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LOVE AND LIFE.

(Atlantionstitulon.)

The other side of Jordan may be bright as bright can be,
But I an't a-faultin' this old world—its bright enough for me;
You've got to be a swimmer when you strike the Jasper sea,
Yonder—on the other side o' Jordan!

I make no doubt the country is a country out o' sight,
With all them fields o' livin' green an' rivers o' delight;
But I jest aint in no hurry for to rise an' take my flight
Yonder—on the other side o' Jordan!

No matter what's the trouble—no matter where I roam—
This world to me is sweeter than the sweetest honeycomb,
An' I never shall resign it till they holler: "Come on home!"
Yonder—on the other side o' Jordan!

CALIFORNIA'S SUCCESS.

One thing especially admirable about California is the persistency with which the people advertise the state's resources and keep its activities before the general public.

They send their advertising to the east and south but do not hesitate to fire their literature into Oregon and other northwestern states with the modest request that the editors of papers **GIVE THEIR STORIES THE WIDEST PUBLICITY.**

For instance, we are in weekly receipt of a nicely written article descriptive of California's resources and breathing of its progress.

This letter is sent out by the California Promotion Co., and we are expected to publish the same,probably some Oregon papers do, but we have so far failed to find a check accompanying **THIS LITERATURE WHICH IS ADVERTISING PURE AND SIMPLE.**

We are willing to give old Oregon all the free advertising possible, but if California, or any other state wants advertising that is calculated to draw population from this state, or send the new arrivals on south, they will have to pay full rates for the same.

HOWEVER, WE ADMIRE CALIFORNIA FOR ITS NERVE AND ENTERPRISE.

It has the methods that build up the state, the methods that win and their plan is worthy of emulation by Oregon.

Californians work every minute, firstly for California, second for themselves.

Here in Oregon the order is reversed, self first, Oregon afterward.

So long as we keep the cart before the horse our progress will not be as swift as it should be and accounts for California and Washington **LEADING US IN THE RACE FOR POPULATION AND CAPITAL.**

Let Oregon people do hustling along more modern lines and the result will be not only surprising but most gratifying.

Time to wake up in earnest and keep awake.—Eugene Register.

A DEPLORABLE CONDITION.

(San Francisco Chronicle.)

The prompt discovery of Ruef the moment anybody really tried to find him is conclusive evidence of the virtual conspiracy of the city officials to defy the courts and defeat the ends of justice.

It may as well be understood that, with the exception of a majority of the judges, San Francisco is governed by its criminal elements.

It is pretended in behalf of Ruef and Schmitz that the attempt to bring them to justice is "merely" a device of their "political enemies."

THAT THERE IS A DESIRE AMONG DECENT CITIZENS TO RESCUE THE CITY GOVERNMENT FROM THE CLUTCHES OF THOSE WHO NOW CONTROL IT IS TRUE, but it can hardly be called "mere politics" to get thieves out of office.

The tactics of the boodlers are to evade trial until the public has forgotten the evidence so far as it has been disclosed and to call the continued efforts of the prosecution to bring them before a jury "political persecution."

Their touters harp upon this at every opportunity, and human memory is so short, and human intellect so feeble, that the grafters have good reason to think that a great many honest people may be brought to sympathize with them as victims of "relentless persecution."

For this reason it is necessary from time to time to restate the facts in regard to which there can be no dispute.

There is no doubt that Ruef took large sums of money from the French restaurants, for he has confessed it.

He claims that it was a "fee" for "legal services."

But the French restaurants did not need or desire legal services, and as a matter of fact did not get any from Ruef.

WHAT THEY WANTED WAS LIQUOR LICENSES; THAT IS WHAT THEY PAID FOR AND THAT WAS WHAT THEY GOT.

Although Ruef was not personally in office, we assume that it will not be disputed that he had power to give or withhold the licenses.

There was no "legal" dispute.

The police commission controlled by Ruef could grant the license or refuse to grant.

If granted, the transaction could not involve a dollar of legitimate expense other than the regular tax paid into the city treasury.

That being the situation, the acceptance of money for the license by one having the power to grant or refuse it was nothing more or less than blackmail.

The man who would accept money in such a case, even if freely tendered to him, is a skunk to be hunted not only out of control of the city government but out of decent society.

The question then rises whether the acceptance of the money by Ruef constituted what the law calls a "crime."

THE MORAL VILLIANY BEING EVIDENT, IT WAS DESIRABLE TO SETTLE THE LEGAL ASPECT.

Before taking the money, Ruef or his agents caused the proprietors of the French restaurants to believe that they would get no license until they had paid money to Ruef, his acceptance of the money constituted the legal crime of "extor-tion."

Some of these men have sworn that they were made so to believe, and upon their testimony Ruef has been indicted.

The determined effort to bring him to trial on this indictment is what Ruef calls "political persecution."

In regard to Schmitz, what we suppose will be proved in this particular case is this:

The police commissioners were puppets; they granted or held up licenses as directed by Schmitz; the applications of the French restaurants were among those held up; efforts of the applicants produced no result; in the end on a certain date the money was paid to Ruef.

