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The SCIENTISTS

The scientists inform us that there's danger lurking in the kiss. They've conjured up a kissing gauze that's to be worn by every miss. The gauze will keep the microbes from the spreadin' of a grim disease. For kissin' microbes, so they say, will sting a fellow just like bees. Though I have lived a lot, I've yet to see the fellow, old or young, who walked on top of this old earth who wouldn't just as soon be stung.

Their old professors don't seem able to give other folks a rest; They're always thinking up some scheme to knock Dan Cupid galley west.

Why don't they 'tend to their own business, dopin' grammar out, and laws,

Instead of spoilin' all our fun by boosting their new kissing gauze? If my Irene, the village queen, does mix up microbes with romance, They won't sell me no kissing screens. A good sport always takes a chance.

GETTING REVENGE.

THE FIRST thing a great many people think of doing when some public officer (who happens also to be a business man) does something that is not in exact conformity with their ideas, is to get even by withdrawing whatever patronage they have been giving in a business way.

If Alderman Jones is in the grocery business, and as alderman votes to pave a street upon which Mr. Brown has property, Brown (who doesn't want the street paved) says, "I'll buy no more groceries from Jones. I'll teach him to consider the rights of the people whose money he is spending (thinking of his own money)."

And so it goes. The man who serves a city as alderman or mayor for a term and does what appears to him to be his honest duty, can not help but estrange some people from him in a business way. He can not afford to take a position of this sort unless his business is in such shape that he can lose some of it without crippling him.

People who vent their spite in this manner are so narrow minded they could look through a keyhole with both eyes at once. When they use threats of withdrawal of business to force a public official to their way of thinking they stoop to the level of the blackmailer.

It is because there are people of this kind that it is so hard to get successful business men to accept public office. This kind of people make cowards of men who haven't the backbone to face the music regardless of consequences, or are not financially able so to do.

It is a considerable sacrifice of time for a business man to accept public office, for which in a city like Cottage Grove he receives practically no pay, but if he is going to do his duty as he sees it, he must make up his mind that he is also going to sacrifice the business of some measly, 2x4 yelpers who can not see that it is possible for a public officer to honestly differ with them, and forget what they owe these same officials because of the sacrifices made to hold office at all.

But it is human nature.

Newspapers have to put up with the same thing.

Every time a paper takes a positive stand on any subject of vital local interest there is some disgruntled subscriber who thinks to throw a kink into the business, and perhaps bankrupt the editor, by forthwith refusing the paper.

This kind of people, we presume, would have a lot of mollycoddle editors, without the gumption to take any part in the affairs of city, state or nation. They would have a lot of jellyfish newspapers.

The man who threatens to withdraw patronage as the price of opposing him, or of refusing to take his side, is offering graft just as truly and with the same sinister motive, as if he had offered cash.

These threats work with a large number of papers, the editors of which would be flabbergasted if accused of dishonesty, but papers who pretend to fulfill their mission in the world, who are honest with themselves, and with their patrons, can not be so forced or cajoled into doing what they feel they should not do, or into neglecting to do what they feel they should do.

Besides, the newspaper man with experience finds that these threats are not usually followed up. The man who makes such threats has an unusual interest in reading what is said on the other side. (In this particular the newspaper has the advantage over other business men.) The paper with backbone enough to say what it thinks, which expresses honest opinion ably, forcibly, with charity for all and malice toward none, usually gets the circulation, and the largest circulation gets a proportionate amount of other business.

This should not be taken as advocating the mixing into every petty affair that comes up. The majority of things are too small for editorial notice and the newspaper which picks them up will acquire a reputation as a grumbler and fault finder that will negate its efforts when a really worthy problem comes up.

The Sentinel has found it necessary, in doing its duty as a news paper, to say and do things that have not been exactly agreeable to some of its readers and patrons, and has received threats of every description, from libel suits down, none of which have ever been carried out, so far as we know, and a continually enlarging subscription list indicates that honest expression of opinion is not entirely unappreciated, or if unappreciated, at least gets the results. When conditions are different we shall fold our tents like the Arabs and as silently steal away."

UNAPPRECIATED EFFORT.

