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After all, it would seem that Red-chaff and Club and Bluestem wheat are the three standard varieties best adapted to the soil of Umatilla county. Farmers may go on experimenting with the new varieties that come and go, but they generally come to know there are but three varieties that can be depended on year after year. Forty-fold is the new variety that is not giving satisfaction this year, though in the past, reports of large yields have been made. This season, to start with, has been one of adversity in the ripening of grain. The stalk was rank and sup laden when the hot weather came, and the process of ripening was necessarily rapid. The result was that all varieties of grain had a tendency to shatter badly each time a stiff wind struck, but the heaviest loss from this source comes to the farmer who had some Forty-fold wheat. One instance is mentioned in the new columns of today's Press, where a field of Forty-fold wheat gave indication of yielding at least 40 bushels per acre, shattered so badly, that the owner realized but 7 sacks to the acre. It is unnecessary to say that Forty fold wheat will never find root in his fields again.

Sixteen thousand bushels of wheat was sold by one man in Pendleton on the first market quotation for the new crop. The grain was contracted for 58 cents. There are those who sell regularly at the opening price each year. They point to precedent where in they have from year to year averaged up satisfactorily with others who hold their wheat and "gamble" that the price will reach a higher mark. Looking at both sides of the question, it resolves itself in the proposition of judgment and circumstances. If a man is working on his own capital, owes no one, and is willing to risk the amount of interest tied up in the valuation of his crop in speculating on the price of wheat, then he can afford to back up his judgment—but the man who owes the grocer, the blacksmith, the butcher, the implement dealer, and a host of others; can he afford to be a speculator when he can get 58 cents per bushel?

From United States Senator down, nearly all ranks of official and professional men have been implicated in Oregon's rich and colossal grand-laud fraud operations. Heney, with his dragnet, has at last landed an editor. Charles Nickell, the old time editor of the Jacksonville Times, is the offender who represents the

craft in Oregon's prize class of artful swindlers. The fraternity should doff hats to him. A country editor, so damn clever, in that he found time and facility to gain entrance to such an exalted and honorable company is entitled to congratulations, and more too.

"There may be others like my baby, but I don't think they can be found," may be used with triteness in comparison with the land fraud artist who is not landed in Heney's net, once it is set for him.

Now that the implement selling season is practically over, Athena dealers find that the sales of this year nearly equal that of any other in which they have done business.

WHEN DEMOCRACY WILL DIE.

The following appears in the Congressional Record:

Mr. Gains of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I know that what I shall read the republicans will enjoy, because it is entitled "When Democracy will die." In reply to the repeated republican assertion that the democratic party is dead, I will say that I heard in the house last night a funeral oration over the democratic party by the Reverend Doctor Cushman that brings a poem to mind. The old Hickory democrat has put into verse the following conditions under which and the time when Democracy will die.

When the lion eats grass like an ox,
And the fishworm swallows the whale;
When the terrapin knits woolen socks;
When the hare is outrun by the snail;
When the serpent walks upright like men,
And the doodle bugs travel like frogs;
When the grasshoppers feeds on the hen,
And feathers are found on the hogs;
When Thomas cats swim in the air,
And elephants roost upon trees;
When insects in summer are rare,
And snuff never makes people sneeze;
When the fish creep over dry land,
And mules on velocipedes ride;
When foxes lay eggs on the sand,
And women in dress take no pride;
When Dutchmen no longer drink beer,
And girls get to preaching on time;
When the uilly goat butts from the rear,
And treason no longer is crime;
When the humming bird brays like an ass,
And limburger smells like cologne;
When plowshares are made out of grass,
And hearts of Tennesseans are stone;
When sense grows in republican heads,
And wool on the hydraulic ram;
Then the Democratic party will be dead,
And this country not worth a d—n.

Loud applause.
Mr. Olmsted. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Tennessee may be permitted to extend his remarks in the Recorder.
Laughter.

APPEARANCE OF REALITY.

