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MINORITY INTERESTS IN FOREST RESERVES.

LOCAL INTERESTS are not given full consideration in creating forest reserves. Theory and practice in this program look but to the farmer in the distant valley, or future generations who will need timber.

There is the element of justice in these protests that demand attention. Majority rule is admitted, but annihilation of minority interests could scarcely be warranted by any stretch of this principle.

The sweeping order for approximately 1,000,000 acres withdrawal in central Idaho no doubt embraces large areas more valuable for agriculture and other industries than growth of timber.

The government had proceeded with greater care in the early stages of this work, and had been less susceptible to the methods of great timber syndicates, it would be found that there would be vastly less protest from communities adjacent to the withdrawals.

CONTRACTORS AND CITY OFFICIALS.

THE PLEADINGS in a case at law, or in equity, or cases in both law and equity, that have been or now are before the circuit court, disclose "a pretty kettle of fish."

Just how many hundreds or thousands of dollars the taxpayers have paid or agreed to pay to the drydock contractors beyond a fair, legitimate competitive bid, we do not yet know.

The contractors are not to be severely censured off-hand. Such combinations and agreements are perhaps regular tricks of their trade, not only here but elsewhere, whenever the public is to be dealt with, and in their judgment are no doubt legitimate and even laudable.

It is not possible to have honest competitive bids on public work of these kinds? Why cannot a city look out for itself the same as an individual, a firm or a corporation does? Contractors could not easily combine to get a large percentage more than a job was worth from an individual, a firm or a private corporation.

We think that this is not only a natural and reasonable but an inevitable conclusion. If this be the case, it is the people's business to endeavor with all their might to secure a city administration that is both honest and competent, and that will neither stand in with nor be hoodwinked by a contractors' pool.

WE MUST HELP OURSELVES.

THE HARRIMAN SYSTEM finds nothing in the way of building cutoffs when the purpose is to shorten the line to the east. According to the San Francisco papers Mr. Harriman has already given orders to spend without delay \$500,000 in building a cutoff line in Nevada 28 miles in length between Hazen, a station on the Central Pacific, and Churchill, a station on the Carson and Colorado branch of the Southern Pacific.

AN ODD COINCIDENCE.

Corvallis Times. There is a Benton county in Iowa, and there is a Benton county in Oregon. From that county in Oregon, Mr. Marietta, Monday, as he drew a long breath, "about the strangest thing all around, I ever met."

Marietta avers will look almost exactly like the Benton county, Oregon court house. More remarkable still, Benton county, Iowa, joins Linn county, Iowa, just as Benton county, Oregon, joins Linn county, Oregon.

Few people have such a peculiar name as Miss Nella L. Allen, a Main school-teacher. Whether spelled forward or backward, the name spells just the same.

needed money or in doing the work. The work is ordered and the money is forthcoming as a matter of course. But it is very different with the little 80-mile gap between Riparia and Lewiston, which would give a tremendous stretch of marvelous country a water level road clear to Portland.

But the lesson is not without its uses; it is teaching the people that they must help themselves if they wish to be helped and the movement from Portland to Lewiston is already assuming such proportions and it is backed by such determination of purpose that there can be no doubt of the character of the outcome.

THE TALKS OF THE PRESIDENT.

WHAT THE PRESIDENT SAYS when read in print is oftentimes almost altogether commonplace, what might be said by almost anybody, though few would express themselves to the same effect so readily and vigorously.

The president in these soporific homilies rarely says anything that anybody can reasonably disagree with. He preaches the gospel of work, activity, industry, endeavor, effort, honesty, usefulness, reliability, accountability, virtue and achievement—all of which we all know to be good and right and worthy of acceptance.

The president is somewhat of a curiosity, in spite of his seemingly bluff downright and manifest uprightness. Undoubtedly honest in every fiber, he has on some occasions thrown his influence on the palpably wrong side, for politics' sake, as in the case of certain federal judgeships in Chicago.

AN OBJECT LESSON IN FINE FRUIT RAISING.

Fine California oranges 5 cents a dozen; New York Baldwins, four pounds for 25 cents; Hood River Spitzenbergs, two pounds for 25 cents.

FIGURES TELL Oregon's triumph. Our fruit is not an empty honor when California groccrymen publish such prices as the above. Mr. Franz of Hood River says he found these rates at Pasadena, under the shadow of the far-famed orange groves, and where New York apples knew for years no competitor.

Such boom facts as these have been familiar to Hood River horticulturists for some time, but it is only lately that the material results of high price, steady demand and unlimited market have been circulated. People of Oregon have known that their big apples and other fruit were winning medals at public fairs, but they do not yet realize fully that the more gratifying medal bearing the eagle stamp is being captured with equal clarity.

All of this state cannot be expected to become second Hood river and central Oregon districts, but it is apparent to the most casual observer that thousands upon thousands of acres are untouched, which will in the near future become the scene of the most profitable fruit industry. Hood River and a few more enterprising communities are merely pioneering the way.

WHO SHOULD REGISTER.

THIS FACT cannot be made too plain—nobody can vote at the primaries who has not registered his party politics. It is not enough that one has already registered in the usual way. That will permit him to vote at the elections. But if he wishes to have a hand in the selection of the two candidates for mayor whom the Republicans and Democrats will nominate he must in addition register his party politics on or before the night of April 14.

Each and every voter should make a note of this for his own information. Does he want to vote for a party nominee at the primaries? Then he must register again so as to proclaim his party politics. Does he simply wish to vote at the election? Then if he is already registered that is sufficient. The ordinary registration, however, does not carry the privilege of voting at the primaries.

INTERESTED.

He told his love good-night, Good-night, good-night, good-night, He told his love good-night, all repetition acroning; Good-night, good-night, good-night; Good-night, good-night, good-night; Until the milkman came along and told them both good-morning.

It has. From the New York Times. The truth generally has a sting in its tail.

Small Change

Exit the long grand jury. Get your ball bond ready? The hens seem inclined to be good. Only two weeks till Easter brings joy.

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What About Hon. John Barrett?

From the Washington Post. We have waited long and patiently for an official intimation as to the fate of Hon. John Barrett, minister to Panama. Announcement has been made of the reorganization of the Isthmian canal commission, which will supersede the present arrangement. It is dimly understood that Hon. Barrett has been named as the diplomatic head of the new canal regime. Mr. Barrett, it is said, will be provided with "something equally as good."

But what? And how? What is to become of him? Patience is a lovely thing, but it ceases to be a virtue when the fate of the Hon. John Barrett hangs in the balance. We want to know what will become of Mr. Barrett, and we want to know if now. Will he be rewarded with an ambassadorship? Will he become assistant secretary of state under the Hon. Francis B. Loomis in promotion? There are questions that should be answered, and the president has no right to hide in the wilds of Texas while such matters are pending.

John Barrett, in the language of one of our esteemed contemporaries, has "few peers and no equals." He has worked early and late for the glory of the administration. In the handling of delicate diplomatic situations he is unflinching. His industry of voice and pen is unflagging. His pulchritude is unquestioned. He has earned the admiration of the administration,