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actments are illustrative of a growing tendency to hold saloonkeepers responsible for the manner in which they sell intoxicating liquor. That accountability extends not only to immediate consequences, but also to ultimate results.

A SPLENDID CHANGE. There ought to be a way in this town for the poor man with a few dollars of savings to get his money into home bonds.

Why is a czar? It ought to be plain to them (the city commissioners) as it is to the public, that the power of dominating the commission was placed with the mayor, and with the mayor alone, with the intention that it should be used—Oregonian.

Where are all those czar-like powers attributed to the mayor when the commission charter was pending for adoption last April? Where is that autocratic executive with imperial authority which the Oregonian and Mr. Lombard said was created in the new charter?

How strange now to hear the Oregonian calling upon the mayor to be more imperious, more formidable, more awesome, more Cromwellian, more Napoleonic. The paper that sounded the note of alarm over the mayor's tremendous authority in April, is pleading in December with the mayor to be more czar-like.

It is insisting that this be, not a Dieck administration, or a Daly administration, or a Brewster administration, or a Bigelow administration, but strictly an All-Bebe administration. It is calling on him not to be one of "five little mayors," but a super mayor, a crackerjack, a soul-twister.

Another liquor case. The United States supreme court will decide whether a state law making a saloonkeeper liable for the creation of drunkards is constitutional.

A USURER IN PRISON. NEW YORK'S appellate court has decided that Daniel H. Tolman, known in many cities as the king of the loan sharks, must spend six months in prison.

SOME SUGGESTIONS. CAN a city government be conducted on the same impersonal lines that a successful private business is? Can it submit employees to the cold test of efficiency? Ought it be made to suffer from excessive cost through the

intimidation of a particular interest? In private affairs every new invention and labor saving method involving progress is made use of. Worn out machinery is sent to the junk pile, employees are discharged. During the readjustment many suffer but in the end there is more work for more people because the saving in one direction makes openings for greater expenditures in others.

YOU OWE IT. THE charter amendments offered in tomorrow's election represent endeavor by the city commission to better the processes of government in Portland.

Letters From the People. (Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on one side of the paper, and should be 300 words in length and must be accompanied by the name and address of the sender. If the writer does not desire to have the name published, he should so state.)

Wants More for Markets. Portland, Or., Dec. 8.—To the Editor of The Journal—If a title of the money spent on the city's highways was as beautiful in Portland could be used in erecting half a dozen public markets, it would add more to the general health, welfare and well being of the citizens of this beautiful city than all the projects and other high sounding resolutions that are proposed.

ADOPT THIS AMENDMENT. CHARTER amendment No. 114, yes, relating to the sale of public utility certificates, should be adopted. The charter now authorizes the sale of these certificates for the original purchase or construction of public utilities.

THE Case of Chamberlain. Portland, Dec. 8.—To the Editor of The Journal—The Chamberlain affair. It is said he will be thrown out upon the world jobless and penniless at the age of 72, after serving his country faithfully for many years.

Is Sterilization the Only Way? Oregon City, Or., Dec. 5.—To the Editor of The Journal—In The Journal of December, there was a letter from a man who seems to think there is no way to obtain desired results save by sterilization.

MOVIES AS EDUCATORS. EDISON says that moving pictures will revolutionize educational methods. He is collecting films which will show plants growing, flowers springing into bloom and people from all portions of the world engaged in their daily occupations.

With "Pine Board" at a Text. Ashland, Dec. 5.—To the Editor of The Journal—I would like space for comment on a news article in The Journal of December 2, headed "The Soft Side of a Warm Pine Board."

amendment is approved by the voters it will bring about lower contract prices by permitting wider competition on local improvement work. It will result in a substantial saving to the taxpayers by permitting improvement bonds to be retired as fast as money for retiring them comes into the city treasury.

Dr. O. P. S. Plummer is dead. This announcement brings to the mind of the old resident of Portland the picture of a gentle, white haired man of kindly face always old but ever young.

Small Change. Well, going to vote? That great bridge is sure to come. Isn't there a soul on that water wagon yet?

Senator Hoar of Massachusetts, in expressing his disapproval, said: "Here is a proposition which, in my judgment, would be destructive to great business interests in the country, especially to the export business of the principal city of the state which I represent."

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IN EARLIER DAYS. By Fred Lockley. "My grandfather came to Oregon in 1845," said Senator Fred W. Mulkey of Portland. "The following year he went back to get his family. In the spring of 1847 he returned with his family and many of his neighbors for the Willamette valley. My father, Marion F. Mulkey, was 11 years old at the time. They settled a mile and a half from Corvallis. Next fall—the fall of 48—a good many Oregonians went to Sutter's Fort, where gold had been discovered. From the reports brought back of the high prices paid for all supplies, my grandfather decided to drive some beef cattle down to the mines.

