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Another Straight Tip.

Perhaps the correct way to size up the senatorial situation is to state that it is Portland against the field. Some of the Portland delegation have quietly hinted as much. Portland wants a Portland man. If the representatives of other portions of the state continue to be blind and pliable, Portland will get a Portland man. Not that there need necessarily be any strong objection to the man chosen, but this clanish, selfish spirit should be rebuked, and the Republican majority is a pretty weak aggregation if the rebuke isn't administered. Fulton has some warm friends in the Multnomah delegation, but, evidently, they fear that if they aid in his election their bosses in Portland will shut off their supplies—possibly their breath.

The Newport Noise appoints itself critic of Judge Brown and Commissioner Stanton. This is the big vein of humor running through the unpleasant controversy.

A Treatise on Sheep.

There seems to be a great deal of complaint among sheep owners in this section of the county. The principal loss is with the young sheep. The disease is known as anemia, paper skin, throat thread worms, etc. This disease affects lambs mostly and is recognized by the white and bloodless appearance of the skin; the general weakness of the young animals, and a cough which has a rattling sound—in consequence of which the weakened lambs are able to breathe only with difficulty. The disease is due to the presence in the throat and air passages of the lungs, of a small white worm, slender and almost invisible in the mass of frothy mucus in which they are gathered in clusters.

This worm is known as strongylus filaria. The disease is immediately recognized by severe coughing fits of the infested animals, mostly lambs under a year old. The difficulty in breathing necessarily prevents the due aeration and purification of the blood as it passes through the capillaries of the lungs to be refreshed by the pure air breathed. The red corpuscles of the blood are greatly decreased in number, and as these are necessary to the full development of the body, the affected lamb languishes, becomes weak, the blood is reduced to a yellow serum without vitality, and all the visible membranes are pale, and the skin has the appearance of paper. Hence the common name of the disease.

The treatment depends on the destruction of the parasite. This is most easily effected by the use of turpentine, continued until the system is saturated with it and the fumes escape through the lungs and throat. Here the volatile oil comes in contact with the parasite and kills it, thus relieving the suffering animal most effectively. As soon as relief is afforded in this way, the most easily digested and nutritious food, such as linseed meal with oatmeal and bran, is to be given daily in moderate quantities to insure full digestion.

The turpentine is most easily given in sweet milk; the two shaken together to form an emulsion. The quantity is one teaspoonful given in the morning before eating and repeated daily for a week.—The Domestic Sheep.

I have used the above treatment with good results. I take one part of turpentine to four parts of sweet milk. Place in a quart jar and shake thoroughly. Everything must be kept clean and sweet or it will not emulsify.—A. L. McDonald, County Stock Inspector.

A man who is always talking about business being bad was never known to be successful. Never allow yourself to dwell on the dark side of anything. You should refuse to talk about depressed markets or hard times. Learn to talk up, not down. Many business men become chronic grumblers and fault finders. Times are always hard with them. Other men get into a pessimistic rut and never see brightness or success in anything. It is impossible for such people to prosper. Success is a delicate plant, and requires encouragement and sunshine. Reward yourself as superior to evils which surround you. Learn to demonstrate your environments to rise

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above depressing influences. Look for the bright side of things, not the dark and gloomy side. The world likes sunny, hopeful, buoyant characters; it shuns lugubrious prophets; who see success and longevity in their callings are the ones sought after. It is as natural to try to avoid disagreeable, unpleasant people as it is to escape from the clouds and shadows into the sunlight.—Ex.

Animal Industry.

The whole subject of animal industry, discussed so ably in Monday's paper by Dr. Hutchison, Government inspector of meats here, is one which needs to be studied with the closest attention by the farmers of western Oregon. We have a country not surpassed by any other country in its adaptations to animal husbandry; but we do comparatively little to turn our great advantage to account. Progress is being made, but it is little in proportion to the opportunity. We are still to a very great extent giving our energies to a sort of industry, wherein we must work against natural conditions and in large measure neglecting the things in which the natural conditions work with us. We persist in certain practices, not because they are defensible upon any ground, least of all by results, for the reason that we have always worked that way. The almost universal habit of marketing stock out of condition, literally giving away the "finishing" profit, is an example of this mistaken practice. If it pays a speculative buyer to take lean hogs from the farmer and put them into condition for slaughter, it will pay the farmer to do the conditioning himself. If there is money for the eastern Oregon buyer in taking calves from the Willamette valley, driving them to his ranch in Crook or Lake county, and after a year, driving them out to the railroad, there is money in holding and maturing them at home.

There is universal need in Oregon of just such practical knowledge as the agricultural experiment station at Corvallis is organized to develop and disseminate. Experiments are constantly making designed to establish the most profitable methods of feeding and caring for animals to the end of greater profit both in dairy and general farm practice, and in preparation for markets. Results of very great practical value have already been attained. This institution is in the way of doing the agriculture of Oregon a service of incalculable value. The farmers of Oregon ought to demand more from it, for there is no better way of keeping it up to its work and developing its capability for useful service.

The Corvallis school, by the way, is appealing to the legislature for the support essential to its operations. The Oregonian hopes that the response will be liberal, for the work is one which ought to be supported and encouraged. In particular, provision should be made for increasing the facilities of the experiment station. It needs new and larger buildings, a large increase of livestock for experimental purposes, and an increased appropriation for labor. These things are essential if

the work is to be put upon a basis of high efficiency. No other possible expenditure of a moderate amount of money could contribute more effectively to aid the agricultural and animal industries of the state.—Oregonian.

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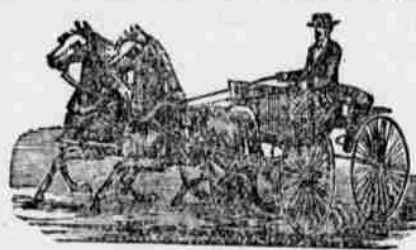


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