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The nomination of Binger Hermann as commissioner of the general land office, will give general satisfaction not only in Oregon, but throughout the West. He is known to be a man of absolute integrity, with special qualifications for the duties of that position.

In many Eastern cities electric push buttons are arranged along the sides of electric street cars, so that the passengers can signal the motorman without rising from their seats. It is a great convenience and a great improvement over the road. Here is a tip for Superintendent Newell.

There is a surprise for the diplomats in the frankness with which the secretary of state deals with the Cuban question. His saying—there will be no war with Spain—we would not have Cuba as a gift—we will not have our American citizens imprisoned and not tried, because they have our naturalization papers—and we will enforce the neutrality laws! This will preserve the peace. This, in a common sense way, covers the case. But if we would not have Cuba for a gift, nobody else must come into possession save Cuba alone, when Spain lets go, as she must. Then we can depend upon the attraction of gravitation and manifest destiny. Give Cuba freedom and in ten years she will have three times as many inhabitants as now, and being Americanized, must become commercially and politically American.

A New York paper says the treasurer of the McKinley inauguration ceremonies has made his report, and while it contains but few statistics, it is all of significance. That is to say, after paying all expenses and refunding the money advanced as a guarantee fund, there is still remaining in the hands of the treasurer a sum between \$7,000 and \$8,000. That certainly is a good augury for the McKinley administration. The people will accept it as an earnest of President McKinley's intentions. If the mere ceremony of his installation into office nets a sum between \$7,000 and \$8,000, what may we expect for his administration when the Dingley bill is adjusted exactly to suit him? Farewell and good riddance to Mr. Cleveland's little defect of \$120,000,000 or such a matter! Hall and good morrow to the surplus that is surely coming! Truly a bow of promise spans the heavens.

The combination of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the retail liquor dealers and the real estate brokers, in opposition to the ordinance to license gambling, now pending before the city council, is a curious exemplification of the truth of the old saying that politics often makes strange bed-fellows. The temperance people antagonize the ordinance because they say it will "legalize" vice; the liquor dealers are against it because they think it will confine liquor drinking to certain prescribed limits of the city, and thus drive saloon keepers in respectable sections out of business for want of customers; while the real estate men declaim against it because the provision requiring keepers of gambling dives and houses of prostitution to display a warning on their doors will have a tendency to depreciate the value of all other property in their vicinity. So far as the objection of the temperance women is

concerned, the answer could be made that the United States government now imposes a tax on the manufacture of liquor for exactly the same purpose and none other, that the city of Astoria wants to tax gambling, namely, for the sake of revenue; and, until recently, it also regulated and taxed the retail of tobacco, but no one is so silly as to suggest that it is, or was, the collection of these imposts that makes the "vices" of liquor-selling and tobacco-consumption "legal." It is against the law in nearly all municipalities for men to engage in dry goods selling, or to maintain slaughter houses, except subject to certain regulations and licenses. But it cannot be assumed that it is the exercise of these municipal powers that determines the legality of the one or induces men to engage in the other occupation. It may not be amiss to remind these somewhat incongruous coadjutors that a certain visionary school of modern philosophers look forward a time in the not far distant future when the test of a law will depend upon its recognition of the principle "de gustibus non est disputandum," and its confinement to the regulation of human affairs so as to protect each individual in the community in his civil rights against the aggression or interference of neighbors who differ with him upon social, moral or religious topics. As to the liquor dealers' complaint, we believe even the good ladies of the temperance union might favor the proposed ordinance if they could be convinced it would have the effect feared by the saloon keepers—and that it would have this effect must be deemed very probable from the fact that those whose business it may jeopardize are so concerned about it. As to the last remonstrance—that of the land sellers—if the council thinks it wise to allow innocent people to settle in or frequent the districts set apart for gambling and prostitution, unaware of their proximity, it can very readily overcome the objection by merely striking out the clause making it a misdemeanor for the keepers of such places to conceal the kind of business carried on in their premises.

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