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DEBASED PRODUCT AND BRAINS

When a brainy Journal advocates debased product in a producing country, then that brain is either diseased, perverted, or purchased; not purchased from a standpoint of dollars and cents, necessarily, but purchased, nevertheless, either by influence or environment—the influence and environment of that class which, business like, want more for a dollar. It is human nature, of course, to want "more for a dollar," and it is "business" to want more for a dollar, where dollars are one's capital, and for this reason, the great credit institutions of the country want debased product, because debased product means cheap property and cheap labor. As a rule, broken by infrequent exceptions, the money rich stand together for debasement of that which money will buy. It is business for them; let one be charitable enough to presume, then, that business prompts the brain of our great journals advocating cheap farm, farmers and farm products. And then, to the other side of the question.

While one admits the value of the trades, professions, and labor, aside from that purely agricultural, yet it is true that the farmers of our country are those who feed and clothe the rest of society. The farmers, by their trade, support the little towns, which in turn create and support the big cities; the farmer pays his own tax, and out of the profit from the farmer the little towns pay their quota of taxation, and send in, besides, the profit out of which great cities are supported. So, it is an easy chain to find who makes the business world to move. When price levels are good, as between product and money, farmers buy more and all society is aided. In which, then are we more interested—debased product or that level which gives decent profit to our farms? This should be no hard problem for solution. No farmer should be guided by a mere party name. The banks are now ruling—not our country's banks, particularly, but the great banking interests of the world. Let us change this order of things, and let producers, who are in the majority as between the two interests, take hold the reins of government and give equity to all.

A GUBERNATORIAL SCANDAL

After Governor Geer wrote his denial of the Plummer transaction and had it published in an obscure paper in Eastern Oregon, Mr. Plummer returns to the assault and gives the lie direct to the Governor. Aside from this, Plummer's chief deputy also makes affidavit that the deal was made. There is now but one thing for the loud mouthed Mr. Geer to do, and that is to prosecute Mr. Plummer on a criminal charge and clear his skirts of the vile story going the rounds. Mr. Plummer says he stands ready to prove his assertions any and everywhere. Iteration and reiteration, crimination—and recrimination, go for nothing. Nothing but the court can clear up this state scandal, and Geer owes it to the good name of the state to take the initiative and arrest the man whom he says has scandalized him. Will he do it? That is not the question. The question really is: Why has he not so done long ago?

THAT ISTHMIAN CANAL

It has been settled that this session of Congress will do nothing towards the great American canal. All legislation to this end has been blocked, and by what? More than likely this has been done by transcontinental railroad interests—interests which should be injured by a waterway connecting the At-

lantic and Pacific—and if not by these interests, by what? Just as the Southern Pacific railroad gets free from paying its just share of taxes in Oregon, just so are our congressmen worked by that railroad corporation. They are heavy contributors to the "honest money" campaign fund, and "honest money men" must protect it. Let Oregon sound the first gun for "honest product" and no more railroad domination.

GLADSTONE, THE GREAT.

The present British-Transvaal conflict brings forcibly to mind the late Gladstone, who as England's premier, stands out as an isolated British statesman who stood for justice, regardless of political cost. Here, indeed, was England's grand old man. Those things which are charged against him as relative to the Transvaal are speaking today, when Gladstone is dead, in deep tones for equity and justice. Mr. Gladstone realized that the Dutch had gone into and opened up the Transvaal; he realized that they were people who were brave in defense, courageous in their undertakings and pioneers in agricultural development. He gave them justice and lived to see the day that Britain's great common people returned him to power, after he had laid it down, at demand of the Jingo's. When Gladstone died, there was another death in Britain—the death of a liberal principle accepting the theory that there are rights which even a great and powerful nation should respect; rights which are of more importance as a matter of fairness than dominion over "palm and pine."

THE GOLD PRESS LOGIC.

Your gold press logic is good! Of course it is! If you raise product, you are a "fool" and a "traitor" if you do not stand in with a move to beat down prices of that which you sell. You are a "fool" unless you vote to have an "honest" dollar which is constantly going to buy more of what you raise. Lastly, you are a fool if you utter one protest against a syndicate system which is never satisfied unless it has its own way—and yet is satisfied with the Hanna administration. What a grand conception of the intelligence of the producer the gold "yeller" must have!

A Pretty Mess.

Ex-Secretary of State H. R. Kincaid, the veteran editor of the Eugene Journal, has the following editorial comment in his paper on the Geer-Plummer scandal: The affidavit of Belden H. Grant will be found in this paper, concerning the alleged sale of the superintendency of the penitentiary by T. Geer to H. B. Plummer for \$5,000. For the people who furnished the \$5,000 to keep Geer from accepting the Oregon City land office, and many others who are well acquainted with him, no affidavits are needed. They have no doubt that he accepted the \$5,000, as alleged by Plummer, and did not make the appointment as he had agreed to, for the reason that he was informed and believed that the receipt for the money had been burnt up in the Polk county court house when it was destroyed by fire. When another man had been appointed, the holder of the receipt became angry and showed it to many people including some politicians. The indignant holder then refused to give it up, and if the money has been paid back to him it was done in the hope of quieting the matter as much as possible and to gain time to fix it up.—Roseburg Review.

