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LOCAL OPTION AND THE HOP INDUSTRY.

It is a matter of interest how hop-growing will fare in Oregon when the Local Option people get through with their Prohibition agitation. Hops that are contracted will find a market unless the brewers find some way out by litigation. But that Oregon can make effective warfare on the beer business, and at the same time expect to supply the principal article that goes into its manufacture, is not likely. The Hop Industry is doomed in proportion as Prohibition succeeds. It is not probable that any new acreage will be put out, and if the more important counties give majorities for Local Option this fall on the retaliatory industry in Oregon may be expected to begin.

The hop crop of Oregon brings millions of dollars to the state annually, and there are millions invested in the business. A hophouse costs from \$1000 to \$3000. The capital required to make the crop is at least \$100 per acre.

There is no other one crop that employs so much labor or distributes so much money among men, women and children, and the hop picking season affords a delightful and profitable outlet for thousands of families.

It is not expected that the hop industry will be entirely destroyed in Oregon by the Prohibition agitation. But that there is trouble ahead for Oregon hops, but a small part of which are used at home, the most sanguine friend of the industry cannot doubt.

It may be admitted that some temperance sentiment will result from the agitation of local option. Some men will be driven out of the saloon business and some will be prevented from going into the business, but this will be the more conscientious class of liquor dealers.

No well-informed person believes that Local Option and cutting off city or county licenses will abolish the liquor traffic in Oregon. The drugstores, the government licenses, and the shipping in of bottled goods and the original package trade will continue, and local authority will have little control over them.

There is an element of cussedness in human nature that says "I'll be d-d if I do," when you say by law that you propose to prohibit doing something that people have been accustomed to doing as a privilege, a luxury and a social pleasure.

This element of "cussedness," of "wickedness" in the eyes of the puritanical reformer, has resisted and defied prohibitory laws in every state, and has never failed to render such laws futile, farcical and finally a dead letter.

There is another element who will get liquor whether there are any saloons or not—the commercial and professional men who will have their club-houses and hotel supplies of liquor. Local Option will never touch them but the state and cities will lose the revenues.

As the lawless elements are deemed those who will not accept prohibitory laws—and this includes the influential classes who do not drink much at saloons—but will get liquor anyhow, what will the state gain for loss of the hop industry? It will be said moral and spiritual advancement. That may be.

THE SUICIDE MANIA.

The dispatches report the suicide of one Abbot, a broker.

According to the story, he bade goodbye to his wife and child, took a gun and deliberately ended his own life. He had failed in business, and after having accumulated a considerable fortune one day found that he was practically penniless. He became hopeless, despondent, and apparently arrived at the conclusion that his period of usefulness in this world was ended, and that there was nothing left for him to do but go; that instead of being a help to his family, he was only a hindrance and encumbrance.

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the time of poverty came upon him, or at least that the crowds who had eaten his dinners and had been amused at his expense during the time of his affluence, no longer knew him, or cared to be seen in his company. That is about the way of the world, and the wise man will not be taken by surprise in the time of his need.

When failure came to showman, Barnum, he realized that life is a thing to be used by men and moulded by energy, determination, and a brave will. He knew that there were opportunities lying all around him, and that the strong man can make opportunities when they are lacking.

There is hardly a man in any community but to whom hours will come that are black with trouble and temptations to despair. What a dreary world it would be if men generally went under in the hour of distress and failure!

The real manly man is the one who fights it out. He has had experience in the past, and knows where to look for snares and pitfalls that beset the path of all men. He will tread warily in the dangerous places, and mount higher ground and yet higher, using his previous falls as warnings.

But all this has nothing to do with the moral side of such a suicide, or of suicide in general,—of the demoralization of mind and disregard of every right instinct necessary to make a deliberate act of self murder possible. A merciful coroner's jury generally adjudges a suicide insane,—a verdict which may solace the relatives of the dead in many cases, even if it does not altogether convince. For the thought will arise; If this person, so sane up to the last, and so carefully planning every detail of his own destruction, is to be reckoned as insane, who then is free from the charge?

The thoughtful person will admit that for one to take his own life is proof of an unbalanced mind, but the question may fairly be asked; Is not any deviation from following right principles a sign that the mental or moral standard is at fault?

