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FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 1902.

SELLING LIQUOR TO INDIANS.

It is an old story but it is a live one. Pendleton sees it every day. The law prohibiting the sale of liquor to an Indian is a good one, and there is very little sympathy for the man who does it and gets in the meshes of the law for it. But there ought to be some changes made. The average man who will sell liquor to an Indian is not better nor worse than the Indian to whom he sells the liquor.

But the law only cuts one way. It only punishes one criminal. One criminal violates the law by selling liquor to another, when the latter is about as anxious to buy as the former is to sell. The first criminal gets the money and the second gets his liquor. The man who gets the liquor is a red man and the man who gets the money is a white man, but they are both subjects of Uncle Sam, and one has no superior rights over the other. But the man who gets the liquor usually gets drunk, and then he gets sick, and then he tells who sold him the liquor, and then the seller is punished.

That is proper. The man who sells an Indian liquor while it is a violation of the law to do so ought to be told on, and he ought to be punished. No complaint here. But how about the Indian? He is not altogether a fool. He was sly in getting his liquor. He knew he was violating the law. But when he gets sober he gets to be a good Indian to the government and goes and tells on the man who sold him the liquor. He gets witness fees, too. Is not the man who gets whisky contrary to law, knowingly, gets drunk on it, and then informs on the man from whom he got it about as mean as the man who sold it to him? Is not the fact that he and his friends get fees also, an incentive to get some one to buy him more liquor to get drunk on?

The object of the law is to deal out justice. Is it exactly justice for two men to violate the law together and only one of them to be punished? Would it not be a good idea to make it a violation of the law for an Indian to buy liquor the same as it is to sell him liquor? Would not that deter him to some extent from buying, and would not that decrease the violations of law in such cases? It is claimed by those familiar with the subject that it would. Do not repeal the law for prohibiting the sale of liquor to Indians, but add a clause that makes his punishment the same as the other fellow.

But he would not give away the fellow who sold it to him, is suggested. If you catch him drunk and send him up for it under the law made for the purpose he would generally tell where he got it. At least a few sentences of that kind would lessen the number of "consumers."

This was the argument advanced by a government official yesterday who is posted on the violations of the law of this character.

News gets distorted often as it travels. A leading New York paper has the Tracy-Merrill duel illustrated with each firing a revolver at the other. Neither had a revolver at the time.

Roosevelt's action in favoring the irrigation law will make him popular in the west for all time to come. He simply saw his plain duty and performed it.

The Idaho Statesman celebrated its 38th anniversary last Saturday morning. That is getting old for a Pacific Northwest journal, where everything great is comparatively young, but there is nothing slow or decrepit about the Statesman. It is one of the brightest, best edited, neatest printed papers that comes to this office. The Statesman gives a bit of modest history about itself, which is very interesting. It tells how, 38 years ago, it was shipped on a boat up the Columbia and ported a long distance at The Dalles, and then of the early history of the paper, which was different in those days from these. The East Oregonian expects to see the Idaho Statesman a great metropolitan daily some day, and that day is not as far off as one would think at first blush. The hundreds of thousands are coming this way from the East and Idaho will get her share, and it will be a big one, too.

It is neck and neck with the Oregonian and the Oregon Daily Journal as to which is quoted oftener throughout the state. "From the Oregon Daily Journal," is seen about as often, if not oftener than the credit. "From the Oregonian." The evening paper has taken its place in the front rank with rapid strides.

President Roosevelt has completely retired. He has ordered the civil service man to permit no one under any conditions to take a shot at him with a kodak even. He has determined that his rest shall be a private and quiet one.

When a newspaper man turns horse-thief it is an unpardonable sin against the profession. He is supposed to steal anything that he can cut with his scissors from his exchanges, but nothing more.

With the entire cabinet out on the stump in the next campaign, it ought to be able to explain what the administration has done.

A NEGRO CONGRESS.

Preparations are now being made in Atlanta for a negro congress, which is designed to be the largest and most representative assembly ever held by that class of our population. The estimates are that upward of 10,000 delegates will be present. It is of course not likely that such estimates are free from exaggeration, but it is deemed well nigh certain that the number of influential negroes who attend the meeting will make it an occasion of national importance.

Atlanta is a fitting place for such an assembly. It is said to contain more negro churches, negro schools and negro colleges than any other

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city in the world. The colored population of the city is fully representative of the best that has been done by the race for the race since emancipation. The promoter of the convention is himself an Atlanta negro who won something more than a local reputation by his management of the negro department of the Cotton States Exposition held there in 1895. In providing for the convention he has been assisted by 40 different denominations and associations of one kind or another.

While the object of the meeting is mainly to discuss the conditions and prospects of the negro in America, and to devise a plan of action for promoting the welfare of the race, the time is not to be given wholly to talk. It is the intention of the promoters to make a notable feature of music. A chorus of 1000 voices is being trained for the purpose by the musical director of Tuskegee Institute, and it is the intention to render not only classical music, but some of the better old-time plantation melodies.

America is so much a land of conventions that the proposed gathering of the negro representatives in Atlanta would in itself hardly attract much attention. Its interest lies in the fact that has such an important and such a complex problem to deal with. To the white race what is known as the "negro problem" is but a theme for academic discussion, but to the negro himself it is a matter of vital importance. The speeches at Atlanta are going to be earnest, and while it is not probable any definite solution of the complex problems involved in the relations of the two races will be forthcoming, it is certain the resolutions which express the opinions of so large a body of representative colored men will be read with attention and given due heed by thoughtful men throughout the Union.—San Francisco Call.

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