

# The New Age.

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Happy New Year to all mankind!

It is time for intelligent voters to begin to learn something about the issues of the next local campaign.

Presently the county and city committee will begin to talk. They'll have to. Voters are already becoming anxious.

The Democrats declare that their party must have a daily newspaper. But there's a vast difference between confessing the need and supplying it.

The local Republican clubs have begun to reshape and perfect their organizations and have already succeeded in exciting some enthusiasm in the preliminary work of the impending campaign.

The Sunday Welcome, the "old reliable" sensational newspaper of the city, issued two double editions during the holidays, the last one being printed in green—to show, perhaps, that it is not a yellow journal.

The colored voters of Portland are not less active in the matter of organizing for the forthcoming city and county control than are other elements, for they have reason to believe that there'll be a hot time in the old town before the middle of June next.

The many friends of Professor A. P. Armstrong, the popular county superintendent of schools, would like to see him retained in this important office. Mr. Armstrong has made a most excellent record and is popularly referred to as the best school superintendent that Multnomah county has ever had.

The Christmas issue of the Evening Telegram was, in truth, a work of art. It was nothing less than a magnificent number, both in type and illustrations. The presswork was more than usually good; and its 168 columns were replete with entertaining matter, set off well by an excellent display of artistically composed advertisements.

The Storey-Long contest promises to be a long story. The personal differences between these officials have taken on the official phase, much to the discredit of the city which they represent. City Attorney Long has the advantage of Mayor Storey in that he is a lawyer. The mayor has the advantage of the city attorney in that he possesses the veto power. The city council enjoys a certain degree of advantage over both. The "good work" is likely to go on for some time yet.

The apprehension of murderer Haywood, in this city, the other day, by detectives Ford and Cordano was a clever bit of work on the part of the local sleuths. Haywood is a criminal of a very bad class. He is wanted in Utah for the cold-blooded murder of a store-keeper whom he killed for his money. For eight months the authorities have been searching for him. But it was left for the Portland detectives to run him to earth and pick him up for the Utah executioner.

The city council is again entertaining the public with a wrangle over the liquor license problem. The retail liquor dealers received favorable attention from the council, the \$200 for malt liquors only, leaving the license fee to be \$400 for houses in which liquor is sold to be consumed on the premises. This includes restaurants which furnish liquors to patrons to be drunk on the premises. But it does not include grocers who sell by the bottle. The retailers seem better pleased with the new law.

### COLORED BAR ASSOCIATION.

The colored members of the bar of the District of Columbia met at the office of W. Calvin Chase Saturday last week and perfected an organization looking toward the calling of a national convention to be held in May, 1900, by the active colored practicing lawyers of all the states and territories in the United States for the purpose of

considering the federal Constitution and statutes and the decisions of the federal appellate courts predicated thereon; the Constitution, statutes and decisions of the court of appeals in the several states, territories and the District of Columbia bearing upon the legal status of the Negro of this country and the administration of the laws, both state and federal courts, in all proceedings in which the Negro is a party.

Officers were chosen as follows: E. M. Hewlett, president; W. C. Martin, first vice-president; T. L. Jones, second vice-president; P. W. Frisby, secretary; Royal A. Hughes, treasurer. Executive committee: W. Calvin Chase, W. C. Martin, Royal A. Hughes, William L. Pollard, L. M. King and Scipio Baker.

### HOME DEMOCRACY.

Local Democracy is entirely too democratic; so much so, in fact, that there is not enough of it left, of the partisan kind, to effect an organization. Strenuous effort was made recently to paste the scattered fragments together and call it re-organization; but, when the effeminate sandhedrims stepped back for a clear and impartial survey of the product, they quickly pronounced it much less than a work of art. It was a crude cartoon, with Dr. Wells as a central figure.

There is current talk of another effort. Each faction will be given consideration in the platform of re-organization. It will be a sort of crazy-quilt affair. This will serve only to make new factions, for Democrats are not a unit on anything, nowadays.

All in all, our home Democracy appears to be in a pitiable plight. It would be better, in one respect, for the local public if it were not so much so.

### GOVERNOR GEER'S EVASION.

Governor T. T. Geer's conduct in the Plummer case, wherein he was charged by the latter with having accepted a bribe for an ante-dated pledge for political office, is shamefully disgraceful to the state of Oregon.

