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THE DELINQUENT TAXES ARE GOOD

For a New Court House, and Could Be Collected in a Few Years. CANNOT CLATSOP GET THERE With a Good Showing When She Is Making Every Effort to Attract People and Capital.

When asked his opinion regarding the matter the Hon. Benj. Young stated that he was certainly in favor of a new courthouse if it could be obtained without additional taxation. "I approve of the suggestion made by Hon. C. W. Fulton if it can be made to work practically. We don't count on our delinquent taxes as available present resources of the county, and if we could only trade off that delinquent tax list for a new courthouse or a part of a courthouse, I should consider that it would be a piece of good business policy on the part of the county to make the trade. We cannot afford to levy an extra tax for a courthouse, but we can afford to give up any prospective profits in a dead tax list. I should think there would be plenty of contractors glad to make a speculation of that kind. Their money would probably be safe in the course of time, and they stand a chance to make extra profits. Thirty thousand dollars will now build a courthouse that a few years ago would have cost \$50,000. The Whatcom courthouse, which cost \$60,000 a few years ago could now be constructed for \$30,000."

County Judge Gray, in speaking of the question, said: "I am strongly in favor of building a courthouse, and if it is possible to collect the delinquent taxes and costs, for which the property is now held by the county, without paying more in fees and costs than we get out of it, the investment would certainly be a good one. These tax-purchases on lands sold from 1889 up to and including 1892, still unpaid, amount to \$7,828.57. Nearly \$2,000 of the amount is on tax purchases made in 1892, when mortgages were taxed and a large amount of the whole list originates from that source. In estimating our resources from tax purchases the county clerk has deducted fifty per cent for erroneous assessment of county school, road, school districts and city taxes, which I think is not far out of the way and can be realized when real estate can be sold, but not at the present time. "The land of the delinquent taxpayer has been sold, and the costs and penalties added, which they are willing to pay if they can. "Do the tax-payers wish, at this time, to force the sale of lands held by the county for taxes, costs and penalties, upon which the owners, when they redeem, must also pay interest; or do they want the county to sell the property to land syndicates and give the county's warranty deeds and let the buyer hold up the county and the delinquents too, by reason of errors in many cases?"

"I am willing to put up with our old courthouse for another year, and I think the county court is also willing to co-operate with a committee of the Chamber of Commerce to collect our taxes just as fast as possible, having due regard for the interests of the county and the people." Is it not possible that an arrangement can be made which will be a compromise between the suggestions offered, and will give the delinquent taxpayers all the protection to which they are entitled, work no additional hardship upon them, and at the same time secure a new courthouse which shall be adequate for the conduct of the county's business, a safe depository for its records, and an ornament to the city and county commensurate with the pretensions its people are now making?"

ITS ORIGINAL NAME.

Gold Democrats Organize in Chicago for Further Action. Chicago, January 9.—A conference of gold Democrats held at the Auditorium Hotel today declared for continued opposition to the free silver wing of the party and for a continuance of the party organization.

THE NEW YORK BANKS.

New York, January 9.—The Financial Reviewer says: "The statement issued by the clearing house banks of New York City, for the week ending January 3, is a more effective argument in favor of an immediate low money market than columns of theoretical discussion. The enormous increase in deposits and in cash holdings have been equalled only once, and that was for the week ending November 14, succeeding the election. These gains, it is needless to say, were the result of the January dividend payments, the continued flow of money to this center, and the large increase in savings deposits. As there is no outlet for this money, the usual winter gold exports having been postponed, the total cash gain appears much larger than during any previous year. The expansion of deposits, unaccompanied by an increase in loans, as is usually the case, also shows clearly the source of accumulation and that the result of the week's operations has been to increase by \$10,704,500 the cash in the New York banks, bringing the total excess reserve up to \$53,391,450, which is larger than for two years past."

WASHINGTON'S LEGISLATURE.

Olympia, January 9.—With a few exceptions the members of the legislature are now here ready for the session which convenes Monday at noon. Tonight the principal lobbies are filled, and informal caucuses are being held to discuss the organization. The senatorial contest, however, in the all-absorbing question. Senator Squire arrived on the late boat this evening to personally look after his campaign for re-election. Many other candidates are also here.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.

Occurs to Foreman Charles A. Smith at the Tongue Point Railroad Quarry. Early yesterday afternoon a very painful and what nearly was a serious accident, occurred to Foreman Charles A. Smith at the Tongue Point quarry, where the stone for the rip-rapping of the railroad grade is being taken out by Corey Brothers. For nearly a year Corey Brothers have been digging out stone for their use on the waterfront side of Tongue Point. Charles A. Smith, their foreman, is a very careful man and an efficient workman. In blasting out the rock from the face of the cliff, naturally a pile of loose, sharp stones has accumulated at the foot of the hill or bluff. On a ledge above this, yesterday, Mr. Smith, with an assistant, was busily engaged in drilling a hole in the rock for another blast. Suddenly and without any warning whatever, a huge boulder from above was loosened and fell upon the two men, hurting

