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This issue of the Courier is edited by the ladies of the City and County and while it is impossible to mention each one who contributed to this number, we feel that those interested will find in looking over the articles that the ladies will be able to take care of themselves without any aid from the men.

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JUST LAWS.

Men have made laws for thousands of years yet it seems they have not been able to make one law to protect the innocent or poor.

The Columbia Orchard Co. and the Cooperative Supply House of Portland are two similar cases. In the former the authorities took action and prosecuted the swindlers. In the latter not a county or federal attorney has raised a hand.

Could it be possible that rich and influential men were concerned in the first case while in the latter principally farmers?

Sisters, don't you think we could find among the thousands of laws one law to protect the farmer? Several hundred of them have given their promissory note for value received, these same notes have been taken up by the banks and I hardly believe a banker pretenses and they were used in this swindle, yet no one seems to take any notice.

It seems to make a great difference whose ox is gored!

No one seems to know where the fault really lies, but certainly our laws are defective there. They have now passed the "blue sky" law, and that might be protection in the future but it will only be a short time until some new phase of swindle comes along and more laws will have to be passed, and so on indefinitely.

Men have brought on this state of affairs and I think it is time women to help make laws. Women should not be satisfied with simply voting, but should obtain seats in the legislature and other offices.

At present our law makers seem to think they have done fine and worked hard when they have passed several hundred laws, half of them worthless and the other half unconstitutional. It might be better if we would unpass a few laws.

We should thank our good governor for providing law makers who are actually cutting off the head of many a law.

Under the right kind of laws, better roads and farmers' cooperation, farm life in Oregon would be ideal, we have greater advantages than most any state.

The farmers are beginning to see that they must cooperate, therefore they fell so easily into that Portland swindle.

The cry is "back to the farm" but it would be more correct at present, "back to the farmer," when you are short on money.

MRS. IDA M. HART

FOR THE KIDDIES' SAKE

Which is the more important: that the city have a few hundred dollars, or that we have suitable places for our children to amuse themselves? The swimming season is coming on and we ought to have a swimming pool, and have a man there to teach the children how to swim.

If we want the farmers to come to our city to trade, we should give them every convenience possible.

The population of Oregon City is not great enough to be self supporting as yet, and we depend largely upon the farmers' trade to make our city as prosperous as it should be.

MRS. C. H. DYE

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ASSISTANT EDITOR

We read that Chief Probation Officer Whipple has filed complaints against eight tobacco dealers in Portland for selling tobacco to boys.

ELIZABETH MATHESON

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DR. FRIEDMAN AND HIS CURE.

"The greatest discoverer of the age." "The biggest fakir of the century."

"One or the other of these definitions will ultimately apply itself to the name of the German bacteriologist, who for some weeks past has been demonstrating his cure for tuberculosis in America."

It is difficult for many people to understand why this country has not received Dr. Friedmann with open arms and accepted his cure for what it is worth. If the treatment will actually do all that its inventor claims for it, then many precious lives will be sacrificed while the medical experts are conducting their tests and experiments.

Several reasons might be mentioned as to why scientific men are skeptical as to the efficiency of the Friedmann cure.

"My treatment cures tuberculosis, in any stage of development, even to the point of death," was the cry with which the doctor heralded his entry into America. In this extravagant statement, medical men have recognized an apparatus to the popular ear, for every well-informed person knows that there are points in the development of a case of tuberculosis beyond which it is hopeless to look for cure.

Science knows how to cure a burn; but in cases where a certain proportion of the body covering has been destroyed, death will always result. Just so in tubercular infection of the lungs, larynx or digestive tract; where the disease is far advanced and where great disintegration of tissue has taken place, no treatment can effect an absolute cure.