The people of this state have a perfect right to know the truth of this matter. Through the public press they demanded an explanation. Mr. Geer has responded by simply saying, in country school boy fashion:

"You're another!"

Such a response reflects discredit on the executive office of this great state. The Oregon public deserves a greater degree of respect from the governor.

If political corruption is to be continued in this state, without let or hindrance, and T. T. Geer is to be one of the chiefs in it, why does he not say in plain English:

"The public be d—d!"

Such courage might elicit a degree of admiration, however much the people may hold in contempt the official who displays it; but, of all the cowards in the world, popular hatred is extended first to the public official who voluntarily participates in corruption and then attempts to cloak his character in the gauze of the vain claim that "I am holier than thou!"

Governor Geer's explanation is very incomplete; and no one but the governor can complete it.

### NEGROES AND TAMMANY.

Colonel Asa B. Gardiner, the Democratic district attorney of New York city, has appointed James D. Carr, a Negro lawyer, as assistant district attorney. The New York Sun, a strong Republican newspaper, says that the appointment is contrary to traditions, and if it had been made at the South would have caused bitter resentment. As a matter of fact Tammany hall has given more employment to Negroes in the past five years than the Republicans of all New York in fifteen years. And why? The Sun gives the following reason:

By the national census of 1890 there were in New York county 9,054 colored male adults of voting age, 3,764 in Kings, 937 in Queens and 282 in Richmond. The present number is now usually put at 18,000, and special efforts have been made of late by the Democratic leaders in all the boroughs to detach as many of these colored voters as possible from the Republican party, with which by natural allegiance they have acted in the past. Tammany is after the colored vote, though much of the Democratic South has practically disfranchised it. Since 1896 thousands of intelligent

white Democrats have been voting the Republican ticket and many of them have come to stay. Accordingly Tammany is trying to supply their places by here and there putting a colored man on the payroll of the city. That is the explanation of the appointment by the district attorney, and of the unquestionable fact that the "Democratic" Negro has become an actual personage.

### AT CORDRAYS NEXT WEEK.

**A Big Bag-Time Feast.**  
What is positively the largest organization of colored artists that have yet visited the coast will be seen at Cordray's next week, when the latest rag-time musical farce-comedy and travesty, "The Hottest Coon in Dixie," will be presented for the first time in Portland. The company numbers nearly 40 of the leading colored singers, comedians and specialty performers in this country, including the original famous "Clorindy" chorus, that visited the coast for two weeks last February, and which enjoys the distinction of being the only colored organization of singers that has appeared at the fashionable New York Casino, where "Clorindy" was quite the fad for 16 consecutive weeks. All the original music, etc., of this popular skit has been retained in "The Hottest Coon in Dixie," with many more recent and popular "coon" melodies and specialties added. In fact, no less than a score of these catchy rag-time hits are interspersed throughout the performance. It is in these selections that this matchless chorus is heard to best advantage, and for volume, sweetness of voice and harmony it is claimed that this body of colored songsters have never been excelled. The engagement will open Sunday.

### Plenty of Supplies at Dawson.

D. W. Bullock, lately arrived from Dawson, said to an Alaskan reporter: "Dawson is supplied with everything needed there for the winter. The report as to a great shortage of oats is not true. There is plenty of oats along the river and in Dawson to supply the interior. When we got away from Dawson, November 7, oats were selling for 22 cents a pound and hay at 15 cents. Last winter oats went to 40 and 45 cents, and hay to 35 to 50 cents. Tobacco sells in Dawson today for \$1 to \$1.25 a pound, less than it brings in Bennett. The Bennett price is \$1.50 a pound. Flour that sold for \$8 in Dawson a year ago is worth only \$4.75 there today. There will be plenty of beef in Dawson throughout the winter. Dumbolton had four scows loaded with beef on the way in, one of which is at Selkirk and one at Stewart river. I do not know where the others are. Dumbolton will take the meat through to Dawson over the ice after the river freezes. McDougall & Burns have 80 tons below Selkirk and will take it in over the ice. The labor market of Dawson is glutted. There were 1,000 to 1,500 idle men in the town when I left, and more were rushing in from up the river."

