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REFORM IN STATE PRINTING.

One of the greatest reforms promised the people at the hands of the next general assembly is putting the State Printing office on a sane business basis.

The amendment adopted to the constitution directing the legislature to put the State Printer on a flat salary, is aimed at A DEFINITE REFORM OF THAT OFFICE.

The old obstacle to putting the State Printer on a flat salary has been done away with, and there will be no further excuse for the delay of this reform.

There is not the shadow of an excuse to continue the graft by which men have confessed that they have made \$25,000 a year, and laid up immense fortunes by an outrageous process of cumulative plunder.

After all the talk and after the action of the people at the last election, the Republican party of this state cannot longer escape the responsibility OF CUTTING THIS GRAFT TO THE QUICK.

What should be done? Numerous bills are proposed but what is right? State Printer Baker is said to have offered his present plant to the state as a gift.

State Printer Duniway is said to have an order in for a complete new plant, and proposes to throw out the present fairly well-equipped printing office and put in one of his own purchase.

State Printer Duniway evidently relies on his ability TO KEEP THE LAW AS-IT IS or he would not propose to put in an expensive new plant. He must expect to make profit and make the state pay for his plant.

Now what is the right of this matter, from the standpoint of the state, or the people, or the taxpayers as these terms are all one? Where do the people get off at? What should the legislature do?

The Printers' Union has adopted resolutions favoring the state owning a plant. The state already has printing plants at several state institutions, AND MANY STATES HAVE PRINTING OFFICES.

The state can pay union wages as well as other printing offices, can

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have a superintendent of printing on a fair salary, and get all its work done at cost, except when there is great legislative rush of work.

Then the State Printer has always gone out and had help from other printing offices. The state should own a printing plant about the size of the present one and it could save about one-half the present expense.

A concrete base for presses should be put in the printing office, the shafting taken down from the ceilings overhead, and individual motors attached to the presses, so that the state house will not be hurt by oscillation.

The printer should be put on a salary of two to three thousand dollars per annum. THAT WILL ALWAYS SECURE THE SERVICES OF A COMPETENT MAN for the management of the state printing office.

That much for the business from the standpoint of the state. Now if the state wants to make the office self-sustaining let it print the supreme court reports as fast as the decisions are rendered and as fast as the West Pub. Co., of St. Paul, or Bancroft, Whitney & Co., print them, AND MAKE A CLEAR PROFIT OF \$50,000 TO \$100,000 PER ANNUM.

There is a graft in that publication somewhere, compared to which all the money made by state printers "dwindles into insignificance" as the debaters in the country school houses say.

The state printing graft can be reduced to save the state \$25,000 a year, and the supreme court report graft can be made to make the state printing office absolutely self-sustaining.

To allow Mr. Duniway to install a new printing outfit in the state house and then allow him to continue on the old plan, or on any new scale of fees, such as the legislature might adopt, would be to continue the ancient graft THAT THE PEOPLE HAVE DECIDED TO ABOLISH.

This is a plain business talk about the matter, and is not intended to attack any past or present official. But the people have been promised this reform long enough and it is time something were doing.

HERE'S TO YOU, COLONEL.

The editor of this paper confesses to the utmost good will towards Editor Frank Davey, of the Statesman. He is in a position to be of great usefulness to this city and to the people of Oregon. In fact he is almost indispensable to the progress and welfare of the state in his double capacity of legislator and director and managing editor of a daily newspaper.

The man who occupies so high and so responsible a position does not escape responsibility, and when he allows the Editorials by the People to attack the editor of this paper or his friends, what are we to do? According to Scripture, WE SHOULD TURN THE OTHER CHEEK, but he does not permit that Christian grace to be exercised, because he gets all over the ground and there is nothing to offer him, but to seek to correct misrepresentation.

His latest Editorial by the People, a freak of irresponsibility which this managing editor allows himself, asserts that W. A. MOORES HAS SUBSIDIZED THIS PAPER to support him for city recorder, and that he is being boosted for a consideration. This is absolutely false, and the high

standing of Mr. Moores in this community ought to protect him against any such insinuation.

Every effort has been made to distort the position of Mr. Moores on every occasion, AND TO MISREPRESENT HIM TO THE PEOPLE, and yet Mr. Moores has always treated Mr. Davey with the utmost courtesy and kindness and supported him as a candidate for the legislature. It can only be assumed that the political combine which Mr. Davey represents, that tried to make a slate in the city primaries, and that will seek to slate the whole city council, has determined that part of the Republican city ticket that does not suit their purposes and must be defeated.