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Dr. Friedmann's confidence in his cure is extreme, and his claims for it are so extravagant as to cause the medical fraternities to suspect him of Charlatanism, and he will probably not receive recognition here unless he can thoroughly demonstrate the truthfulness of those claims and also make known the secret process by means of which he secures the result. His medical science has not been upon any treatment which would destroy the tubercular bacilli within the body without also killing the patient. Dr. Friedmann claims to have discovered a non-toxic serum which fulfills the purpose in every respect.

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Scientific men have too fresh in memory the fake perpetrated upon them by another M. D., to be easily hoodwinked a second time. However it must be admitted that Dr. Friedmann's researches have been in the direction from which in all probability the cure for tubercular diseases must come; and if no greater good results, the present excitement will be the means of urging on experiments throughout the world, and one may look forward to a positive cure for the "white plague" being found at no far distant time.

But although the Friedmann cure may not prove to be all that was at first hoped, no one having tubercular or consumptive tendencies should despair, since the best known remedies for these constitutional disorders are hygienic and dietetic rather than medical or surgical.

It is safe to think that there are thousands of men, women and children whose cases today are perfectly curable, but who, because of ignorance, neglect, doubt or hesitancy, will delay until their disease has passed the point of transition from the hopeful to the hopeless.

One of the most potent causes for this delay will be found in the widespread advertisements of patent medicine vendors. These quacks spend annually millions of dollars to humbug the public, and reap a corresponding large profit. The largest portion of them can scarcely be overestimated. In tubercular cases these so-called remedies are worse than useless, they are deadly. Not that the medicines themselves directly harm the patient, but they are absolutely impotent to reach the cause of the trouble. They are sold upon the strength of their ability to alter or temporarily alleviate one or all of the secondary or reflex symptoms, such as pain, cough, or fever, etc. Meanwhile the disease progresses steadily and when at last the proper medical advice is sought, the trouble is found to have progressed too far and the patient has nothing before her but the agony of a lingering death.

The first attack of tuberculosis upon the system is extremely stealthy, and who may be taken for granted that when the symptoms become pronounced as to be recognizable by the average person that the disease has already progressed to a dangerous extent, and it should be understood that the slightest delay will likely prove fatal. In such cases the best medical advice is none too good.

It is because of the invariable fatal results of delay or error in treating tuberculosis in its incipient stage that the medical association of America, and the medical staff of the federal government are demanding that Dr. Friedmann should abundantly prove that there is no deception or falsehood about his cure.

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The kind of a man the women of our community would like to vote for is the man who always stands for the right, even though he stand alone. The man who is not a slave to public opinion; who votes right not because the world is watching him, and he is afraid to do otherwise, but who acts according to the promptings of a good conscience.

The man who waits for public sentiment to force him to act and then expects to be patted on the back and told what a fine fellow he is, need not expect the votes of the women who stand for honesty and righteousness.

EDITOR.

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POOR ECONOMY.

Is it not a pity the streets of Oregon City are in such a deplorable condition after money has been so lavishly spent for their betterment. Property has been, I understand, assessed at almost confiscation and yet it is doubtful if any of the streets which the so-called macadam pavement has been put down are in any better condition than they were before they were fixed with the exception, perhaps, of the grade being bettered.

Every time there is a bad storm, this so-called pavement is washed away in large quantities and the city is taxed to remove the refuse from where it lodges and taxed again to repair the numerous places where the macadam has been either washed off or scraped off by the city "boorders" or men employed by the city.

It seems too bad that our city fathers could not have benefited by the experience of other cities and put down a hard surface pavement. It might have been a little more expensive at first, but in the long run for women far cheaper than this mud traffic. That is, the macadam made of the soft rock we have here. There is also another question I would like to ask: Why do not our councilmen or whoever is responsible, have this work done at the proper time? Last fall or winter they had a gang of men and teams working on Jackson street between 12th and 17th streets for weeks, grading, and this spring it has to be all done over again, as during the winter all the soft, fresh earth washed away. The only excuse for this waste is the fact that it gives employment to a large number of men for repair work and also affords an excellent opportunity for irresponsible contractors to fleece the taxpayers of an already overburdened, tax-ridden community. Who is to blame? Were the contractors compelled to give bonds guaranteeing their work? If not, why not?

