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Suppose the Panama canal should so change the course of trade that New Orleans in a decade should grow to the size of Philadelphia. The net result would be that the men who own the site of the Crescent City would be able to collect millions where now they collect thousands in ground rents, while the masses there would be no better off than the masses in the Quaker City. Without the single tax the canal will be of trifling benefit to the masses. The landlords will be the chief beneficiaries. The money sunk in that canal will increase neither interest nor wages. It will swell ground rents. It is the people's money, but they will never get it back, until they take these ground rents in lieu of taxes.—Rev. Herbert S. Bigelow.

Spokane has just misad receiving a "gold brick." Patti has cancelled her date at that city.

The Lewis and Clark fair corporation has let the contract for printing 300,000 descriptive books to three Portland job firms. The newspapers of the state will do the rest, free of charge.

The increasing success of the Umatilla county corn crop is a standing inducement to a thrifty class of settlers from the central west, who know the value of the hog and corn combination.

Henry Watterson gives Bryan a half column grilling in the Courier-Journal, because of Bryan's alleged play to the galleries while on his European tour. The picturesque and antiquated editor of the Courier-Journal will go to the convention of his party with a stuffed club, as usual.

Since the worldly courts of Chicago marched Dowie before them to answer for fraud, his followers have made the statement that the Zionist is not Elijah II, but only common John Alexander Dowie, (minus the chariot fire, and in no need of ravens to feed him as long as the "suckers" last.)

The Florida Daughters of the Confederacy have sent resolutions to President Roosevelt complimenting his action in recognizing Panama's secession. These ironical compliments, however, will not deter the president from his determination and the South will be the first section directly benefited by his Panama policy. Any canal is preferable to no canal.

As an evidence of the beauty of the present land laws, it may be interesting to note that the lumber-woods adjacent to Viento, on the Columbia river, having been exhausted by the mill companies, the town will now be deserted and the mills will be moved to another virgin field. The county will now be "enriched" by taxes collected from this stripped

mountain land. At least, that was Senator Fulton's argument before the public land commission.

Many of the leading exchanges that come to this office have enthusiastically indorsed the high valuation of property fixed last year by Assessor Strain, in this county. In every instance where the papers have mentioned Mr. Strain's little book on assessments, they recommended its just principles to the assessors of the various counties. This indorsement of Mr. Strain's policy is not confined to Oregon, but Washington and Idaho papers and officials have unqualifiedly praised his efforts to raise values and secure a uniform assessment in every county in the state on railroad property. Following the initiative made by Umatilla county, Multnomah will raise her assessment this year. In that county the valuation of property is \$10,000,000 less in 1903 than 1893, and the levy in 1893 was but 27 mills, while in 1903 it was 46 mills, or 70 per cent higher than in 1893. The first question a homeseeker asks on arriving at a prospective location is the amount of the tax levy. A low levy is a perpetual inducement to settlement and must be contended for more and more by Oregon assessors.

Mark Hanna's monumental hypocrisy was never so vividly exhibited as in his article against socialism in the February National Magazine. He warns the country against the growing systems of co-operation among workingmen and the widening sentiment in favor of community of interests among the masses, but never a word of condemnation for the voracious trusts. Never one sentiment against the combination and co-operation of capital for business purposes. Never one word against a selfish system of government favoritism which has been the bane of the masses and the enthronement of the few, in this government. Union among the people, he brands as a dangerous tendency because of the lack of experienced heads to guide such an enormous force as the united people. Organization and co-operation are right and proper among capitalists. Community of interests are beneficial among large concerns, but dangerous among the thinking, patient, sovereign people of the nation. Hanna talks about devoting his remaining years to the restoration of the rights of the masses, in a tone that would be interesting to Americans if Hanna's past record and present practices on this subject were not so well known to every school boy.