The man who selfishly takes his own life to be rid of the necessity of facing his creditors, and the man who weals from others that which he thinks will make the hardships of poverty impossible to him have alike broken a fundamental law of honesty, and if one is insane, so is the other.

Men are insane in this: That they do not watch against that habit of mind which, in the end, must result in unlawful acts; that they search out the devious paths, rather than walk in the narrow way of absolute truth and honesty, and when a crisis comes, they find themselves so entangled that there seems no way out except by the gate of death.

"Santity" is just the steady cultivation of right thinking and living, and its end and object is life,—real life.

Grafters Know No Politics.

"Graft knows no politics," writes Lincoln Steffens in the August McClures, and then proceeds to prove his case by finding a parallel for Democratic Missouri, whose conditions he last discussed in his series of articles on Enemies of the Republic," in Republican Illinois. As in Missouri, the movement toward self-government began in the effort of its largest city to free itself from the rule of special interests.

After an eight year's political war the Republican party of Illinois, the ruling party, has been brought to represent the people. As in Missouri, the people's struggles for independence was led by the prosecuting attorney of St. Louis, Joseph W. Folk, in a contest for the Democratic nomination for governor, so in Illinois the triumph for public opinion and public interest has come in the nomination for governor of Charles S. Deneen, the prosecuting attorney of Chicago, by the Republicans of Illinois.

The story of this eight years' war, as told by Mr. Steffens, is a real story full of interesting incident and significance. The most important concrete case which Mr. Steffens uses to illustrate his article, is the fight for and against traction legislation for the city of Chicago in the Illinois legislature. The complete repudiation of the political ring which had further special interests and blocked government for the people, came in the Republican state convention of this summer, which is described.

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that is right. For parties do rule us, and if American citizens will 'stick to party,' then it is important for all of us to know what each decides within himself to represent, all of us or a few of us, the common interests which ask for nothing but law, order and fair play, and pay for these in taxes that sustain the state; or those special interests which seek special favors and pay for them in bribes which corrupt the state."

More important even than this conclusion, Mr. Steffens points out that "Municipal reform, all by itself, is impossible. City government and state government are of one sovereignty, and, as for corruption, the city and the state are in one system and the city man and the 'up-state man' have to work together to get what each needs."

This is the lesson that both Missouri and Illinois have had to learn, and its learning bespeaks better conditions for both city and state.

National Nominations.

The complete list of presidential and vice-presidential nominations is as follows:

Republican.

For president—Theodore Roosevelt, of New York.

For vice-president—Charles W. Fairbank, of Indiana.

Democratic.

For president—Alton B. Parker, of New York.

For vice-president—Henry G. Davis, of West Virginia.

Prohibition.

For president—Silas C. Swallow, of Pennsylvania.

For vice-president—George W. Carroll, of Texas.

Populist.

For president—Thomas B. Watson, of Georgia.

For vice-president—Thomas H. Tribbles, of Nebraska.

Socialist Labor.

For president—Charles H. Corrigan, of New York.

For vice-president—William W. Cox, of Illinois.

Socialist.

For president—Eugene V. Debs, of Ohio.

For vice-president—Benjamin Hanford, of New York.

After Vatican Exhibit.

The Vatican exhibit, sent from Rome by the Papal states to the St. Louis exposition, will probably be exhibited at the 1905 fair next year. A communication received by Dan McAllen from H. E. Dosch, director of exhibits for the 1905 fair, now in St. Louis states that there is a disposition to do so, but that certain formalities have to be gone through with before the exhibit can be obtained. A request on the part of Archbishop Christie, of the diocese of Oregon, that the exhibit be resumed here is necessary. This has already been provided for by the archbishop, who has commissioned Dr. MacNally, now studying in Rome, to wait on Cardinal Merry del Val, papal secretary of state, and formally make the request in the name of the archbishop and the Lewis and Clark board.

Dr. MacNally has been in Rome for a considerable time, but no word has been received from him on the subject. Meanwhile the commission in charge of the exhibit have apparently not been informed of Dr. MacNally's mission, for as yet they have received no instructions regarding the removal to Portland.

The Vatican exhibit is very valuable and contains things of interest to every one, especially from a historical point of view. Archbishop Christie is confident it will be brought here, but he does not wish to interfere with his commissioner, from whom he expects to hear shortly.—Oregonian.

The Floto Show.