Portland Oregonian.
One need not conclude that the illness which seems epidemic among the defendants in the land-fraud cases is wholly simulated. In varying degrees, according to the characters of the patients, it is probably fictitious, but it must not be forgotten that a mind diseased may react disastrously upon the body, just as a mind hale and cheerful makes it vigorous. It is a common saying that worry depletes the physical powers more rapidly than work. Shame and sorrow kill as quickly as fever. Kings who lost their thrones were proverbially shortlived in the tales of old wars, and the heroes of tragedy die without delay when shorn of their greatness in the fifth act.

Some say that the body is but the outward semblance of the mind, shadowing vaguely both those inner realities which are of eternal duration

and its passing disorders as well. Without going so far, we may admit that the physical and mental parts of a man exist in wonderful concord, abating good and ill without reserve. Remorse, or a guilty conscience, soon wears down the strongest frame; but perhaps there is no passion which so quickly saps the vital forces as cowardice, nor is there any which so hardly escapes contempt. The world requires that one who has had the courage to break the law should show equal fortitude in facing the consequences. Or, if he is falsely accused, his manhood ought not to blench in the crisis when he must assert and defend his innocence. A guilty man who puts on a brave front at his trial fails not to win some reluctant respect from his brothers who have been less sorely tempted, while a criminal of capital guilt who should forget to die would shock all the conventionalities of his ceiling and violate a great tradition.

Crime may be forgiven, but not the cowardice which weakens and sickens over the fear of punishment. Defiant sin extorts its meed of admiration even from the messengers of social revenge; honest penitence wins respect if it inclines toward restitution; but the craven fear which covers and falls sick at the judgment bar is despised by gods and men.

A SALOON MAN'S PARADISE.

Boston Journal.
Watching John B. Moran, as he leads and illuminates the Prohibition ticket, let us not forget to pay due tribute to the work against the demon rum now being carried on in his own inimitable manner by the mayor of Boston.

He removed William [McClellan] from the saloon business in East Boston and made him president of the Democratic city committee, without power.

He induced James H. Doyle to retire from the wholesale and retail liquor business in Roxbury and planted him in the office of superintendent of streets.

Hunting for the most competent candidates for superintendents for public school buildings, he discovered James F. Nolan, and the latter was required to become a retired liquor dealer.

There was need of a third and true foreman for the sanitary department's Roxbury district. The right man was found in Thomas Tirrell, one of the most popular bartenders in Boston.

Requiring the services of a special and personal legislative agent on Beacon Hill, Frank J. Doherty, bartender, of Charleston, was the diplomat naturally selected.

Garret W. Scollard, city collector, was doing his level best but he lacked the right kind of help. Hence he is to be braced and encouraged by Deputy Collector John L. Donovan, peculiarly expert in the preparation of mixed drinks.

For years it was felt that the department of weights and measures was lacking in technical knowledge of barrels and glasses. When the appointment of new deputies was made, Manasseh E. Bradley and James J. Sweeney were chosen as qualified experts.

And now, determined to reform the board of health and put new spirit into its movements, the Mayor has summoned Michael W. Norris, liquor dealer of South Boston to the rescue, and has commanded him to sit on the right of Samuel H. Dargin, M.D., and chairman.

Give the Mayor time and money enough, and there will be neither liquor dealers nor bartenders in Boston, and the consumers will be obliged to devote their income in taxes.

AN EXTRAVAGANAA.

Prescott Spectator.
Farmers are having a difficult time of it this harvest securing men. There seems to be plenty of idle men, but most of them refuse to work for a reasonable wage and are demanding as much as \$3 per day for driving header box. The following is not much of an exaggeration: Farmer timidly approaches man sitting on a dry goods box, and says:
"Most royal potentate, I would beg your pardon for this intrusion, but I am seeking your valuable service."
"What wouldst thou have?"
"I wouldst thou should go forth into the harvest field and gather in the crop."
"What emolument dost thou offer?"
"I will give thee all I can get for my crop sirs."
"Away with thee, thou poor poltroon. Thy crop indeed! Thinkest thou that I would shed precious drops of perspiration for such a mere trifle. Nay, Nay! If thou wouldst have me labor in your fields, offer besides thy crop, all that thou hast, and perchance I may, after due consideration, accept the trifle."
Farmer faints and is dumped into header wagon and is hauled off the scene.

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