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REPUBLICAN CITY TICKET.

For Mayor, F. W. Waters. For Recorder, W. A. Moores. For Marshal, Thos. E. Cornelius. For Treasurer, Frank Meredith.

Aldermen.

First Ward—H. A. Johnson. Second Ward—Clair A. Baker. Third Ward—Paul Wallace. Fourth Ward—J. C. Goodale, Jr. Fifth Ward—C. A. H. Fisher. Sixth Ward—John Knight. Seventh Ward—Lee Acheson. Election December 5th.

THE CASTLE IN SPAIN.

By Edwin L. Sabia in Youth's Companion.

In the midst of the gloaming, While soft dripped the rain, His thoughts fell to building That castle in Spain; And bright shone the vision With mystic glow— When sounded a whisper: "Wake! Enter and know!"

Ah, the court and the turrets He looked on with joy Was only the farmhouse He loved when a boy; And the princess who dwelt there, For aye as his bride Was she who a decade Had leaned at his side!

And the wine that he ordered His cup-server bring Was a draft from the faithful Old pasture-lot spring; And wealth of the Indus That decked his abode Was two darling faces A trundle-bed showed!

While the music that quivered And thrilled through the keep Was a mother-voice singing These children to sleep. Thus there in the gloaming, As soft dripped the rain, He found he had entered His castle in Spain.

YOUNG MEN'S RESORTS.

As there is a Y. M. C. A. convention in session, and as the church pastors of this city seem honestly interested in the reformation of young men, we wish to call attention to a condition, not a theory.

A few weeks ago an alarm of fire rang out at 8 o'clock Sunday evening. The churches were all holding service. Every saloon was closed.

The fire alarm brought everybody to the streets, and hundreds of men, mostly young men, poured out of the cigar stores, news stands, and confectionary establishments.

In most of these places, especially the first named, many kinds of games are allowed—in some of them gambling is carried on openly—at least, that is common report.

These hundreds of young men were at these resorts because they love to congregate, and love to play games, and watch others play.

For reasons best known to themselves, they were not at home, nor at church. The home may be unpleasant and the church unattractive.

Let it be known that playing games, even gambling, social intercourse, are elementary traits of the human race, savage or civilized.

This writer does not believe in condemning these young men for congregating in these resorts and amusing themselves with cards and tobacco.

We would prefer to see any young man reading a good book, and cutting out tobacco in every form, but we know they might be doing worse.

We would say to any young man: Cut out tobacco and liquor. You are only punishing yourself when you punish either of these articles.

We would say to the ministers: You might furnish a better resort, but unless you furnished men with the tastes to want them they would not be appreciated.

Has the church any business furnishing resorts? We say it has not, and its work is the spiritual reformation of men. When they grasp the truth and reality of being in the spiritual sense they are saved.

If the ministry would do something practical, let members of that profession descend from their high horse and become men among men, and help establish an athletic club.

If this city had a first-class athletic club that allowed athletic sports, not carrying boxing, games for pleasure, and even including cards, permitting smoking, furnishing good books and reading, having comfortable quarters, and demanding only that young men

conduct themselves as gentlemen, it would be a step in progress.

Young men's resorts and young men's social pastimes and habits can never be abolished. The instinct of sociability is planted in human nature by divine wisdom, and we err when we condemn it, and ruthlessly seek to wipe it out of existence.

THE PORTLAND POLITICAL SEWER.

Political factions at Portland are stirred up over alleged discoveries of rotten sewer construction.

The Simon faction are trying to make capital against the Mitchell faction out of a defective piece of sewer work.

The matter is being exaggerated on both sides, and to hear some of the outs talk, there is a wholesome era of corruption.

It must be plain to all citizens that to resort to reform cries only to do up some other element in politics is not reform.

In party politics reform comes about only when honest men are put in control of political organizations.

They must be firm enough and honest enough to stand off both the boodler in politics and the boodler in citizenship.

For let it be said there is quite as much desire on the part of the citizen to corrupt politicians as there is on the part of the politician to corrupt the government.

A SOLVENT COMMUNITY.

Let all who will be deceived thereby follow the trail of the politician who howls about gamblers and saloons.

The fact remains that this community has less of those evils, and less general immorality than any city on the Pacific coast.

In another important fact this city is head and shoulders above any other city on the coast. It is on a cash basis, and has low taxes.

This city, this school district and this county are on a cash basis, and have been reducing taxes and reducing old outstanding debts.

While the city of Portland is heavily in debt, has more than forty mills taxes, and is running deficits, here the opposite prevails.

Let it be understood, the solvent citizen and the solvent community, that pays as it goes, is respectable and certain to prosper.

The city that has all its warrants stamped "not paid for want of funds," that has the same state of affairs in its school and county government, is paying from ten to twenty-five per cent premium for all its services and expenditures. Salem is a solvent community.

THE END OF ABSOLUTISM.

Russia has attracted the attention of the world during the week, not on account of the Japanese war, but through the meeting of the Zemstovos and their demand for a national parliament.

The demand made for a constitutional government practically means the beginning of the end of Russian absolutism. It is the demand of the common people for a voice in the affairs of the nation, a right that has been denied them in the face of advanced civilization.

The Russian despots cannot refuse to hear the cry of the bone and sinew of the empire in time of peace and war. On these people depends the future of the czar's power, even to the preservation of his territory.