A VERSATILE CORPORATION.

The Standard Oil Company is never out of politics. It has no politics, and always "stands in" with the powers that be. Eastern papers just now are making a scandal of the relations of Secretary Geer, of President McKinley's cabinet, the National City bank of New York city, in which the "Standard Oil crowd" have full power. Sometime ago the government sold its old custom house site in New York to this bank for \$3,265,000, all of which was paid except \$40,000. Secretary Geer deposited the money which he received, in the form of a certified check in this bank, where it has lain ever since, and entered into an agreement to pay the bank for temporary use of the old custom house on the part of the government, a rental of some \$1,000 a month. In other words, the bank had full use of the government's money, and, besides, received rent from the government for the property which the money represented.—Eugene Guard.

Mr. Hanna will make no speeches on the financial measure now in the senate. He is too shrewd to make his support a public matter. He has carried his point and that is all he wants.

Mr. Simon probably realizes by this time that it is greater to be president of a state senate over which he has control than to be a member of a national senate, where he is outranked in all respects.

England can plead for a revision of that old right piece: "The Irish and the Dutch, Oh! they don't amount to much." It begins to look as though they amount too much.

If Grover Cleveland reads extensively in our licks-pittle journals, these days, he will suddenly discover that he was very "traitorous" in calling England down over that little Venezuelan incident.

PUBLIC SALE

I will sell at public auction, at my farm, 3 1/2 miles southwest of Hillsboro, and one mile west of the South Tualatin Creamery, on Tuesday January 16, 1900, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m. the following personal property, to-wit: 1 work mare, 1000 lbs, 8 years old; 2 cows, 1/2 Jersey, giving milk, 1 heifer, 18 months old; (cows and heifer to calve in September next); 1 calf, six months old; 1/2 Jersey; 3 fat hogs, weight, 150 lbs or more each; 6 doz chickens, 1 Mitchell wagon, 1 1/2 inch x 2 1/2 inch new, 1 top buggy, 1 buggy harness, nearly new; 1 set team harness, 1 plow with two shares, 1 2-section harrow, 1 spring tooth cultivator, 1 hand grubbing machine, 1 English saddle and bridle, 3 bedsteads, 1 rocking chair, 2 bureaus, to chairs, 1 Kimball piano, good as new; 5 tables, 1 dressing table, 2 clothes presses, 1 kitchen safe, 1 cook stove, 2 heating stoves, 1 sewing machine, 4 pictures in frames, 1 lounge, 1 washing machine, kitchen furniture, tools and other articles too numerous to mention. N. B.—Piano has been sold.

Terms of Sale Under \$10, cash; \$10 and over, 8 months time, on approved notes; interest at 8 per cent per annum. A discount of 5 per cent for cash on all sums over \$10. B. P. Cornelius, Rudolph Klett, Auctioneer. Owner

Farm For Sale.

Fifty acre farm for sale; slightly rolling; good barn, 50x54, built two years, cost \$400; fair house, 18x28; other buildings; good brick well; running water year round; good orchard; 25 acres cleared; rest easy to clear, 10 years slashed; five acres standing live fir timber; eight miles from Portland. Will sell cheap. Inquire of L. A. Long, Angus office.

Prisoner in the Box: "Your honor, I stole the ham, but they are extenuating circumstances." The court: "State them, sir." The prisoner: "I am an Anglo-Saxon." The court: "Discharge the prisoner." Forest Grove raised Kane Mouday.

Dead Letters.

The following is the list of letters remaining in the Hillsboro post office unclaimed: Mrs Lidget Mrs N B Hall Mr J H Jones

All letters not called for by Jan. 20, 1900 will be sent to the dead letter office. One cent will be charged on each letter called for. H. SCHULMERIC, P. M.

PROBATE.

Ordered that administrator may erect monument over grave of Mart in Manning, deceased, same to not exceed cost of \$150.

Inventory and appraisement of estate of H. L. Hendricks, deceased, approved at \$420.

Will of G. O. Rogers filed and approved and Adeline Rogers confirmed as executrix; appraisers: F. M. Heidel, Ed Luce and John M. Wall; appraisers for Claimants county property, F. J. Meyer, C. U. Wilson and M. D. Latourette.

Administrator Humphrey Pearson, and bondsmen in re estate of John McConkey deceased, discharged and released from further liability.

Capt. A. B. Cady goes to Beaverton tomorrow to install the officers of the G. A. R. Post.

County Judge Rood states that the county board will meet next Monday and make the appointments of supervisors, judges and clerks of elections and establish road districts in conformity with the law so that elections of supervisors will follow next June.

The sheriff's office has fixed Tuesday, January 23, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, as the time for selling the Hatchet material at sheriff sale, to take place at Forest Grove.

The council met Monday evening and ordered the Recorder to post notices for repairs of sidewalks and for the repair of certain sections of Second street and for re-planking Baseline between First and Second, objections to which will be heard at the regular meeting, February 6. This is good news to townsmen and farmer alike. The petition of W. S. Walker, clerk, for sidewalk on 7th street was indefinitely postponed.

