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A LITTLE PLAIN TALK. The old city of Marshfield stands on the shores of the best harbor on the Pacific coast between Puget Sound an dthe Golden Gate. Its citizens have been making this claim for more than forty years and the claim it true. Within the last year or two the people of Marshfield have been spending money to advertise Coos Bay to the world and to induce the outside public to come here and invest their money and help build up the city and develop the country. There are six thousand people on the Bay many of whom have been here or in the neighbor-bood for years. Some of them own large tracts of land within the limits of the peninsula cities, which, they keep fast hold upon with the full ex-pectation that it will make them rich. They believe the value of this fand will be greatly enhanced by outside people coming in and building up around it. They consider it a snap. They have the confidence to hold on, but they are singularly preposistent, for they have been inconsistent,, for they have no confidence to invest in any improve

The extensive advertising of the Bay which the citizens have raised much money to pay for, is resulting in an influx of people. people come by the urgent invita-tion extended to them they find their accommodations so poor and their reception so ironical that they are inclined to leave without look-ing around. There is no hotel with modern conveniences in this large community of 6,000 people and the sitizens have not sufficient confidence to build one. If the citizens can't have confidence whom do they expect to have it? Yet it is a fact that the attitude of the people on this hotel question belies all the profesmions and claims they make for the future greatness of the country. What are they afraid of? There is no little place of a thousand people the most barren deserts of the arid districts where the people have Been so lacking in enterprise as to fail to provide hotel accommodations for the traveling or visiting public. Everywhere else the world knows that the man who travels can make or break a town and if he can neither Ext good rest nor food he will de-massive that town. Nobody can fareak Coos Bay, but they can break a lot of people who have stretched themselves financially in expectation that outsiders will come here and build up the city. If you can't acproper hotel conveniences you will and that even Smith's mill can only result in making a saw mill town. You do not even give your invited guests notice to bring their blankets and fetch a tent. They would do trai if they thought this city were

wilderness like Ten Mile lake and would enjoy themselves. But as they have been invited with a great flourish of trumpets to a city of practically 6,000 people, they depend on your hospitality which they are willing to pay for, but even money can't buy it on Coos Bay.

You say this is harsh language. It is justified, however, and you will admit it. You have not failed to build your hotel because you lack money, for there is an immense surmoney, for there is an immense sur-plus in your banks and some of the states which hold large tracts here, have sold town lots enough to build several hotels. You have not build several hotels. You have not failed to pay because the hotel would not be a good investment, because the crowds of people who are unable to get accommodations in the city and who are able to pay well for them, go away grumbling every day. Then, too, you know that hundreds of people are coming an the cheap colonist rates this fall. You know, also, that the industries You know, also, that the industries which are being actually established here will require two thousand peowhat is the matter then? Is it blindness? Is it somebody's jeal-cusiy? Is it narrow ruralism? Is it cowardice when there is nothing to fear? The Times would like to strike fire on this proposition. Do you suppose it can, or is there no are in this flint?

A GREAT DAY.

The Labor Day celebration in Marshfield was a success in every detail and was managed by men who have evidently had much experience in that line. The Union has come to Coos Bay to stay and every many with lives here might as wen accept it as a fact. Why not? If it is an evil then it is one which affects every metropolitan city on this continent metropolitan city on this continent and will have to be submitted to. But it is not an evil. It is an instithe time which has proven itself to be wecessity and has accomplished much good in a practical way. It has done that in other localities and

have sometimes been foolishly and in its enterprise as much as any even maliciously stubborn, while malice has rarely been attributed to the Labor Unions as a collective

The celebration did not develop any radical of rabid expressions. By said would not have been regarded in some respects radical, some years ago. But sentiment has changed materially in the last ten years and what might have been considered as advanced thought at that time may be merely commonplace today. sentiment expressed by one of the speakers to the effect that if the merchants refused to handle Union Label goods, the Unions would have to establish a store of their own, was one which all the eastern cities are familiar with. It simply meant that in a metropolitan city Union Label goods could be obtained. If the goods could be obtained.

no doubt it will do so here. The Unions care to establish a Union Unions have not always been right. They have made mistakes. Not every strike was fully justified from a business point of view. Nor have they all been justified from a moral point of view. But the Unions have been right fully as often as their opponents. Indeed, their opponents would be entitled to encouragement have sometimes been foolishly and in its enterprise as much as any

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