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**DRIFTING THAT WAY.**

It is a recognized fact that land has no value in itself. It is only when population comes to make the products of land valuable that possession of land commands a price. A fertile body of land out in the mountains may not be even worth filling upon as a homestead, while a rocky piece of land, like the city of Spokane is located upon, may bring half a million dollars an acre. Thus it will be seen that in buying land we pay for possession instead of for the land itself. With increase of population those persons who are fortunate enough to have obtained possession of land have an advantage over the person not in possession. Rich men, and wealthy syndicates are not slow to see the advantages of colonizing their lands in preference to selling them. Supposing one hundred men should each purchase the possession of 1000 acres of land. The aggregate is 1,000,000 acres. They combine, divide it up into small tracts and rent it to tenants.

In an article in the Cosmopolitan the following very significant dialogue is recorded:

"Talking of business," said the professor, turning to the manufacturer, who had been quietly smoking, "why don't some of you capitalists take hold of farming here in the East, and make a business of it, as they do in the West?"

"Thank you," said the other, "if you mean me I would rather not invest." He was silent a moment and then went on as if the notion were beginning to win upon him: "It may come to something like that though. If it does, the natural course, I should think would be through the railroads. It would be a very easy matter for them to buy up all the good farms along their lines and put tenants on them, and run them in their own interest. Really, it isn't a bad scheme. The waste in the present method is enormous and there is no reason why the roads should not own the farms, as they are beginning to own the mines. They could manage them better than the small farmers do, in every way. I wonder the thing hasn't occurred to some smart railroad man."

For the sake of argument let us concede that nothing is done by our liberty loving people to prevent the railroads from accumulating just as much real estate as they please. As combinations are now so easily made by railroads the incentive would then be greater for forming a combination of all the railroads. The tenant farmer, the tenant stock raiser, the tenant merchant, the tenant laboring man would each pay tribute to the railroads. These railroads by combination could ruin the independent farmer by making discriminating rates of transportation, just as they have done in the petroleum industry. In the beginning they would make tenant life so attractive that it would lead thousands to accept their apparently liberal terms. Gradually the system of tenant farming would grow until the whole country would be under the control of the railroads and then the squeezing process would begin, and the tenants would work early and late for a bare subsistence. The very system which is now in vogue in England would be in America.

We believe the wisdom of our people will cause them to take some steps now, when no great danger is imminent, to prevent such accumulations of property. Make a law limiting syndicates or corporations, to a certain safe limit in the value, of real estate, outside of the actual needs of the corporation for doing its business. Limit individuals in the same way, as the individual ownership of lands is a menace to the liberty of the people. Instead of the United States acquiring more territory by either purchase or annexation let the government so legislate as to prevent unequal divisions of the landed property.

VERY many persons are completely at sea when the relative values of gold and silver are spoken of and to them the relative coining

rates of the two metals of 16 of silver to 1 of gold, is not intelligible. Our United States gold dollars contain 25.8 grains of gold. The silver dollar contains 412.5 grains, or nearly sixteen times as much metal as the gold dollar. At the present price of gold, 25.8 grains of gold is worth one dollar any where, but in order to make the silver dollar worth one dollar, about 600 grains of silver must be put in the dollar or a ratio of about 27 to 1, at present prices of silver. The silver men insist that they shall have free coinage at the ratio of 16, to 1, or in other words get one dollar for about 60 cents worth of silver. It is very plain that for the government to coin silver dollars worth only 60 cents and make them a legal tender for one dollar would soon bankrupt the government if the government redeemed all its silver certificates in gold, or else place us on a silver basis and gold would be at a premium. As gold is the standard of value the world over it would appear that the proper course to pursue is to make our silver dollars worth one dollar in gold, and then we will have a stable currency. To do this would not suit the silver advocates. They want to make the profit between the prices of silver bullion and a dollar themselves. At the present rate of purchase of silver bullion the United States treasury is piling up 1871 tons of silver a year, and issuing mostly paper in payment therefor, and that paper is being redeemed in gold. If free coinage of silver were in vogue and a 60 cent dollar redeemed with one dollar in gold, it is very apparent that it would be only a short time until no gold could be had with which to redeem the silver dollars. Then the only way would be to sell the silver at its bullion value, of 60 cents, the government losing the difference, or else descend to a silver basis and let gold go to a premium. We as a nation cannot afford to do such a thing.

The farmers of the United States have just as much right to ask the government to buy their wheat worth 60 cents a bushel at \$1.00 as for the silver men to expect \$1.00 for 60 cents worth of silver.

President Cleveland's message, which was read before congress on Tuesday, plainly states the exact condition of our financial condition, and in few but well chosen words points out the remedy, which is, the immediate repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman act of July 14, 1890. The message is absolutely non-partisan, and its effects will be to unite republicans and democrats together who are opposed to an unstable currency, or a money subject to fluctuation. The masses of the people believe President Cleveland is honest, patriotic, and will work for the best interests of the country. The party which he represents is not so liberal minded, but just now we may look for little agitation of that much dreaded revision of the tariff. The message of President Cleveland is, in our opinion, a clean-cut statement of affairs.

