

**Boost for Prosperity.**

There are still a few old-time partisan politicians left in Oregon who predict all sorts of dire calamities to the country unless their particular candidate is elected president in November. Be he republican, democrat, prohibitionist or socialist, the man who predicts all kinds of evil unless his candidate is elected is, to say the least, not a good booster, and down at Eugene the booster club has taken the advanced position that such a man, even if he is a presidential candidate himself, is not even a patriot. The Eugene fellows are optimists and they believe, and express their belief out loud, that the country is all right and that, no matter who is elected, if everybody will quit predicting calamitous panics, etc., and boost for prosperity, it will continue to be all right and even get better. In order to impress this bit of optimism on the minds of the people and at the same time brand it as a Eugene idea, they have printed, and are circulating, a little card which says:

"The worst of the recent panic is over, the empty dinner pail will soon begin to fill up. Let us talk prosperity and work for prosperity. Either Bryan or Taft will be elected, and no matter which one the majority of the voters choose, times will continue to get better. It is a moral crime to predict a panic, for a panic means poverty, bankruptcy, suicide and untold suffering. We have recently had enough of it.

"Let us not lay it onto any individual. A candidate for office who will predict that if the majority elect someone else there will be a panic, is not a patriot. A politician or newspaper who will endeavor to create a panic for political reasons should be punished as a criminal.

"Let us all be patriots and work for a return of prosperity and times will be good no matter whether Bryan or Taft is elected. Boost! Don't knock! Eugene boosters.

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"MAYOR J. D. MATLOCK,  
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**A Rich Nevada Camp.**

S. M. Cornutt has recently received a letter and newspaper clippings from his sons, who are interested in mining property at National, Nevada, which read like the early-day stories of the Klondike, except that the Nevada district is a quartz instead of a placer proposition. A clipping from the Winnemucca Star enclosed with the letter says that S. W. Gundaker recently came into Winnemucca with samples of ore and nuggets from National which are almost pure gold. Samples have already been secured which run \$1000 per 12 pounds of rock, and that is going some. The strike was made but recently, but already there is a rush of prospectors coming in and it is expected the camp will soon be the liveliest in that state of mining excitement.

The National district is in northern Nevada, near the Oregon line. Mr. Cornutt himself is interested with his sons in the camp and he is pretty well pleased with the reports now coming from there.

**A Fine Home Sold.**

J. M. Hurley has sold his fine home on the Jacksonville road, 24 miles from Central Point, to Dr. Hellstrum, recently from Pasadena, California. The place includes 39 acres of elegant fruit land, for which that immediate locality is particularly famous, and the consideration was \$9000.00. The tract is not yet set to trees, but Dr. Hellstrum expects to set it during the coming winter and spring.

Mr. Hurley's place has long been noted for producing some of the finest fruit grown in this valley or in the world, and his exhibit of fine grapes and other fruits at the Lewis and Clark Fair did much to attract attention to this valley. The soil in that neighborhood seems to be particularly adapted to fine fruits, and the location, on the first rise of the foothills, is the most sightly in Southern Oregon. Dr. Hellstrum is to be congratulated on securing this tract. Mr. Hurley still retains 20 acres of his original tract, upon which he will build a modern home during the autumn and which he expects to keep as a permanent home. He is to give possession of the residence on the tract sold to Dr. Hellstrum May 1, 1903.

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**Talismans in Malta.**

There are still to be found in Malta a number of small stones shaped and colored like the eyes, tongues and other parts of serpents.

The superstitious among the Maltese connect these with the tradition that St. Paul when shipwrecked was cast on their island and that it was there that while lighting a bundle of sticks for a fire a viper fastened on the apostle's hand. St. Paul calmly shook the reptile off into the flames, and no harm followed. The natives wear these stones as talismans, in which character they suppose them serviceable in warding off dangers from snake bites and poisons.

They are found in St. Paul's cave imbedded in clay and are set in rings and bracelets and when found to be in the shape of a tongue or liver or heart are hung around the neck. They are also taken internally, dissolved in wine, which method is attended, according to some people, by more immediate results.

**Blessings.**

She was the daughter of the village physician, a sunny curled darling of six, whose big blue eyes rested on the face of the Sunday school teacher with an attention and intelligence most encouraging.

So when, after a discourse to the children on the beauty of appreciating their blessings, the teacher asked for an explanation of a blessing the doctor's little daughter rose and said: "If my papa was to have a patient and she was to get well, and she was to pay my papa, and my papa was to give the money to my mamma, and my mamma was to buy me a new dress and take me down to the vacant lot and let me ride the great big fierce lion on the merry-go-round, that would be a blessing."—Woman's Home Companion.

**Jockey's Tricks.**

"There are tricks of two kinds in jockeying," said a jockey, "the legitimate and the illegitimate. Use the first and you'll prosper. Use the last and it's all up.

"Illegitimate tricks are pulling a race and getting left at the post. If you once pull a fast horse and make him lose, you are always afterward an object of suspicion, and ten to one if you ever pull another horse you are done for. But getting yourself left at the post is a big and complex subject, and it is the one trick that a clever jockey can work time and again with safety.

"To cause a rival horse to swerve is an illegitimate trick that often wins your race. You cause the swerving by straightening out your leg so that your heel nearly touches the other horse's nose, or you make a wide slash with your whip so that it nearly touches the other horse's eyes.

"The legitimate tricks are— But why give them away when it has taken all my life to learn them?"—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

**Can't Be Helped.**

"Aren't your children growing?" "But they can't help it. It's an inherited trait."—New York Life.

**A Foolish Mistake.**

Only a fool thinks it is brave to swim out so far that he can't swim back.—Chicago Record-Herald.

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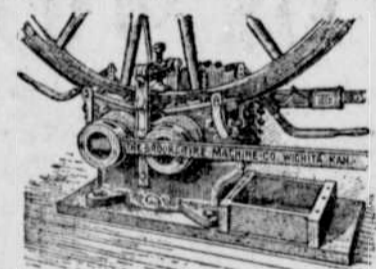
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