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We are not free: Freedom doth not consist
In musing with our faces toward the past;
While petty cares and crawl-interests twist
Their spider-threads about us, which at last
Grow strong as iron chains, to cramp and bind
In formal narrowness heart, soul and mind.
Freedom is recreated year by year,
In hearts wide open on the Godward side,
In souls calm-cadenced as the whirling sphere,
In minds that sway the future like a tide.
No broadest creeds can hold her, and no codes;
She chooses men for her august abodes,
Building them fair and fronting the dawn;
Yet, when we seek her, we but find a few
Light footprints leading mornward through the dew;
Before the day had risen she was gone.
—James Russell Lowell.

SAVES MONEY FOR THE PEOPLE

The East Oregonian takes pleasure in giving the exact facts connected with the action of County Clerk Chamberlain, in giving the contract for printing the election ballots to this paper.

In the first place, the election ballots are to be let by the county clerk, by special contract, and are not part of the county printing. Cotton & Bellinger's Code, in section 2858, says:

"The county clerk of each county shall cause to be printed according to law, all the ballots required under the provisions of this act;" and a supreme court decision on the same subject in the same section, says:

"Under this section the county clerk has authority to contract for the printing of the ballots, the power to cause the ballots to be printed, necessarily implies the right to agree with the person employed to perform the work, as to the rate of compensation.

"The county clerk cannot bind the the county court to pay an unreasonable sum for the services rendered, but the contract made by him must be observed."

Mr. Chamberlain having authority to let the printing of the ballots, made a contract with the East Oregonian because of the saving to the taxpayers he could accomplish in so doing.

The Tribune says the democratic county clerk is conspiring with the East Oregonian to deprive the official paper of county work that belongs to it. The law of Oregon, under which the county clerk acted, says the ballots do not belong to the official paper, but must be contracted by the clerk, and in doing this, the county clerk has contracted with the paper doing the work cheapest, as the following bids from the Tribune and the East Oregonian will show:

Tribune—
White ballots .....$4.75 per 1,000
Colored ballots .....$4.25 per 1,000

East Oregonian—
White ballot .....$4.00 per 1,000
Colored ballots .....$3.00 per 1,000

It will require approximately 24,000 for the election, or 12,000 of each, white and colored. At the Tribune's bid, these ballots would cost the taxpayers $108, and at the East Oregonian's bid, but $84, or a saving of $24 to the people. Is this conspiracy?

The East Oregonian rejoices to know that Pendleton high school and Pendleton academy are to unite in the baccalaureate exercises this year. This is the proper spirit, the only spirit that should exist. These are both Pendleton institutions of which every parent is proud. The work and progress of both schools are matters of joy to every citizen. There is no divergence of methods, no chasm of caste, no gulf of dogma; nor high board fence of mental quibbling dividing these institutions. They are educating on the same high lines. They are made up of the same vigorous, intellectual scions of the sturdy western stock. They are presided over by the same strong minds finished in the same high standard of excellence and training. Parents, scholars and teachers should bring these institutions more closely together. If there is any rivalry between them, it should be that true fraternal rivalry which aids each other in its contests. It is right that all kinds of education should be within reach of all, that each may choose what is desired. The private school should not be looked upon as being opposed to the public school. There is work and patronage for both. Instead of holding each other at arm's length these institutions should be more closely united, should more often mingle and co-operate, and gradually the great events in each school year should be jointly celebrated. Are we not all Pendleton people? Are we not all seeking the right education? Then why not fraternize? Why not be one in aim, although we be two in name?

Will a consumption sanitarium at Bingham springs, on the banks of the Umatilla river, from which stream Pendleton draws her water supply, be a menace to the health of the users of city water in this city? This question has suggested itself to the East Oregonian in its consideration of the new sanitarium at Bingham, and it submits the subject to the health authorities and Commercial Association for solution and such action as may be necessary in the case. The sewage from such sanitarium would necessarily be emptied into the Umatilla river as that is the only natural method by which the sewage could be disposed of. Would this sewage have any effect on the fish in the stream? Would it be a menace to the water supply of Pendleton? These questions must be met and answered in justice to the people of this city who use Umatilla river water the year around. The establishment of the sanitarium is something to be desired by every progressive citizen of the county, if the welfare and health of the community are closely guarded. Inquiry should be made at once into the plans of the new sanitarium.