The hop industry about Independence is liable to attract attention to this section from all the world. The samples of hops from here are pronounced the finest on exhibition at the World's fair and the quality this year is again going to be very superior. Hop lice this year are scarcely doing any damage as they are very few of them heard about.

OUR Dallas and Monmouth friends are not so well satisfied with the broad gauge railroad as with the narrow gauge since only a train every other day goes each way. Of course as soon as business improves more trains will be put on the road.

The bankers in Salem, Dallas, McMinnville, Monmouth, Independence, etc. since the Portland bank refused to cash their depositors' checks are inclined to crowd over Portland, on account of suspension there, for that action hurt the Portland banks more than those in the country. When a metropolitan bank refuses to do business as it has been doing it for years, the timid depositor at once sees a nigger in the fence, and that was the case in Portland. Banks have not as many casualties to deal with in the country as they have in the city, but they treat all alike. Bankers are some thing like some merchants, they glory in doing a big business even if they make less profits.

**100 HOP PICKERS WANTED.**  
 Good clean shady camping ground.  
 Good water and plenty of wood.  
 Free pasture for horses.  
 Free ferrage moving to and from hop yard. Handy to town.

Apply at once to  
**A. J. Wolcott, Independence,**  
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**ABOUT HOP PICKING.**  
 The Oregon Growers Are Far Ahead of Washington in the Matter of Clean Picking.  
 No matter how well the crop has been cultivated and trained, all the work and care go for nothing if at the critical time the grower inadvertently destroys the value of the crop. This is done to a very great extent by early picking. We may as well settle down to the conviction that qualities will tell and that no amount of talking or printing or whistling to keep our courage up will enable us, as a rule, to sell inferior, immature hops at a price that can be had for the choice matured product, says "Extra Meeker's New Handbook."  
 Hops picked ten days too early will lose fully 30 per cent of the weight, which would otherwise result if allowed to mature. Nor is this all, for the loss is carried into another season by the weakening of the vine, from bleeding when the pole is taken down and out. I have seen yards that did not yield more than half a crop from this cause alone. In any event, whether the harvesting is done early or late, where the poles are taken down and the vine out, the same should be done as high as possible; of course this is not done in the stringed or trellised yards, and that alone is one great point in their favor.

Growers almost universally deceive themselves in determining when their crop is ripe, by examining individual specimens here and there through the yard, readily finding some apparently ripe. It is the mass of hops that should show ripeness, not selections here and there. There is more intrinsic value developed in the last few days in the life of a hop upon the vine than in the months previous preparation for the fruitage. Bipe hops will be closed at the points; will be harsh to the touch and solid, not flimsy and soft; will be of a rich golden color, or will have a strong tinge in that direction. Of course the seed will be solid and thoroughly matured, though many of these can be found in a yard where the mass of hops are unfit to be picked. Many growers have a "boly horror" for a "red" hop, as hops are called that are a little late in the picking. Give me the red hop every time in preference to the green, and I can outsell you two to one.

The best crop that ever went out of the White river valley was that of the late Mr. Van Doren, the year his hop house was burned and he was delayed in the harvest work 17 days, while he was building anew. Our whole product at that time was shipped to San Francisco, and when those hops arrived there was a regular furore over those grand hops, as "rich as cream," as one dealer expressed it to the writer.

Now is where the "bug of war" begins. If ever the pickers once get the upper hand over you, then you are elected to have a dirty crop. Firmness in the start is the only salvation. It would seem to be needless to impress on the growers the importance of clean picking. If they will but spend a few days in the sample-rooms and see the difference made in price between clean and dirty picked hops, there would then be no need for caution to have the hops picked clean. The Oregon growers so far, are ahead of Washington on this score, but both have much to learn in the way of clean picking. The practice of hauling the hops to the kiln in the boxes in which they are picked opens the way to avoid detection, unless the picker boxes and checks are all numbered, in which case it is easy to trace back to the picker. Some are preparing to sack in the field to avoid this difficulty. Anyway anything that can be done to better the methods of detection, lessens the chances of dirty boxes and hence lower prices.

**CITY STABLES.**  
**ELY JOHNSON, Prop.**  
 Horses Fed by the Day,  
 Week or Month.  
 Best of Attention Given Stock  
 Left in Charge.  
 INDEPENDENCE, OREGON.

**Webber & Fuller**  
**WAGON REPAIRING**  
 AND **BLACKSMITHING**  
 C street, Independence.  
**Horseshoeing a Specialty**  
 All work warranted.  
**Wood-work Done to Order**  
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**Scott, the Painter.**  
 Give us a Call.