Dark and stormy days are ahead of the great diplomats of the Russias, and they will need the help of the masses to solve the many problems presented them. If they turn a deaf ear to the appeals of the petitioners they cannot expect assistance from them in times of trouble. The Russian leaders know these facts, and they will grant concessions. How far they will reach depends upon the shrewdness and foresight of the czar's counselors.

X-RAYS

Steel cars are entirely displacing wooden railroad equipment.

The Russians would doubtless like to get a crackie at Kurokie.

Towed into port a total wreck, shipwrecked on life's storm—the dead drunk tramp taken to the calaboose.

Truth, beauty and goodness need no ornament to set them off.

Salem is to have the great educational play—"Everyman."

The theatre is just about as moral and refining as football.

The Portland papers are beginning again to try Binger Hermann for land frauds. Do they want to insure his election to the United States senate?

Dr. Thomas Gagnier, of Baker City, committed suicide by taking morphine. He had probably administered morphine

to so many people he thought it was time to take a dose himself.

What would become of local option if the question were resubmitted in Oregon?

If whiskey is as bad stuff as they say it is, what sense is there in the government spending a great lot of money to prevent its adulteration? Can it be adulterated by adding something less bad?

The Russian navy has a new motto: "Shoot the fisherman before he shoots you."

Solomon was a wise man, but was mistaken when he said "All is Vanity." If this were true, our football players would refuse to have their pictures taken in their uniforms.

General Kuroki is not dead. It was only the explosion of a Russian rumor.

A man has been dismissed from the postoffice for impertinence. They don't dismiss them for graft, unless the public gets onto it first.

It seems that the effort to put Reed Smoot out of the senate will be futile, as any man who has from 12 to 87 children has a warm friend in the White House.

Kentucky refuses to get worried over the election. She has a big crop of "corn," and knows how to use it for liquids.

With a team that can put men on the stretchers the way the Salem football

team does, this city will gain a great reputation as a college town.

Judge Parker will not lose anything by having been a candidate. He is to have a \$50,000 retainer from a great corporation to start off with in his New York law office.

Politics is the greatest advertisement a man can get.

The Journal will publish a fifteenth anniversary New Year's number—a crystal wedding number.

The Oregon city fish ladder has not resulted in any canneries on the Willamette yet.

Delayed Personal. Messrs. Tom and Jerry were in the city on Thursday. (The above item was unpardonably overlooked by the reporters.)

A Short Story. Little boy—

Fowling piece— Sneaks school— Shoot geese—

Takes aim— Gun blew— Undertaker— City View—

The young man scans his scanty purse, And saves his dough from day to day.

He'd gladly welcome beer and hearse, With Christmas just four weeks away.

TIPPLERS MUST PAY HIGHER PREMIUM

New York, Nov. 26.—Total abstinence in the matter of spirituous liquors are, in the near future, to be given special low rates by the leading life insurance companies. As is well known, the insurance companies never issue policies to immoderate drinkers where the circumstances are known, but for many years numerous authorities have claimed that the average span of life was longer among persons who were not total abstainers, and the underwriters have never taken a decided stand in the matter.

Now, however, it is stated that a number of actuaries and medical directors have been working on statistics running over a period of several years, and from the records of a large number of life insurance companies, several authorities have come to the conclusion that the total abstainers as a class live longer by from 20 to 50 per cent than the moderate drinkers as a class.

There are a number of details to work out before the policies in contemplation are actually offered to the public. One of these is the danger that a man who is a total abstainer when he takes out the policy may become a moderate, or perhaps immoderate drinker in the future, which would upset the figures of the company if this should happen to many of the holders of such policies. It is believed, however, that this problem can be solved in several ways. One of these is that the application for the policy should contain a warranty that the applicant would never thereafter become a drinker of alcoholic liquor, the effect would be that if he violated the warranty the policy would be void.

The companies also have discussed a plan of including a provision that if the man should become a drinker the amount payable under the policy should be such a sum as the amount of premiums paid would have purchased if the man had not been a total abstainer.

Boston, Nov. 26.—Treasured by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Crosby, of Arlington, as one of the most valuable relics in this state is an old wooden stirrup cup which was used by Robert Burns.

The cup was a legacy to Mrs. Crosby from her father, William Gibson Smith, of Boston. It is a goblet-shaped affair of dark colored wood, about five and one-half inches high and three inches across the bowl and base. The bowl has been broken in several places, but is mended, and, to better preserve it, Mrs. Crosby has had it lined with silver.

While it was in her father's possession a silver band was put around the stem at the base of the bowl, a silver plate bearing the inscription, "Robert Burns' Stirrup Cup," was fastened on the base and the exterior was varnished. The stem, a piece of wood about two inches long, is formed from part of an old dining table used by Robert the Bruce, the remainder of the table still being preserved at Broderick Castle, Isle of Arran.

During the later years of the poet's life the cup was used by his "Bonnie Jean" as a sugar bowl, and at the sale of Mrs. Burns' effects at Dumfries, after her death, it was bought by Thomas Cruikshanks, of Beverly Farms.

A festival attended by about 150 members of the Caledonian and Boston Scottish Clubs was held at the Revere House January 25, 1859, to celebrate the centenary of the birth of Burns. One of the committees in charge of the festival was Mr. Smith, Mrs. Crosby's father. At the banquet one toast was, "The Memory of the Poet of Ayrshire, of Scotland, of Nature and of Humanity." To this the presiding officer drank from the old stir-

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SCENES IN THE LIFE OF A LETTER CARRIER

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