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—W. L. DAVIS, EDITOR.—

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1898.

EDITOR LEADER:—

As this is the  
issue of your paper before the  
election, and thinking that Mr.  
Stewart would have an answer in  
your paper to my letter of last week  
desiring that as much light as  
possible should be thrown upon Mr.  
Stewart's pretended reform in city  
affairs, I ask for space in your  
paper for a few parting shots, and  
I very well know that the  
public outside of Toledo,  
interested in this controversy,  
will be glad to hear that all that  
I should be said before election,  
and all parties may take up the  
subject of town affairs after the elec-  
tion. We all have our little differ-  
ences, but all should be satisfied  
with the majority rule.

I will say that the reason  
Stewart's reform ticket and  
fight against me is over a  
political matter, the result of  
refusing to go into the late un-  
settled county. I will admit  
now that I have been  
outwitted in Toledo. First,

when Capt. John Blake kicked his  
cook off the Walluski several years  
ago, and I took him up and gave  
him free grub for six months and  
helped into employment. Second,  
when a week after the creation of  
Lincoln county I helped Mr. Stew-  
art start the LEADER under his  
solemn promise that he and his pa-  
per would work in the interest of  
Toledo. But when he is for econ-  
omy and reform he means economy  
and reform for Stewart, and in this  
line he is not always consistent. I  
want to qualify these remarks by  
saying that I respect a christian  
more than any other person if I  
think he is honest. Mr. Stewart  
is an official in the Methodist  
church of this city and he also po-  
ses as a reformer and prohibitionist.  
He has written many articles on  
the subject of giving whisky to the  
Indians, and denounced those  
who sell or give whisky to Indians  
in very harsh terms. Notwithstand-  
ing all this, he last January accept-  
ed the sum of \$25 from a well  
known canneryman in this county  
who had been guilty of letting the  
Indians have whisky, and for this  
paltry sum closed the columns of  
the LEADER and agreed to go to  
the Siletz to use his influence to

keep certain Indians from prosecut-  
ing said canneryman.

The article published over my  
signature in the LEADER last week  
was by me handed to Mr. Davis on  
Monday morning for publication,  
after it had been submitted to a  
number of citizens of Toledo, ask-  
ing them if there was anything in  
it that was not true, if so I would  
not publish it. This article in some  
manner was seen or its contents  
told to Mr. Stewart, for on Tues-  
day evening Mr. Stewart took the  
train and went to Yaquina and to a  
prominent citizen's boarding house  
and hunted him up and asked for  
a private talk with him, which was  
granted. He thereupon informed  
the citizen that if he did not go to  
Toledo on the morning train and  
have Jones take down that article  
that he (Stewart) had it in his  
power to fix him and Jones, both,  
financially. Said that he and the  
county clerk and an attorney had  
been looking up records for a  
month and they found that he and  
Jones had several mortgages that  
were due and that the papers in  
one suit were in the hands of an at-  
torney and would be served immedi-  
ately if that article was not taken  
down, and other suits would follow,  
among which he, Stewart, the Co.  
Judge, would have to pass on, and  
it was a matter of \$500 to him and  
Jones and might hurt a prominent  
citizen of Newport, and he, as  
Judge of the Probate court, would  
not promise how it would go if the  
article was not taken down, also  
told him he had been offered \$250  
by the old county court and part of  
the county printing if he would  
stand in and help fix Jones. Said  
he had some of the records locked  
up in his desk that would fix Jones  
and he would do it if he did not  
take down that article. The citi-  
zen told Mr. Stewart if he wanted  
the article taken down to see Jones,  
that Jones was running his own  
business, the property he referred  
as being in his desk being Warrant  
No. 1329, in which a mistake had  
been made in drawing and after-  
wards satisfied. This warrant was  
paid by the treasurer and should be  
in the county clerk's vault where  
the public could examine it, or any  
other matter of record. But prob-  
ably the Judge thinks it is safer in  
his pine desk than it would be in  
his pretended fireproof vault. We  
would suggest to him that he get a  
little red carpet-bag, as part of the  
records were carried in one for  
about a year, and when the people  
meet the Judge they can examine  
the records and not have to bother  
about going to the court house.  
Think of a man posing as a reform-  
er who will go to a man and ask  
him to spring the lock of the City  
Recorder's desk in his absence, in  
order that a man may bring an in-  
junction before his own court to  
stop street work in the town he is  
trying to reform, passing upon the  
injunction in advance. This was  
so cold blooded that the party who  
was seeking the injunction went to  
the mill and bought his lumber and  
ordered the marshal to go ahead  
with the work, and this is the suit  
that Mr. Stewart is threatening the  
city with, in the interest of reform  
and economy. I was told today  
that title to the lot Jones had sold  
to the city was not good, that  
Stewart had said there was a judge-  
ment against Jones for \$130. This  
is true in part, but as told by Stew-  
art as usual is misleading. The  
facts are these, and Stewart knows  
every circumstance connected with  
it, which are at the request of R. A.  
Bensell and Dr. Bryant of Califor-  
nia, I brought a suit to recover  
some coal lands above Toledo.  
Bensell & Bryant were to pay all  
costs that accrued, which they have  
done so far, including Weather-  
ford's attorney fee. Jones gained  
the suit in the circuit court, and on

