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**REMARKS REGARDING THE NEW CITY CHARTER.**

The new city charter has some good points which were overlooked in the old charter, but there are several discrepancies and unnecessary things in the new one, which make it quite objectionable unless it is amended in several particulars before it is passed.

The idea of asking the farmers of this county to build a bridge in our city limits so they can get here to trade, is rather preposterous. We'd just as well ask the county to build our sidewalks and grade our streets, in fact, this part of the new charter is very impolitic and gives the people in the country a good cause to kick against the town.

A mayor is rather a useless piece of furniture, seeing he is not president of the city council or a magistrate, but we suppose a mayor will not do much harm and it will not cost much to have such an ornament.

There is no use of two wards, as the expense of two elections in the city each year is uncalled for. The provision of the charter making two wards should be amended so as to allow the council to make the city justifies it. Five councilmen for this little city are a generous plenty, also.

There is no such urgent need for these extra officials that they need be appointed at once, as the charter provides. Why not wait until next December and let the people decide whom they want. Maybe we can worry along with only three in the council until that time, and from the hard time the people have had to get men to take the office, it is doubtful if five men can be found at one time who are willing to sacrifice themselves.

The raising of the tax limit to five mills is a bad feature, and the limit of \$2,000 for indebtedness is unnecessary. It may as well be placed at \$1,000, unless the promoters intend to build water-works, in which case it should be at least \$10,000.

It is doubtful if any considerable number of the people here favor the new charter as it now stands, in fact, the general sentiment is against it since it has become known what it contains. Few people were thoroughly acquainted with its provisions before the bill was introduced.

**HE WILL BE DAMNED.**

Some time ago a certain parson arrived here from the east, and though not much acquainted with the manners and customs of mining camps, concluded he would preach to the boys. And, being of rather an agreeable turn of mind, he went around in the highways and ways of Kaslo and gave each one a personal invitation to hear him preach. As all the boys "rather liked his style," they readily promised to come, and it was well understood that the parson should have a good send-off. The only room large enough was a billiard hall and so this was fitted up for the occasion. The little parson's eyes sparkled with delight when he saw the crowd, and, having heard of the liberality of miners, he commenced to figure on the receipts of the evening.

He preached a good sermon, as was evidenced by the frequent rounds of applause which greeted him, and although somewhat taken aback by this, he concluded that it must be all right—it was the proper thing in a mining camp. Near the close of the service he suggested to a miner who was sitting in the amen corner to "please pass the hat" which he immediately proceeded to do, and as the click, click of the iron dollars dropped into the hat, the parson, with a smile that was childlike and bland, suggested "give, give liberally," which was evidently being

followed. When the miner got to the door he stepped outside to corral a few more dollars from those in the vestibule, and the parson, seeing him suddenly disappear, yelled, "if that man goes out of the door with that hat he'll be damned," and a miner in the back end raised up and said "I'll be damned if he ain't gone."—Kaslo Examiner.

**OREGON'S TIMBER.**

Somehow or other Oregon's timber does not get its share of free advertising. It is only a limited number that know the extent of its forests and the value of its timber. Now that lumbermen are beginning to look for spruce it would be well if they would turn their eyes to the Oregon coast. In Tillamook county is to be found perhaps the heaviest and best development of spruce. Tillamook Bay, fifty miles south of the Columbia, is encircled with immense forests of spruce. Here, too, are found as large fir trees as are known. Tillamook bay has five good logging streams entering it. The government has been improving the bars so that navigation can be carried on to a greater, or as might be said a deeper extent.—West Coast Lumberman.

**THE SCHOOL BOOK LAW.**

Ed. HEADLIGHT.—Among all the questions before the present Oregon Legislature there is no other that can compare in importance to the poor man with that of our School Books. Under our present system a single firm in Portland has an absolute monopoly, and books are sold at an enormous profit, and sold too, to the people least able to bear the burden. It costs a poor man more for school books than for the tuition of his children and at least two-thirds of that expense is clear profit to the State agent who exports it because he is granted the power to do so by the Legislature. Go to any book store and you will see books of history, poetry, or science, sold side by side with school books and sold at less than one third of the price. A copy of Byron can be bought for 30 cents and a Fifth Reader for \$1.10. The Byron contains the most reading matter, is on better paper, with better print and better binding but having no "cinch" on the people it is sold at a reasonable profit, while the other book is forced upon buyers at enormous rates. When a School History that can be published for 17 cents is sold to a man who is obliged to buy it or 120 cents, the purchaser is actually robbed of at least 90 cents of that sum, and when the people of Oregon buy over hundred thousand of those books they are robbed of \$90,000. So with all the books, and it is safe to say that the present school book monopoly of Oregon is clearing half a million dollars annually, above a reasonable profit on business.

No wonder that they can have talkers and writers, and newspapers, and perhaps members of the Legislature create a public sentiment in favor of the present system, but it seems to me that every man who buys a school book and then reflects a moment on where the high price comes from, must demand some measure of relief from the law making power.

It may not be best for the State to print the books, or it may. But it certainly is suicidal to trust any man or firm with an exclusive right for the sale of school books in the State. Let the booksellers compete on an even footing and we will buy all our school books for about one-third of the present prices.

**T. R. HANDLEY.**

It would be a good thing if the new city charter would place the city hall upon the county. Maybe the county court would have it painted and stop the leak in the roof that has never been stopped. A small expense in putting some tin or zinc on the roof by the cupola would keep the floor from rotting. Let's ask the county to help us out in the matter.

A large number of states elected Senators last week, most of them Democrats.

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