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EDITORIAL.

Oh that horrid bug-a-boo, socialism! It is just too awful! Why can't those socialist fiends keep quiet and not disturb "confidence"? What do they want anyway? Justice makes answer: Nothing but that which is due them. They wish to rob no one; neither do they wish to be robbed. All they demand is that which will nicely balance the Scales of Justice.

Judge George D. Gear, of the First Circuit court of Honolulu, has decided that the constitution of the United States was extended to Hawaii at the time of the signing of the Newlands resolution, which took place six weeks before the American flag was raised in Hawaii. This is once that the constitution got ahead of the flag, but the twain are liable to a lively time in chasing each other.

WHICH WILL YOU CHOOSE?  
There has been a conflict raging for a very long period between the two forces—good and evil—and while at times it has been fierce and keen, perhaps at no one age have these two giants been in stronger array than at the present, nor in such vast proportions.

As we view Nature we find two distinct sets of laws arrayed in mighty battle. One set tends toward building up, preserving, and permanency, the other toward tearing down, dissolving, destruction, and death, and man having come under the environments of these forces must make his choice as to which will be the most congenial to the life he chooses to lead.

If he chooses to be governed by the first named and higher order, then he begins to enquire for knowledge, and he reaches out step by step, gaining a little here, and a little there making each truth gathered, a stepping stone to a higher position, from which a new start can be made to a higher plain of intelligence where still greater research can be had in the line of progression.

If the lower order of laws are chosen then the destructive path is pursued, and the way becomes easy although the end is not desirable. In this line of—we will not say life, because life means the very reverse—but rather of death, all that is necessary is to take off the brakes and slide down the grade. Progress may be slow in the beginning, but as time passes the speed will be accelerated and long before the victim, who has chosen this train, is aware, he has reached the end of physical endurance and glides over the precipice to the great beyond.

This path is designated as being easy because of the little exertion necessary to find it. If you wish to go on the Gout train, intemperance in eating and drinking will land you safely at the end of the journey.

The Paralytic train will accommodate you at an early age providing you run counter to the preservative laws, and it will not even be necessary to make search which laws you must violate; a blind leap at dissipation will suffice.

The Accident train is always ready to accommodate those who wish to make the journey in the least possible time, and a free ticket is supplied anywhere along the line to all comers who are inclined to carelessness, or inquisitiveness without inquiry as to cost.

The Suicide train starts at all hours of the day or night and is a favorite with persons who have lead fast lives and squandered their substance until they can no longer gratify the abnormal demands of their being. This is also the accommodation train as it bears off to the bourne from whence none return, the victims of the competitive system, such as have failed in business and seek repose from their troubles, also those who because of lack of ability or opportunity have given up the struggle and sought lethe are on this train. It is also a favorite with persons who have attained to a condition where excessive toil and want make life bitter, and especially in this time of persons, in this class, who have no hope of eternal life or future reward.

Under these two sets of laws mentioned is a strange panorama passing which combines the whole of so called civilization, with its great burden of

inequality and wrong, and this is the competitive system with all its ins and outs, and its laws by which its subjects are governed.

A government enacts this law, "thou shalt not steal" and straightaway offers a premium to the thief that is shrewd enough to beat the law and get away with the plunder—this is done through smuggling. You must not steal, but when you trade sure to get the best of the bargain or the other fellow will cheat you. You must not steal, but you must compete until acquisitiveness is bred into your descendants until they are kleptomaniacs. You must not steal, but you may set a trap by which you can obtain all the possessions of innumerable fellow beings and starve them into their graves. You must not—but shaw! what is the use to enumerate! The whole system is full of the Jew's advice to his son when he said:

"My son, get money. Get it honestly if you can, but if you can't, my son, get money."

The great trend of human existence seems to be downward toward a drear wilderness of eternal death.

Which road will you take? One leads you upward, gives you perfect freedom, peace, joy, prosperity, life more abundantly, and securely places you on the highest plain of intelligence, while the other, carries you onward with seductive influence, pursuing pleasures, joys and hopes which never materialize, while the character and intelligence necessary to the highest form of life has been dwarfed, and you pass out at the end of the present existence a subject of the lower order of laws.

**Socialism Growing.**  
From the Portland Telegram.

John Burns, the English working-man's friend and representative in Parliament, who is called a Socialist, but is so only to a limited extent, predicts that America will become socialistic, and hints that the effort to become so will result in another great war in this country. This is no wilder or more unreasonable a prediction than one of the war of 1861-5 would have been 20 years before it occurred. Up until that war broke out—nay, even after it had been actually raging for months—there were millions of people who refused to believe that such a tremendous tragedy had occurred or could occur. Men woke up every morning all over the North and rubbed their eyes thrice before they believed that the great tragedy was not a dream—even though their elders' seats were vacant at the break fast table.

