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### THE SALEM ELECTRIC LIGHTING SITUATION.

The report of a majority of the special committee of the city council, in favor of granting a second electric lighting contract in this city, brings the whole subject before the people for discussion.

To get at the merits of the matter it is necessary to consider two things—what are the rights of the public, and what are facts as to the present service at the hands of the old corporation.

Considering the latter subject first, it is not to be disputed that the service by the present lighting corporation, so far as the citizen and business man is concerned, is very unsatisfactory.

The rates have been advanced, and the charges are so uncertain that only a small portion of the community can afford to use electric light. In a great many stores and residences lights have been abandoned.

On one side of a block on the main street of the city, it is stated, that out of nine business houses, but one uses electric light. The lighting of private residences has become almost impossible, except for a few people of abundant means.

This policy, or absence of policy, has reduced the service to almost a minimum. The contrary policy should be the rule. The electric light service should be popularized and brought within the reach of the largest number of people.

The public have a right to demand that these conditions be changed. Electric light only for the few, and the very well-to-do, is not an American or a money-making proposition.

The people have a right to demand one of two things—another franchise that will bring down the price by competition, so that an ordinary citizen can afford to use lights, or a change in the present management that will bring about the same result.

If the new proprietor of the Salem light franchise can give our city government and the public positive assurance of improved service, and at popular prices, he is entitled to a hearing and consideration.

If he cannot do this then there is no other way to bring about a change and introduce competitive conditions but by granting a franchise to Mr. Kurtz. It is results and reductions that Salem wants.

### IRELAND'S EBBING POPULATION.

In the vital statistics report of the registrar general for Ireland may be seen an explanation of why at last, after so many years, England has shown itself desirous of adjusting the Irish land troubles. According to the registrar's report, a few more years like those that have gone, would have seen the elimination of the Irish land question, for the reason that the country would have been practically depopulated.

The report of the Irish registrar is a ghastly recital of a national tragedy. Between May 1st, 1857, when vital statistics were first taken, and January 1st of the present year, the emigration from Ireland makes the appalling total of 3,921,222, of which number 2,940,226 have been males and 1,180,996 have been females. As to the age of the emigrants, the most disturbing feature is found in the fact that the great percentage has been recruited from the youth of the land, very few children and old people being among the number. In the statistics of last year's emigration, for example, precisely 81.5 per cent were between the ages of fifteen and thirty-five years—the flower of the land.

The largest number of emigrants in any one year was 190,822 in 1852, and the smallest 22,241, in 1893. Last year, the number of emigrants was

10,401, or 9.1 per thousand of the country's population, and an increase of \$31 over the number emigrating during the preceding year. Of the number last year, 18,953 were males, and 21,508 were females. A large emigration, of which there is no accurate count, occurred in the period between 1846 and 1851, when statistics were begun to be taken.

According to Mulhall's estimate, if to the total by emigration are added those who died of famine and fever during the famine years of 1846-49, who numbered in round numbers about a million and a quarter, we get the enormous depletion of five millions and a quarter of the population. Nor does this include the emigration, which was large and of which there are no returns, which occurred between the years 1846 and 1851. Confronted with these figures, it is not strange England has at last shown inclination to compromise and make satisfactory adjustment of the Irish land troubles, which have yearly driven from Ireland thousands of its people.

### SAVE THAT BABY.

It has been telegraphed over the continent that the wife of Peter D. Martin has a baby.

"What 'ell" do we care if she has twins.

Peter D. Martin is no better than anybody else; and, as the Irishman would say, probably not half as good.

His father left him some millions. But for that the wares would never bother us about himself, or his wife, or his infant.

We may expect any day a sensational dispatch giving a full description of the baby's trousseau, even down to the monogram on his aristocratic diapers.—Sacramento Bee.