EVERY CITY has a few citizens who give of time and money to further and promote something in which they take unusual interest, but which is of value to the entire community, and whose sacrifices are unappreciated. Sometimes it is a playground, sometimes a park, sometimes a library, sometimes a ball team, sometimes something else. In the case of Cottage Grove it is at present a ball team, and two of Cottage Grove's business men, G. M. Marksbury and C. A. Bartell, have done much to give the city a live team, provide healthy amusement for Sunday afternoons and give the city some good advertising. And they have succeeded. The Cottage Grove ball team has played pennant winning ball all season. But one game has been lost. In financing the proposition, however, they have not been so successful. Despite the fact that there are no salaried players, there was a deficit last year. This year the prospects are about as bright. Improvements on the grounds have been out of the question. The backers of the team may not be seriously inconvenienced by their losses, but it is doubtful if they will attempt to furnish ball games another season. And they can hardly be blamed. Even the most enthusiastic fans get tired after awhile of expending unappreciated effort on a losing proposition.

Hear the crops grow.

Just enough heat in the famous, fertile, Willamette Valley to raise the usual world-beating crops.

There is considerable doubt as to what is the proper thing to do with the I. W. W.'s. We suggest planting them on some distant ocean strand where they would be compelled to either work or starve.

Things We Think

Things others think, and what we think of the things others think.

Wasted energy is that you spend trying to talk a suffragette out of her foible.

We can hardly conceive of a place in heaven for the church saint who though able to work, lets his wife earn the living.

You had better not neglect your business unless your competitor will agree to neglect his at the same time—and when he does that you should get busy—which is probably the same idea he has.

Some folks would rather be in business for themselves and make half as much as they would working for someone else.

You can tell how married folks get along at home by watching them when they happen to be partners at a card party.

One nice thing about a small baby is that it doesn't seem to care whether anyone listens to its talk and is indifferent about a reply.

Some young married women think their husbands don't love them when they appear to enjoy conversation with some other woman. It's a fortunate thing that men are not that sensitive.

When you tell a girl you are done with her trifling and that you will go away and leave her forever, anticipating that she will pout her lips, fall on your shoulder and sigh "please don't," isn't it exasperating to have her bust out a laughing at your painful, pitiful expression.

Folks with heart disease are to be forbidden from marrying. That is a slick maneuver to put young Don Cupid out of business completely.

The man who marries money usually remains faithful to his love.

If you find a girl with a pink aura, don't let her get away. The girl who radiates a pink aura will make a loving, affectionate, devoted wife, so Dr. Edwin B. Beckwith stated in a recent lecture. Finding the aura might require vivisection on the part of the ordinary person, but a girl with a pink aura would probably be a cut-up anyway.

Most married folks think flirting is wrong, but a lot of them wish it wasn't.

If the I. W. W.'s would go to work they would forget some of their troubles. Idle persons are mischief-makers.

Should a babbling brook always be spoken of as "she?"

Some folks think they are putting one over on a corporation that insures them for \$1000.

It takes patience and perseverance to train a child to say, "no, thank you," while itching to grab it with both hands.

A magazine recently printed thirty pictures of one actress—and still didn't show quite all of her.

Doesn't it make you mad when some fellow makes a killing out of an idea which you had thought of but failed to give to the world for fear of derision?

Some people's vanity is satisfied if they get a large mail and have time to stop in the postoffice and open it.

The worth of the girl with a sunshiny face and light heart can not be measured with worldly goods.

It is better to win in a slow race than to be the tail ender in a swift one.

The person naturally inclined to growl and grumble always has troubles.

The man who has confidence in himself usually succeeds in inspiring it in others.

A woman will read a work of fiction and cry because the hero does not come out the way she wants him to.

It would not be so bad for women to be unwomanly in her dress if men had less of the man about them.

About the only time a lie is excusable is when it shields someone from unhappiness.

A lot of folks set examples that they can not work themselves.

The crook will get straightened out sooner or later.

It's better to be a poor humorist than a howling success as a grouch.

Chagrin is when you call on a girl with a five dollar bouquet and a two-fifty box of candy and find her out walking with a guy with a six-dollar-a-week earning capacity.

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