Monday night, Geo. C. Brownell, the Clackamas statesman and flip flopper, in a public speech at Milwaukie, announced his intention to make a try for Mr. Tongue's position in congress

Real Estate Transfers.

- Ferd Optiz to W C Dietz Its 4 and 5 Brugger tract..... \$ 500
J M Partlow and wf to W H West 117.75 a sec 12 2 n 2 w..... 600
Mary J Kay to C H Sundermeier 65.02 a sec 25 1 s 4 w..... 600
C E Vogt and wf to Wm and Sophia Brome, 10 a sec 0 2 s 7 1 w..... 400
Alonso Clappshaw to J T Gardner, 6 1/4 n 1/4 and n 1/4 s 1/4 sec 5 1 2..... 900
M Kennedy by adm to E Kennedy 45 a in A W Hart don and other lands 1200
O & C R Co to Alfred Guerber w 1/2 sec 27 2 n 2 w..... 450
Moses Dillabow to T E U church 1 1/2 on Cooper mountain..... 1
Ernest House to Rosa Reghillo Its 12 18 14 15 16 17 18 19 and 20 Steele's ad Beaverton 37 1/2..... 1700

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SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of an Execution, Deceit and Order of Sale, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, in favor of Emma S. Parker, and against Luther M. Beal, Cecelia Beal and S. T. Hankins, defendants, for the sum of \$13.00 costs, and for the fourth or sum of \$250.00 U. S. Gold coin, with interest thereon at the rate of 10 per cent per annum from the 27th day of November, 1899, and the further sum of \$25.00 with interest thereon at the rate of 10 per cent per annum from the 5th day of December, 1899, as attorney fees and for the cost and expenses of sale and of said writ.

Now, therefore, in pursuance of said judgment, decree and order of sale, I will, on Monday, the 5th day of February, 1900, at the south door of the Court House in Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real property, to-wit:

Being all of the South West quarter of the South West quarter of Section Six (6) Township Two (2) North, Range Three (3) West of the Willamette Meridian, containing forty acres more or less, and all situate in Washington County, Oregon, to satisfy the hereinbefore named sums, and for the costs and expenses of said sale. Said property will be sold subject to redemption as per statute of Oregon. Witness my hand this 3rd day of January, 1900. W. D. BRADFORD, Sheriff of Washington County, Oregon. H. E. BAGLEY, Attorney for Plaintiff.

SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of an Execution, Deceit and Order of Sale, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, in favor of Benjamin Anderson and against Henry Peterson and the heirs of said Henry Peterson, containing forty acres more or less, and all situate in Washington County, Oregon, to satisfy the hereinbefore named sums, and for the costs and expenses of said sale. Said property will be sold subject to redemption as per statute of Oregon. Witness my hand this 3rd day of January, 1900. W. D. BRADFORD, Sheriff of Washington County, Oregon. H. E. BAGLEY, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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SHERIFF'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION, Deceit and Order of Sale, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, in favor of R. W. Crane and against Jacob Penning, et al; Geo. Graham, Benjamin Birdsell and Mary E. Birdsell, executors of the last will and testament of Levin Birdsell deceased, Jeremiah Reiter, R. H. Walker, Lizzie Smith and the State of Oregon, for the sum of \$230.00 costs and for the further sum of \$105.00 U. S. Gold coin, with interest thereon at the rate of 10 per cent per annum from the 8th day of December, 1899, and for the cost and expenses of sale and of said writ.

Now, therefore, by virtue and in pursuance of said judgment, decree and order of sale, I will, on Monday, the 5th day of February, 1900, at the south door of the Court House in Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real property, to-wit: Lot No. 15 in First and Park, situated in Washington County, Oregon, to satisfy the hereinbefore named sums, and for the costs and expenses of said sale. Witness my hand this 2nd day of January, 1900. W. D. BRADFORD, Sheriff of Washington County, Oregon. S. B. HURON, Attorney for Plaintiff.

SHERIFF'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION, Deceit and Order of Sale, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, in favor of James B. Walker and against Thos. J. and Lizzie Humphreys, for the sum of \$11.50 costs, and for the further sum of \$60.00 U. S. Gold coin, with interest thereon at the rate of 10 per cent per annum from the 1st day of December 1899, and for the cost and expenses of sale and of said writ.

Now, therefore, by virtue and in pursuance of said judgment, decree and order of sale, I will, on Monday, the 5th day of February 1900, at the south door of the Court House in Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real property, to-wit: Commencing at a point South 89 degrees 30 minutes East and parallel with the East line of Sixth Street, in said Addition 3.00 chains, thence North 89 degrees 30 minutes W. 3.00 chains, to the S E corner of land sold by Thos. J. Humphreys to George S. Campbell, thence North 30 minutes E. 3.50 chains, to the place of beginning containing 90-100 acres, all situated in Washington County Oregon, to satisfy the hereinbefore named sums, and for the costs and expenses of said sale. Witness my hand this 2nd day of Jan., 1900. Sheriff of Washington County, Oregon. JOHN M. WALL, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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