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One Sheriff Knows His Duty.

"I consider it my duty, as the Sheriff of Multnomah County, to see that the law is enforced," so says Sheriff Word. So it Word is a man of his word, he will raid Mayor Williams' special privilege gambling joints with as much zeal as he has raided the opium dens in Portland. It is seldom that we hear of a sheriff, after he has been elected to office, who considers it is his duty to see that the laws are enforced in regard to saloons, gambling joints, places of prostitution and opium dens. We are glad to see that Word is a man of his word and he has closed all the gambling houses in Portland, and we hope sheriffs in other counties will follow his example, and where they fail to do their duty, it is to be hoped that the public will proceed against them and deprive them of their jobs, which can easily be done.

An Agricultural Rival.

The rapid agricultural development of Canada leads the Northwestern Miller to remark that our northern neighbor is destined to become a formidable rival of the United States in the exportation of grain, if it does not take possession of the foreign market. In the last three years the wheat crop of western Canada has increased four-fold, having been 80,000,000 bushels in 1903, and it is estimated that the area suitable for wheat embraces 43,000,000 acres. With this under cultivation, at Manitoba's rate of production, the crop should be over 800,000,000 bushels, which is much more than the United States produces. Besides wheat Canada produces a considerable amount of oats and barley.

A paper read recently before the National Grain Dealers' association said that within a comparatively few years we may expect to see the United States give place to Canada as the chief wheat producing country of the world. "It will take time," said the author of the paper, "it will require a lot of railroad building and a great influx of population and broad general development to bring this about, but it is coming." There is no doubt that Canada has agricultural resources and at present good progress is being made in their development, to which emigration from the United States has contributed to no small extent, but it must be a very long time before Canada becomes the chief wheat producing country of the world and when that time arrives the United States undoubtedly will have use at home for all the wheat produced here. At all events the agricultural rivalry of Canada is something so remote as not to cause any anxiety and meanwhile we should continue to build up and hold the American market for the American farmer.

Sentiment is Against Gambling.

That there is a growing sentiment and determination to stamp out gambling in Oregon, most everybody will admit who watch the signs of the times. Those who are opposed to gambling and the anti-saloon people have adopted a new course in going after officials, whose duty it is to see that the law is enforced. It will be interesting from now on whether peace officers will consider it safe to stand in with gamblers and saloon keepers now that a movement is on foot to deprive them of their job if they fail to do their duty and for which the public pay them big salaries. This is the law under which it is proposed to proceed: "Any officer who shall refuse or willfully neglect to inform against and prosecute offenders against this act (relative to gambling) shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 or more than \$500, and the court before such officer shall be tried shall declare the office or appointment held by such officer vacant for the balance of his term." It is a little surprising to us that political organizations have not used this law as a club over their opponents who have been elected to office to see that the law is enforced, but who fail to do so. Peace officers, as a rule, want the other fellow to file complaints, while they draw the salary.

The Hired Man.

A little thought and a little "put yourself in his place" would do wonders in solving the problem of how to keep the hired man on the farm. Of course, there are many worthless fellows strolling about the country looking for a job as a farm-hand and any employer is liable to get hold of one of these. On the other hand, there are many employers who treat their hands in such a manner that no self respecting young man would remain in their service.

As a rule the hand who gets at his work cheerfully and does not complain if a little odd job comes his way is the man who can always find a place at the best wages going, while the one who is always grumbling at his regular work and flatly refuses to do an extra task is

moving around from one place to another looking for a job.

The employer who is considerate of his man, who does not impose upon him, is the one who can always get good men, and he seldom has to hunt for them.

The hired man is entitled to a good bed and a comfortable room, with a place to keep his clothing. He is entitled to good, wholesome food, and above all he is entitled to decent treatment and kind words. No man has a right to speak to his hired help in any other manner than he would if he was speaking to his neighbor. Always do as you wish to be done by. Remember the Golden Rule.—National Farmer.

Loss of Life by Accident.

Last year was a record year for great accidents with large loss of life, but if 1904 goes on at its present pace the 1903 record will be badly beaten. Theater fires, steamboat and ocean ship fires, railway collisions and mine explosions have inflicted appalling calamities resulting in a great loss of life. A great accident such as the Chicago theater horror nowadays creates little or no public opinion of sufficient endurance to have any appreciable effect on the regulations covering public safety. Already the theaters in Chicago are reported to have evaded the theater ordinance, with the help of an injunction from the courts, and there the matter rests. New York's steamboat fatality showed a most culpable negligence on the part of the passengers, yet who would predict any real and lasting assurance of greater care in the future? If we Americans were not content to take so many chances, were more conservative in such matters, public action fixing the blame and punishing the culprits would long ago have put on the brakes. If, unfortunately, any accident carrying great loss of life should befall a meeting of our state or national legislatures, bringing home to the lawmakers themselves the scant consideration fixing public safety in these busy days, some remedy would be applied immediately.

The Briggs Gold Mine Sold.

