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One day last week our streets were littered with dodgers gotten out by a firm that has just located on Burlington street. In this hand bill the advice is given to "leave your money at home and patronize home institutions." The fact is also made known in a prominent manner that the printing of the bill was done by a Portland printing house. This is certainly being consistent with a vengeance. Asking our citizens to patronize home institutions and at the same time refusing to do so themselves requires a good deal of nerve on the part of any business firm. If the home printing office had first been consulted in the matter and if its prices were unreasonable or the work could not be gotten out at the time required, then no fault could be found with this firm for getting the work done elsewhere. The Review is a local institution. It is equipped in a thoroughly modern manner, its type and machinery being of the latest and most approved style and pattern. As for workmanship its output is superior to most of the printing that is ground out in Portland, and its prices will compare favorably with any reputable printing office in that city. Therefore, The Review has a right to expect the patronage of St. Johns business men. It would be an easy matter for the paper to revenge itself upon the business men who do not advertise or patronize its job department by publishing the fact that St. Johns is an excellent location to open a business of the nature represented by a non-advertiser. This plan has been adopted by many newspapers, but The Review does not desire to follow this course unless forced to do so. We are well aware of the fact that there are a number of business and professional men in St. Johns who do not advertise. Why, we do not know. It may be that they are ashamed of the fact that they are located in St. Johns and do not want it publicly known, or else they would sooner lose than do business.

When you see a firm advocating home patronage and disregarding its own theory, it would be well to examine their goods and prices before purchasing.

## POSTOFFICE

Is Now Provided With Five Hundred Boxes.

From now on the patrons of the St. Johns postoffice will have ample room for the transaction of business. Postmaster Valentine has had carpenters at work for the past two weeks installing the new partitions and boxes. The new receptacles for mail will occupy a space of over fifty feet. There will be five compartments for the boxes of various sizes. Three windows for mail, money order and registered letters will also be available.

The boxes are of the regulation pattern of wire bottoms, bronzed outside and provided with lock keys. The partitions have been stained and present a handsome appearance. The officials will occupy a space on the north side of the building. Everything will be ready for the public in a few days. Postmaster Valentine is to be congratulated on the provisions he has made for the public.

## Of Course It Paid.

"Judge" tells a story of a boy who wrote on the blackboard at school, "John Jones can hug the girls better than any other fellow in the class." A stern inquisition conducted by the teacher fastened the authorship of this declaration upon John Jones himself, and the culprit was commanded to remain after school was dismissed. His sympathetic classmates lingered in the vicinity to learn his fate. "Well did she lick you?" they inquired, when he finally appeared. "Nope," said John. "It's funny what she kept you in for then," they said. "I ain't a-goin to tell," he answered, but it pays to advertise."

## For Rent.

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## UNEQUAL

Valuations in the Assessment of Property in St. Johns.

As property owners in St. Johns learn the valuation of their real estate as estimated by the county assessor and the amounts they are compelled to pay as taxes some wonderful developments are coming to light. That the values have been estimated in an over-the-fence-and-out sort of a way many are ready to admit. Many are of the opinion that the valuations were made in order to see how much the people could be mulcted. There is nothing fair in the appraisal of values. The whole list from the outside unimproved lots to the most valuable property in the business center shows a carelessness that is almost criminal.

To illustrate: One piece of property that sold last year for \$6500 is assessed \$145 on a valuation of \$7000. Another that is and has been worth \$9000 for the past year pays \$51 taxes. A ranch of 300 acres is assessed \$1800 while \$200,000 worth of property gets off by paying \$500 into the county treasury. A lot that was purchased a year ago for \$300 is assessed at its purchase price, while two houses worth \$2500 are taxed a paltry \$9. There are many other instances that might be cited to show the unequal valuations.

It is said that many values in the city were raised by the officials at the court house. Who determined these values is not known to The Review. It could not have been done by any one who was familiar with his work. The whole list of valuations shows carelessness and incompetency. There is no good reason why one tax payer should be assessed at the full value of his property while another is allowed to pay taxes on a valuation of a quarter of what he owns. To ascertain the correct valuations of all property in the county is a difficult task, but the officials in charge are supposed to be competent and painstaking. They are paid for their work and are supposed to give it the time and attention it requires.

## BASE BALL

St. Johns is to Have a First Class Ball Club.

At a well attended meeting held in M. W. A. hall on the 21st ult. it was decided that St. Johns will have a ball club to represent her on the diamond this summer. There is plenty of material on the lower peninsula to select from, and all have declared a willingness to assist in giving the city a first class article of ball. Representatives were chosen to attend a meeting of the Portland City League and ascertain whether a club from this city could gain admission. On being informed that this would be done, on condition that a club organize, a meeting was held Saturday night, and organization perfected by the election of the following officers:

President—F. W. Valentine.  
Secretary—Frank Goodell.  
Treasurer—D. C. Rogers.  
Executive Committee—S. C. Norton, Pascal Hill.  
Pascal Hill offered the use of his grounds and promised to put and keep them in A1 order. Many players were present and signed up with the club for a trial. All home players are invited to leave their names with the secretary that they may be given a chance for a place on the club.

## Listen

And remember the next time you suffer from pain—caused by damp weather—when your head nearly bursts from neuralgia—try Ballard's Snow Lintment. It will cure you. A prominent business man of Hempstead, Texas, writes: "I have used your lintment. Previous to using it I was a great sufferer from Rheumatism and Neuralgia. I am pleased to say that now I am free from these complaints. I am sure I owe this to your lintment." Sold by St. Johns Drug Store.

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