Immediately thereafter the licenses were granted by express direction of Schmitz.

If the rules of evidence permit, it will also be proved that Schmitz has rapidly grown wealthy, with no known means of accumulation except his salary, **WHICH IS LESS THAN THE OBVIOUS COST OF HIS LIVING.**

What other proof there is to connect Schmitz with Ruef in the transaction is not known.

If the foregoing is proved—as we are informed it will be— it will be enough to satisfy the public.

And to force that issue to a public trial is not a "political" fight. It is a fight to keep thieves out of office if they are proved to be thieves.

DANIEL BOONE OF OLD OREGON.

Was Mr. Jesse Applegate Prince of Pioneers.

Eugene Register: Students of the university and a large number of people from down town who attended assembly yesterday in Villard hall listened to a highly interesting and instructive lecture by Dr. Joseph Schafer on the subject "Jesse Applegate, Prince of Pioneers."

Dr. Schafer spoke of Jesse Applegate as the Daniel Boone of Oregon. In his comparison of the two great pioneers, however, he found much more in Oregon's son to recommend him as a finely rounded man of the people than in the famous Kentuckian. Like Boone, Applegate was a man of powerful physique and expert woodsman, with seemingly an instinctive knowledge of the redman, able to undergo any hardship, in a word, a man perfectly qualfied as a leader in settling and carving out a new state. Like Boone also, he was a surveyor, and assisted materially in determining the resources of the country. Here, however, the comparison stops. Besides the hardy, clear headed woodsman, surveyor, and Indian diplomat, Applegate figured also as the wise paternal guardian of an infant state. Although the highest office he ever held at the hands of the people was that of representative to the legislature of the provisional government, established at Oregon City in 1845, and later as delegate to the constitutional convention, for a period of 45 years through hundreds of letter addressed to the leading and influential men of the country, through party platform, public utterances and private conversations, Jesse Applegate toiled as a private citizen for the presevration of law and order in the country and for the preservation of the country itself to the stars and stripes That he was influential, that he was a guiding spirit of the time, there is abundant proof. In the mind of Dr. Schafer, who is spending much time in historical research, Jesse Applegate did more toward the peaceful settlement of difficulties with Great Britain, concerning the Oregon country, toward securing the attention of the national government at Washington, resulting in the establishment of the territorial government, and exerted a broader and deeper influence upon the minds of the people of the far west in general in their ideas of government, and true citizenship than any other one man. He was the statesman pioneer.

Jesse Applegate came from hardy English stock. Both his father and grandfather fought in the Revolutionary war. At the close of the war his father Daniel Applegate moved to Kentucky, where Jesse was born. Born in the midst of hardship and privation in wild country, it is natural that his school education was sadly limited. A tradition of the family says, however, that Jesse was a village school master at the age of 13.

Young Applegate afterward went to St. Louis and engaged himself in the law office of Edward Bates, a sturdy, conservative Virginian, representative of the old school, but withal a man of high integrity and much worth and ability. Here Applegate gained a fairly comprehensive knowledge of law, studied literature to some extent, which afterward bore fruit in his fine letters and government documents, and besides picked up surveying. In 1831 he married and for several years farmed on quite an extensive scale.

On the question of slavery Applegate's mind was firmly settled. So when the scourage struck Missouri, he determined to seek his fortunes in virgin country west of the Rockies. In 1843 he made the long and dangerous journey and settled on Salt Creek in northern Oregon. His knowledge of surveying now served him well. But he was at once recognized as a leader and soon took his place among the builders of the west. He died in 1888.

ADVERTISE OREGON.

Students of Umatilla Write Letters to Eastern Home Seekers Telling of Oregon.

About 800 personal letters will be written by the students of Pendleton public schools to intending homeseekers in the east, on Friday, March 15, the day named by County Superintendent Frank F. Welles as "Letter-writing day" in Umatilla county schools.

Many of the students will write to friends and relatives, but a large number will also write to people whose names have been furnished to the various Commercial associations in the state by the Portland Commercial club.

In this way it is hoped to reach people who have actually inquired for the information concerning Oregon, and it is believed that many of them will become settlers in the state through the valuable information furnished by the schools.

CANNOT COLLECT POLLTAX.

Attorney General Passes on Validity of Procedure.

Attorney General Crawford filed his opinion in the validity of the poll tax collection today with District Attorney John H. McNary upon a request from the latter. House bill 325, which passed the last legislature, repealed sections 3041 and 3142 of Bellinger & Cotton's code, which abolishes the $1 poll tax law of 1854 and amended in 1870 to exempt firemen from the polltax roll. The act of 1885 and subsequent amendatory acts providing for the state revenues cover the entire ground of the section enacted in 1854, providing that state revenues shall be 5 mills on the dollar of all taxable property and in addition to the $1 poll tax.

The attorney general holds that after the repealing act goes into effect on Mary 25, the poll tax cannot be legally collected; that the assessment would not have the validity of a judgment until it is entered on the roll. As the roll would not be made up before the act takes effect, the assessor would have no further authority to collect the tax or make up the roll, and that there is no authority in future for sheriffs to collect the tax.

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