the appeal in the supreme court  
Hale won the suit, and the costs  
were taxed to Jones, but the man-  
date of judgement was never filed  
in Lincoln county until a few days  
before Jones gave the city a deed  
to a lot. I had made an abstract  
for Mr. Sturdevant only a short  
time before the city deed was filed  
and no judgement was of record  
against Jones. Therefore the only  
parties who knew of this judge-  
ment were Stewart and the clerk,  
and if Mr. Stewart knew of this he  
should have protected the city.

The City asked for bids for a lot  
for a city hall, and a block for a  
city park. When the bids were  
opened in public—a newspaper re-  
porter being present—there were  
five or six bids in each instance,  
and the property bought was taken  
because it was the lowest bid, ex-  
cepting that Jones had in an offer  
to donate to the city an acre for  
park purposes as he had heretofore  
donated a block for the public  
school. When the lot was bought  
the recorder was ordered to examine  
the records before accepting the  
deeds. We will add further that  
Mr. Bensell has written me that  
the judgment will be settled, if not  
by him it will be by me.

In all the talk by the reformers  
in the coming election, the only  
name mentioned is Jones. Now in  
all candor I submit that this is a  
direct insult to the 12 councilmen  
who have served with me during  
the past three years, for as a matter  
of fact the mayor has no vote in the  
council, and I defy anyone to  
examine the city records and find  
where a single ordinance or reso-  
lution has been passed when there  
was not a full vote and also an  
unanimous vote of the body present  
made by ayes and nays. The only  
money ever expended by the coun-  
cil that any citizen might question  
was done when two of these re-  
formers were in the council, and  
J. F. Stewart was recorder and  
asked leave of the chair to talk on  
the subject as a citizen, and when  
allowed made a speech in the  
interest of the expenditure. But  
then I suppose Mr. Stewart will  
say that this money was spent in  
interest of county seat, and was for  
economy and reform. Boys come  
up to the rack and take your medi-  
cine you know when you say reform  
you do not mean one word of it.  
You know that in a city that has  
only a total indebtedness of \$670  
and owns two thousand dollars'  
worth of property, and when there  
has never been over a two mill tax  
on the dollar levied, that there can  
be no reform needed. And you  
know that all there is in this propo-  
sition is that you have political  
grudge against Jones, and you  
haven't the honest manhood to  
acknowledge it. You would sooner  
do him dirt over the Cities fair  
name than to acknowledge that  
every American citizen had the  
right to his own political convic-  
tions, and you would rather see the  
city sink than to acknowledge that  
all there is in this proposition is  
that you have a petty grudge  
against Jones, and you try to make  
an issue over his head. Some of  
you on the reform ticket have been  
running for city, precinct and county  
offices for ten years, some times on  
one ticket and then on another but  
usually are defeated and the next  
election bob up again and as there  
is no patent on the word independ-  
ent or reform you hook on and go  
it again and always manage to kick  
up a racket in our little town.

I ask the Citizens of Toledo to  
look these men over carefully and  
inquire into their motives, look  
their record up for reform, see what  
they have done for the town, look  
at the property where they live,  
notice the improvements on their  
property and also the street in front  
of them. It is just possible that

you are being humbugged. Look  
the council records over for your-  
self it is only a block from the busi-  
ness part of town to the recorder's  
office, go and examine these records  
and judge of the present council as  
the records stand, not by street lies,  
then go and vote to suit yourself.  
If you are voting the reform ticket,  
as you say to spite Jones, be sure  
you are spiting him. Jones is not  
running for office. Jones is only  
one of the seven men who compose  
the council. Jones does not claim  
to have any strings on the present  
council, the reform ticket or the  
men who are running on the regu-  
lar citizens' ticket. Now if it is  
Jones you are after and you ack-  
nowledge it is, why don't you go  
after Jones and let up on the best  
little town in Oregon. Don't you  
know you are killing it. Don't  
you know that it needs your help?  
Don't you know that if you had  
spent half the time and energy  
trying to build up Toledo that you  
have trying to pull Jones down  
that your town would be better off.  
In conclusion we will say that we  
are willing for majority rule and  
we are certain that whoever is  
elected that Toledo will still be in  
the race.

B. F. JONES.

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