### Atlin Future Output.

Charles Christopher, who has negotiated more large Atlin mining deals than any other man in the country during the season recently closed, is authority for the statement that there will be no less than half a dozen large hydraulic plants put in operation in Atlin with the opening of spring. He says the output of gold in that country will exceed \$5,000,000. The gold commissioner collected royalty on about \$700,000 this summer, but he failed to collect on more than half the output. There was at least \$1,500,000 taken out of the Atlin gold fields this year, and next year the output will exceed \$5,000,000. Last summer the great majority of the miners did not get to work before August 1, and they all worked small claims and handled most of the dirt with shovels. Next year they will handle it by the hydraulic process.

### Snowslide on White Pass.

News of a big snowslide on the White Pass & Yukon railroad was brought to Victoria by the steamer Tees. A rotary and two engines were buried by the slide, and after they were shoveled out, the rotary ran into a rock, knocking out 13 of its 20 knives. The train which was behind the snow-bucking outfit was not injured.

P. O'Regan, one of those who endeavored to walk to Skagway from the snowbound train, was found unconscious, with his face and hands frozen. The operator at Glacier reported to Skagway that the track there was covered for a distance of 850 feet a depth of five to 20 feet. Telegraph wires beyond Glacier are down.

R. H. Schwartz, druggist and apothecary, 225 Burnside street, between First and Second, Portland, Or.

### NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Lewis Cohen, deceased, has filed in the county court of Multnomah county, state of Oregon, his final account as such administrator of said estate and that on Saturday, the 27th day of January, at 9:30 o'clock A. M., has been fixed by said court as the time for hearing of objections to said report and the settlement thereof.

A. T. LEWIS,  
Administrator of the estate of Lewis Cohen, deceased.  
Dated December 21, 1899.

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### SHERIFF'S SALE.

In the circuit court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Multnomah. E. E. Watson and E. B. Beekman, partners doing business as Watson & Beekman, plaintiffs, vs. the Larch Mountain Investment Company, defendant.

By virtue of an attachment, execution and order of sale duly issued out of and under the seal of the above-entitled court, in the above-entitled cause, to me duly directed, and dated the 7th day of December, 1899, upon a judgment rendered and entered in said court on the 4th day of December, 1899, in favor of E. E. Watson and E. B. Beekman, partners doing business as Watson & Beekman, plaintiffs, and against the Larch Mountain Investment Company, defendant, for the sum of \$2701.89, with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 4th day of December, 1899, and the further sum of \$21.75 costs and disbursements, and the costs of and upon this writ, commanding me to make sale of the following-described real property, to-wit:

The west 1/2 of the west 1/2 of section 15, township one (1) north of range six (6) east of the Willamette meridian, in Multnomah county, state of Oregon, containing 160 acres.

Also the east 1/2 of the west 1/2 of section 30, township one (1) north of range six (6) east of the Willamette meridian, in Multnomah county, state of Oregon, containing 160 acres.

Also east 1/2 of the west 1/2 of section 31, township one (1) north of range six (6) east of the Willamette meridian, in Multnomah county, state of Oregon, containing 160 acres.

Also east 1/2 of the west 1/2 of section 32, township one (1) north of range six (6) east of the Willamette meridian, in Multnomah county, state of Oregon, containing 160 acres.

Also the east 1/2 of the west 1/2 of section 22, township one (1) north of range six (6) east of the Willamette meridian, in Multnomah county, state of Oregon, containing 160 acres.

Also the south 1/2 of the north 1/2 of section 25, township one (1) north of range five (5) east of the Willamette meridian, in Multnomah county, state of Oregon, containing 160 acres.

Now, therefore, by virtue of said execution and order of sale, and in compliance with the commands of said writ, I will on Monday, the 15th day of January, 1900, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M., at the front door of the county courthouse, in the city of Portland, said county and state, sell at public auction, subject to redemption, to the highest bidder, for United States gold coin, cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which the within-named defendant had on the date of the attachment herein, November 10, 1899, or since had, in and to the above-described real property, or any part thereof, to satisfy said execution, order of sale, interest, costs and all accruing costs.

Dated Portland, Or., December 14, 1899.

WILLIAM FRAZIER,  
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