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COMMON HONESTY.

To the question "What is the difference between a fool and a knave" a reply well within the bounds of reason would be that a knave deceives his fellows while the fool deceives only himself. If the full importance of man's being true and fair and honest and frank with himself were fully realized and applied by all men a vast transformation would result. but alas, so many are ready to deceive and mislead themselves at every opportunity. We have our aims and ambitions in life and we start out with them in view, but only a small percentage reach the goal. We must stand aside or be thrust aside for the other fellow to pass ahead of us and gain the prize we had aspired to. It is the old story worn threadbare in the telling of the ladder to success, overcrowded at the bottom with plenty of room at the top, and who are the fellows at the top? and what put them there? Were they doubly endowed with talents? Did they have exceptional opportunities? Was their success a matter of luck or chance? We think not, we are sure not, except in rare cases. No, they are the fellows who never let a job or task pass beyond them as long as they saw a chance to improve it, not that their talents were more than normal in any case but rather that they worked what talents they had to the limit out of fairness to themselves. As we sit and listen to a master musician at the organ pour out his very soul in harmonies that seem most sublime we are apt to say: "What marvelous talent, "whereas a more correct expression would be, "How marvelously he has developed his talent," and it is safe to say that the same spirit of relentless honesty with one's efforts that made the great musician would have made a great preacher, a great physician or a great statesman. To be one's own judge and to judge frankly and fairly of each act and to rectify and correct each visible error in our daily tasks is the sure road to greater things and that insistent desire on the part of a man to even improve on his last effort is a long stride in the way of success and that more great men have developed from small beginnings by the constant desire to put their best effort into the smallest task set before them than are born with the marks of genius stamped upon them is a fact beyond dispute. One of the devil's devices for retarding and discouraging the progress of a man is a motive that the task in hand is done "good enough to pass muster." Whereas nothing is good enough that we can improve upon. It does take moral courage for the blacksmith who is forging out a great wrought iron scroll and is giving it the final hammer blows to see that the spiral line is not true or is weak or irregular and then. with the desire to make it his best, to bury it in the forge again to be heated red hot, once more rehammered until it is as perfect as his eye and hand can make it. But that is his test, and to master the impulse to let it go as it is and to do it over again is a mark of future success, while to fail to do so means stagnation, and that is failure. This is the same courage that made a Michael Angelo, and that made a Verdi and a Rodin and that made a Milton and a Abraham Lincoln, a Marshal Field and a Thomas Edison. These foremost men in their particular line are all examples of what indomitable courage will do for a man and they all strike the note of optism. And so take courage fellows in your present circumstances and study yourself to put the best that is in you into your task at hand, and you will soon be called to greater tasks and greater responsibilities. Cut that next round of beef more skillfully and economically, wipe that next lead joint more smoothly than ever before, paint the next panel without a lap in the paint showing. Pack that next case more skillfully and quickly. Polish the next table better than ever before. Turn the next brass fitting more accurately than the last one and you have started your way up the road to success. Do this for your own sake and ever remember the immortal words of Shakespeare, "This above all things, to thine own self be true."

At its meeting Monday evening our city council by a three to one vote committed an act probably unprecedented in the annals of city governments, and one which has met with condemnation by all our citizens, as being a serious hindrance to the progress of our city, a progress which they were elected to assure by all means and at all times. We refer to the turning down of the ordinance providing for the hard surfacing of four additional blocks in our city. This improvement was asked for by every property owner abutting on said streets, and those property owners even went so far as sign waivers of all necessary advertising and other expenses incident to getting the work done. The reasons given by the councilmen for turning down the improvement were puerile in the extreme, and would not have been considered for a minute by those having the welfare of the city at heart. By their act several of our business houses stand to lose additional money the coming winter on account of the inaccessibility of their places of business, town pride is eliminated from the property owners who desire to have homes that are a credit to their city, and many of our townspeople who would have had a steady job for the next 40 days are thrown out of the work. We consider the action of the council a disgrace to our city, and with our entire citizenship deplore the fact that Dallas should quit her hard surface work for this season at a time when it was but fairly begun. All projected building on the streets mentioned will now have to lie in abeyance until next year, and probably longer, as the property owners can be as bullish as anyone. We want to believe that our council tried to act conscientiously in this matter, but were pursued by a bugaboo, known as Section 85 of the city charter, and which we here append at the request of Councilman Hayter, the Itemizer desiring to be perfectly fair in the matter, but still contending that by granting the proposed paving the council would not be exceeding the limit designated, or laying themselves liable individually for malfeasance in office or to have to go down in their own pockets.

