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With the announcement of the candidacy of L. L. Mann and Claude Steen, both anti-Statement No. 1 men the fight in the republican ranks on the legislative part of the ticket is on in that camp for nominations at the hands of the voters in the primary election. The other candidate, Hon. C. A. Barrett of this city is an avowed Statement No. 1 man, and was elected to the legislature two years ago by an overwhelming majority, principally because he took the pledge. We understand that Mr. Steen stands in opposition to the statement, but that Mann is employing the politicians' dodge i. e. that he will "support for United States Senator the republican receiving the highest number of votes." Right there is where Mr. Mann and his Fulton machine backers will fall down. This machine endeavors to thwart majority rule of the people which is protected only through Statement No. 1, by cunning use of the pledge to the extent to which it will deceive the voter into electing legislators favorable to machine rule, the election of United States Senators by the old corrupt methods, and the resurrection of all rank political practices which Statement No. 1 abolishes.

South America is beginning to show the world that she recognizes the value of her natural resources by taking up the question of forest preservation. The Republic of Colombia has already outlined a forest policy and now the people of the Argentine Republic have taken up the discussion of forestry and its application to the management of the country's rich hardwood timber areas. Up to the present time the subject of forestry has received but little consideration in the various South American States. Most of these countries have large areas of forested land, but owing to the fact that they are so remotely situated and that they are composed mainly of broadleaf species which are too hard for ordinary building and construction lumber and hence not in very great demand, they have not as yet been extensively lumbered. As an illustration of this might be cited the fact that the small country of France furnishes more saw material than does the whole of South America.

How foolishly some American newspapers jump at conclusions was well shown by the "war scare" created by the Mikado's proclamation to the Japanese in the Hawaiian islands. Because he urged them, "in the event of an emergency," to hold themselves ready to serve their country, it was at once concluded that the "emergency" was a coming war with this country. It developed, however, that the proclamation is one which has been issued annually, in the same words, for a score of years, on the Emperor's birthday, to all Japanese resident abroad, and is as perfunctory as the ordinary Thanksgiving proclamation in America. The Japanese have a keen sense of humor; they must find a good many unintended occasions for a smile.

A prominent merchant of Dayton estimates that there are at least 15,000 sacks of potatoes in the county more than will be demanded for local consumption and that at present there is no market for the product, says the Dispatch. This means a total loss to our producers of a product that should ordinarily bring \$15,000. With a denatured alcohol plant established in Dayton, or some other point in the county, a demand would be created for such products. The probable loss of last season's overcrop of potatoes would be sufficient to install a denatured alcohol plant with a capacity sufficient to handle all the surplus products of our crochards and truck patches.

Pilot Rook's new paper the News, is at hand. It takes a "stick" of nonpareil type at the head of the editorial page to give the names of the owners of the sheet, but the name of the news ruster is modestly omitted. While his name is "not written there" he counts as much as the whole bunch of stockholders and if he keeps up the pace he is trotting in, they will be

compelled to add a couple of pages more to accommodate his before-breakfast-work. He's a hummer and so is his sheet.

The \$1,000,000 in back taxes the estate of Marshall Field will pay to Cook county, Illinois, is one of the largest payments of the kind in the history of the country, if not the largest. Upon the death of the rich merchant a list of his securities was filed in probate court and there it transpired that securities had not been paid.

AN INSULT TO VOTERS.

One of the strongest arguments in favor of Statement No. 1 is the anonymous screed sent out by its enemies. It is equally an argument for the initiative and referendum, and the primary law, for it attacks both and, incidentally, proves The Journal's reiterated contention that the present movement, though nominally against popular choice of senator, is equally hostile to the primary law, the right of the people to initiative laws and their right to veto bills or appropriations through the referendum. The circulars are of some value, because they disclose enough to make it certain that if an unpledged legislature ever convenes at Salem the ax of destruction will at once be applied to every popular right that the people now enjoy.

The circulars are a powerful argument for Statement No. 1 because of their character and because of the methods employed. They are unsigned, which means that the men who sent them out are ashamed of them. These men are skulkers, shrinking from the public gaze and ashamed of their propaganda. They are in hiding in dark places and are doing their work behind a mask and dark lantern, just as burglars do. They refuse to father their own words and send them out nameless foundlings, laid as it were on people's doorsteps. Honest men, working in an honest cause are never skulkers; they do not slink, like jackals, along the by-ways, but like men, stand in the open, beneath the sunlight, proud of their cause and looking the public steadily in the eye. There are, of course, a few men who honestly and candidly oppose Statement No. 1, but are they not, when they contemplate these unfathered, unclaimed, doorstep circulars, sent out by Portland political bosses to honest people, heartily ashamed of the company in which they find themselves?

Worse still than the fact that they are unfathered are the utterances of these founding circulars. It is not surprising that those who issued them were unwilling to stand sponsor. Every line is an insult to the recipient, in that it underestimates the intelligence of the people of Oregon and directs at them not argument, nor reason, but a mass of silly drivel, directed at prejudice and assaying the humors. It is evidently the work of city politicians, who never come in contact with farmers and other of the plain people. These country folks have libraries now, read newspapers and the magazines. Their standard of intelligence is not the low, unlettered sort that the circulars mistake it to be. They are the peers in understanding of their urban neighbors, as the skulking promoters of the doorstep circulars will later discover. Of them, 56,834 threw their ballots for the primary law and they knew what it meant then and know now, without instruction from an unfathered screed, which nobody owns and none would claim.—Portland Journal.

Ten Thousand Trout.

Deputy Game and Fish Warden O. F. Turner of Pendleton, has just received notice from Congressman W. R. Ellis that the 10,000 rainbow trout asked for by the Umatilla county sportsmen for the Umatilla river have been ordered from the government hatchery at Oregon City and will be sent as soon as the season is far enough advanced. The young fish will be released in the Umatilla river at Bingham Springs station, the junction of the Umatilla river and Meacham creek, so that they may go up both streams. An excellent fishing season is anticipated in all the Blue mountain streams this spring owing to the extremely mild winter.

Helix Pioneer Dead.

Whitaker O. Meteer, who for a quarter of a century was a resident of Umatilla county, died at his home near Helix, Sunday at the age of 74 years. He crossed the plains to California in 1850 and a few years later he came north to Oregon, remaining here a few years, after which he returned to California for a 10 years' residence. He returned to Oregon 26 years ago and had been a resident of Umatilla county since. He leaves a wife and three children. The children are Mrs. C. L. Humphreys of Salem, Mrs. W. H. Dale of Helix and C. W. Meteer of Albee. Two sons, Frank and Arthur Meteer, are dead.

To Beautify Cemetery.

Nearly \$3,000 has already been pledged by citizens of Pendleton for the beautifying of Olney cemetery. This movement was started through the city council, which appointed a committee to collect the money. Before the next meeting of the council it is thought that the required amount will have been subscribed and arrangements can then be made to water the cemetery this year.

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Frank K. Welles

(Present incumbent.)

For County School Superintendent.

Candidate for re-nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

T. D. Taylor

(Present incumbent.)

For Sheriff.

Candidate for re-nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

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(Present incumbent.)

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