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WILLIAM A PITIFUL SPECTACLE

Sulzer Sulzer is no longer Governor of New York. Within a year after he was elected to that office with loud professions of honesty and devotion to the people, he has been exposed by the facts of his life as a man who embezzled the money given to promote his election. He is exposed as practicing with the misappropriated money the very vice of stock speculation against which he stood so prominently. He is exposed as having tempted others to the perjury he expressed his readiness to commit. He is proved by the testimony of his own former friends to have endeavored to make terms with the prime movers of his impeachment.

SYSTEM IN COUNTY PURCHASES

It is surprising to find anyone opposing the plan of the Board of County Commissioners in procuring all county supplies through the services of a purchasing agent. It is inexcusable for any county officer to insist that he will make his own purchases without regard to the purchasing agent, or the County Board, or anyone else. It is the duty of the Auditor to audit the accounts of the purchasing agent and to report to the Board. It is the duty of the Auditor to audit the accounts of the purchasing agent and to report to the Board. It is the duty of the Auditor to audit the accounts of the purchasing agent and to report to the Board.

BARBARITIES BY BULGARIANS

The secrecy which enveloped the operations of the Bulgarians in their war against Turkey proves to have been for strategic reasons only. It was evidently intended to hide from the prying correspondents barbarities which make the Turks appear angels of mercy by comparison and which have prompted the Jewish, Greek and Armenian residents of Adrianople to demand reparation of the Moslems. They herded 15,000 prisoners on an island, with nothing to eat except the bark of trees and the soles of shoes and forbade relief from outside. Not only the Turkish, Greek and Jewish inhabitants and the Moslem prisoners, but the Bulgarians themselves were treated with the same barbarity. They were herded together and thrown into a river, and troops lined up on the banks fired on those who could swim.

AS TO ENMITY

Mrs. Pankhurst is sure of making one appearance in America, at any rate. The immigration authorities have promised to allow her to speak at Madison Square Garden, under bonds, if necessary, but she certainly will speak and who knows what awful things she may do when she opens her "trouble-breeding" mouth? No doubt revolution and anarchy will begin at her first word and spread in their devastating course from New York to San Francisco. Certainly, to hear some people talk about Mrs. Pankhurst, that is what we might reasonably expect.

TO HEART THAT THE INEXCUSABLE CALAMITY

It may, even the filmy excuses they have for violence do not exist here. American women are winning the right to vote by appealing to fair common sense and they know that they are. Hence it would be utterly silly for them to resort to violence and, of course, they will not do so. We see consequently how foolish it is for us to be afraid of Mrs. Pankhurst's influence. She will not have any and the nature of things cannot have any. In our opinion the fuss and the flurry over her visit is all nonsense.

THE GET-TOGETHER SPIRIT

Most hopeful for the future of Oregon is the get-together spirit shown by all its people and by the people of each section. The latest demonstration of this spirit was given by the people of Rogue River Valley at the convention at Medford. All competing towns sent delegates who united their voices and energies for the common interest. The talk was not of Medford, Ashland, Grants Pass or other towns, but of the Rogue River Valley and of all Oregon.

THE BATTLE OF LEIPZIG

Great preparations are making in Germany to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the battle of Leipzig. Naturally the principal exercises will be held in the city itself, where a great battle monument is being erected. The 18th of October is the anniversary of the battle. A curious feature of the day will be the delivery of patriotic messages from all parts of Germany and even from the United States. They are to be brought by runners as far as circumstances permit. In this country relays will be organized from Washington to New York, where it will be committed to a steamship which sails for Bremen. From that city runners will again receive it and pass it on to Leipzig. It is reported that 33,000 men will take part in this extraordinary festival on the 18th of October. The battle monument will be unveiled, commemorating the third day of the great battle at Leipzig, which is often called "the battle of the nations," as it may well be, since on one side was Napoleon with his army of Frenchmen and, on the other, the Prussians, with a force of Swedes and Prussians, Blucher with another, composed of Russians and Prussians, and Schwarzenberg with a still larger contingent of Austrians. In all more than 400,000 troops took part in the Battle of Leipzig. Napoleon probably having half as many as the other side.

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Some Regulations Apply Only in Portland; One in State at Large. OREGON CITY, Or., Oct. 16.—(To the Editor.)—Please inform me if the proposed minimum wage law recently made by the Labor Commission are state-wide in their scope or do they apply only to the city of Portland? When does the minimum wage law become effective? Also, the eight-hour law as proposed by the Commission. Are the employees of any of the different manufacturing establishments to be covered by the two measures above intended to cover all lines all over the state? WILLIAM JANIN.

