

neighbors have all along thought just as he did, only they didn't give their thoughts utterance. Astoria and the rest of the coast, we have sufficient faith in the good sense of the community, in the love of fair play, in the natural instinct of right that is in every American not to fear that anything but good will result. say "see what happens there." But the conditions are different. There is little excuse in this country, still less on this frontier outpost of the Union for labor troubles or social turmoil. Whatever does exist is the bitter fruit of blossoms blown to us from across the sea. Here all men are equal -in opportunity. The chance for money, fame, possessions is as good for one man as the other. With him, it is a question of ability; if he hasn't the ability let him institute a quarrel with the Almighty if he wants to for creating him so, but let him not blame society. Society, the community, keeps nobody back here. All are alike in the possession of opportunity, and the socialistic questions that agitate Europe fade and die

having offered \$300 and a town lot to the first baby born within its limits, a lady living some 200 miles distant went over, gave birth to a bouncing boy, pocketed her \$300 and the deed for the town lot, and finished up the entire transaction in less than forty-eight hours.