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people who should be prepared for their first communion; or the young men who are getting careless about religion; the reason why some people are not communicants at all; the cause of irregular attendance at church, and such like information. And it is not likely that in pastoral visitations the secret sorrows of the family will be told the minister which would not be brought to his study except in an emergency and which he might never guess for himself? If there be an understanding between the minister and his people then they are ready when he comes with many confessions, suggestions, questions, there is a conference about affairs which sends away the minister a wiser man and leaves the family happier and both minister and family nearer to one another."

The noticeable lack of spirituality in the church may be traced toward neglect of pastoral duty. If there is not a spiritual atmosphere in Oregon City perhaps we will have to charge our ministry with erring judgment in directing its labors.

RAILROAD COMMISSIONS.

The foremost question in the Washington political campaign has been railroad commission or no railroad commission. Other issues entered into the fight to such an extent that it is not possible to estimate the percentage of Washington voters favoring or opposing the measure.

It is certain however, that the agricultural sections of that state have great faith in a commission that they believe will secure for them fair treatment from the railroads and that will put a stop to discriminating rates that work to their disadvantages.

Carriers of both freight and passengers have for a long time been regarded in a different light from private business concerns. They receive public bounty in many instances and numerous advantages that are not accorded to private enterprises. So whenever common carriers have done business, the right of the state to closely scrutinize their treatment of the public has been generally conceded.

This state tried the experiment of a railroad commission. Although its services to the people were not all that had been expected, yet there was prospect of great benefit coming from it. The railroads seized an opportune time to put it out of business. Their lobby and their purse are said to have been much in evidence when the Legislature abolished the commission, and this would lead one to believe that they were averse to having their affairs brought under the surveillance of a representative of the public.

In the state of Washington the railroads are solidly lined up against the supporters of the commission. It is noticeable too, that Washington is even more absolutely under the thumb of the transportation companies than is Oregon. And surely their grip on Oregon is not a light one.

Oregon was satisfied with her railroad commission. She will be asking for its reinstatement but will meet with a stubborn resistance. Influential Oregon publications have been busy for years in their effort to turn public sentiment against a commission, but the question is sure to bob up, sooner or later, and then some of the people's public servants, who are also the railroad's paid employees, will have to do a lot of straddling and dodging.

A BATTLE WORTH WINNING.

In the struggle for success in life, the most important element of success is often, even generally, overlooked. There is no battle so hard to win, none that brings such pleasure to him who wins, as the fight against self. There is no defeat so bitter as that in such a struggle. Financial reverses may discourage; failure to obtain social or political standing may dishearten; but when one who has prided himself on being a man in the truest sense of the word, finds that he has failed in self-control, then does he know the bitterness of defeat.

Political and social ambitions are laudable. The desire for the accumulation of wealth is not censurable. But through all this, the greatest thought should be the complete victory over self. Happy is the man of whom it may be truthfully said: "I saw an angel with majestic mien And radiant brow and smile divinely sweet. Strong human passions writhed beneath his feet; There, too, expired those coward faults which screen Themselves behind inheritance, and lean On dead men for their strength and think it meet. All, all lay prostrate, owning their defeat. Then to the spirit with the eyes serene I cried aloud, in wonder and in awe—'Oh, mighty one, who art thou, that thy glance Can circumvent heredity—cheat chance, And conquer nature? What thine occult law? Art thou incarnate Force—the over-soul?' The angel answered—'I AM SELF CONTROL.'"

PULPIT REVOLUTION.

20th Century methods are working a revolution in the pulpit as marked as in the business world. It is astounding, when one stops to consider, how many of the pulpits of our large cities have become places of entertainment where people congregate from an incentive similar to that which draws them to the theatre or the concert.

The minister announces long in advance his subject, suggestive of dramatic interest. He gives it all the publicity possible through the press. Before the assemblage of curious expectant listeners he delivers a sensational address calculated, not so much to do his hearers good, as to bring them back again.

The justification of it all is that those unused to church attendance are drawn in. But granting this, what benefit do they derive from such discourses? They are neither instructive nor spiritual.

