shelley & Vanduyn. Make this as their last appeal to the BARGAIN HUNTERS.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE! For the next thirty days days the whole stock of groceries belonging to T. W. Estes will be sold REGARDLESS OF COST. The stock must be closed out during that time. All sales will be for CASH. CALL EARLY AND SECURE BARGAINS in staple and fancy groceries, crockery, glassware, and everything kept in a first-class grocery store.

J. R. COOPER, Assignee.

SHOOTING MATCH. McCOY, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1892. 200 TURKEYS, ONE OR MORE BEEVES, AND 4 HOGS. It is gotten up by a committee of five, the most energetic men of the community, who are going to use every effort to have a First-Class Time.

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