This is Scotland's day. On January 25, 1759, her greatest songster, Robert Burns, was born. Too brief, too few were his rich years of melody and patriotic song. But his countrymen compensate for his too brief life on earth by increasing enthusiasm and appreciation in celebrating his memory. No matter where dispersed over the earth, the Scotchman turns to the native heath at home on this anniversary of the birth of his patron saint and no matter what tender recollections or what thrilling sentiments of love, devotion or patriotism swell his bosom, he finds full expression for them in the matchless songs of Robert Burns. Born in the common walks of life and reared on "humble fare," his songs breathe the spirit of the masses. He was a hearty hater of wrong and a devoted defender of common liberty and justice. His songs inspire the heart to noble deeds, even at this great distance from their first enthusiasm. There is a thrilling melody running through them that makes the hearts of men tingle with emotion or patriotism, in every clime. The sweet Scotch dialect and homely wit of the plowman have bound lovers and clansmen in a mystic free masonry of joy and song, the world over.

Just as John C. Cook, appeared before the county auditor at Spokane, on Saturday evening, for the purpose of securing a marriage license, he was arrested for jumping a board bill at his former home in Lincoln county, Washington. The wedding was postponed.

CHRISTIAN SOCIALISM.
A story of London and its overcrowding, its immense population of six and a half millions of souls, and what is being done by the London mission to alleviate the sufferings among the poor, was discussed last night by the Rev. Mark Guy Pearse at Grace M. E. church, Twenty-first and Capp street, says the Examiner. The Rev. Mr. Pearse said in part: "I will address you tonight on Christian Socialism. What does London mean with its population of 6,500,000 people? My friends, London, Chicago and New York are built on volcanoes, and when they burst the remotest places will not escape. In London people are living in places that were it our lot we should not think life worth living. I frankly confess that I would not. Oh, you happy people in California, do not know what poverty means. Think of three families huddled together in one room. Now, it is for the church to come to the aid of such people. It is not right that the door of the church should be closed from Sunday. Follow a man from his own room. Where will he go? To the public house, because it is a natural resort for him. Then, let the church, make it so inviting, so warm, so attractive that he may be won to it. I should say, were I the working man, if you want me in church, why not want me as does the other man's house? I say to you that there is no church half so sacred as the poor man and poor woman and poor child that walk the earth of our God. Were I to suffer as some I have seen I would myself have a sense of wrath of indignation; I would grow bitter against the world. That volcano will burst unless the churches change the conditions. Socialism, as it is mostly understood, is hatred begotten of wrath. Socialism means what is mine is mine, but socialism too says what is mine is thine. Ah, that is the socialism we want in this world — unselfishness, but the great revival is coming that shall transform the social conditions in which men shall live. I would that the millionaires, the rich men of our church, would endow their daughters with enough money to carry on the work of the Sisters of the People. In that respect we might well follow the example of our friends of the Roman Catholic church. I do not mean the practice of celibacy, but that the young daughters of the wealthy might give up their time to the philanthropic work, and the assistance and attendance on the poor and the sick." The future holds no failures to the eye of faith.

He that bloweth not his own horn the same shall not be blown"
When Dinner's Ready
THE FARMER'S WIFE BLOWS THE HORN TO SUMMON HER HUSBAND TO THE MIDDAY MEAL.
...IT BRINGS HIM.
WHEN THE MERCHANT HAS PREPARED A FEAST OF GOOD THINGS FOR WHICH PLENTY OF PEOPLE ARE HUNGRY, HE, TOO SHOULD TOOT A HORN TO CALL THEM TO HIS BANQUET OF BARGAINS.
BUT THE HORN MUST BE BLOWN WHERE THE MULTITUDE WILL HEAR IT OR NOBODY WILL COME TO THE FEAST.
BECAUSE NOBODY WILL KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT, EVEN THOUGH IT MAY BE THE MOST TEMPTING REPAST EVER SPREAD.
THE ADVERTISING HORN VIGOROUSLY BLOWN IN THE COLUMNS OF A LIVE, WIDE AWAKE, UP TO DATE NEWSY NEWSPAPER THAT GOES AMONG THE CLASS OF PEOPLE HE WANTS FOR PATRONS, WILL BRING HIM A VOLUME OF TRADE FAR BEYOND HIS MOST SANGUINE EXPECTATIONS.
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