### BISHOP BRONDEL'S ADVICE.

The Butte, Montana, Miner, in its issue of Tuesday last editorially says:

"Last Sunday morning Bishop Brondel, of this diocese, delivered a powerful sermon at Saint Paul's Catholic church, in Anaconda, against socialism, advising the adherents of the church to have nothing to do with that movement. In referring to such imposters as Mr. Haggerty and Mr. McGrady, the eminent bishop expressed himself as follows:

"I understand that Anaconda has been visited by two so-called priests who have made socialistic speeches in this city, and from what I can learn of the above men it seems that one of them is said to be playing to popular favor by demanding a two-hour work day for the laboring class of people of this country. These priests are not in union with the pope and the Catholic church, and do not preach true Catholic principles. The Catholics of this country, as a rule, do not pay much attention to these traveling so-called priests, who are going from point to point at the expense of the laboring men. They are not so dangerous in this country as they are in the old European countries."

"The bishop further explained that under the rules of the Catholic church priests have no right to appear in public meetings, except by special permission of the bishop of the diocese under whom they are laboring, and then only when they are to talk on matters of the most vital importance to the people.

"The bishop stated that he intends to furnish the priests of this state and the press, with a copy of the pope's encyclical letter, which commends socialism.

"Not only did the good bishop, whose piety and eloquence and great abilities have commanded him to the respect and good will of all the people of Montana, earnestly express his disapprobation of the socialistic cause, but he logically showed wherein it was to the interest of the workingmen to keep clear of such an entanglement when trying to promote the interests of organized labor.

"He paid a glowing tribute to the cause of labor and showed wherein its advantages lay and by what methods it could achieve the successes desired.

"In view of the position taken by Bishop Brondel as to socialism, it is scarcely necessary for the Miner to discuss with the so-called Father Haggerty the relation of the Catholic church to that movement.

"The long and short of it is, that Mr. Haggerty grossly misrepresented the church he falsely assumed to represent, and he is entitled to no higher consideration than the contempt of the public."

### THE POLICY OF MIGHT.

An extract from the London Outlook, reads:

In Somaliland the Mullah retreats as we advance. We seize sheep and camels which will prove convenient and comforting to our men, but we do

not catch up with the Mullah. In retreating before us as he is doing he is undoubtedly acting wisely in a military sense, but he cannot continue to retreat without destroying his reputation among his followers. If he persists they will have him beheaded long before we can come up to execute upon him our milder justice."

From England's standpoint, this is doubtless good, but from the standpoint of the man who is striving to maintain the independence of his people, it has a vastly different meaning.

They say the Mullah is mad, but it is well to bear in mind that every man whose name appears in history who has had an ambition to stand in the way of the assumed rights of the strong over the weak, has been set down as a fanatic.

Spain doubtless published the same kind of literature regarding the men who sought to preserve or establish the independence of Cuba.

Back in earlier days, Rome classed as fanatical all who sought to block the highway upon which she marched to empire of the world.

When Alexander the Great overran Asia and subjugated millions, all who opposed him were fanatics or madmen.

It is the old, old story, over and over again, and it will be used by those in authority, and accepted by those who do not or cannot think, as gospel, just as long as might, instead of right, is accepted as men's guide in taking from one another that which greed demands.

### THE POOR ROCKEFELLERS.

It is reported that both the elder Rockefeller and his son are constantly watched by detectives, because cranks have been sending them threatening letters.

Even the Rockefeller Sunday school cannot go on in peace. John D. seems to have been frightened away from church of late and John D. Jr. has to be flanked by detectives when he attends his Bible class.

It costs too much to be rich after the fashion of the Rockefellers. Of course, John D. has the honor of being the richest man in the world, but that honor is very costly.

Naturally the detectives get a fat thing out of the fears of such rich men. Hence we do not know how many of their fears are well grounded and how many are stimulated.

And all this for one's board and clothes, and only one life to live at that. Who would be Rockefeller and pay his price for his kind of greatness.—Nashua, N. H., Patriot.