Sale of the famous Briggs claim was concluded last week by the telegraphic remittance from New York of the cash to cover the purchase price, which is understood to be \$115,000, though the exact amount is not known to persons who care to state. The property has been sold on a bond granted about a week ago and as the contract called for cash payment the Eastern investors were taking no chances on losing the bonanza property, hence used the telegraph to remit the amount to the First National Bank in Portland.

Speaking of the rich Sucker creek discovery by Briggs, Mr. Staples said:

"I spent some days there and was given liberty to exploit from a prospective buyer's standpoint. It appalls a man who has been examining \$10 and \$20 free milling propositions and going there, as I did, expecting to see a 'pocket.' I was not prepared to see a fabulously rich quartz vein exposed for 16 feet in length by three feet deep, the gold lying in chunks and slabs along the walls and running through the quartz from side to side in seams as large as two fingers. It is so rich that the owners are in an awed and frightened state of mind and are afraid to continue to extract the gold as it accumulates faster than they dare chance handling and carrying out to market. As to the extent of the gold bearing ledge no man can answer, but the appearance makes it safe to chance it for a couple of hundred thousand. The owners did not solicit a buyer, but have concluded to sell and I have taken their bond hoping to obtain full ownership. I must confess that I have the gold fever, and who wouldn't, after helping pick out \$5, \$12, \$40 and \$400 gold nuggets frozen along the walls of a ledge while the ledge itself stands aglow with the infusion of the golden metal. It may not surpass the Steamboat that produced \$420,000 or equal the Gold Hill that yielded \$480,000, but it is in the neighborhood of these big finds and so far as worked has excelled either, and as a matter of fact, I doubt if the world can show a record of \$28,000 free gold from the same size excavation. It is a veritable bonanza, and that's enough said."

Will the Mail Route be Changed?

The Forest Grove Times says: "It is thought that the starting point of the mail for Tillamook may be changed yet this year from North Yamhill to Forest Grove. The present route was so bad last winter that for several weeks Tillamook was utterly without mails. Postal Inspector Vale himself came out and went with the contractor trying to open up the route, but it was impossible until the snow melted and settled. He was out early in the summer and went over from here inspecting the Wilson River route with a view to deciding on whether it would be advisable to make a change. Just what he reported to the department is not known, but it is thought to be favorable to the change. At least the contractor from North Yamhill was given enough of a tip to lead him to hold back from making his usual arrangements for winter work. He is not putting in feed nor making any improvements along the route, which he would do if he felt sure that route would be continued. Meanwhile the matter rests

with the department at Washington and nothing can be done until the decision is made there."

Live Stock Brings Prosperity.

Why is it that, as a rule, a dairy farming community presents a better and more prosperous appearance than others, where diversified farming is practiced? This is generally found to be a fact, and is not because that branch of farming turns in more money regularly every month than grain growing, why is it? As a rule, we find everything neat and clean about a dairy farm, the buildings are large and commodious and usually well painted, the fences are well kept up, and the general appearance indicates the system and thrift of the farm. We sometimes find those things on other farms, but not as often as where live stock is kept, especially the dairy cow. Live stock improves the farm in a fertility way year by year and at the same time furnishes a good substantial income for the farmer. Keep more stock and grow less grain, except corn and oats, and you will make money.—Farmers' Guide.

CLOSED DOWN GAMBLING.

County Officials Afraid of Losing their Jobs.

Portland is a closed town. The almost unprecedented feat of causing the public gambling-houses to suspend operations was accomplished by Sheriff Word Saturday.

Contrary to what might have been supposed by casual observers of the violent efforts recently made by some officials and many insistent reformers, it was not a difficult task. The sheriff merely visited the various gambling-houses and gave a simple order to shut down the games, saying he would raid any house whose owners refused to obey the mandate.

Within the time it took the sheriff to make the rounds of the different resorts, the money and paraphernalia was put away, the players and employes dismissed, and gambling was no more. It is estimated that the closing of the games will throw 700 persons out of work. After the Sheriff had gone, dealers and habitués gathered in knots on the streets adjoining the gambling-houses and discussed the situation in mournful tones.

Several reasons for this sudden decision on the part of Sheriff Word were rumored about the streets. It was stated on good authority that the Municipal Association had discovered great virtues in sections 1950 and 1951 of the statutes of Oregon, and had informed District Attorney Manning and Sheriff Word that they had been conducting a legal research with astonishing results. Section 1951 sets forth the following facts: "Any officer who shall refuse or wilfully neglect to inform against and prosecute offenders against this act (relative to gambling) shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 or more than \$500, and the court before which such officer shall be tried shall declare the office or appointment held by such officer vacant for the balance of his term."

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Sermons in Sentences.

There is no worship in a wine. Seeds of love bear fruit in all soils. Blows of eloquence leave no bruises. The smooth man is quite likely to back slide.

That which can be defined cannot be divine. Happiness is only the other side of helplessness.

The worst sin is the one with an order of sanctity.

The man who travels slowest may be hauling most.

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