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State Board of Horticulture.

ED. JOURNAL: Your article with the above heading, in Thursday's issue, hit the waiting nail so squarely on the head that I am tempted to furnish some facts, as well as history, to aid the understanding of this subject.

Two years ago I was appointed by the State Horticultural Society as one of its representatives to secure the passage of a law to create a state board of horticulture, and provide means for preventing or destroying fruit pests. I had not given much attention to the subject, but knew that insect pests caused immense damage in California and looked for granted the assertion that they would be as detrimental to Oregon. Myself a fruit grower, and deeply interested personally, I entered zealously into the cause. After hard work the bill failed in the house, but the Oregonian, with which I was then connected, exposed one side, and published a scathing editorial that members have told me secured the reconsideration and passage of the bill. The passage of the bill has been credited greatly to my labors, and I certainly used every effort in its favor, and was delighted at its passage.

It remained to test its workings, and I must confess that when the present state board of horticulture was appointed I looked for favorable results. Your remarks are just for the board of horticulture has expended \$7000 and accomplished no reliable or valuable results. It has been a gross and lamentable failure. "General" Varny has shown him self around the state, and looked wise, and talked wondrously, but I am sorry that he has done no good. The "bulletins" issued have all been borrowed, generally from text books or other books, and often from the experience of California's scientific fruit growers.

As a fruit grower and journalist I say, plainly and without any canny prejudice, save what the whole sad failure of our "board of horticulture" has made evident, that every dollar so far expended (\$7,000 more or less) has been wasted. It may be possible that Mr. Whitman, of Jackson county, has explained some things peculiar to Southern Oregon, but all that has been told and retold concerning pests that attack horticulture in California.

When all is said and done the pests of our section are the "Codlin Moth" and the Plum and Peach Borer. Concerning these, I have repeatedly told the public, for years back, that the apple worm must be held in check by arsenical spraying, and the borer must be dug out and the trees painted with some offensive mixture they will not encounter.

Since the law went into operation (and I doubt it really ever did) I have had reason to regret the success of the only lobby work I ever engaged in. As you so well explain, no new thing has been told, and no good has been done. If there was ever anything to do, this board has not done it; if capable of any good, its action fails to prove it.

At the present time my interests are all in horticulture. I produce all the orchard fruits known here—cherries, peaches, plums, prunes, apples and pears—and depend entirely on my orchard for my success in earning a living. The only serious pests known here are those I have named, and those I have this season successfully combated and have no fears but I can always do so. Then, I say that all the talk of enlarging this commission is folly. Every member of it should resign because of realizing the utter ineffectiveness of its career so far.

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