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JACKSONVILLE, Or., Oct. 14.—(To the Editor.)—I notice that the Albany Democrat bases its report on the Albany Democrat on the presumption that he is a Democrat. I do not think Oswald will feel complimented by this discovery. If your Linn County contemporary founds his support of Mr. West upon the fact that he is a Democrat his favoritism is his opponent's labor union. It is true that Mr. West has been posing as a member of the Democratic party in order to use that political organization in his chase for office. But if he ever did anything to show his appreciation of the undivided support given him by the Democracy of Oregon or shown that he was a Democrat he has never been heard of. Like all politicians of his caliber, Mr. West is selfish and ungrateful and imagines himself greater than the Democracy that has created him politically. He is playing a non-partisan game and catering to those who should naturally be his opponents in order personally to profit thereby. Although the Democrats furnished three-fourths of the votes that made our Governor, he has given nearly all of the important offices he had to bestow to Republicans, and such Democrats as he has honored are simply friends of his party. He has no claims for recognition for services rendered the Democratic party. It is a well-known fact that Mr. West has been given nearly all of the addresses of meetings held by the Democracy. While promising to speak in favor of Democratic candidates and principles, he has been seen in person sent lame excuses for not putting in an appearance. If the editor of the Albany Democrat also thinks that Mr. West will again receive the Democratic votes he got in 1910 he will be grievously disappointed. There is no reward for disloyalty and ingratitude, and Democrats are no exception to the rule. Mr. West can deceive none with his repeated assertions that he will not be a candidate for re-election. His every action betrays such statements. He may pose his candidacy upon the proposition of work bread-burners by chronic party hunters, that the people have called him. He is an active candidate nevertheless. He seeks to keep continually in the limelight and butts in wherever he can make capital for himself. He appoints a man obscure, except as a labor agitator, as state printer, in order to make a party favor. He has made an ingrate and amites the liquor traffic to gain the plaudits of the female voters. He makes a party man out of a settler strikes at Portland and Oregon City, and insults nearly the whole people of Coos County with the intention of making the Commissioners should He gives Republicans nearly all of the offices to show that he is non-partisan and expects the Democrats to rally around his standard and make a name to belong to their party. And yet Governor West says he does not want another term.

FEED THE PUPILS STENOGRAPHY

PORTLAND, Oct. 13.—(To the Editor.)—As a patient patriot, as well as a student of the Oregonian, I have waited for a bill in the discussion of the Bible in our schools, and will now propose something "practical and profitable" to the Oregonian. I am a New York Alderman. It is this: Instead of reading the Bible in our schools, why not substitute something of more value to the labor of the farm and trades and our girls above the kitchen. We ought to remember the proud hearts of our offspring. But now how will say: "Anybody can write stenography, but everybody is not a stenographer." Well one might as well say that anybody could read the reading of the Scriptures, but everybody don't know what you're talking about." During the last holiday season the New York Herald published "Santa Claus." "By the horns of the Republic," you did it, and it was surely a good thing. Let us go on you have it." said the Boss. "So with 250 or more infallible facts, each and every one of them, that is their own way, it ought to be an interesting study in brain fever, but what have the children done to deserve it?" Dr. Rouse, a noted progressive educationist, says he at one time received a note from a practical father, which read: "I should be much obliged to you if you would allow my son to drop his English and his Scripture, which will be of no use to him in his future career. I would like to see you, but I must have been a student of the Congressional Record." O'DONNELL ABOO.

TO MY MOTHER

In dreams I met you last night, my dear, In the home where we used to be, And just for a moment I held you so, It is so long since I saw you.

THE DESOLATE HEARTH CAN NEVER AGAIN

Burn with that old-time light, You went away from the winter's rain And left me alone in the night. I can hear the wind and the sound of the sea As it beats on the rocks below; And the bird's wild cry tells of mystery And things that we never can know. I follow his flight o'er the little town, Till he soars to the hill where you rest; And I say by your side till the sun goes down In a land where I know I am blest. —J. P.

SYMPATHY FOR CHINESEMAN

PORTLAND, Oct. 16.—(To the Editor.)—I want to say a few words in behalf of the helpless, hopeless little Chinaman who, after six years of imprisonment, is condemned to die at the gallows. I think we like to boast of our "fair play." Why not show a little of it in this case? Even the Red Indians put their captives out of misery in a few days. He has suffered for six years for a crime of which he was never proved guilty. He is supposed to have killed 23, in cold blood, yet they live; they have dollars to back them up. It may be that an act called by some thousand citizens would have some effect. Won't some one start it and prove that our boasted "fair play" exists in reality? MERCY.

THE REALITY OF STINGINESS

St. Louis Post Dispatch. "Speaking of stingy people," said the storekeeper reflectively, "there's no one can beat old Scripps." "What about him?" queried the customer, who had come in for a pound of coffee. "Why, he even looks in for the tops of his glasses for fear of showing them out."

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