JOHN H. MITCHELL IS CERTAIN

Says He Will Be Elected by the Republicans on the First Ballot. SIMON PRESIDENT OF SENATE Interesting News from Salem—Controversy Over the Speakership of the House. Special to the Astorian. Salem, Or., January 9.—Tonight's train from Portland brought a large number of legislators, and the lobby of the Willamette Hotel presents a lively scene tonight. Among those who arrived was Senator Mitchell, who immediately upon his arrival here opened up headquarters. He was soon in close consultation with his lieutenants, giving instructions for the coming battle. Riddle, of Douglas, Bourne, of Multnomah, Benson, of Josephine, Somers, of Linn, and Brown, of Morrow, all candidates for the speakership of the house, also came in on the evening train. Bourne immediately opened his headquarters at the Eldridge Block. The principal topic of discussion is the United States senatorship and the speakership. It is generally conceded that Simon, of Multnomah, will be president of the senate, and organization of the senate is not among the speculations. Senator Mitchell stated to a representative of the Associated Press that he would be elected on the first ballot by the Republican vote. Those opposing him are equally confident that he will not receive the necessary number of votes. The principal candidates for the speakership are Riddle, Benson, and Bourne. Bourne is thought to be assured of the support of the Populists and Democrats. Tonight Riddle seems to have greater strength than Benson. There is no diminution of applicants for clerkships in comparison with former years. There is no general talk of a caucus yet, although many members express themselves as favorable to one for both the senate and house organization. The anti-Mitchell men, though, are not disposed to enter a caucus on the senatorial question.

THE SHORES ASSIGN.

Milwaukee, Wis., January 9.—R. A. Shores and R. A. Shores Jr. made a personal assignment today to ex-Governor Upham, who gave bond for \$200,000. They are stockholders in the Shores Mining Company, the Shores Lumber Company, and the Shores Building Association. Application has also been made for a receiver for the Shores Lumber Company.

FOR YOUNG MEN.

Eastern Man Who Visited Oregon Tells of the Way to Succeed. A prominent business man of the East who recently visited the West, when asked about the young man's chances for success, replied in the following characteristic and interesting manner: "To answer intelligently questions such as are presented to me concerning the present requirements and chances for young men to attain success, counter questions are in order. So vast is the diversity of opinion as to what constitutes success in life that both time and space are wanting to consider the subject in its varying aspects. An entire column or page might be devoted to the consideration of a single phase of the question involved, without at all satisfying the special curiosity of the inquirer, as viewed from his peculiar standpoint. Then, too, very much depends upon the character of the man himself in determining whether city or country life is best calculated to promote his advancement in the race, and whether, with his mental and physical characteristics, he is more likely in the one than in the other to reach the desired goal. My belief is that in this nation at large there are as many opportunities or "openings" as there ever were for the development of a young man's capacities and for his attaining success in life. Viewed in the narrower scope of merely acquiring money or property with which to secure a competency for himself and family, there may be greater competition than formerly in the chief cities; but in the newer states of the great West, and in the reviving industries of the awakening South, the opportunities extended to industry and to business enterprise and ability are limitless. The boundless natural resources of the Northern Pacific states, as also those of the Gulf states, offer a most inviting field to young men desirous of carving out their own fortunes. Were I starting again in life, the question of climate would interest me greatly and exercise a dominant influence in determining my choice of a home. Fortunately those states which now hold out to young men the strongest inducements for settlement offer also climatic advantages superior to

MOB OUTRAGE IN CALIFORNIA

Inoffensive Japanese Laborers Strung Up to An Oak Tree. MOVEMENT AGAINST COOLIES The Men Left Dangling Till Life Was Almost Extinct and Then Forced Out of the County. Sacramento, Cal., January 8.—The residents of Orangevale, a new citrus colony in the southeastern part of this county, are determined not to allow coolie labor upon any of the farms or orchards. Last summer a crowd of Chinese laborers was driven out. C. G. Roof hired six Japanese to work on his place. Night before last fifteen citizens with guns sacks over their heads, called on the Japs. A rope was put around each of their necks and their captors started for an oak tree. Roof came out and remonstrated when a rope was thrown around his neck. Roof's wife became hysterical and the little children were so frightened that they let the husband and father go. The Japs were taken to a big oak tree, their hands tied behind them and then strung up to a limb. They allowed them to kick and struggle until life was almost extinct, and then lowered them. This they repeated several times. When they were satisfied with what they had done they made the Japs pack up their traps and leave the colony, warning them that if they or any of their countrymen came to the colony again they would hang them up and leave them for the coroner to cut down.

THE UNION PACIFIC.

Foreign Bankers Will Buy It if the Funding Bill is Not Passed. New York, January 9.—The latest developments in regard to Union Pacific affairs is the formation of a new syndicate, comprising practically all of the leading banking houses here and the representative foreign banking interests, to take measures for the protection of the property in the event of the failure of the funding bill, and a decision on the part of the government to sell the property under foreclosure, subject to the lien of the first mortgage bond. Protection of the Kansas Pacific is also covered. The capital subscribed aggregates \$40,000,000, and the syndicate operations will, as in the case of the previous \$18,000,000 agreement, be controlled by Kuhn, Loeb & Co., and the Mercantile Trust Co. The original members of the \$18,000,000 syndicate are given the option of raising their subscriptions pro rata. If the funding bill should not be passed, and if an attempt should be made to foreclose, the syndicate stands ready to buy in the system and pay off the government lien.