"WELLWISHER." Mrs. A. D. M.

AMBITION

Ambition—Thou destroyer of Wisdom.

Mad Joan of Arc understood the message of the voices to deliver France from the tyrants she would not have led her people in war, which means man's inhumanity to man—rather, it stands us in hand to sign petitions to bring that law before the voters.

MRS. J. S. YODER

DRIVING US AWAY.

Merchants Must Tie Our Horses To Tie Our Trade

Mr. Klemonson said the city was forcing him into great loss, and he thought it nothing more than confinement of his property. He said that if the council did not give him a license, he was either going to become a preacher or a professor, as he believed these occupations a little more secure at least in Oregon City.—Enterprise, April 2.

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THE POSTAL BUSINESS OF OREGON CITY for the year ending March 31, amounts to \$19,000, says our Postmaster, Mr. Randall. These figures do not include those of the postal savings bank business, which is very heavy on account of being supported by the employees of the wool and paper mills.

The Legislative of the State of Minnesota recently passed a law to appropriate \$500,000 for a building to house the State Historical Society, yet there are people in Oregon who think that the state university is getting too much when they are to receive \$200,000! Minnesota also appropriates \$2,000,000 for the state university.

Now is the time to exterminate the flies. In the business sections of Redlands, California, large baited wire fly traps are placed at the corner of each block. These are collected at regular intervals, the contents burned, and the traps set again. Would this plan be worth trying in Oregon City? Why not? Mrs. B.

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"CITY HEALTHFUL"

In those days when we hear so much about a "City Beautiful" would it not be well to combine beauty with "Health" as to my mind nothing will attract more attention and induce more people to come to a city to make their homes than a good, clean, healthy populace and what is more attractive, especially to the one looking for a home than to see happy, healthy people, especially healthy children; and how can we expect to have them healthy when their food is exposed to the public dog and the filthy fly? We all know the fly is a carrier of disease and filth so then why is not the law enforced, compelling our tradesmen to keep their fruit, vegetables, meat, etc., which they have exposed for sale, covered with either glass or wire screens and also high enough off of the floor or sidewalk to prevent the reach of the "public dog," for although a lover of dogs I am not fond of them that I care to take them in my food.

Now I do not wish to "knock" our fair city but am writing this in the interests of a healthy, happy people, as we cannot be happy without health even if all the parks and gardens in the city were covered with roses.

Your health and cleanliness J. A. M.

ANOTHER "ANARCHIST"

Mrs. Yoder of Hubbard, Favors the University Referendum

Sol according to the Enterprise, all signs of the university referendum petitions are anarchists. Well here is another. I want to sign my name to that petition that—in the language of John Hancock—Pat McArthur and H. L. Pitcock can read it without spectacles.

Tony mind there is too much of spoiled child about our university, the more we give way to them the more they want.

It was my understanding that four years ago when they got \$225,000 yearly that that was to end it, they were not to ask for more, but it has been more and more at every session of the Legislature since.

Now there is another law passed at the last session of the Legislature that every owner of a threshing outfit wants to help kill and that is the act prohibiting traction engines on the public roads for any purpose except drawing your separator. The member who studied up such an iniquitous measure as the one mentioned above should go to Salem for a long term, but not as a member of our Legislative Assembly. It stands us in hand to sign petitions to bring that law before the voters.

MRS. G. A. BROWN

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This Interests Every Woman

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What Women Can Do

The recent recall of a judge in San Francisco illustrates what the women of any community when they have the right to vote, can do. A judge of the easy-going type had fixed the bail of a man found guilty of a criminal assault on a woman, at a nominal sum in order that the guilty party might forfeit his bail and not appear.

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The Bank of Oregon City OLDEST BANK IN CLACKAMAS COUNTY