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THE GOOD FELLOW.

In the line-up of political parties and when the tickets are finally made up for submission to the vote of the people, pretty nearly all classes are to be found represented, good, bad and indifferent, and along with the rest the "good fellow" is nearly always to be reckoned with.

He is the fellow who has a faculty of being "all things to all men," and women too he often includes in his list when he deems it necessary. His strong fort is his ability for mingling with the "common people," giving them a warm grasp of the hand and impressing upon them that he is the best friend they have on earth. He delights in attending picnics, where he fondles the babies and thereby reaches the voter in the family through the mother. If it is the annual Sunday school picnic he can make a good talk to the children and young people, and in the evening when he goes into the city to spend the night he can be equally as entertaining with "the boys" around the card table and drink with all the old soaks that line up at the bar.

To some voters you may impart the additional information that before morning the candidate visited more than one house of prostitution, when you will be met with the response, "yes, I know, but he is an awfully good fellow and I think that I will support him." The voter may be a man who has sons just coming into young manhood, and who will themselves be voters at an early day, and yet he is willing to risk the baneful influence of a bad example set before them by way of giving support to a man of this character, simply because he appeals to him from the standard of a "good fellow."

It is not enough to say that such men are given support because they are the party nominees, for here in Oregon voters have not only refused to stand by candidates nominated by their own party who were good, clean, capable men, but they have passed them up for the "good fellows" who were on the ticket put up by the opposing party.

With the present day tendency toward a movement all over the country for wiping out the saloon business, Oregonians take an unenviable position when they elevate a man to a high office in the state who is known as a drunkard and a night visitor of bawdy house districts; a man who at times, so it is said on unquestioned authority, gets so beastly drunk that for days he is incapacitated for business; a man who, when drinking, is said to so far lose all decent respect for himself and those about him that he insults ladies on the trains while traveling about the state. Could a greater disgrace be brought upon the fair name of the state of Oregon?

These are not pleasant things to write about, but when men of this type continue to put themselves before the people and ask them for their votes, it begins to look like it was right and proper that voters should be given the information. The genial "good fellow" in Oregon politics is not always a man of the type given above, but we have him to reckon with and just a little inquiry will enable almost anyone to locate him.

One would think that after some of his disgraceful escapades he would hold his head for shame and refuse to allow his name to

be used, but not he. His name will appear on the ballot and he is not willing to accept any ordinary position either. Be on the lookout for him.

It is reported that the fellows who desire to again have the opportunity to wet their whistles at the public bar, are circulating petitions calling for a vote on the saloon question in Yamhill county at the coming June election under the local option law. What progress is being made it is difficult to learn as a still hunt is evidently being made by those who have the matter in charge. If the vote is called, which we very much doubt, there is little question but that the county will be voted dry by a very much larger majority than was polled for it before. Numbers of men who voted against the measure two years ago announce publicly that they have changed their minds on the question and that they will vote for a dry county if it is ever put to a vote again. This is true especially in the county seat where there was very strenuous opposition to it before. Prominent men of McMinnville, including such men as John Wortman of the First National Bank, who thought the abolition of the saloons would have a depressing effect on business, now admit that they were mistaken in their views, which shows that unprejudiced men of honest convictions only need to see the thing tried out, with proper law enforcement, to be convinced that the saloon does nothing to increase business along lines of legitimate trade. Yamhill county is not ready to change front on the saloon question and the would-be booze dispensers are wasting their powder in a lost cause.

We regret to note that Freeman of the Albany Herald is making a fight against local option in Linn county. Culled from a lot of stuff given place to on his editorial page, which by the way has the appearance of having been inserted as paid dope by the whiskey forces, we quote the following: "Prohibition encourages secret vices, immorality, fraud and perjury." Prohibition does nothing of the kind. But the fact is the whole saloon business is so demoralizing in its baneful effects on those who engage in it, as well as on those who patronize saloons, that men not a few will stoop to the lowest depths by engaging in lying, deception and perjury to shield the fellow who undertakes to set at naught the will of the people and engages in the unlawful sale of liquors. It is just as reasonable to argue that the law we have for the prohibition of horse stealing is responsible for the deception and trickery resorted to in stealing horses. It is the desire the thief has for taking the horse that gets him into trouble. The law simply says he must not steal and provides adequate punishment for him when he fails to resist the temptation. It don't make a thief of him by any manner of reasoning. If Freeman is going to publish such stale stuff we would think he would feel easier to put it in the paid columns and so mark it.