That is a vital contention now being waged in the Methodist conference at Los Angeles, over the individual communion cup in the celebration of the Lord's supper. Hygiene, sanitation, health and cleanliness has come between the old and the new age of worship. Health boards say that public drinking fountains are spawning grounds for microbes and distributors of germs. Hygienic law suggests that innovations invade the sacred precincts of the communion table and instead of each devotee sipping from a common cup, that there must be a cup for each, for health's sake. The conservative man says the innovation destroys the beautiful symbol of the communion. That its very life and meaning was lodged in that olden custom of all the communicants tasting the symbolical wine from the same cup. If the churches followed, literally, all the directions of the Bible, how many twentieth century Christians could obey? The spirit of worship need not change, but its outward form must give way before the progress for which the Christian doctrine, alone, is responsible.

The rank and file of democrats demand some expression of principle from candidates. Judge Parker may please the aristocrats by his self-imposed silence and irresponsive attitude toward the "common herd," but voters want something beside dignified silence. If there is anything in democracy, it is the boldness to declare its purposes, no matter whom the lightning strikes. If there is anything in its doctrine that has commanded respects in the past, it is the dogged determination to utter its creed and then stand by it to the last ditch. This straddling, speechless Parker democracy may be all right to nurse in safely democratic wards, but it is not the kind to win votes with in the doubtful corners of the country, where hard scrapping, hopeless scrapping and unrewarded scrapping is the lot of the democrat. In the West, democrats would rather go down to defeat fighting with a live devil whose shortcomings they realized, than to win with a sphinx they do not understand.

The 1-year-old child of P. H. Abbey, was killed in a runaway at Waitsburg, Monday.

HYMN OF THE WEST.

(World's Fair, St. Louis, 1904.)

O Thou, whose glorious orbs on high
Engird the earth with splendor round,
From out thy secret place draw nigh
The courts and temples of this ground!
Eternal Light,
Fill with Thy might
These domes that in Thy purpose grew,
And lift a nation's heart anew!

Illumine Thou each pathway here
To show the marvels God hath wrought
Since first thy people's chief and seer
Looked up with that prophetic thought,
Bade Time unroll
The fateful scroll,
And empire unto freedom gave
From cloudland height to tropic wave.

Poured through the gateways of the North
Thy mighty rivers join their tide,
And on the wings of morn set forth
Their mists the far-off peaks divide.
By Thee unsealed,
The mountains yield
Ores that the wealth of Ophir shame,
And gems unwrought of seven-hued flame.

Lo, through what years the soil hath lain
At Thine own time to give increase—
The greater and the lesser grain,
The ripened boll, the myriad fleece!
Thy creatures gaze
Appointed ways;
League after league across the land
The ceaseless herds obey Thy hand.

Thou, whose high archways shine most clear
Above the plenteous Western plain,
Thine ancient tribes from round the sphere
To breath its quickened air are fain,
And smiles the sun
To see made one
Their brood throughout Earth's greenest space,
Land of the new and lordlier race!
—Edmund Clarence Stedman.

KOREAN WISDOM.

The following Korean proverbs and sayings afford an interesting insight into their modes of thought and illustrate the intellectual aptitude and power of observation of the people:

A thing is good when it is new.

A man is good when he is old.

He who hath eaten salt drinketh water.

If one is not observing, one sees nothing.

When the tiger is gone the fox is master.

One can paint the fur of the tiger, but not his joints.

One knows the face of man, but not his interior.

Even the blind man can find his way through an open door.

As soon as the moon is full it begins to grow smaller.

The higher the mountain the deeper the valley.

Does smoke come out of a fireless chimney?

The grave of Chief Moses, on the Colville reservation, has been broken open and trinkets stolen from the body. Although buried five years, the body was in a good state of preservation.

HURRY UP!

Everywhere one hears that expression "hurry up!" It is a genuine Americanism expressive of the "rush" in which we live. Nothing is swift enough for us. We race against steam and lightning and find them slow. We grudge the time given to eating, and rush through meals as though life depended upon our haste.

Life does depend on our haste, but not in that sense. Look at the obituary columns of the papers and see how many prominent men are carried away by "stomach trouble," "acute indigestion" and other related diseases. Their lives have in general been sacrificed to the haste and rush of business which overlooked the fact that food can only nourish the body when digested and assimilated and that the digestive and assimilative processes *can't be hurried*.

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