### PRIMARY ELECTIONS IN IOWA.

(Iowa State Register, Rep.) A number of the newspapers of the state are discussing a thoroughgoing primary election law for Iowa. The Iowa City Citizen says:

Illinois has a primary election law, but it is on the "local option plan" and is not stringent enough. The election of a few more Missouri and Illinois legislators will bring about one that will do some good. Iowa should take warning and adopt a primary election law before it makes a spectacle of itself. This is not saying that there is danger of boodle in this state.

And the Sac Sun in the same tenor says:

The Sun does not hesitate to express the opinion that Iowa ought to have a law requiring the election of delegates to county conventions by a primary system instead of the caucus system, which rarely allows opportunity for a fair expression of the wishes of the people.

These papers and many others that might be quoted recognize the prevailing sentiment, not only in Iowa but in every state, for fairer methods of arriving at the wishes of the people than are offered by the open caucus. Minnesota has taken the lead in the West, and has enacted a primary election law that is accepted as a model. That it is regarded as a success is evident, because the legislature that has recently adjourned has refused to amend it in any particular. New Jersey has copied after the Minnesota law, and Wisconsin also, although a factional opposition to Governor La Follette is creating a deadlock in the legislature over minor details.

Senator Crossley, of Winterset, presented a meritorious bill to the last Iowa legislature, but it was not seriously considered. He has been making a thorough study of the subject since, and will undoubtedly present a new bill in the coming session, to which he will without question be returned. If he does, it will meet with a different reception.

The primary election regulated by law and conducted by public officials has come to stay. It insures a more orderly and fairer method of testing public sentiment than the old-fashioned caucus, and will supercede it. Iowa cannot afford to be behind.

These immigration agents have nothing to do now but to bring the people here. The country will speak for itself.

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### A GREAT REFORM NEEDED.

There is a fundamental reform needed in Oregon, and all intelligent people might as well begin to think about it, and be prepared to act.

All taxes are now paid in cash, and the county and state taxes are very high.

The system the people are working under returns a very small amount of this money to the locality from whence it is paid.

It is expended mostly at the state capital and the various county seats, and very little of it ever leaks back into the cross-roads places.

Now the people at the crossroads have a right to a little more local self-government than they are getting.

While the precinct is the unit of political power it is not an unit of self-government in Oregon, as the township is in other states.

The only power the people have now is over the work of the legislature as a whole, by the referendum.

With our present high state and county taxes and all the money spent in the state capital and county seats, there is a tremendous centralization of power and wealth going on that should be redistributed.

The Portland influences in the last legislature were all-potent to get their big appropriations, and also to defeat the reforms promised that would have led to reduced taxes.

Portland was able to kill the flat salary reform that would have meant \$50,000 a year on the side of the taxpayer.

Portland killed the Harris bill that would have taxed the untaxed franchises, and piled up a constantly increasing source of revenues.

Portland passed the bill repealing the \$200 household exemption that will add \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000 to the assessment rolls, and at the expense of the poorest class of people.

These Portland processes are purely in the line of class legislation, and must be reversed and political power and public taxes restored to the masses of the people, from whom they are unjustly wrung.

The township system, or a system based on the present voting precinct as the unit of governing power must be adopted for Oregon.

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Edwin C. Kelley, treasurer and general manager of the Enamel Brick Company, of Cleveland, O., is charged with the embezzlement of \$25,000 of the funds of the concern. Kelley declares he will be able to prove his innocence.

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We have before us a little work on kidney disease by Joseph F. Edwards, M. D., of Philadelphia, that contains some things that everyone ought to know. Many people imagine Bright's Disease is rare, when, in fact, it covers the whole gamut of kidney diseases. This book sets out that the kidneys have but one function, viz., the elimination of the urea and waste products, and that all interferences with that function are called Bright's Disease. Dr. Edwards adds: "For the benefit of physicians who may read this book, I will give a list of the cases which I attribute to Bright's Disease, viz.:

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