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By Alfred D. Cridge.

Sheeney?" asked a friend.

"Indeed he is," was the reply. seph Fels is wise-very wise."

to charity, then, like Carnegie? asked the friend.

all charity is a fraud, and all little compared to the value it bor unions, or bought a seat in swollen fortunes are robberies, has in the land that makes its the United States senate. He is a job," I replied.

"Did this wise man you admire wor! for his money, then?"

sweat.

such figures?"

to me and I was too busy to read of justice." it; but I put it to one side. There "You don't think he wants to right. I will read that book. Send was nobody to tell me about it, be a lord, then?" Why don't some of you land value "More than any other man, he and say, send some fellow down tax fellows limp around once in has indirectly contributed to the the line that can talk it to the a while? You know the farmers downfall of the power of the Bri- farmers. Have him talk to their of Oregon are prejudiced against tish lords and their legislative hearts as well as their heads. The this justice you talk about; but house. He is not much inclined soul of every farmer is not in his you also know that the farmers to wership titles."

are a hospitable lot of people, and "What is he going to do in gon are willing to do what is hat they want to do right. I Oregoi?"

inals or grafters."

advocates a scheme that would tablish justice in taxation. If send to 821/2 Front street, W. G. the convict road working scheme, let the corporations go?"

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mers' lands in Oregon, then?"

road franchises?"

"Isn't this Joseph Fels, who anybody else go, that has a spec- zation and true Christianity." gives money to promote the prin- ial privilege. By corporations I ciples of land value taxation, a presume you really mean railway down any proposed law to estab

'Sheeney' means wise man. Jo-"Why don't he give his money

"Because Joe Fels knows that

and says so. Fels gives his mon-right of way. The waterfront ey to secure justice, and where holdings at terminal points are justice reigns, charity is out of tremendous in value."

"Well, Fels said some month ago in Canada that he got all ! money by hard work and sweat - 'ce assessed at over a hundred gon. Won't that be charity?" other people's hard work and hillions.

"What the dickens does he expect to accomplish with the money he gives to this land value tax

"Justice." "Is this land value tax scheme

"Nothing else." "I don't see where the justice ing a fair valuation on the till- information on these subjects the comes in to the farmer. As I able lands and that the farmer Joseph Fels will not put up any, understand it, the farmer would on the average has as many acres either. There are plenty of counhave all the taxes to pay on the of untilled lands, the farm lands tries where his money finds other land, and the big corporations should not be assessed at more would go free. If Joseph Fels is than \$66,000,000. Not counting the own conations" such a wise man, I should think improvements on town lots, the he would not try to drive what lots alone are assessed for nearly up much?" farmers there are left off the land. \$160,000.000.". Up the Willamette valley there are

fewer farmers now than there seph Fels: What is his idea in not more land values than any were 20 years ago." "Unless the scheme of land uation taxation? Does he expect of putting all taxes on farmers and value taxation which Joseph Fels to be made an English lord or workingmen saits them ver, well advocates is justice to the farmer duke, or has he an idea that a Read the Oregonian if you want it is not justice to all. To place Jew can ever be president of the to discover how much they wil taxes on land values would not United States, or what is his pu' up. One of its proprietors has drive the fa mer from the farm, game, anyhow?" but would attract the workers "Joseph Fels cannot have any have to pay not less than \$20,000 from the cities. This is because other idea than pure humanitar a year more than it now pays

the farmer does not own, and nev- lanism. He sincerely believes that land value exaction prevails, and er did own, and never will own, justice will promote the welfare it has been held idle for man the land values of the state of of humanity more than charity, years. How much would you ex Oregon or any other. In the na- and he realizes that the greatest pect Mr. Pittock to put up to s ture of things it is impossible." injustice of all is the monopoly of cure an additional tax on hi "I am a farmer, and from Mis- God's gift to man-the whole holdings of \$20,000 a year?" Bouri. Fels has got to show me; earth. He would give to mankind "But Pittock is no railroad or anybody else that preaches what has been theirs from the saw mill."

sent out partly through money their reach. He is a prophet of ues far in excess of its improve contributed by Joseph Fels to old come to earth again to bring ments and personal property it every citizen of Oregon you will confusion upon the hosts of the ectual value. If there is, then see that the farmer is over as oppressors. As he says, the mis- will benefit by the new system sassed more than a hundred mil- sion of the Jews is to preach and it should. One of the larges lions of dollars in Oregon; while Christ anity to the Christians; and raw mills in Oregon owns water we all know that timber, mineral he is one of the missionaries." and speculative lands are under "He hasn't made much of a its buildings, machinery and stock assessed more than that many start, has he?"

Where does that pamphlet get Since Joseph Fels took hold of borred down and were not rebuilt the agitation in Great Britain for 10 years the increased value "From the assessment returns and backed up the cause of just of its land would pay good divi and from official estimates. There tice with his money, more things de ds to its shareholders." is no questioning them, for the have happened to the British aris- "But the Pittock block has tw benefit of the doubt is generously tocracy than they ever thought wighty fine buildings on it. given in every instance to the oth- could come about. Land value "Those buildings are small, ol er side. There is no doubt but taxation is a fixed pledge and pol- and out of date. In comparison what the farmers of Oregon are icy of the dominant party, and to the value of the land, they are paying 60 per cent of the taxes there is no doubt but what the not as much as a pig pen on the and actually own less than 15 money of this little, but great, finest half section of farming land American Jew has done more than Look at the big building two per cent of the land values." "Then I will have to read that any similar amount ever contrib- blocks west of it, if you want to

her have justice than charity the progressive people of Oregon you. Firing literature at them is want to establish justice in taxa- all right, but this wise man, Fels, There is no doubt that every- tion, now that they have the can make his money go further if tering their condition. body would rather have justice power, he will probably help to he will have the farmers meet at There is much truth in what diagrace to a Hottentot village. than charity, unless they are crim- some extent. He is not going to home and have questions answered it says, but the indications are at is does in Chicago among the try to force any law on the peo- by men who are honest and who that in hopes of getting something garment workers, who is it pro-"Well, how does Mr. Fels pro- ple. He will probably help to know." pose to establish justice when he inform them on the way to es "Tell any of your neighbors to and the farmers will put through they do not wish to be informed Eggleston, and get all those pamph egardiess of the interests of the to squander a good reputation.

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"No, not very much Not as much as if he had given it to some charity for a lot of syncho phants to live from, or spent in a wine supper to a lot of aris

patriot of the world, and is help ing movements for justice in Can lada and Australia, as well as in "What is the value of the rail-Great Britain and the United States. are fully four hundred

"Then he is going to give a lo s of dollars in Oregon and of money to the people of Ore-"No; Joseph Fels is not going to give any money away in Ore gon; not a cent. He will put inte "The assessment for 1909 shows an educational fund a little mone that the farmer pays taxes on a if other people will do the same valuation on tillable lands of This is not charity, but missionar, \$135,000,000, of which fully a work for justice. Fels has no hundred millions is improvement money for charity. If the peo values, according to the report ple of Oregon do not match his of the tax commissioners. Allow dollars for de dissemination o

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"There is no big corporation i "Well, coming back to this Jo Oregon that I know of that had advancing this cause of land val- thing else, and the present system a single block of land that wil

beginning, and would open their "True; but there is no railroad "If you will read the pamphlet eyes to the gift that is within or saw mill but what has land val It is making more from its land "More than you may think. than anything else, and if its mills

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