FIGHT TRANSFERRED.

From Sacramento to San Francisco for the United States Senate. San Francisco, January 9.—The fight for United States senator to succeed Geo. C. Perkins has been transferred from Sacramento to this city. The opposition to Senator Perkins has been busy today endeavoring to select an available man upon whom to concentrate its strength. Several names have been repeatedly mentioned in this connection, the most prominent being Irving M. Scott, and ex-United States Senator Chas. N. Felton. Neither of these gentlemen has yet given definite consent, but it is considered certain that some dark horse will be found and nominated in the assembly next Tuesday. Samuel M. Shortridge has been an avowed candidate for some weeks, but is not considered formidable. James A. Waymire's name will not likely be presented unless there should be no choice on the first or second ballot.

NEW RAILROADS.

Ottawa, January 9.—The Winnipeg, Duluth and Hudson Bay Railway is applying in the official gazette today for a charter for a railway from a point south of the Lake of the Woods to Winnipeg and thence to deep water in Hudson Bay. The Manitoba and Pacific is also making application for power to build a road through the Crow's Nest pass to the Pacific in British territory.

HIGHEST OF ALL IN LEAVENING POWER.—LATEST U. S. GOV'T REPORT.

Royal Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

Who can gauge the future of those great Pacific coast states—Washington and Oregon, with their boundless resources—or of that empire state of Texas? And what homes of genuine physical comfort are to be found in all the Gulf states from Florida westward? The destruction of the orange crop has reduced the price of lands, and at the same time awakened attention to a more diversified cultivation of the soil. While, therefore, the rapid enhancement of real estate values in the great cities may render it more difficult now than formerly for young men to acquire there a foothold in realty, such limitations do not prevent their striking out in newer and really more inviting fields for the exercise of their ability, their industry and energy. There is no such favored land on this planet for the young and deserving as this blessed country of ours. In laying stress upon climate as an important factor in estimating success, I am impelled thereby by the conviction that success in life is by no means confined to the mere acquisition of property or wealth. Such acquisitions are, of course, not to be despised, and are worthy of a large expenditure of industry and effort, especially with the design of enhancing the value of the property by their nobler uses and beneficent sharing with our fellow men, and yet they constitute an aim and achievement altogether inferior to some others such as contribute most to the true happiness of man. It were needless here to dilate upon these stronger foundations and higher, nobler and more enduring sources of that genuine happiness which, just in the proportion of its attainment, ranks first both in the axioms of philosophy and in the results of experience as the most potent factor in the estimate of man's success in life. Leaving to others responding—and whose own success in acquiring worldly possessions qualifies them far better to reply from experience, and to furnish detailed business prescriptions to that end—a more precise answer, I may summarize my general views by quoting from a letter in which I endeavored to reply briefly to the request of a young friend for counsel as to the conduct of his life, with the view to success. My answer was purposely in the epigrammatic and alliterative style, and partly in verse, as best calculated to take lodgment in the memory, and it ran somewhat as follows: Most of the requirements and qualifications for a young man's success in early life may be found with the letter P as the initial; for instance: Purity, probity, prudence, pluck, politeness, punctuality, promptitude. Most of these qualities are akin, and all of them are worthy of sedulous cultivation, as conducive to happiness and success. The first three are the three graces, or chief moral qualifications, and hence entitled to the highest consideration, and to ceaseless vigilance. The others follow naturally as legitimate offspring, even down to the last—promptitude. For promptitude involves our duty to our neighbor and our obligations to him. The remark of an acute writer concerning a proverbially late attendant at church, that it seemed "to be a part of his religion to disturb the religion of others," is applicable in like manner to those who are deficient in promptitude in business affairs and appointments. To secure promptitude, and to avoid undue consumption of my time by thoughtless callers, I resorted to this warning expedient in verse, posted on the door of my private office: "To busy men whose hours are fleet, Your business state and don't repeat; Affairs are apt to come to grief— Except when one is prompt and brief." Prudence, while directly opposed to penuriousness and that is never prudent, yet inculcates care in the avoidance of wastefulness. I might express it in a couplet: "Despise not the penny, though petty it sounds, But prudently prize it, as parent of pounds." As to patience and its kindred virtues, including persistence and pluck, they do not of necessity, embrace obstinacy, but they do encourage resolution, steadiness of purpose and independence of thought and action. Any floating cork, and even a dead fish, will go with the stream; it takes a man of courage to go against it. Politeness, even if ranked among the minor qualifications, and not one of the cardinal virtues, is yet of eminent service to any young man in the battle of life. It cannot in its higher sense be learned from books of etiquette, but it may be improved by association with the refined, and above all by cultivation of the best promptings of one's own heart. "Politeness, if true, no book can impart; (Continued on Fourth Page.)