"My father, who was 13 years old, went with him to help drive the cattle. The cattle brought big prices. "Grandfather heard so many reports of miners returning to the Willamette valley with gold dust being 'held up' that he decided the safest plan was to load a pack horse with gold dust received from the sale of his cattle and let his 13 year old boy take the gold home. He didn't think anyone would suspect a boy traveling alone of having treasure. "Though my father was only 13 years old, he later became the first stipendiary in those days and he made the trip from the Sacramento Valley to the Willamette Valley alone and in safety. "In the middle fifties my father went to Forest Grove, where he became a student under Professor Marsh. John W. Johnson, who later became the first president of the University of Oregon, and my father were schoolmates. Marshall Kinney at the Portland hotel can tell you all about those days, as he was a student there also.

"My father and J. W. Johnson went to Yale together, being graduated in the class of 1862. Father met and married Mary E. Porter of New Haven. "Shortly after his marriage word came to him of the death of his father, so he came at once to Portland to settle the estate. His bride followed him shortly, coming by the Isthmus of Panama. Father studied law with Judge Shauck. He was admitted to the bar in 1864. He became chief deputy for John A. Cooper, the district attorney. For a while he was in partnership with W. Lair Hill. In 1868 he was elected district attorney. "My grandfather was one of the richest men in Oregon at the time of his death.

"The winter of '61-'62 was very severe. On Saturday, Jan. 23, the state left Walla Walla for The Dalles. John D. Jones of Walla Walla, was the Wells Fargo express messenger. Among the passengers were I. E. Jagger, 28 years old, a clerk in John R. Foster's hardware store and a son-in-law of R. R. Thompson of Portland, and A. M. Moore, Dr. Jas. Gay and H. S. Miles, all of Eugene, Charles Wilson of Salem, T. S. Jeffries of Bethel, Polk county, and several others. They reached John Day at 10 o'clock in the morning. The poor accommodations where they found several days. My grandfather and several others joined the party at John Day. My grandfather had taken in and sold to the mines a herd of cattle and was bringing out 25 or 30 pounds of gold dust. On January 25, 1862, James W. A. Moody, J. M. Allyn and Pat Davis started on foot for Deschutes. On Wednesday, January 15, John D. Jones, the Wells Fargo messenger, secured a wagon and six horses and started for Deschutes. In his party were I. E. Jagger, H. S. Miles, J. E. Glover, R. Bolton, T. S. Jeffries and my grandfather, John Mulkey. They left John Day at 8 o'clock in the morning. The snow was four feet deep and the cold was intense. The men had over 200 pounds of gold dust in the Wells Fargo treasure chest. By noon three of the horses were exhausted and had to be abandoned. The travelers held a council of war. J. M. Allyn, John Bolton and Wilson, returned to John Day and tried to persuade the others to go back also. The three men who went back stayed at Tom Scott's house till Saturday, Jan. 18, when they started again. They got to The Dalles on Jan. 20, and found the rest of the party who had pressed on. The party had arrived. C. H. Johnson and Fred M. Stocking started out with food and blankets to hunt up the missing men. Just when the mouth of the Deschutes was reached they crossed the Columbia river on the log to Mr. Peole's house, where they found eight of the party. They brought in two of the men, C. H. Johnson, in one of the Dalles Portage company's sleighs brought out four of them. They took William Riddle, Donald McDonald, H. S. Miles, J. E. Glover, J. M. Allyn and Dr. Jay and W. A. Moody to the Western hotel. The rescued men said that Jagger gave out and was left on the road 15 miles from Deschutes. John Irwin, who was frozen in the snow drift, and his foot frozen in moving him in. They found the bodies of Jagger, Allyn and Davis and brought them to The Dalles. William Riddle died at The Dalles on Jan. 30, after having his leg, which was frozen from amputation at the knee, cut off. My grandfather died Sunday, Feb. 2, at Deschutes. Jeffries had both feet cut off and Wellington lost one leg. The search party in charge of Woodward found a miner named Brown, who had 35 pounds of gold dust in his belt and who had lain in a snow drift for five days and six nights. They brought him to The Dalles, but he died within a few days. Thousands of Indian horses and thousands of head of stock were frozen that winter. Every pioneer remembers distinctly the hardships of the long winter of '61 and '62."

Pointed Paragraphs. The "big stick" the average man fears is his wife. The man who knows the least generally thinks he knows the most. The fruits of industry do not grow on every family tree. The dog in the manger is only one of the chronic growlers. To make good resolutions is all right, but it is better to make good. Some gifts were better left ungiven—the gift of gab, for instance. And every girl wants to swipe a name for herself—by marrying. The husband who thinks he is henpecked is very likely to suspect the truth.

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