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WHAT WILL WE DO WITH THE DUST?

The dust problem will have to be met in this city sooner or later. In fact it is met very frequently now—when an automobile goes scorching by, and a motor-cycle is not slow at raising dust either, while the old-fashioned horse and buggy or the wagon and team all contribute in the general mixing of earth and air.

Dallas will have oiled streets according to the decision of the city council of that city, but that does not help us out of our difficulty. The question is: What will Monmouth do? Will we settle the dust or will we breathe and eat it?

"Oh!" says Sloth, "let it alone and it will settle itself." But, there is where the trouble comes in; it settles in the house and out of it, and the linen on the clothes line is not exempt and that stirs up the tempest barometer in the housekeeper's directory, leaving an unsettled state of affairs there which is some times more demonstrative than placid, therefore, what shall we do with the dust?

AS YOU LOOK AT IT.

Men differ radically in their makeup and opinions, glory be. Otherwise this world would be too monotonous for endurance. We should never quarrel with another because of different view-points, social, religious and political. If a man thinks that Jupiter is made of plum duff he has the right to say so—just so he isn't too obstreperous about it. Men differ also in their ambitions. One loves power, another wealth, another contentment, and each should be allowed to struggle for his goal unless he interferes with the rights of others. Aye, there's the rub! He often does interfere, and thus laws are born, and the social problem, and strife between classes and individuals. Undoubtedly he lives best who truly loves his fellow-man and whose ambition allies itself with the welfare of humanity. With his love he unites wisdom, for in striving for others he gains his own happiness. Alas, the most of us but dimly see this truth, and seldom grope toward the light! We kick the fallen brother, and seek to trip our rivals in the race—for what? A bauble, as vain as the silver gew-gaws upon our coffin lids.—Weston Leader.

THEY NEED THE MONEY.

Mr. Cowgill, of Creswell, whose letter appears in another column, asks why the people of Oregon are asked to vote on single tax. It very properly appears to him that single tax is a scheme that will throw upon land the whole burden of government, while

other property escapes. He cannot understand why the people should be asked to pass upon anything so manifestly unjust.

His question is easily answered. We are to be asked to vote on single tax this fall because an Eastern millionaire with a fad is paying quite a large number of gentlemen very liberally to ask us to do it.

These gentlemen are not attempting to evade a heavy and grinding burden of taxation, themselves. In fact, it appears that they have very little taxes to pay. There is money to be made by advocating single tax, and they argue that they need the money, and that it would be a shame to see it go to waste. So we are asked to vote for single tax.

Nor does it appear that Joseph Fels, the millionaire manufacturer of soap who is furnishing the funds, is conspiring to evade his share of taxation, and to put it off on some one else, for he owns no property in the state. He is a millionaire with a fad. Laird Andy o' Skibo gives away libraries as a sort of private recreation. Fels' recreation is foisting single tax onto somebody somewhere.

So we are to be asked to vote on single tax this fall. Oregon doesn't want it. It is unfair and uneconomic. But the gentlemen who are asking us to vote for it want the money that Mr. Fels will pay them if they are industrious and faithful, and so single tax goes on the ballot.

Mr. Fels does not pay the cost of having the measure put on the ballot. We must do that ourselves. That is our misfortune. All we can do is to vote against it.—Eugene Register.

The strenuous campaign for the Republican nomination for president, between President Taft and T. R. Roosevelt, will soon close as the nominating convention at Chicago, June 18, will settle the matter as to whom it shall choose. However, if a dark horse is shoved into the race and it proves not to be "me" (T. R. Roosevelt), it looks very much as if there will be two Republican candidates in the field, in which case we suppose one will be running at "large."

President Taft gets the four delegates at large in Ohio. According to T. R. Roosevelt that will be treachery, but still the conflict for the nomination for president goes strenuously on. The Ohio convention, in the present phase of contention, decided to postpone the nomination of State officers until after the Chicago convention. However their is no greater prospect for harmony than at present.

Queen Elizabeth a Rigid Censor.
Queen Elizabeth believed in rigid censorship of literature. She ordered that all books should be read over by her "loyal bishops and councilors" before being licensed, except law books, which were dealt with by the lord chief justice and lord chief baron. Soon the licensing of books other than those on law was divided between the archbishops, the bishop of London and the vice chancellors of Oxford and Cambridge universities with respect to books printed at their presses. The master of the revels had authority over plays and poems. The emancipation of the press did not occur until 1695, when it was secured by the commons after a struggle with the lords.—London Chronicle.

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Died of Superstition.

Princess Likelike, daughter of Kapaakea and mother of Princess Kaiulani, died on Feb. 3, 1887. She had not been seriously ill, but a lava flow from the great volcano Kilauea, in Hawaii, which occurred a few days before her death, was to her mind a sure sign that a chief-tainness was required by the goddess Pele, that heartless old deity suggested to the children of nature in the ages of volcanic terrors. So firm were Likelike's convictions that the wrath of the furious Pele had to be appeased by her death that she lost heart and never rallied. The night before her death there was a halo around the moon, and when she saw it she abandoned all hope and speedily died. A few years later Likihiku heard that he was being prayed to death by an enemy, aided by a sorcerer, a deadly method of warfare, so he simply lay down and died of despair.

Forgetfulness That Paid.

Old Peter Smith, who for years kept a grocery and general store at Beechwood, Mass., became forgetful during the last of his business life. One day a man called and got a barrel of flour on credit and carried it away on his wagon, and Peter could not remember who the man was when he came to charge up the flour. Being a shrewd old man, he thought of a way out of the trouble. Peter charged a barrel of flour to each of the yearly accounts he kept with his customers, all hardworking farmers, thinking that every one except the man who really had the flour would kick when the bills were rendered. On Jan. 1 old Peter sent out the bills to all his customers, adding in each case a barrel of flour. Nobody kicked! Everybody paid!

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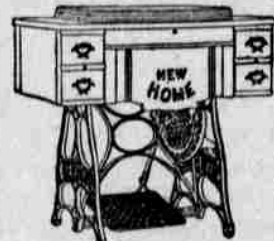
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