It must be admitted that in nearly all the issues that are being advocated by the little handfuls of people here and there today, all along the line from the standpoint of the single tax theorist to the advocates of socialism, there are some very pretty theories advanced that are inclined to tickle the ears at first thought, but in hearing these theories advanced by the sources from which they often come we are reminded of the point brought out in the following story: Mike was explaining the beauties of socialism,—how every man would have equal property. Pat was a little skeptical, and wanted to ask questions. He said: "Mike, it's beautiful. Will it worruk?" "Shure, it will," says

Mike. "If you had two farms," says Pat, "would you give me one?" "I would that," says Mike. "If you had two houses, would you give me one?" "I would that," says Mike. "If you had two pianos, would you give me one?" "I would," says Mike. "If you had two goats, would you give me one?" "A-A-h! Somebody told you I had two goats," said Mike.

This is the way William Allen White puts it: "There are three things which no man can do, to the satisfaction of other men—make love, poke the fire and run a paper. No matter if a man has no more sense than an oyster and does not know how many toes he has, he always knows how to run the paper better than the editor. And, what is more, he tells all about it in the street car. But, despite all this valuable advice that is wasted, the editors still go on making blunders, and money. The old fashioned editor who had to be all things to all men is passing away. The time has come when a man who runs a paper is his own master."

At the fusion convention held at McMinnville on last Saturday the only nominations made were Sam Laughlin for joint representative, and J. G. Eckman and M. F. Corrigan for representatives. Senator Caldwell and John Larkin were there to represent Newberg democrats, while one other lone citizen from Newberg who has voted the republican ticket at odd times when in a good humor, was present and took part in the cut and dried proceedings.

The Oregon Electric has built a very neat station at the corner of Front and Jefferson streets in Portland, triangular in shape with the two prominent corners given over to saloons. Catch 'em a comin' and a goin' seems to be the plan.

When the business men of a town reach that stage of decline when they will turn out more readily to attend a funeral than they will respond to a call for a meeting of a commercial club, it is time to call the coroner to set on the case.

Newberg is ready for that electric line any day.

Real Estate Transfers.

Reported by the Yamhill County Abstract Company, McMinnville.

S W Wilson and wf to George Schoppert It 6 blk 2 Willamina \$400.

Mary A Black and hus to Abigail Stone small tract in Newberg \$1400.

Chas Garrison and wf to Lota Leever 1/2 blk 1 Fir Grove sub \$800.

J R Booth et al to Spencer Baxter 320 a sec 9 t 3 r 6 \$640.

Erepta A Edwards to Manuel O Edwards 130 a sec 34 t 5 r 5 \$1.

Erepta A Edwards to Martha Sargent and Jno W Gaunt 139.17 a sec 34 t 5 r 5 c1.

Johnson M Agnes to S R Bond 38.09 a W E Johnson dlc t 3 r 4 \$1904.40.

Catherine Baker to Granville L Baker 71.59 a J G Baker dlc t 4 r 4 \$1.

Robert T McCaskey to John A Jacobson 62.56 a J Rowland dlc t 3 r 4 \$4800.

Rodney L Lebold and wf to Fredrick A Lebold 28.75 a sec 5 sec 5 t 5 r 5 \$420.

Isaac Pritchett to Frank W Fenton 1 1/2 a W T Newby dlc t 4 r 4 \$350.

R A Stewart to A Dundas 47 a sec 2 t 6 r 7 \$1200.

Alfred Dundas to R A Stewart 21.80 a Willamina \$1000.

A W Hewitt to Fred W Lefley 18.40 a Henry Hewitt dlc t 5 r 3 \$600.

John Wennerberg to Era Earhart and wf lts 2, 7 blk 8 Wennerbergs add to Carlton \$250.

Mary E Rogers to Geo C Roberts 12.103 103-160 a sec 31 t 5 r 3 \$850.

U S to Wm Simmons 240 a secs 27, 28 t 5 r 8 240 a.

George C Roberts and wf to John Deedon 12 103-160 a sec 31 t 5 r 3 \$875.

Franklin B Stephens to John Deedon 20 a sec 6 t 6 r 3 \$825.

E Northup and wf to John Newell and wf 180x240 ft McMinnville s of blk 5 \$1000.

Saml F Yocum and wf to Lena Peterson 27.79 a W T Newby dlc t 4 r 4 \$2.

I L Hendricks to Jennie B Hendricks small tract in Carlton \$1.

John Harris and wf to J J Hembree pt It 6 blk 6 LaFayette \$1.

L L Van Nortwick and wf to L C Daniels pt It 6 blk 6 LaFayette \$187.50.

W A Howe and wf to Yamhill Lumber Co 6 tracts of land \$10.

Gilbert W Byers and wf to W J Gordon s 1/2 and 5 ft of It 4 blk 25 Dundee \$20.

First Christian Church Dayton (by trustee) to city of Dayton 1 a in Dayton \$85.

W C Thompson to J W Saunders 92 sq rds sec 12 t 3 r 5 \$36.25.

W P Hills and wf to August Olson 11.39 a near LaFayette \$800.

David Davis to Harry M Kershaw ne 1/4 sec 30 t 5 r 7 \$320.

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