Let a plain blunt statement be made here and now, causes of a great war are making as surely and rapidly now, if somewhat more under the surface, as they were made from 1820 to 1860. It may not come; we are wiser; we look back now on the War of Rebellion and say it was inevitable; no wisdom could have avoided it, and this is true. So, very likely, in 1950, the 200,000,000 people of this country will look back on bloodier fields than were ever seen before in the world's history and say: "No, it could not be helped." Why? It will be asked. Answer: Because the Government sold and surrendered itself to hogs, cormorants, vampires, humbugs, swindlers, rascals, grafters, gourmands, thieves and robbers. Mind, this is what they will say; will they be right? It is easier to look backward than to look ahead; but the wise man looks ahead.

Socialist—and after awhile, when the good times are overflown with the lava of a panic, they will be militant, vengeful, not merely philosophical, argumentative Socialist—are being manufactured by the score or hundred daily. Every time Morgan makes a new combination he makes a hundred Socialists. Every time Schwab draws his million dollars—once a month—he raises blood in a million hearts that boils for mischief. Every time Carnegie gives away a million dollars he aids a million men to read their wrongs—real or imagined—even in the best, freest and happiest land on earth.

Bryanism will turn into Socialism; Populism has but a step to take to become Socialism. The Democrats are going back to bid for the support and fodder and fees of the plutocrats against the Republicans; many Democratic voters will not go back; many more will come over to the growing army of Socialism. By 1920, perhaps sooner, it will be a resistless tide.

This is not a statement of what is desirable or hoped for; merely a slight forecast of things to be, as surely as there is not a speedy and radical change in the policy and conduct of the dominant party in this country. But it is as impossible for that party, with its Hannas, McKinnays, Furkers, Allisons, Elkinses, Doppens and the rest, to change its course, as it is for the leopard to change its spots.

The children of this country will have even a heavier task to perform than any of their ancestors had. There is a cloud in the American sky, hand broad, on which, with a spy-glass, one may decipher the lettering of Macaulay's prophecy.

**Well Worth Knowing.**  
We had an accident happen at our house a short time ago which I think well worth telling. Our little boy, aged two and one-half years, put a Damsen plum seed up his nose, and in trying to get it out had pushed it so far up the nostril that only the tip of the seed could be seen. After trying different ways to extract it, and only succeeded in pushing it farther up, we took him to the doctor, who merely put one finger on the opposite nostril to close it and blew in his mouth; the seed dropped out on his lip. We were more than willing to pay the fifty cents charged for the knowledge of this simple remedy, and it may be worth just as much to many parents, who, like us, live many miles from a doctor.—*Farmer's Voice.*

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**Contest Notice.**  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, ROSEBURG,  
OREGON, July 11, 1901.  
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by David P. Strong, Jr., contestant, against the homestead entry No. 7764, made August 16, 1893, for the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and N $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 28, Township 28 S., Range 12 W., by Leonard Briggs, Contestee, in which it is alleged that the said Leonard Briggs has not resided upon or improved the said homestead as by law required for the last year, and that his alleged absence from the land was not due to his employment in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States as a private soldier, officer, seaman, or marine, during the war with Spain, or during any other war in which the United States may be engaged, said proceedings are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on August 21, 1901, before J. H. Fitzgerald, County Clerk, at Coquille, Oregon, and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on September 10, 1901, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Roseburg, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, fully set forth the facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice could not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

J. T. BURDICK, Register.  
J. H. BOZON, Receiver.

**Notice for Publication.**  
[Timber Land, Act June 3, 1878.]  
UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, ROSEBURG,  
OREGON, June 3, 1901.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT IN compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Terrence J. Callaghan, of Coquille City, County of Coos, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1672 for the purchase of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 15, E $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section No. 24, in Township No. 29 S., R. No. 14 W., and Lot 1 Sec. 16, Township 29 S., R. 13 W., and will offer proof to show that the land sought, is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Roseburg, Oregon, on Tuesday, the 20th day of August 1901. He names as witnesses: Nathan Barklow of Parkersburg, Oregon; Mrs. Belle Barklow of Parkersburg, Oregon; Josiah A. Doak of Parkersburg, Oregon; Fred Perkins of Bandon, Oregon.  
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