The Floto show was attended by a large number last evening, and the performance was all that could be desired. While the show is small, it is clean and wholesome, and not possessed of the disagreeable features usually found in a circus. The acrobatic work is of a high order, while the animals are well trained and interesting. The woman lion tamer is reckless in handling the wild beasts, but has perfect control of the ferocious creatures.

Oregon News.

Oregon City is preparing to organize a militia company.

The famous cable car line to Portland heights was discontinued Monday after 14 years of service. During that period but one runaway occurred and no serious casualties resulted. The line is superseded by an electric road via Washington and 23rd streets.

A Gold Medal.

Will be given away at the shooting gallery for the best shot. Opposite the White House restaurant, 7-28-04

Stenographers are said to make very amiable and obedient wives. They are accustomed to dictation.

HERE AND THERE

The most expensive lace manufactured today is valued at \$5000 a yard. Experiments prove that the presence of intestinal bacteria is necessary to digestion.

The swiftest sailing ship in the world is the American full-rigged steel ship Erskine M. Phelps.

Whenever a plant is wounded a positive electric current is established between the wounded part and the intact parts.

Reptiles seek the light, but independently of heat. In winter they often leave comfortable and warm retreats to seek the sunlight.

If Mt. Everest, 29,002 feet, were set down in the Nero deep, 31,614 feet, there would be nearly one-half mile of water above its summit.

Flowers have been advocated as a cure for consumption by Dr. Frances Bartlett in a paper which she read before the Botanical society of Pennsylvania.

According to the census of 1901 the males in Canada numbered 2,751,798, whereas the females could muster only 2,619,607. Hence the male majority was 132,191.

German medical journals are recommending as a remedy for appendicitis walking on all four twenty minutes four times a day. The exercise strengthens the abdominal muscles.

There is a legend that the first lace was made by a girl who preserved a beautiful bit of seaweed by catching all the dainty parts of leaves and stems in a piece of linen with fine thread.

Snakes seem to have a poor sense of sight. The boa, for example, does not see at more than a quarter or a third of its own length; different species are limited to one-fifth or one-eighth of their length.

Cavalry of the west coast of Madagascar ride oxen.

Nearly thirty million dollars was paid by the Russian people last year for the support of the Greek church.

When you speak into the long-distance telephone the man with whom you talk, be he 100 or 1000 miles away, hears the sound of your voice before your stenographer who sits across the room can hear it.

The completion of ships now under construction will make our navy twice as strong as it is now and three times as powerful as it was at the beginning of the Spanish-American war. It will rank as the third navy in theoretical tonnage and the second in actual fighting power.

Sometimes buried landscapes exist in countries now densely inhabited. Recent investigation has shown that one lies beneath the region in England known as Charnwood forest. The rocky projections seen there are the peaks and arêtes of a buried mountain chain belonging to the old red sandstone period.

A dog eleven years old, fat, intelligent and affectionate, was seized for

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Daniel J. Fry, Special Agent.

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Dandruff What is it? The beginning of gray hair, falling hair, baldness. Extremely untidy, and annoying. Ayer's Hair Vigor. It keeps the scalp healthy, stops falling of the hair.

the first time with convulsions, without loss of consciousness, when sharply reprimanded by his master. After this the animal was taken with a similar attack whenever his master entered the house, the convulsion taking place of his customary manifestations of joy.

Prohibitionists of Denver are planning a unique crusade. They are going to placard the city with billboards to be placed in as conspicuous positions as possible. When possible these billboards will be placed by the side of liquor advertisements. The signs are to be printed by the regular poster advertising company and space will be secured for them at the same rates allowed other advertisers.

Men who have worked a lifetime in fashioning cast iron under the lathe are greatly surprised on learning that the same material, when employed in the heating pipes of a blast furnace stove, grows from six inches to a foot in length from constant use. And the furnace man is equally unprepared to hear that the core bars used for casting pipes lose as much as three inches in casting twenty or thirty pieces.

The storing of coal at Gibraltar is accomplished by means of a curious plant, which has just been completed for the pumping station at Landport by a firm of Leeds contractors. In this huge rock fortress the coal store, boiler house and the engine room adjoining are worked under compressed air and are necessarily airtight. The store to which the coal has to be converted is hewn out of the solid rock and is absolutely bombproof.

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