The minister's time is so fully occupied in preparation for these elaborate efforts that he has little leisure to devote to pastoral visitations. Rev. John Watson ("Ian MacIaron") in The British Weekly urges this latter duty on the ministry in the following language: "How (except by pastoral visitation) is the minister to gather those facts of family life upon which his pastoral duty must be based? For instance, the children who are ready for the Sunday School; the young

County Court.

At a regular term of county court of State of Oregon, for the county of Clackamas, held at the Court House in Oregon City in said county, on the day 2d of Nov. A. D. 1904, and from day to day thereafter during the continuance of said term.

Present: The Hon. Thos. F. Ryan, county judge, presiding; Hon. T. B. Killin and Hon. Wm. Brobet, commissioners, among others the following business was transacted:

In the matter of reports of road supervisors examined and allowed:

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Ed Tucholke	\$11 00
H Stackey	19 00
Otto Thune	24 00
J Koek	19 00
Ed Bottmiller	40 00
Amel Tucholke	58 00
John Tucholke	10 00
Jas Oliver	58 00
J Counsell	70 00
R Scott	24 00
H A Andrews	8 00
D Worthington	4 00
Chas Thune	3 00
H Oliver	2 00
Geo Buck	2 00
W Ralls	23 00
Chas Maroney	12 00
W H Counsell	65 00
John Bomgartner	4 00
DIST. NO. 2.	
Sager & Wing	14 45
I W Johnson	3 50
C O Jones	7 00
L D Jones	12 50
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G B Linn	7 50
DIST. NO. 6.	
Rich & Mell	6 82
J S Gibbons	5 25
Jas DeShazer	7 50
C L Idleman	12 00
Caspar Junker	9 00
Geo Maroney	13 00
C A Lindholm	25 00
Earnest Fischer	3 50
C Pugh	1 00
J H Revenue	12 50
J Brusett	3 50
DIST. NO. 8.	
T Revenue	6 00
W O Rugh	10 50
D W Douglas	12 00
DIST. NO. 10.	
T Yocum	109 75
Carey Hdw Co	5 55
W R Outfield	19 16
R A Wilcox	18 12
Gerl Wilcox	9 04
Chas Dannean	6 40
August Strubbe	14 87
Elmer Davis	3 50
Ray Wilcox	1 75
Curt Wilcox	1 75
W H Holder	6 40
Floyd Holder	6 40
Lea Wills	1 75
DIST. NO. 11.	
W H Bonney	12 50
M Bell	12 00
J W Mackay	31 50
E Story	26 45
O O Foundry	34 51
J E Smith	37 50
DIST. NO. 14.	
B F Linn	13 85
G F Gibbs	18 75
Ben Rainer	7 50
Bob Ronald	3 00
L Davies	6 00
Chas Forbes	3 00
Chas Criswell	3 00
Lester Treman	4 50
DIST. NO. 15.	
David Fancher	1 50
Geo Seerist	1 50
W B Lawton	3 75
DIST. NO. 16.	
James Rettinger	30 75
DIST. NO. 17.	
James Adkins	20 17
J A Frahm	8 25
A L Snell	3 75
Bert Nelson	6 00
Carey Cox	9 00
Chas Tackelson	1 50
A H Knight	15 50
Alex Tice	1 50
Martin Anderson	2 25
H W Evans	22 50
B H White	18 50
Warren Lee	6 00
W W Walker	13 50
O G Morris	16 50
J Martin	13 00
A Kowchor	3 00
J Zoek	3 65
O R Mack	7 98
DIST. NO. 19.	
D L Trullinger	5 68
C Danallis	1 50
A Larkins	4 00
C Boyington	3 00
H J Davis	3 00
J J Mallatt	13 00
E Stone	1 50
DIST. NO. 20.	
Clarke's Saw mill	54 70
Peter Schiewe	4 12
Will Bottmiller	3 00
E Sullivan	6 25
DIST. NO. 21.	
Frank Busch	2 00
Ed Gottberg	3 00
Joe Carlson	1 50
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