**FINE JERSEY STOCK**  
 These persons who desire to have Jersey stock in their herds are invited to inspect the thoroughbred followed by T. B. HUNTLEY, two miles south of town, on BUDA Vista road.  
**TERMS OF SERVICE—TWO DOLLARS** with privilege of return.  
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 Is the right time for everybody to deal with J. M. Vanduyne, but should  
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 Summer Underwear, Straw Hats, Outing Shirts, etc., now is the time to buy.  
**Something Nice**  
 In Light Summer Suits, just right for these hot sultry days.  
 Call on **J. M. VANDUYNE**  
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**DOUTY & PADDOCK**  
 (Successors to WALKER BROS.)  
 Dealers in  
**GROCERIES**  
 Provisions, Crockery, Glassware, Flour, Feed, Fruit, Etc.

**A Large Stock of Fruit Jars.**  
**We Buy all Kinds of Poultry and Farmers' Produce.**  
**Give Us a Call.**

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**250 HOP PICKERS! 250**  
**About Aug. 25th**  
 at the  
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 All kinds of wood repairing done on Wagons, Carriages, and Machinery with neatness and dispatch.  
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**MORE THAN \$15,000 IN CASH** will be paid as premiums for Stock, Poultry, Swine, Agricultural Products, Fruits, Native Woods, Minerals, Works of Art and Fancy Works, and for Trials of Speed.  
**Reduced Rates of Fares and Freight** on all Transportation Lines.  
**PAVILION** open four evenings during the week with good music in attendance.  
**THE NEW GLANDSFORD** and the **NEW REGULATION TRACK** are conceded to be among the most comfortable and the best on the Pacific Coast.  
**SPLENDID CONTESTS OF SPEED** each day. There is entered for it an estimate the best field of horses this year that has been on the grounds for many seasons.  
 Valuable and handsome improvements have been made on the grounds and buildings.  
**PREMIUM LIST** Has been revised and improved to the benefit of exhibitors.  
 Entries for Premiums close at 3 p. m. the first day of the Fair, and Exhibits must be in place by 10 p. m. of said day.  
**PRICES OF ADMISSION.**  
 Men's Season Tickets \$2.50  
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**W. H. CRAVEN & CO.**  
 Carry a full line of  
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**Saddles, Whips**  
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**REPAIRING PROMPTLY AND NEATLY DONE.**  
**INDEPENDENCE, OREGON.**

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 We have also put in a New Improved Cleaner and will do a General Warehouse Business on the most favorable terms.  
 The highest market price paid for wheat at all times.  
 Satisfaction Guaranteed.

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 Owing to hard times I have reduced my prices on all kinds of work, by special contract. Family work is being taken at especially Low Prices.

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**The Druggists,**  
 They Have the Goods.  
 They Sell at Low Prices.  
 The Quality is Superior.  
 They are Accommodating  
**School Books and Stationery,**  
 They keep everything called for.  
 They will fill orders by mail or by telephone. They keep pens, ink, writing paper, in fact, a full line in that department.

**REMEMBER**  
 That Shelley, Alexander & Co. fill prescriptions at all hours of the day or night and have an experienced pharmacist.

**HOP-MEN**  
**ATTENTION!**  
 Are You Going to use **HOP TICKETS**  
 the same as last year  
 or Do you want something better?  
 Are you not running a risk in using the same tickets you used last year? Think it over and then come to the WEST SIDE office and see our  
**NEW SAFETY HOP TICKET!**  
 They Come in Packages of 100  
 Every ticket has a separate number printed in red or purple.  
 You know absolutely how many boxes of hops are picked, as these tickets cannot be lost, uncounted or duplicated.  
 Your name is printed on every ticket. You keep the stub of the ticket and can count them over at your leisure.  
 You cannot make a mistake in counting them.  
 After hop picking is over you can verify your accounts and have no guess work about the number of boxes.  
 Your employes cannot cheat you.  
 They are a  
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 and our prices are very low.  
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**WEST SIDE Job Office,**  
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 Guaranteed the best and lightest-running wagon made. Mr. O'Donnell is, by a recent arrangement the manufacturer's agent, and will carry the largest and most complete line of implements ever brought to Polk county.  
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 Leave Orders with Independence, Monmouth, and Falls City Stage Drivers. Or Send by Mail or Express.

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 This College is one of the oldest and best equipped colleges in the northwest  
**Offers Superior Advantages.**  
 Expensive Light; A boarding hall in the College building on the club plan, President Brownson, at ward, thus guaranteeing good board at the least possible cost to the student. Board can also be had in private families at \$2.50 to \$3.00 per week, including lodging.  
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 Five courses of study—Classical, Scientific, Normal, Literary and Business' with special advantages in Vocal and Instrumental Music. Business course of two years' Graduates of the Normal course are entitled to a State Diploma, and are in demand for high positions. McMinnville is accessible by rail from all parts of the State, on the main trunk of the Southern Pacific R. R. West Side; twenty-five miles south of Portland.  
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 Marble and Granite Monuments  
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 A new and complete stock of Marble and Granite Monuments to arrive soon, which we will furnish at low prices and at short notice. We buy by the carload and can give customers advantage of low freight.  
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