Section 85, The indebtedness of the City of Dallas shall never in the aggregate exceed the sum of $5,000, except by the issuance of bonds, as in section 51 of this act provided; and any debt or liability incurred in violation of this section, whether by borrowing money, loaning the credit of the city or otherwise, is null and void, and of no effect as regards the city of Dallas; and any liability incurred or debt created in excess of the amount limited or authorized by this section of this act shall be taken and held by any court of this state as a joint and several liability and obligation of the members of the city council voting for the same, and not a debt, liability, or obligation of the city of Dallas; and the voting for or creating such liability, obligation or debt by any member of the council shall be conclusive evidence of malfeasance in office, and for which such member so voting may be removed from office. (This is as amended by the act of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon. Filed in the office of the secretary of State, February 20, 1903.)

The above section of the city charter is one that Dallas has long outgrown necessarily, in order to keep up with its needed growth, and it has been the practice of former councils to virtually consider the section as a dead letter, although striving by all means in their power to keep as near its fulfillment as possible, when it did not seriously interfere with our growth as a town. The section is an antiquated provision, as no council can successfully administer the city's affairs with such a hamper to progress as that and a limitation of a 10-mill tax, many things always coming up during the year that had not been thought of or could not be guessed in preparing the annual budget—such as was this proposed paving. The fact is that our new council started out under more auspicious financial circumstances than has a new council for many years, with much more money in the treasury to do business with, yet before they are four months old they think they have run up against a stone wall and are too timorous to tear it down. It has not been so many years ago that a new council found themselves against an entirely empty treasury, yet ways and means were provided.

Summons.

In the Circuit court of the State of Oregon for Polk county.
Sheridan Hardware Company, a corporation, plaintiff,
vs
L. A. Tripp, Lillian M. Tripp, his wife, Jacob Fudge, John Bilger, Ella Shumway and Charles Snelling, defendants.
To L. A. Tripp, Lillian M. Tripp, his wife, Jacob Fudge, John Bilger, Ella Shumway and Charles Snelling, defendants:

IN the name of the State of Oregon: You and each of you are hereby summoned and required to appear in the above named court and answer or plead to the complaint filed herein in this suit against you on or before six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, which said first date of said first publication is the 3rd day of July, 1913, which is the time prescribed in the order of the county judge of Polk county, Oregon, pursuant to which this summons is published, in which you are required to appear, answer or plead; and if you fail to so appear, answer or plead, for want thereof, plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint herein, to-wit, the foreclosure of a mechanics lien on the building erected on the following premises, to-wit: the north ½ of the southeast ¼ and lots 5 and 6 of section 14, also beginning at the northwest corner of the southeast ¼ of section 14 and running thence west 5 rods; thence south 124 rods; thence east 5 rods; thence north 124 rods to the place of beginning, all in section 14, township 6 south, range 6 west, of the Willamette meridian in Polk county, Oregon; for the sum of $187.65 with interest thereon from March 4, 1913, until paid; at the rate of 6 per cent per annum; the furthur sum of $60.00 attorneys fee; the sum of $3.50 expenses of preparing and filing said notice of lien and the costs of this suit; also a decree against said defendants L. A. Tripp and Lillian M. Tripp for the sum of $187.65 with interest thereon from March 4, 1913, at the rate of 6 per cent per annum until paid; that said premises be sold as upon execution and the proceeds to be applied to the payment of the above amounts; the above is the substance of the relief asked for by plaintiff.

This summons is published pursuant to order of J. B. Teal, county judge of Polk county, Oregon, made 28th day of June, 1913.

SIMPSON & LEWIS,
Attorneys for plaintiff.

Notice of Final Settlement.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Chester F. Rowell, deceased, has filed his final account therein, in the county court for Polk County, Oregon, and that the court has fixed the 16th day of August, 1913, at the county court house in said county at the hour of 9 o'clock a. m., as the time and place for hearing the said final account. All persons having any objections thereto are required to file the same on or before such final hearing, if any they have, why such final account should not be allowed and the estate finally closed.

Dated July 17, 1913.

ED. F. COAD,
Administrator of the estate of Chester F. Rowell, deceased.

Administrator's Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given to whom it may concern, that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Benjamin F. Whiteaker, deceased, has this day filed his final account in said estate with the County Court of Polk County, Oregon, and the same has been set for hearing by said court for Saturday, August 16, 1913, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. at which time all persons having objections thereto, if any there be, are hereby notified to appear and present their objections for adjustment by said court.

Dated at Dallas, Polk County, Oregon, this 14th day of July, 1913.

Sibley & Eakin, Attorneys.
FRANKLIN B. WHITEAKER,
Administrator of said estate.

Notice of Final Settlement.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned executor of the estate of Bethiah Jones, deceased, has filed his final account in the county court of the State of Oregon for Polk county, and that Monday, the 8th of Sep., 1913, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. at the court house in Dallas Polk county, Oregon, has been set as the time and place for hearing and settling said final account and closing said estate.

Now therefore, all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to attend at said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why said final account shall not be allowed and the executor discharged and his bond exonerated.

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SHERIDAN BRALEY,
Executor of the estate of Bethiah Jones, deceased.

W. O. SIMS,
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