Now is that good Republicanism? IS IT GOOD PARTY TACTICS to seek to defeat a man for a second term because he does not suit you personally, but against whom not the slightest charge of not having made a good record in office can be brought? Mr. Trill is a good man. He was a former employee of the Statesman and Homestead, and if he were the Republican nominee this paper would support him; just as it supported Mr. Davey on the Republican ticket. The Editorials by the People are laying the foundation not for the defeat of Mr. Moores but for factionalism and the defeat and demoralization of the city government at a very critical time.

No Bro. Davey, The Capital Journal is not subsidized by Mr. Moores, nor by any other living person in the world. It is absolutely indifferent as to who holds the offices of the city government, from the Mayor to the man who cleans the crosswalks and gutters. The insult to common horse sense of attacking a man because he is a personal friend of the editor of this paper is not new. Dr. Epley was placarded as a Hofer candidate. Hamlin Smith was advertised as a Hofer candidate. So were Doc Gibson, Col. Stockton and other gentlemen. If Mr. Trill cannot be elected City Recorder without resort to that means, then that means must be employed. We believe he has more merit than that.

So here's to you Col. Davey. Long may you wave, and we will battle together for the upbuilding of Salem and Oregon. But if you have any war to make on W. A. Moores or any other man do not make it over our shoulders. Tell the public straight out why you cannot support a man. The good will we entertain for you forbids us to allow our columns to be used to cast any stones in the path you have laid out for yourself in your ambition to be Speaker of the House of Representatives and possibly U. S. Senator. We wish you well, and will rejoice with you if you succeed.

ONLY A FEW

If any fair minded people fail to realize what a potent factor is the press in influencing public opinion—it is the mirror that reflects the passing show. What you are doing today may not interest John Doe, but it may strike Richard Roe just right. Next week it may be the other way around; therefore it behooves every merchant to keep hustling EVERY DAY. There is always so much trade to be gained and the race is invariably to the swift. In conjunction with good copy The Journal keeps its advertisers in the forward van of progress. Climb in, neighbor, climb in.

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CURRENT TOPICS
DEPARTMENTEditor Will Write Letters From Across
the Continent

The editor of The Capital Journal is going to cross the continent in company with the governor of Oregon and a number of gentlemen who will attend the National Rivers and Harbors Congress at Washington, D. C. He will write a series of letters describing the trip for the "Current Topics" department, for the teachers to read to the children in school, and for parents and children to read at home. These letters will be from an educational standpoint, and to interest old and young readers.

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All whose subscriptions expire today will receive no more papers un-

less renewals are received. Those who receive this paper and do not renew are requested to send us a report on the value of current topics in their school work. If this department has interested your children, say so in a few words, and give us a suggestion how to improve the work. The public school is the noblest creation of the state, and the children are entitled to our best effort.

United States Senator Tillman lectured in Chicago in favor of the annexation of Cuba.

Electric street car switches are being installed at Seattle. The track

bar is moved by means of an electric current.

An American professor has been elected as a member of the Russian parliament.

The price of potatoes is advancing in Oregon, but the scarcity of makes it almost impossible to any.

The railroads of the United States earned \$3560 per mile this year. The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad is to be built through Seattle next year.

The locks at Oregon City are made free. The toll at present cents a ton on freight and 25 cents each on passengers.

The governor of Oregon favors railroad commission with power to regulate freight rates.

Eight items of current topics studied and digested and made into practical to the children of school are worth more than columns of reading stories merely for amusement.

COMPANIES ORGANIZED

Articles of Incorporation Granted Enterprises Backed by Oregon Capital.

Articles of incorporation filed this morning in the office of secretary of state as follows:

Fir and Spruce Lumber Company, incorporators, E. C. Giltner, R. B. Sinnott, George McBride; capital stock, \$60,000.

Corvallis Ice and Butter Company, incorporators, B. D. Arnold, J. Creson, Guy A. Seely; capital stock, \$10,000.

Johns Irrigation Ditch Company of Douglas county; incorporators, B. Johns, R. S. Johns, T. C. Johnson; capital stock, \$50,000.

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TRYING LAST CASE.

Warren Eastman Is Being Tried
Riot at St. Paul Last September

The trial of Warren Eastman, indicted for riot at St. Paul, in Douglas county September 11th, was this morning in the circuit court. It will probably be concluded today. This will dispose of all the people connected with the hop field tragedy.

The jury in the case of James Seeley, tried for riot rendered a verdict of guilty after being out for a day and a half hours.

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