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THE DISLOYAL DOLLAR.

ALL THE LABOR ON THE new Eagles building will be Coos Bay labor is the declaration of the building committee of that society. It furnishes forth the text for something that must be said, as well now as later.

The members of that committee meant that contracts would not be let without a qualification that the men at home be given the first opportunity to have the work. They meant that the money that is furnished to build this building is Coos Bay money and will be turned back into the local channels of trade and supply; that they would do their share in supporting the community in which they figure as a factor and from whence they derive their local income. It is the very keynote of communal and individual business success; a note that fails of the sounding far too often in this community, to which end The Times with the best and most earnest desire for the good of the whole city, broaches a word of warning at this time:

There is too much Coos Bay money being spent at Portland and other neighborhoods contiguous thereto. Men have lived and done business in shacks on Coos Bay, only to take their home-made money away and invest it where it can never do this city or section a fraction of good. Men build homes here, and then send thousands to outside cities for furniture and other equipment, to the detriment and discouragement of the home-city and her merchants. This policy is known and widely commented on, and it rankles in the public conscience as a deliberate injustice.

There is much to improve here, and compensation in the improvement; there are just as fine stocks of general supply, for home and business uses, as there are at Portland, and what is lacking may be readily supplied by the home dealer, if he were but given the chance. There has been enough of this kind of money spent at Portland, to range a flight of brick blocks from the city limits on North Front street to the C. A. Smith mill; and it is beginning to tell on the popular sense of what is righteously due to Marshfield and other cities on the Bay.

It is not only in the larger things that the disloyal dollar is made manifest here; in the lesser agencies of business, the drugs, the printing, the clothing, stationery, shoes, hardware, and scores of other items that call for rebuking and re-adjustment.

Every merchant and factor in the city maintains a staff of help taken from the home-ranks, paying decent and adequate pay-rolls regularly, to the vital good of the town; and every vagrant dollar mis-spent at Portland or San Francisco or elsewhere is a flat denial of the claims of these people upon that dollar that was made alongside those they are earning, either by wage or investment.

It is driving good men out of business, and depleting the commercial standard of the city. It is one of those things that must be looked into and given the benefit of the honest, loyal thought that makes for the success and integrity of the place as a self-supporting center, and to which the measure of profit inuring here, belongs absolutely.

Think this over, you people that have the idle dollar to spend at Portland or elsewhere than on Coos Bay; and think it over, you people who are striving to maintain your business and home, and between you there may be some scheme of adjustment that will contribute and distribute the Coos Bay dollar, to the source from whence it arises.

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

Let us feel today the duty of gladness we owe to our fellow-creatures. Let us give to them what we would receive.

Selected.

Citizen Roosevelt's Equipment.

He has packed his Maxim rifle and his bowie knife so keen
And one box contains the contents of a warship's magazine;
Kermitt has his kodak ready to make photographs of Teddy
Bringing down a savage lion in a striking jungle scene.
But the doctors now are busy packing up phenacetine.

He has hunting boots and leggings, he has jackets corduroy,
And his implements of warfare would a nation soon destroy;
He has shooting irons many that have cost a pretty penny,
More than ever yet were dreamed of by the novel-reading boy,
But he's taking acetanilide for aches that may annoy.

With the shot and shells he's taking there are quinine pills galore,
Asafetida and jalap, calomel and many more.
Should he have an ache or pain he can reach for his migraine,
Just as though he were a druggist in a busy all-night store;
He'll have pills for every ailment and a salve for every sore.

There are deadly weapons ready and the sights are tried and sure,
There are opiates to soothe him when the pain he can't endure;
In his most complete equipment he

has added now a shipment Of every pill or tablet he's been able to secure.

O it's plain, his African mission will be either "kill or cure."

Exchange.

The Lane county, Ore., man who was fined \$500 for trying to run a "blind pig" in a school house has at last learned something he will not forget in a hurry.

Says the Nebraska State Journal: "Don't crowd your opinion in unless you are sure it is wanted. Sometimes it is better to listen and learn." Oh, that all married men could be convinced of that!

The statement that Jamaica ginger plantations raise about 2,000 pounds of ginger to the acre is interesting just at this time when Mayor Straw is not injecting it into the city council.

The Topeka State Journal thinks "a woman can hardly be accused of

wasting time in playing bridge if she always wins." Few Coos Bay women think they are wasting time if they win only once in three months.

We understand that Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Liljeqvist has gotten himself into trouble with the fair sex in Coquille by stating that stealing a kiss was only petit larceny. The young ladies think he should have said it was grand.

In the state of Delaware, where the whipping post still exists, a total of 225 lashes were inflicted on eighteen offenders in one day last week. The other states in the union will now very likely do more hollering about it than the victims did.

He—Do you approve of dancing?
She—No.
He—Why not?
She—Why, it's mere hugging set to music.
He—Well, what is there about it that you don't like?
She—The music.

They were discussing the ever popular topic of love in the Saints and Sinners Corner of the Millcooma.

"I hold," said W. F. McKee, "that if you are terribly in love, the way to cure yourself is to run away."

J. D. Goss shook his head and sneered.

"That will cure you," he said, "provided you run away with the girl."

THE DAY'S BEST STORY.

The new minister in a Georgia church was delivering his first sermon. The darky janitor was a critical listener from a back corner of the church. The minister's sermon was eloquent, and his prayers seemed to cover the whole category of human wants.

After the services one of the deacons asked the old darky what he thought of the new minister. "Don't you think he offers up a good prayer, Joe?"

"Ah mos' suitably does, boss. Why, that man axed de good Lord fo' things dat de odder preacher didn't even know He had!"—Exchange.

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